



## Exchange Information 2018-2019

<b>Overview</b>	
Name of University	Montana State University (MSU)
Location	Bozeman, Montana, USA
University Enrollment	16,703 undergraduate and graduate (Fall 2017)
Academic Terms	Fall (August – December) and Spring (January – May)
Website	<a href="http://www.montana.edu/international/studyabroad/exchange">http://www.montana.edu/international/studyabroad/exchange</a>

<b>Academic Information</b>			
Programs of Study	<a href="http://www.montana.edu/academics/majors/">http://www.montana.edu/academics/majors/</a>		
Restrictions	Architecture, graphic design, and fine arts classes are extremely limited to non-degree students. These students must be majors in these subjects at their home universities and be able to present a portfolio of completed work. In most cases, students may not register for classes in these departments before arrival. Media, Theatre, Film and Photo courses are usually not open to exchange students.		
Fall 2018 Calendar	Classes begin August 27	Classes end December 7	Final examinations: December 10-14
Spring 2019 Calendar	Classes begin January 9	Classes end April 26	Final examinations: April 29-May 2
Academic Calendar	The complete academic calendar can be found at: <a href="http://calendar.msu.montana.edu/academic-term-calendar">http://calendar.msu.montana.edu/academic-term-calendar</a>		
Credit Load	Students are required to take a minimum of 12 credits per semester. One credit at MSU is equal to 1 hour of instruction per week. A typical course load is between 12 and 15 credits per semester.		

<b>Application Information</b>	
How to apply	Coordinators from the home institution, <b>please send a nomination email to <a href="mailto:incoming@montana.edu">incoming@montana.edu</a> with the student's full name, email address, major, and term that they are requesting exchange.</b> Once that is received, an email will be sent to the student with detailed application instructions and a link to our online application.
Eligibility Requirements	Minimum 3.0 GPA TOEFL or other approved language test (if English is not first language) See the English proficiency requirements here: <a href="http://www.montana.edu/international/admissions/englishproficiency.html">http://www.montana.edu/international/admissions/englishproficiency.html</a>
Application Deadlines	Fall: April 1   Spring: October 1
Arrival/Orientation	Student will be notified of international student orientation dates when they receive their acceptance packets. Airport pickup can be arranged for students flying into Bozeman. <b>Please note that attendance is mandatory for the international student orientations.</b>

<b>Accommodation Information – On campus accommodations are available</b>	
Accommodations	Students are required to find their own accommodations. Information for on-campus housing can be found at <a href="http://www.montana.edu/reslife/">http://www.montana.edu/reslife/</a>

<b>Immigration</b>	
Visa	All international students will be required to obtain a J-1 visa through the U.S. government. Please refer to this page for further information: <a href="https://j1visa.state.gov/participants/">https://j1visa.state.gov/participants/</a> Our office will supply a DS-2019 before the student applies for the J-1 visa.

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