

2024-2025 Quota

Q1. Student quota: number of exchange students you can accommodate from Waseda University in the academic year 2024-2025 (please refer to the agreement)

4 students

General Information

Q1. Full name of your institution in English

The University of Washington (Seattle)

Q2. Brief introduction of your institution (up to 200 words) and the URL

The University of Washington is located in Seattle, on a beautifully green campus about 10 minutes away from downtown. The UW has earned an international reputation for its research and graduate programs in a host of disciplines, as well as its professional schools of Law, Medicine, and Nursing, among others. It is a leader in a variety of fields and was one of the first universities in the US to foster Asian studies, over a hundred years ago. Research is of great benefit to the broader community, and undergraduates benefit by learning from professors who are at the forefront of generating new knowledge. UW's graduate programs are among the most highly rated in the nation.

Facts & Figures

Founded in: 1861

Undergraduate students: 32,779 (Seattle campus)

Graduate students: 16,246 (Seattle campus)

Full-time faculty: 3859

Part-time faculty: 1308

Library holding: over 6 million e-journal articles and 7 million print volumes

<https://www.washington.edu/studyabroad/visitingexchange/> (The link to Study Abroad visiting exchange student site)

<http://www.washington.edu> (General website)

<https://honors.uw.edu/> (Interdisciplinary Honors Program)

The Honors Program, a division of Undergraduate Academic Affairs, is a high-profile unit that attracts promising students from Washington State and around the globe. As an innovative laboratory for interdisciplinary inquiry, students reach across the university, sharing their intellect and enthusiastic engagement with local, national, and international communities. Honors exemplifies the university's mission, showcasing the benefits of interdisciplinary thinking and self-discovery. Ultimately, the program's mission is to create engaged citizens and leaders who serve the community.

On this foundation the Honors Program builds community - not only for students but also faculty and staff – by collaborating with units across the University on high-impact learning. The Honors Program models and shares best practices and educational approaches that contribute to recent campus-wide initiatives. Acting as a site of pedagogical innovation, and a catalyst for interdisciplinary thinking and learning, Honors invites UW faculty and staff from more than 40 departments to explore interdisciplinary questions and approaches beyond their disciplines via teaching opportunities, workshops on pedagogy and intensive interactions with students.

For more information visit: <https://honors.uw.edu/>

Q3. Categories of exchange students you will accept (e.g., undergraduate students with 2 semesters completed, graduate students, master's students, doctoral students)

Current Waseda University students are invited to apply for the Global Leadership Program. Waseda students accepted to the program will participate in Honors Program courses and be part of the Honors community at the UW. Waseda GLP students will take a minimum of one Honors class during their exchange and will also enroll in classes in their majors. Other classes taken at the UW will be specific to the student's majors or electives, depending on student's interests. Students will benefit from personalized advising through the UW Honors Program and the Office of International Programs and Exchanges. In addition, reflection is one of the core tenets of Interdisciplinary Honors. The Honors Portfolio is a web-based collection of artifacts and reflective writing that documents and contextualizes undergraduate experiences. All Interdisciplinary Honors students develop and complete a portfolio during their time at UW. The Honors Program requires GLFP Waseda students to create a [portfolio](#) to sustain and deepen their reflective practice.

Undergraduate only

Q4. Do you admit undergraduate students without prior studies in the relevant disciplines?

Some upper level courses have prerequisites; admittance is at the discretion of the instructor.

Q5. Academic calendar (e.g., fall semester: Sep.-Dec., spring semester: Jan.-June)

<http://www.washington.edu/students/reg/calendar.html>

Q6. Is enrollment open to students of any nationality including your own country? If "no", please specify all restrictions.

Preference will be given to students who have not spent a significant period of education in the U.S.

Admission Requirements

Q7. GPA requirement on the 4-point scale (Please also indicate any other specific requirements regarding grades.)

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Q8. Language(s) of instruction:

English

If it is English, please answer Q8-a and Q8-e

If it is other than English, please answer Q8-b, Q8-c and Q8-e.

