



FACT SHEET 2026/27



STUDY ABROAD & EXCHANGE PROGRAM

ABOUT US

The University of Mississippi is proud to work with our international friends to build a peaceful and prosperous global community. We encourage students to consider Oxford when they choose to study abroad for their visiting/exchange experience.

We hope that the information provided will answer most of your questions, but feel free to email us at exchange@olemiss.edu if your question is not answered here.

Application and Admission Procedure

EXCHANGE & STUDY ABROAD STUDENTS

Please nominate students by emailing exchange@olemiss.edu. Students will be sent the online application instructions.

APPLICATION DEADLINES

Fall 2026
March 16, 2026

Spring 2027
October 16, 2026

Nomination and application deadlines are flexible as long as students are actively working toward their applications.

STUDY ABROAD APPLICATION

[APPLY NOW](#)

[UM APP](#)

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LOCATED
IN

*Oxford,
Mississippi*

28,000

STUDENT
POPULATION

3%

INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT
POPULATION

Ole Miss

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ENGLISH PROFICIENCY REQUIREMENTS

Admission recommendation	TOEFL IBT	TOEFL my best score	IELTS	PTE-A	rPDT TOEFL	Duolingo
Full Academic Program	79 or above	79 with no subscore lower than 19	6 or above	53 or above	No section subscore lower than 19	110 or above
Academic Program with Intensive English Course (IE 090/091)	69–78	69–78	5.5–5.99	47–52	No section subscore lower than 17	100–109
Full Intensive English Program	68 or below	68 or below	5.49 or below	46 or below	Section sbuscores lower than 17	99 and below

Visiting students from partner institutions may submit a letter from their home university attesting to their English language ability and potential for success in English-language courses instead of a test score.

See a full list of all [English proficiency information and exceptions](#).

FALL & SPRING TERM DATES

We can create custom summer or winter programs upon request. International students can enroll in UM's Summer School or Intensive English summer programs through the Study Abroad Office. Please email exchange@olemiss.edu for custom program information.

In addition, the Intensive English Program can create custom programs in our Fall I, Fall II, Spring I, and Spring II terms.

	FALL 2026	SPRING 2027
Arrival Day(s)	August 13	January 9
Orientation and Welcome Week	August 17–21	January 11–15
Classes Begin	August 24	January 19
Break(s) and Holidays	September 7 (Labor Day); Nov. 21 – Nov. 29 (Thanksgiving Break)	March 6 – 14 (Spring Break); March 26 (Good Friday)
Final Examinations	December 7 – 11	May 3 – 7
Departure Date	December 12	May 8

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ESTIMATED COSTS

Semester amounts are based on the AY 2025/26 cycle and are subject to change. Costs will be updated as confirmed on the UM Study Abroad and Intensive English Program websites.

EXPENSE TYPE	COST PER SEMESTER
Non-Resident Fees	Waived
On-Campus Housing*	\$4,075 - \$5,300
Housing Application Fee	\$100
Meal Plan on Campus * This reflects the maximum cost. Cheaper options are available.	\$2,346
FLEX Plan Enrollment* * Required for all students by Campus Dining. FLEX funds are usable at all campus dining locations, vending machines, and more. FLEX plans may be refunded at the end of the semester.	\$350
UM Health Insurance	\$1,090 (Fall) \$1,430 (Spring)
Mandatory Tuberculosis Testing	\$202
Application Fee	\$75
Capital Improvements Fee	\$50
Student Activities Fee	\$30
Textbooks	\$200 - \$600
Bed and Bath Pack Fee (Optional)	\$40
Personal Spending Money	\$300

** Tuition is waived for exchange students.

Some courses may incur additional course fees of \$25–\$150 per class, list available [here](#).

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STUDENT HOUSING

We understand that housing is a top concern for incoming students. The UM Study Abroad Office reserves on-campus spaces for international students on a space-available basis.

To apply, email exchange@olemiss.edu.

We offer two locations:

RESIDENCE HALL 3 (RH3) | [VISIT WEBSITE](#)

Contemporary dormitory hall

2 students per room

Shared kitchen, laundry, and lounge areas

Approx. \$4,075 per semester

THE QUARTERS | [VISIT WEBSITE](#)

Apartment-style student housing

4 bedrooms per unit

Individual room/bathroom

Shared kitchen, laundry, and living area

Approx. \$5,300 per semester

For on-campus housing, students will apply through the [Student Housing Portal](#). They will be notified of the housing application process after formal admission.

Students applying for off-campus housing must make their own arrangements independently.



ACADEMICS

Most departments and classes are open to exchange students. Visit olemiss.edu/academics to view all major programs at UM.

Some specialized programs are restricted, such as Education, Pharmacy, School of Law (graduate-level, not the Legal Studies Department), School of Medicine, and BFA programs that require portfolios to be admitted (Film Production, Studio Art, Acting).

Academic Strengths

Some of our university's best programs include: Croft Institute for International Studies, Journalism and New Media, Public Policy Leadership, Intensive English Program, Business, Computer Science, English Literature, Creative Writing, Southern Studies, Economics, Education, Engineering, Environmental Studies, Music, Political Science, and Biological Sciences programs.

Minimum Course Requirements (Full-Time)

12 credits, generally 4 courses per semester for undergraduates

9 credits, generally 3 courses per semester for graduates

The full-time Intensive English program is 18 credits per semester.

Course Selection Guide

Visit our [student portal](#) website.

Select “Course Schedule” on the right side of the screen under “Academics” and then search by term. If the course schedule has not yet been released, search for courses in the previous YEAR (not semester).

For example: A student wants to find courses for Fall 2026, but the schedule has not been released yet. Instead, the student should search for courses in Fall 2025.

Intensive English courses are offered at no extra charge to exchange students. Exchange and fee-paying study abroad students can take as few or as many Intensive English courses as desired. All Intensive English courses are credit-bearing.

All courses except for foreign language courses are taught in English.

STUDENT SERVICES AND PROGRAMS

Airport Shuttles

Our office provides airport shuttles for arrival and departure days at the Memphis International Airport (MEM). Shuttles are scheduled according to students' flight information.

Welcome Week

We provide a wide variety of welcome week activities for students to get connected to campus before the start of their semester. Activities include campus tours, welcome dinners, grocery trips, and meeting students' Global Ambassador mentors.

Global Ambassadors Mentor Program

Global Ambassadors are our American or degree-seeking student mentors who are here to help students adjust to campus life and meet new friends. All visiting/exchange and IEP students are automatically paired with a Global Ambassador to guide them through life at UM.

Semester Events

We host a variety of cultural activities throughout the semester. Examples include sports events, holiday parties, and our end of the semester farewell dinner.

Our office also hosts excursions to nearby cities at least once each semester. Examples include trips to New Orleans, LA; Nashville, TN; and Atlanta, GA.



ABOUT OXFORD, MISSISSIPPI

Here are some additional resources and websites for more information on our town and university.

[University of Mississippi Website](#)

[Oxford, MS Website](#)

[Visit Oxford Tourism Website](#)

Nearest Major City

Memphis, TN - 68 miles/ 110 km

Nearest Airport

Memphis International Airport (MEM)

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