



The College of William and Mary

2025-2026

I. General University Information

Name of University	William & Mary
Location	Williamsburg, VA, USA
University Size	Approximately 9,654 students (6,797 undergraduates and 2,857 graduate/professional students)
Number of International Students	Approximately 700 students from 65 countries
Academic Strengths	Undergraduate: General Arts & Sciences
Faculty-to-Student Ratio	1:17
Outstanding Features	<ul style="list-style-type: none">♦ One of the United States' premier public universities♦ Close faculty-student relationships♦ Emphasis on undergraduate research♦ Civic commitment of the student body and strong emphasis on community service♦ Historic nature of the College: founded in 1693, we are the United States' 2nd oldest institution of higher learning; located in the historic triangle area of Virginia, a site of great historical importance
Web Address	http://www.wm.edu
Office Working With International Exchange Students	Global Education Office in the Reves Center for International Studies

II. Global Education Office Information

Office Address	Reves Center for International Studies The College of William and Mary P.O. Box 8795 Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795
Street Address for Courier Deliveries	Reves Center for International Studies 200 South Boundary Street Williamsburg, VA 23185
Emergency contact phone number	+757.561.4425
Associate Director of Global Education & Inbound Programs (Inbound only)	Nasha Lewis (757) 221-3598 nlewis@wm.edu
Immigration Services Coordinator	Zabrina Williams zkwilliams@wm.edu
Office Fax Number	+757.221.3597
Office Website	http://www.wm.edu/revescenter/

III. Exchange Student Eligibility

Student Type	Undergraduate
Duration of Exchange	One or two semesters (either Fall 2025, Spring 2026, or Academic Year 2025-2026)
Minimum GPA Required	Please refer to the partnership agreement.
Language Requirements	TOEFL CBT: 250 overall iBT: 100 overall /25 writing component (20-24 may be accepted conditionally) PBT: 600 IELTS: 7 (One of the above exams is required for all students whose first language is not English unless exempted by institutional agreement.)
Financial Certification Required?	Yes. Students must provide proof of financial support for living expenses. 2025/2026 figures are \$24,154/year or \$12,077 semester for living. Additionally, students will be required to pay orientation/administrative fees.

<i>IV. Curriculum</i>	
Course Offerings	Arts and Sciences, which includes: American Studies, Anthropology, Art & Art History, Biology, Chemistry, Chinese Language and Culture, Classical Studies, Economics, Education, English Language and Literature, Environmental Science & Policy, Film Studies, Geology, Global Studies (African Studies, East Asian Studies, European Studies, Latin American Studies, Middle East Studies, Russian and Post-Soviet Studies), Government, History, International Relations, Kinesiology (Physical Education), Linguistics, Literary & Cultural Studies, Mathematics, Medieval & Renaissance Studies, Military Science, Modern Languages and Literatures, Music, Neuroscience, Philosophy, Psychology, Public Policy, Religious Studies, Sociology, Theater, Speech & Dance, Women's Studies
Course Catalogue	http://catalog.wm.edu/
Dynamic Course Catalogue	https://banweb.wm.edu/pls/PROD/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched
Programs closed to visiting exchange students	Law, graduate-level courses, and all courses with 100 or 150 designations. Business Administration courses are only open to students from Vienna University. Some Business Administration courses are restricted.
Minimum Course Load	12 credits. Students should confirm with their advisors that a course load of 12 William & Mary credits meets their home university's minimum enrollment requirements.
Maximum Course Load	18 credits. However, we strongly recommend that exchange students take no more than 15 credits. The recommended course load is 12 credits.
Class Format	Seminar or small lecture, some large lecture. Class size: 12-200 with an average of 25-35

Important Academic Information	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ♦ Students register for classes online before the beginning of each semester. Assistance with registration is available in the Global Education Office. While we cannot guarantee any course for them, every effort is made to assist them with registration. ♦ Students will be expected to produce a significant amount of high-quality written work. Those students for whom this represents a difficulty should plan to enroll in an introductory composition class and to take advantage of the College's Writing Resource Center. ♦ The recommended course load is 12 credits.
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<i>V. Application Process</i>	
Application Format	Online (studyabroad.wm.edu), link will be provided to each student after the nomination. Students will fill out the online portion, and then submit materials requested (TOFEL/IELTS scores - if required, a copy of passport, official transcript, and recommendations) by digital drop box. At a later date, students will be prompted by email to complete an immigration application online via iStart. Once accepted, students will fill out their course preferences, W&M will obtain the necessary permissions, and students will register themselves for classes.
Incoming Nomination Deadline	For fall semester/academic year: February 15 For spring semester/calendar year: September 15
Incoming Academic Application Deadline	For fall semester/academic year: March 1 For spring semester/calendar year: October 1
Incoming Immigration Application Deadline	For fall semester/academic year: April 15 For spring semester/calendar year: November 15
Date of Incoming Acceptance Notification for your students(those going from your institution → W&M)	April 15 for fall/full year November 1 for spring Students will receive an email notification from the online application system once they've been accepted.
When William & Mary needs to know how many students you can accept	February 1 of the prior academic year

