Ross Global Initiatives 2018-19

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General Website  
https://michiganross.umich.edu/programs/global-student-experiences/exchange-at-ross

Study Program:  
Academic Departments:  
Accounting; Business Administration; Business Economics and Public Policy; Business Information Technology; Corporate Strategy and International Business; Entrepreneurial Studies; Finance; Law, History and Communication; Management & Organizations; Marketing; Operations and Management Science.

Students are welcome to pursue other courses throughout the University of Michigan. Contact Ross Registrar’s Office for more information: rossregistraroffice@umich.edu

Courses:  
Ross course descriptions can be found at:  
http://www.bus.umich.edu/CourseManagement/CourseDescriptions.asp
Exchange students are not permitted to take core courses. Also, students should note prerequisite requirements for all classes. If students would like to register for a course that has prerequisites, they must work directly with the instructor to provide the relevant documentation indicating they are prepared to take the course. The Ross Registrar’s Office will assist the students with this process.

Please note that due to the MBA course registration timeline, incoming MBA exchange students may have difficulty securing classes for the Fall Semester. We encourage MBA students to consider attending Ross during the Winter Semester in order to participate in the bidding process.

**Nomination Process:**
Home school coordinators should nominate students via the online Student Nomination Form, which will be emailed to them by the Global Student Experience Manager. Once nominated by their home school, incoming students will use the University’s online International Programs portal, M-Compass, to complete an application and provide the necessary documentation*.

### Nomination Deadlines
- **Fall Semester (August-December):** April 1st
- **Winter Semester (January-May):** July 1st

### *Required Documents:
- International Exchange Application
- Affidavit of Financial Support
- Financial Documentation (bank statement or official bank letter)
- Passport Copy

**Language of Instruction:** English

**Language Requirement:** The University of Michigan requires students to have demonstrated proficiency in English. Minimum requirements as suggested by the University are:

- IELTS: 6.5-7.0 range
- TOEFL (PBT): 600
- TOEFL (IBT): 100

**Language Courses:** Foreign language courses are offered at the undergraduate level (if allowed by the home institution).

**Academic Requirements:** Exchange students should have completed basic core courses before coming on exchange and should note prerequisite requirements for individual courses. A home school transcript may be required to prove completion of prerequisites during course registration.

**Full-time Workload:** Graduate students are required to register for a minimum of 9 credit hours to be considered a full-time student and fulfill F-1 visa requirements. Most MBA students take 12-15 credit hours per semester, and the maximum number of credits allowed is 18 per semester.

Undergraduate students are required to register for a minimum of 12 credit hours to be considered a full-time student and fulfill F-1 visa requirements. Most BBA students take 12-15 credit hours per semester, and the maximum allowed is 18 per semester.
**Students’ home institutions may have different requirements for coursework at Ross. Exchange students should contact their home institution to determine these requirements.**

**Learning Expectations:**
Class format and evaluation vary. Examples of class format include lecture, action-based learning, interdisciplinary, and team-oriented situations. Class sizes vary, but usually range between 20 and 60 students.

**Exams:**
Exams are traditionally in mid-late October and mid-late December during the Fall term and late February and mid-late April for the Winter term. However, this can vary by course. Please review the Academic Calendar.

**Transcripts:**
Ross Global Initiatives will send an official, electronic transcript to each partner school at the end of the term. However, exchange students who would like to have hardcopies of the University of Michigan transcript can order them through Wolverine Access.

**Grading:**

**MBA Grade Policies and Scholastic Requirements**
Ross School of Business uses a five-level grading scale for MBA students:

- **Excellent (EX):** Performance that is of superior quality. No more than 25 percent of the students in a core course shall receive this grade.
- **Good (GD):** Performance that exceeds all the standard requirements of the course.
- **Pass (PS):** Performance that meets all the standard requirements of the course.
- **Low Pass (LP):** Performance that minimally meets the standard requirements of the course.
- **Fail (F):** Performance that does not satisfy the minimal requirements of the course and is deficient on significant dimensions. No credit toward the degree will be granted for the grade of “Fail,” but the grade will be used to evaluate academic standing.

