

# University of Miami Fact Sheet



**A private research university with more than 15,000 students from around the world, the University of Miami is a vibrant and diverse academic community focused on teaching and learning, the discovery of new knowledge, and service to the South Florida region and beyond.**

The University comprises 12 schools and colleges serving undergraduate and graduate students in more than 180 majors and programs. The University of Miami is consistently ranked as a top research institution in the state of Florida and United States.

UM's Coral Gables campus houses numerous study spaces, three libraries, two dining halls, residential colleges, computer labs, student lounges, student counseling, a full-service restaurant and bar, a farmer's market, intramural sports fields, volleyball courts, two swimming pools, a fitness center, and much more.

## University of Miami Study Abroad Office

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## Academic Information

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[Complete List of Academic Calendars](#)

*\*Academic calendars and dates are subject to change. Please review the most current calendar found at the Office of the University Registrar.*

## Language of Instruction

### English

**Required:** Official TOEFL score report of 213 for the computer-based test, 550 for the paper test, or 80 for the internet-based test (including the speaking sub score if you are a non-native speaker of English).

**Additional Information:** UM also accepts the IELTS score report with a minimum score of 6.5 (for undergraduates). UM does not accept the Institutional Testing Program (ITP) TOEFL score report. For more information on English proficiency requirements please click [here](#).

## Areas of Study

180 Bachelor degree programs offered.

[Complete List of Undergraduate Degrees](#)

## Course Enrollment

Students may select 100-level through 400-level classes for which they meet the pre-requisite requirements. Students cannot enroll in Music performance, Medical School, or Law School courses. Students coming on the undergraduate exchange are also not allowed to take 600-level classes and can only enroll in 500-level classes with special permission of the instructor and department. Special restrictions apply to courses within the College of Engineering and Miami Herbert Business School. Neuroscience classes may not be available to exchange students due to limited space. Moreover, students cannot take more than two courses per Faculty (subject). For example, a student if a student is enrolled in MKT 100 and MKT 200, the student cannot enroll in a Third MKT course.

## Course Registration

Undergraduate students can register for 12 to 20 credits. Students register for courses one semester at a time. Students should use the Academic Bulletin for academic planning purposes, as it is subject to change and may not reflect the course offerings during specific exchange periods.

[Search Courses: Academic Bulletin](#)

## Grading System

Grade Point Averages are assigned as follows:

A+	4.00
A	4.00
A-	3.70
B+	3.30
B	3.00
B-	2.70
C+	2.30
C	2.00
C-	1.70
D+	1.30
D	1.00
F	0.00

## Language Courses

Exchange students may wish to take (ENG 103) Basic Academic Writing, or (ENG 105) English Composition I. Intensive English language classes are not included in the tuition waiver agreement.

## Transcripts

Transcripts will be issued 6-8 weeks after the exam period and will be sent directly to the student's home university.

## Nominations

### Application Dates

Fall Semester (August-December)\*  
Nomination Deadline: March 1  
Application Deadline: April 1

Spring Semester (January-May)\*  
Nomination Deadline: August 1  
Application Deadline: September 1

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### Application Procedure

**Nomination** (via email) by home university's exchange advisor must include:

1. Student name
2. Preferred email of student
3. Copy of passport ID page

Nominees must be full-time students at one of UM's partner universities. All nominations can be sent via email to Program Coordinator, Alejandra Grijak: axg5455@miami.edu

[Incoming Exchange Student Application Instructions](#)

[Complete List of UM Partner Universities](#)

### Required Documents

1. Official Academic Transcript(s) of **all** universities attended
2. Bank letter in English on official letterhead stating that the person responsible for your expenses while at UM has a minimum of USD **\*\$18,906** (Fall Semester or Spring Semester) or USD **\*\$37,811** (Academic Year) in his or her account. Internet banking printouts are **NOT** acceptable.
3. Completed Statement of Financial Responsibility Form
4. Official TOEFL score (see above for required scores)

Note: All documents are uploaded to the student's online application by the student's home university study abroad office.

*\*This figure increases by approximately 5% yearly.*

## Student Exchange Information

### Exchange Programs Offered

1. **Semester (preferred):** Fall or Spring Semester
2. **Year:** Academic or calendar year

### 'Cane Kickoff Orientation

'Cane Kickoff is a transition program immediately prior to the start of classes. As part of 'Cane Kickoff, students must attend the compulsory session for exchange students.

[Orientation Information](#)

### Health Insurance Information

Upon course registration, students are automatically charged for and enrolled in the University of Miami student health insurance plan. **Waivers are not permitted, regardless of additional or existing coverage. All international students are required to enroll in University sponsored health insurance.**

[Insurance Plan Information](#)



**Estimate of Student Living Expenses Per Semester (USD)  
2024-2025**

<b>\$6,590</b>	<b>Double Room Housing (On Campus - Lakeside Village)</b>
<b>\$4,030</b>	<b>Unlimited Meal Plan</b>
<b>\$1,994</b>	<b>Fall Mandatory UM Medical Insurance (waivers are not permitted)</b>
<b>\$957</b>	<b>Mandatory UM Fees (waivers are not permitted)</b>
<b>\$1,002 - 2,022</b>	<b>Transportation</b>
<b>\$2100</b>	<b>Personal Expenses</b>
<b>\$697</b>	<b>Books and Supplies</b>

[Financial Assistance: Cost of Attendance](#)

[UM Dining: Meal Membership](#)

**Housing**

On-campus housing at UM is currently facing a shortage and as such our On-Campus residences will not be able to accommodate any incoming exchange students. Students need to seriously research and consider options for off-campus accommodations. We advise students to research off-campus housing options, and to consult the off-campus housing guide accessible at:

[Living Off Campus Guide](#)

**Visa Information**

Upon acceptance to UM, students will receive an acceptance letter and an I-20 form. With these documents, students then apply for an F-1 visa. When students enter the U.S. on their F-1 student visa, they are usually admitted for the duration of their student status. This means that they may stay in the U.S. as long as they are a full-time student, even if the F-1 visa in the passport expires while the student is in the U.S. (If students have been approved to extend their period of stay for another semester, their I-20 form will be updated and they will be able to remain in the US for the extended period of study, as long as they retain full-time student status.) Once a student's I-20 form expires, they will not be able to use it to travel outside the U.S. and re-enter the U.S. in F-1 student status even if their F-1 visa is still valid.

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