

# CSEP Information Session



Learn about the Concordia Student Exchange Program

# Concordia International: About Us

*Concordia International offers experiential learning, research and funding opportunities to suit every student at every phase of their Concordia degree*

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# Concordia International Study Abroad Team

To be contacted for all questions pertaining to non-academic issues, partner & bursary information

- Christine Archer, International Liaison Officer (ILO\*) Americas, Asia & Oceania & United Kingdom
- ← Pauliina Rouleau, International Liaison Officer (ILO\*) Europe, Middle-East & Africa
- Caroline Eastwood, Quebec Mobility Bursary
- ← international@concordia.ca, general CSEP questions
- ← \*ILO: your point of contact between you and your host institution. Their job is to support, inspire and guide you through your exchange journey and help ensure that your time abroad is successful



# Your Faculty Contacts

← To be contacted for questions regarding:

- credit transfers
- course equivalencies
- course approvals
- eligibility requirements/concerns

## Faculty Contacts:

Arts & Science	Gina Cody School	Fine Arts	John Molson School of Business	Graduate Students
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# Roadmap To Studying Abroad

## Get the Information

- Step 1: What is CSEP?
- Step 2: Am I eligible?
- Step 3: Where do I begin?
- Step 4: Where can I go?

## Apply @ CU

- Step 5: Submit my CSEP online application
- Step 6: Accept my placement offer
- Step 7: Get my desired host courses approved

## Apply to the Host

- Step 8: Apply to my host

## Pre-Departure

- Step 9: Finalize my plans



# Step 1: What is CSEP?

## What is an Exchange Program

An exchange program is a bilateral formal partnership between Concordia and another university that allows the reciprocal exchange of students for the purpose of earning credits towards a degree while paying their tuition to their home university.

## Concordia Student Exchange Program

- ← Exchange between our 180+ partners worldwide for 1-2 terms (Fall/Winter)
- ← Earn Concordia credits
- ← Pay your regular Concordia tuition fees
- ← Available to all faculties, programs, levels of study
- ← Receive funding for your exchange



# Why Go Abroad?

95%

of students who studied abroad reported that their experiences enhanced their cultural understanding.

+75  
%

of students who studied abroad reported acquiring skill sets that influenced their career paths.

80%

of students who studied abroad reported enhanced foreign language skills.

+50  
%

of Canadian employers would hire a graduate with study abroad experience over a graduate without, all other qualifications being equal.



# Step 2: Am I Eligible?

Requirements for all faculties:

	Undergraduate	Graduate
Minimum CGPA	2.7	3.0
Full-time status	12 credits per term	9 credits per term
Completed Credits	24 credits	9 credits (24 for MBA)

**PLEASE NOTE THAT GOING ON EXCHANGE DURING YOUR FINAL SEMESTER WILL ALMOST ALWAYS DELAY YOUR GRADUATION**

Faculty Requirements and Processes:

[JMSB](#)

[Gina Cody School](#)

[FOFA](#)

[A&S](#)





## Step 3: Where Do I Begin?

1. Attend an information session - Done!
2. Research destinations and application process on the [CI website](#)
3. Meet with your CI (ILO) or Faculty advisors if needed
4. Apply online



# Step 4: Where Can I Go?

Choose from our [list of partners](#)

Primary factor to consider when choosing a school:

- Verify that the school you are interested in, is available for your Faculty. You can verify this under the host details section on the [interactive map](#)
- Course/program compatibility: not all schools offer courses that are compatible with your program at Concordia. It is your responsibility to visit the partner schools' websites to confirm their course offerings

Other important factors to consider:

- Language(s) of instruction at the host institution/ language spoken in host country
- Minimum CGPA of the partner school
- Academic calendar/semester dates
- [Cost of living](#) in host country



# Interactive Map - Search Criteria



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## Student hub

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## Where Can I Go?



### How to Navigate the Interactive Map:

1. Select a country from the drop-down menu and click 'Search' to see our available partners in that country.
2. Click on the institution to learn more about course offerings, academic calendar, credit information, etc.

