

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.

Study abroad

- CSEP
- Short-Term Summer Programs Abroad

#### Research abroad

MITACS

#### **Mobility Bursaries**

- Quebec Mobility Bursary
- Other external funding

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\*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 Advisors

To be contacted for questions regarding:

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

#### Faculty Advisors:

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 applicationStep 6: Accept my placement offerStep 7: Get my desired host courses approved

### Apply to the Host

Step 8: Apply to my host

### **Pre-Departure**

Step 9: Finalize my plans

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# 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



# Why Go Abroad?

95%

+75

%

80%

+50

%

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

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

of students who studied abroad reported enhanced foreign language skills.

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

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#### Faculty Requirements and Processes:



# Step 3: Where Do I Begin?

- 1. Attend an information session Done!
- 2. Research destinations and application process on the <u>CI website</u>
- 3. Meet with your CI (ILO) or Faculty advisors if you have questions
- 4. Apply through the Concordia International On-line Mobility Portal

# Step 4: Where Can I Go?

Choose from our <u>list of partners</u>

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 <u>interactive map</u>
- 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 website 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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## **Interactive Map - Search Results**





## Interactive Map - Host Details and Important Link

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Country	Germany
City	Weimar
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## Interactive Map - Student Reports

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### **Application Deadlines**



# 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 <u>Portal</u>. The portal is open from November 1, 2022 to **January 15, 2023**. It groups all your application formalities for your mobility, from your application to your student report. You will find the CSEP on-line application in the portal.

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 <u>Quebec Mobility Bursary</u> 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

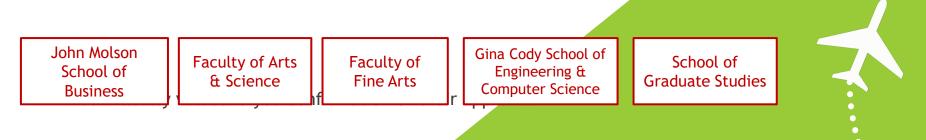
About the Quebec Mobility Bursary

- 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.



Concordia International can only assess your application and offer you a placement 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 <u>portal</u>, under "You 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 indicated on your application.
- If your exchange gets cancelled for any reason, we will not offer an alternative placement.

# Step 7: Get my desired host courses approve

- Follow the instructions for course approval provided on your <u>Faculty's</u> exchange and visiting student website
- Only courses that have been approved in writing by your Department / Faculty will be considered for credit transfer
- For any questions pertaining to course approvals, please contact your Faculty

# Step 8: Apply to My Host

Once I have accepted my placement, I will be required to complete an application to the institution to which I have been placed. DO NOT apply before I am prompted to do so by either my 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 my list of courses with my Department / Faculty if needed

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

> Confirm reception of my letter of admission with Concordia International

# Step 9: MANDATORY PRE-DEPARTURE

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. Having a Travel Preparation Plan is the first step.

Please visit the Concordia International Outbound Exchange and Travel Risk Awareness <u>website</u>.

## Resources

#### Application Help:

**CSEP** application and Portal Guide

ILO Virtual Office Hours

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# Looking for inspiration?

See what former exchange students have to say about their time abroad through their study abroad videos

Contact our <u>Student Exchange Ambassadors</u>

Read former exchange students reports

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