

About St. Edward's University

Founded in 1885, St. Edward's is a nationally ranked, Holy Cross university located in Austin, Texas. We educate the hearts and minds of students, so they are prepared to make a difference. Located in the heart of Texas, St. Edward's University welcomes students from all backgrounds and beliefs through our red doors. Get ready to explore new opportunities and clarify your dreams.

Our Mission

St. Edward's University is an independent Catholic university that welcomes qualified students of all ages, backgrounds and beliefs and serves a culturally diverse student body. The university promotes excellence in teaching and learning in an environment that encompasses innovative pedagogy in the curriculum and co-curriculum as well as engagement with the broader community. A caring faculty and staff, recognizing that learning is a lifelong process, teach the skills needed to be independent and productive. They encourage individuals to confront the critical issues of society and to seek justice and peace. Students are helped to understand themselves, clarify their personal values, and recognize their responsibility to the world community.

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Important Dates

Fall 2025

March 1	Nomination Deadline
April 1	Exchange Application Deadline
June 11 & July 23	International Landing Day pre-arrival webinars
August 19	Move-In Day: Settle into your residence hall
August 20-21	New Student Orientation
August 22	International Student Orientation
August 25	First day of Fall semester classes
December 11	Last day of Fall finals (end of semester)

Spring 2026

September 15	Nomination Deadline
October 1	Exchange Application Deadline
TBD	International Pre-Arrival Webinar
January 8	Move-In: Settle into your residence hall
January 9	Exchange and New Student Orientation
January 12	First day of Spring semester classes
May 7	Last day of Spring exams (end of semester)

Health Information

Vaccination Requirement

Texas law requires most students to have a bacterial meningitis vaccination. Your registration may be blocked if you have not completed this requirement, visit the [HCC web site](#) for information.

Health Insurance

The US Department of State requires health insurance that meets specific requirements for all J-1 visa holders. Exchange students at St. Edward's University will be automatically enrolled in health insurance and charged the insurance fee unless they complete the waiver process. To request a waiver for the St. Edward's University health insurance, [complete the online form](#) after registering for class. Waivers due before 11th class day.

International Student Services

Steps to Attending St. Edward's University	
Step 1	Be Nominated by your Home University
	To study abroad as an exchange student, you must first be nominated by your home university. Check with your home university exchange coordinator for information about this step
Step 2	Complete the application to become an exchange student and submit documents
	1. Application for admission and submission of documents for your DS2019 can be found on our website: http://join.stedwards.edu/apply. Choose Create Account, Undergraduate, Exchange Student, Non-Degree. - o Valid passport photo page - o Certificate of finance form - o Proof of English proficiency - o Official transcripts with English translation 2. Registration for classes: Once your DS2019 is sent, your Success Coach will reach out to request course preferences. St. Edward's has an "Exchange Eligible" course selection search attribute. Review courses by visiting stedwards.edu/registrar/registration/course-schedules 3. Proof of Health Insurance All exchange students are required to have health insurance that meets US Department of State requirements. Please complete the online Insurance Acknowledgement Form to agree to this important program requirement. Information about the St. Edward's insurance plan can be found on the Health & Counseling Center website. 4. Review the latest COVID vaccinations and safety standards at https://www.stedwards.edu/healthy-hilltop
Academic Information	
Fulltime enrollment is around 4 classes, or 12 credit hours, with at least 9 hours in-person/hybrid. You can search for "Exchange Eligible" classes, and we recommend taking a mixture of classes in your major and classes outside your major. To register for classes, you will need to be admitted to St. Edward's University as an exchange student and submit the required vaccination documents.	
Understanding Course Numbers	
1000 Level	First year level courses
2000 Level	Second year level courses
3000 Level	Third year level courses
4000 Level	Fourth year level courses
Housing	
On campus housing is required for exchange students. A list of options, including video tours is available by visiting stedwards.edu/exchange .	