Recipient of Acceptance Notification for our outbound students (those going from W&M → your institution)	<p>We request that notification be sent to our office, <i>not</i> directly to the student. However, if acceptance is decided later than 2 weeks prior to the end of W&M classes, please send the acceptance packet to the student with an email notification to wmabroad@wm.edu. (For 2025/2026 this would apply to acceptance packets arriving after April 15 for Fall 2025 or AY 25/2026, or after November 20 for Spring 2026).</p> <p>If students are notified of acceptance via email, we request that our office be copied on the email correspondence.</p>
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<i>VI. 2025-2026 Academic Calendar</i>	
Fall 2025 Semester * Approximate Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Student Orientation: Virtual • August 23-27: New Student Orientation • August 27: First day of undergraduate classes • October 9-12: Fall Break (<i>no classes</i>) • November 4: Election Day (no classes) • November 26- 30: Thanksgiving Holiday (<i>no classes</i>) • December 5: Last day of undergraduate classes • December 8-16: Final exams
Spring 2026 Semester * Approximate Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • International Student Orientation: Virtual • January 17-20: New Student Orientation • January 21: First day of undergraduate classes • March 7-15: Spring Break (<i>no classes</i>) • May 1: Last day of undergraduate classes • May 4 – 12: Final exams
Transcript Issue Dates	<p>Fall 2025 January/February</p> <p>Spring 2026: June/July</p>

VII. Housing

Accommodations	<p>Exchange students are required to live in double-occupancy, on-campus dormitories. Student placement is determined by the Office of Residence Life, but students can view the non-freshman undergraduate dormitories online. Please remember that not all dorms have air conditioning.</p> <p>http://www.wm.edu/offices/residencelife</p>
Housing Application	<p>Students must fill out a housing application online: https://wm.starrezhousing.com/StarRezPortalX/F13DA9C1/22/252/Student_Login-Student_Login</p> <p>There is no set deadline; applications are processed in the order received.</p>

VIII. Summary of Student Fees

Exchange students do not pay tuition and basic student fees to the College of William and Mary. There are, however, some fees and expenses not included in the Tuition Exchange Agreement which it will be necessary to pay. The following is a summary of estimated costs:

Accommodation	Exchange students are required to live in on-campus housing. Each student must pay a refundable room damage deposit of \$75; in addition, you are responsible for the cost of your on-campus housing. Undergraduate standard double room cost per semester for 2024-2025 was \$4,656.
Meals	Exchange students living in undergraduate accommodation are required to purchase a university meal plan for their initial semester at William and Mary because the dorms are not well-equipped for meal preparation. The various meal plans offered by dining services may be viewed at Dining Services William & Mary (wm.edu) . Meal plan costs range about \$3000 per semester.
Health Insurance	Exchange students are required to purchase university health insurance coverage. The 2024-2025 annual student premium was \$3,632 (\$1,522 for the fall coverage period and \$2,110 for the spring/summer coverage period.) Information about international student health insurance at William and Mary may be viewed at: http://www.wm.edu/offices/wellness/healthcenter/studentinsurance/plan/index.php
X-Rays	Exchange students are not required to have a chest x-ray made after arrival at W&M if (1) their PPD result was negative OR (2) their PPD result is positive, their chest x-ray result is negative and the student has discussed treatment options with their physician. Exchange students are required, however, to have a chest x-ray made after their arrival if their PPD result has come back positive and no chest x-ray or treatment was sought. The cost is approximately \$100.00.
Transportation	We are working on ways to improve the transportation from the local airports to Williamsburg – and will let your students know their various options upon acceptance. While attending W&M, a free College shuttle bus connects the main campus with shopping areas and with the graduate housing areas. Any other transportation costs (e.g. cab fares or the purchase of a bicycle) are the students' responsibility.

Orientation Fee & Additional Support Charge	The approximate charge for support services, housing, and meals during orientation week is between \$550-\$850. This fee will be posted to your student account along with your housing, health insurance, and meal plan.
Additional Fees	Applied music courses, as well as some Art, Business, Laboratory Science, and Kinesiology (Physical Education) classes carry an additional required fee.
Books	The cost of books varies greatly according to the course, but the average is approximately \$300 per semester.