



# INTERNATIONAL EXCHANGE 2023-24



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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## APPLICATION PROCESS

- Step 1:** Nomination by home university (via email).
- Step 2:** Complete the International Exchange Application form and Confirmation of English Language Skills form.
- Step 3:** Obtain original or certified copies of university transcripts.
- Step 4:** Submit forms and transcripts via email to [ntaylor@stfx.ca](mailto:ntaylor@stfx.ca).
- Step 5:** Receive letter of acceptance and student information.
- Step 6:** Submit course selections and apply for residence.

Forms are available on the following site:

[www.mystfx.ca/international-exchange/forms-guides](http://www.mystfx.ca/international-exchange/forms-guides)

## APPLICATION DEADLINES

**September – December  
(Fall Semester)**

**OR Full Year**

Nominations: **May 1**

Applications: **May 15**

**January – April  
(Winter Semester)**

Nominations: **Oct. 1**

Applications: **Oct. 15**

A minimum of 2 months is expected for students to receive approval from StFX and make travel arrangements.

## ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT

Exchange students applying to StFX are required to provide evidence of their English language competency. This can be done by having the home coordinator sign the Confirmation of English Competency Form, or by providing evidence of one of the following English language certifications (with a minimum score of): TOEFL IBT (80), TOEFL Paper (550), IELTS (6.5, with 6.0 in each band), CAEL (60), or CAE - C1 (180, with 170 in each band).

## WEBSITE

[www.stfx.ca/international](http://www.stfx.ca/international)

## CONTACT INFORMATION

### Nate Taylor

Education Abroad Advisor  
[ntaylor@stfx.ca](mailto:ntaylor@stfx.ca)

### Lubna Rahman

International Student Advisor  
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## EMERGENCY CONTACT

### AFTER BUSINESS HOURS

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902-867-4444



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# ACADEMICS

## ACADEMIC CALENDAR

The Academic Calendar contains a list of course descriptions for all courses offered at StFX and outlines regulations that relate to academic affairs on campus. Please note that not all courses in the Academic Calendar are offered each academic year. The Academic Calendar is updated annually in the spring.

For the 2023-2024 Academic Calendar please visit:  
[www.mystfx.ca/registrars-office/academic-calendars](http://www.mystfx.ca/registrars-office/academic-calendars)

## TIMETABLE

The timetable shows the schedule of courses being offered at StFX for the entire academic year. The timetable is updated annually in the spring.

For the 2023-2024 Course Timetable please visit:  
[www.mystfx.ca/registrars-office/Course-Timetable](http://www.mystfx.ca/registrars-office/Course-Timetable)

## COURSE REQUIREMENTS/RESTRICTIONS

Exchange students are required to take a minimum of 9 credits (3 courses) per semester, however a full course load per semester is 15 credits (5 courses). Some courses require prerequisites. This information is indicated in the course descriptions that can be found in the Academic Calendar. Some exceptions are made for exchange students, however this is at the discretion of the professor.

## ANCILLARY FEES

Exchange students are **not** required to pay StFX tuition fees, however they are required to pay several service/ancillary fees. For the 2023-2024 year the fees are: Full Year (Two Semesters) - \$2320.15 One Semester - \$1292.25

For more information about these fees please visit:  
[www.stfx.ca/student-accounts](http://www.stfx.ca/student-accounts)

## Important Dates

### FALL SEMESTER

(September – December)

#### International Orientation:

First week of September

#### Classes:

First week of September to First week of December

#### Exam Period:

Second and third weeks of December

### WINTER SEMESTER

(January – April)

#### International Orientation:

First week of January

#### Classes:

First week of January to first week of April

#### Winter Break:

Third week of February

#### Exam Period:

Second and third weeks of April



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# ACCOMMODATIONS & LIVING COSTS

## ON-CAMPUS HOUSING

StFX offers a variety of on-campus housing for students including single and double rooms in traditional residences, as well as apartment style living. The following rates are for the full 2023-2024 academic year:

Residence Name	Single	Double
<b>Bishops</b>	<b>\$7725</b>	<b>\$6505</b>
<b>MacKinnon and Cameron</b>	<b>\$7410</b>	<b>\$5995</b>
<b>Mount Saint Bernard</b>	<b>\$7725</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>Riley, O'Regan, Governors</b>	<b>\$9205</b>	<b>\$8815</b>
<b>MacIsaac</b>	<b>\$7410</b>	<b>\$6505</b>
<b>Apartments (Somers and Power Halls)</b>	<b>\$8150</b>	<b>n/a</b>

For more details about on-campus rates and fees, please visit:  
[www.mystfx.ca/university-housing/rates-fees](http://www.mystfx.ca/university-housing/rates-fees)

## MEALS

Students who decide to live on-campus must purchase either a meal plan or declining balance plan (DCB). The DCB functions like a debit card when the student purchases food items on campus. For meal plan rates please visit: [www.mystfx.ca/university-housing/rates-fees](http://www.mystfx.ca/university-housing/rates-fees)  
Off-campus students should budget \$80 – \$120 per week.

## OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING

Off-campus housing prices in Antigonish range from \$500-600 a month for shared apartments or houses, to \$600+ per month for a one-bedroom apartment. Incoming students are responsible for making their own arrangements to live off campus.

## ARRIVAL SERVICES

Students must arrange their own transportation to Antigonish. For bus tickets please visit:  
<https://tickets.maritimebus.com/>

## TRANSPORTATION

Most places are within walking distance of campus. Community bus service runs from Monday to Friday between 9:00am – 5:00pm and costs \$2. Local taxi service is between \$5 and \$7 per ride. Bus to Halifax International Airport is \$50 one way.

## HEALTH INSURANCE

All exchange students are required to purchase medical insurance from the StFX Students' Union Health Plan. This coverage is \$610 (CDN) per semester. For health and dental coverage information, please visit:  
[www.mystudentplan.ca/stfxsu/en/mybenefits](http://www.mystudentplan.ca/stfxsu/en/mybenefits)