Text search

Country

Institution

Search



# Interactive Map - Search Results

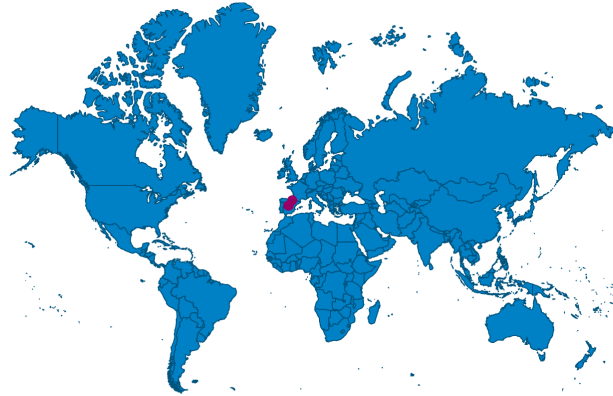
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Search

Institutions

Details





 Spain-TAI Madrid School of the Arts


 Spain-Universidad de la Rioja


 Spain-Universidad Pontificia Comillas, Madrid

 Spain-Universidad 'Alfonso X El Sabio'

 Spain-Universidad de Navarra


 Spain-Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona

 Spain-Universidad Carlos III de Madrid

 Spain-Universidad del País Vasco / Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea




# Interactive Map - Host Details and Important Links



UNIVERSITÉ  
**Concordia**  
UNIVERSITY


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**Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona**



**UAB**  
Universitat Autònoma  
de Barcelona

About the Institution:

Website	<a href="http://www.uab.es">http://www.uab.es</a>
Country	 Spain
City	Barcelona
Credit Information	<a href="http://intranet.uab.es/web/prospective-students/what-are-ects-credits-1204099126595.html">http://intranet.uab.es/web/prospective-students/what-are-ects-credits-1204099126595.html</a>
Academic Calendar	<a href="http://www.uab.cat/web/study/undergraduate/undergraduate-offer/academic-calendar-1345667079473.html">http://www.uab.cat/web/study/undergraduate/undergraduate-offer/academic-calendar-1345667079473.html</a>

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**Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona**

More information

Minimum Host CGPA Requirement:	3.00
Discipline	General
Additional Information:	
Language of Instruction	English, Spanish and Catalan
Course Website	<a href="http://www.uab.es/servlet/Satellite/international-students/undergrad-postgrad/undergraduate-subjects-in-english-1317018137589.html">http://www.uab.es/servlet/Satellite/international-students/undergrad-postgrad/undergraduate-subjects-in-english-1317018137589.html</a>
Student Exchange Website	<a href="http://www.uab.cat/web/life-on-campus/exchange-activities/mentor-programme/international-students-1345671067077.html">http://www.uab.cat/web/life-on-campus/exchange-activities/mentor-programme/international-students-1345671067077.html</a>
Campus Websites	<a href="http://www.uab.cat/web/life-on-campus-1345666325375.html">http://www.uab.cat/web/life-on-campus-1345666325375.html</a>
Accommodation Information	<a href="http://www.uab.cat/web/vila-universitaria-home-1241074134636.html">http://www.uab.cat/web/vila-universitaria-home-1241074134636.html</a>



# Interactive Map - Student Reports




UNIVERSITAT  
**Concordia**  
UNIVERSITY

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**Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona**



**UAB**  
Universitat Autònoma  
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**Travel report : COURION\_Valerie\_Winter 2019**

Student Reports   [COURION Valerie Winter 2019](#)

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**Travel report : Micheala - Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Fall & Winter 2013/14**

Student Reports   [Micheala - Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Fall & Winter 2013/14](#)

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**Travel report : Mai-Ha - Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Fall 2014**

Student Reports   [Mai-Ha - Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Fall 2014](#)

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**Travel report : Jade - Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona - Fall & Winter 2013/14**

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# Application Deadlines

Jan.  
15

Deadline to apply for Fall, Winter or Full year exchanges

June  
1

Deadline to apply for Winter exchanges\*

\*not all destinations will be available for this deadline



# Step 5: How Do I Apply?

To access your Concordia International CSEP on-line application, you must first register for the Concordia International Mobility Programs [Portal](#). The portal groups all your application formalities for your mobility. You will find the CSEP on-line application in the portal. The application is open from November 1<sup>st</sup> to January 15<sup>th</sup> for Fall, Winter or Full year exchanges and April 1<sup>st</sup> to June 1<sup>st</sup> for Winter exchanges. Please note that not all destinations will be available for the June 1<sup>st</sup> deadline.

