جامعة خليفة
Khalifa University

INBOUND EXCHANGE PROGRAM INFO SHEET

Nomination Process

Partner universities nominate their students by filling in the excel sheet shared by studyabroad@ku.ac.ae via email. The following must be detailed and attached about the nominees:

- Legal name
- University email address
- Semester of Exchange
- Year During Exchange
- Gender
- CGPA
- Study level UG/PG
- Field of study

The student's CV, transcript, and English proficiency score must also be attached to the nomination email

For non-partner universities, information will be sent on request

***Please note that accepted nominations must be followed by an application process.**

Main Language of Instruction

English is the medium of instruction and assessment at Khalifa University. There is no need to learn Arabic as English is widely spoken in the country.

Nomination Criteria & Required documents

Undergraduate Students:

- Sophomore or junior standing, enrolled full-time at the time of application
- CGPA 3.0 or above
- English Proficiency level equivalent to IELTS 6, TOEFL iBT 79, , DET 105, CET6 470

UG Seniors who wish to do research:

- Must have fully completed their courses, letter from advisor/Registrar is required.
- CGPA 3.25 or above
- CV
- English Proficiency level equivalent to IELTS 6.5 , TOEFL iBT 91, DET 115, CET6 500

PG Students:

- CGPA 3.25 or above
- CV
- English Proficiency level equivalent to IELTS 6.5, TOEFL iBT 91, DET 115, CET6 500

Exchange Period & Academic Calendar

Academic semester	Fall Semester
Student Arrival	January 4th - January 6th 2026
International Orientation	January 7th 2026
University-wide Orientation	January 7th - January 9th 2026
Classes Begin	January 12th 2026
Exam Period	May 4th - May 14th 2026

Deadlines

Nominations

For Spring Semester
- September 19

Nominations sent to studyabroad@ku.ac.ae

Applications

For Spring Semester:
- October 19

About Khalifa University

Khalifa University is the #1 ranked university in the UAE with a student to faculty ratio of 8:1. There are over 53 nationalities from all over the world. For more information, please visit ku.ac.ae

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UAE Visa & Health Insurance

Khalifa university will provide and cover visas and health insurance for all inbound students.

Orientation Guide

Inbound students must attend an international orientation event. Details will be sent by email for accepted students.

Students will have access to a variety of campus services. This includes library privileges, access to online resources and KU recreational facilities.

Living Expenses

Exchange students are waived from tuition fees, student services fees and application fees to KU. Incoming students will be required to pay a security deposit, before arrival. It is recommended that students budget at least 800 AED (200-250 USD) for their first week here to cover:

Dorm essentials | Groceries | General setting-up costs

Most services will accept all major credit cards, but carrying some cash is also recommended.

Courses

It is possible to add or change courses after arrival in the add-and-drop period. Students enrolling in courses as exchange students are governed by the STL 5350 Student Aboard Policy. Students can register in Undergraduate Courses | Postgraduate Courses

Disciplines Available:

- Aerospace Engineering
- Chemical & Petroleum Engineering
- Civil & Environmental Engineering
- Management Science & Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering
- Electrical Engineering
- Computer Science
- Computer & Communication Engineering
- Biomedical Engineering & Biotechnology
- Chemistry
- Earth Sciences
- Physics
- Mathematics
- Biological Sciences

Contact Information

Study Abroad Office
studyabroad@ku.ac.ae

Residency & Emirates ID

All UAE residents must have an Emirates ID. Khalifa University will issue an Emirates ID to all international students.

Accommodation

Inbound students are guaranteed double-occupancy rooms as long as they complete the online housing application form that will be shared by the International Students Services office. Instructions on how to apply for on-campus housing are provided in the post-acceptance documents. Please note that housing is separate for females and males.

A security deposit of 2,000 AED must be paid before arrival.

Dining Services

There are many dining services and food facilities available on-campus.

Information About the UAE