There are no Honor points associated with the grade designations and no grade point averages appear on transcripts. Some courses may be graded under other University school or college guidelines and some may be graded on a mandatory Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory, Pass/Fail, or Credit/No Credit basis.

**BBA Grade Policies and Scholastic Requirements**

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No credit toward satisfaction of degree requirements is granted for courses in which a student receives grades of E, F, NR, I, Y and X. Courses elected under the Satisfactory/Unsatisfactory, Pass/Fail, or Credit/No Credit policies are not considered in computing grade point averages.
Housing: Global Initiatives does not provide on-campus housing. However, Global Initiatives will provide the incoming exchange students with resources for securing housing. It is important that the exchange students look for housing as soon as they are nominated, as housing can be difficult to secure in Ann Arbor, particularly for the Fall semester. Please note that campus rents vary considerably depending on location and housing type.

Costs: Below are estimated costs for a single student for the 2018-19 academic year. Please note the 2018-19 updated expenses and insurance costs will be distributed in July 2018.

Estimated expenses for the 2018-19 academic year (per semester):
- $2,000 - Books and supplies
- + $11,500 - Living expenses, including room/board, insurance, & miscellaneous expenses
Total: $13,500 - Total per semester for single student

Insurance: Health insurance is required for all exchange students. International Student Insurance rates for 2017-18 (per semester) are below. Rates for 2018-19 will be released in Summer 2018.

Student
Student & spouse
Student, spouse, & children
$622
$1222
$1821

More information about the University-supported health insurance plan found here.

Visa: Students must apply for and obtain an F-1 student visa. This process typically takes 8-10 weeks. Please plan accordingly.

Facilities: The Ross School of Business has an extensive and fully-staffed library as well as a large computing services department. A cafeteria is located central to all classrooms and is open weekdays (7am-9pm).

The Ross School of Business also has its own fitness center on the lower level that students may use for a fee. The University of Michigan also offers several free recreation facilities on campus to all students.

Student Services: Academic advising is available to all incoming exchange students. Exchange students will receive their designated academic advisor information prior to course registration. The academic advisor can schedule Skype calls prior to the start of the term as well as serve as a resource during the entire semester.

Student Clubs: Visiting exchange students have the opportunity to participate in the student clubs at the University of Michigan.

Orientation: The Incoming Student Orientation is mandatory and will take place a few days before classes begin. Students will be informed of this date early in the application process. Once students arrive on campus, Global Initiatives will host a welcome event.

During the first week of class, there are numerous campus-wide welcome events. Students are encouraged to take part in these activities.
Internships: Students can work with the Ross Career Development Office to do self-directed internship searches.

Career Development: The Ross Career Development Office, located in the Business School, is available for advising and recruiting questions. Exchange students will have access to trainings and workshops offered by the Career Development Office. They can also schedule appointments with CDO staff and peer coaches to review resumes, cover letters, conduct mock interviews, etc.

Term Dates for 2018-19:

**Undergraduate Academic Calendar Fall 2018/Winter 2019, including final exams:**

**Fall 2018:** BBA Orientation – August 30, 2018
Optional U.S Culture Workshop – August 31, 2018
Class Schedule: September 4 – December 20, 2018

**Winter 2019:** BBA Orientation – January 7, 2019
Optional U.S Culture Workshop – January 8, 2019
Class Schedule: January 9 – May 2, 2019

**Graduate Academic Calendar Fall 2018/Winter 2019, including final exams:**

**Fall 2018:** MBA Orientation: August 30, 2018
Class Schedule: September 4 – December 20, 2018

**Winter 2019:** MBA Orientation – January 7, 2019
Class Schedule: January 9 – May 2, 2019

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