## The on-line CSEP Application

Sections to be completed:

1. Personal Details
2. Emergency Contact Information
3. Academic Profile
4. Destinations
5. Bursary Information



# Bursary Information

The application for the [Quebec Mobility Bursary](#) is included in the CSEP application (you do not need to complete a separate bursary application). You will need to include the following information in this section:

- ← Permanent Code
- ← Residency Status
- ← Void Cheque / Direct Deposit form for a Canadian bank account

About the Quebec Mobility Bursary:

- ← 3500\$ per term, for up to 2 terms
- ← Non-competitive bursary
- ← Available to all student



# Complete Your Faculty Requirements

- Faculty approval procedures

Your faculty has specific eligibility requirements and approval processes that you must meet in order to get permission to go on exchange. Carefully review your **faculty's website** to confirm what those requirements are:

John Molson  
School of  
Business

Faculty of  
Arts &  
Science

Faculty of  
Fine Arts

Gina Cody  
School of  
Engineering &  
Computer  
Science

School of  
Graduate  
Studies

- Your Faculty will send you confirmation of their approval
  - Concordia International can only assess your application if you have official faculty permission.



# How is my application assessed ?

- CI assesses your CSEP application once you have received faculty permission:
  - 50% CGPA
  - 30% Academic compatibility with your program
  - 10 % Motivation for choice
  - 10% Extra-curricular activities



## Step 6: Accept My Placement

Concordia International will inform you of your placement through your [portal](#), under “Your Placement Offers”:

- You must select “Accept Offer” or “Refuse Offer”
- This is a formal acceptance or refusal of your placement
- You are not obliged to accept your placement, but please note that you will not be considered for another destination if you have been placed in one of your choices
- If your exchange gets cancelled for any reason, we will not offer an alternative placement



# Step 7: Get my desired host courses approved

- Follow the instructions for course approval provided on your [Faculty's](#) exchange and visiting student website. For JMSB, GCS and Fine Arts the course approval is done after the placements
- Only courses that have been approved in writing by your Department / Faculty will be eligible for credit transfer
- For any questions pertaining to course approvals, please contact your Faculty



# Step 8: Apply to My Host

Once you have accepted your placement, you will be required to complete an application to the institution to which you have been placed. **DO NOT** apply before you are prompted to do so by either your ILO, or by the host institution.

**Fall:** April-June

**Winter:** September-November

## ➤ Commonly Requested Documents

- Proof of English Proficiency
- Official Transcript
- Letter of Recommendation
- Proof of Funding
- Letter of Motivation

## ➤ Cross-check your list of courses with your Department / Faculty if needed

Your host university will issue you an official acceptance 2 months following their application deadline.

## ➤ Confirm reception of your letter of admission with Concordia International



# Step 9: Mandatory Pre-departure Session

The mandatory pre-departure orientation session is a group event to prepare students who have been accepted into the CSEP. Valuable information not previously discussed is shared during this session. Topics may include information on:

- course registration
- tuition charges and payments
- culture shock
- health and travel insurance
- medical and money matters
- plane ticket
- and visas among others



# Travel Risk Awareness

Awareness and preparation will help you travel with confidence. You will be given access to mandatory Travel Risk Awareness modules once you have completed the pre-departure session.

Please visit the Concordia International Outbound Exchange and Travel Risk Awareness [website](#).





# Resources

Application Help:

[ILO Virtual Office Hours](#)

Faculty Advisor Contacts:



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Contact our [Student Exchange Ambassadors](#)

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