If it varies from program to program, please answer all questions below.

Q8-a. TOEFL requirements: Please specify required minimum scores on PBT, CBT and iBT. Please add section-score requirements if there are any (e.g., iBT: 22 on each section for all programs).

Undergraduates

iBT: 83

Q8-b. Language proficiency requirement(s) other than English (please give details if you require minimum scores of any tests, specific language proficiency certificates, or any other language requirement):

IELTS: 7.0

Q8-c. Tuition-waived L2 beginner courses in the local language (other than English) are available for exchange students through a year? If "yes", please go to Q8-d. If "no", please go to Q8-e.

None

Q8-d. How many class hours per week of the L2 beginner courses in the local language (other than English) do you have?

N/A

Q8-e. Is there any possibility that you may accept an exchange student whose language proficiency does not meet your admission requirement? If "yes", please go to Q8-f. If "no", please go to Q8-h.

No

Q8-f. If your answer to Q8-e is "yes", what level of language proficiency should the student preferably have before arriving at your institution? (e.g., beginner, daily conversation)

N/A

Q8-g. If your answer to Q8-e is "yes", please list programs and/or courses that the student may take. The programs and courses must be (1) open to exchange students, (2) tuition-waived and (3) 1-year long.

N/A

Q8-h. Do you offer sufficient courses in English for exchange students to meet your course load recommendations if they take only courses in English throughout the academic year?

Yes

Other Information**Q9. Programs and/or courses not open to exchange students from Waseda University**

The following subject areas are not usually available to undergraduate exchange students: Accounting; Architecture; Art; Communications; Computer Science; Economics; Engineering; Finance; Genome Sciences; Health Sciences; Law; Law, Society & Justice; Mathematics; Psychology; Sociology. Students may be limited to courses outside these majors due to enrollment constraints. Exchange students are not eligible to take practicum/student teaching courses or classes that include any clinical work.

Foster School of Business, Computer Science, and the College of Engineering all have restrictions.

Business, Law, fee-based and professional programs and other departments and colleges outside of the College of Arts & Sciences may also have enrollment restrictions.

Access to all other courses is on a space-available basis, provided students meet prerequisites.

Undergraduate Business Restrictions:

In addition to all Finance and Accounting classes, the following courses are not open to exchange students: IS300; I BUS300; OPMGT300; MKTG301; FIN350; MGMT300; MGMT320; BECON300 AND MGMT430

Q10. Types of accommodation available to exchange students and estimated fees

Note: costs vary widely depending on room occupancy, dormitory of choice, particular type of meal plan.

For full information on options and costs see <https://hfs.uw.edu/Home> and <https://admit.washington.edu/costs/coa/>

On-campus dormitories: \$10,000 (includes dining, based on 22/23 rates)

Off-campus apartment or house: \$9,000 (room only)

Q11. How much will estimated room and board fees be for a 10-month stay? Please tell us a rough overall amount in your currency (ex. 5000 euro).

USD \$16,068

Q11-a. Please break down the overall amount answered in Q11.

<https://admit.washington.edu/costs/coa/>

Costs listed below are estimates for the academic year (fall, winter, spring quarter). Actual Student expenses may vary

Undergraduates (estimates based on 2023/2024 projected; actual amounts subject to change)

Tuition: covered by waiver

U-Pass: \$258 (covers transportation)

Room & Board (on-campus): \$16,068

Health Insurance: \$1,179 (see below for information on possible waiver of required insurance)

Books and Supplies: \$900

Personal Expenses: \$2,388

Total: \$20,793

Q12. Number of courses you would recommend an exchange student should take during one semester.

Average is 3 courses (15 credits) per quarter. Minimum for visa purposes is 12 credits per quarter

If students register for more than 18 credits, they will need to pay the nonresident tuition cost for any credits after 18.

Honors Program GLFP Exchange students must enroll in at least one Honors Core Course during their year exchange at UW. For more information about the Honors Program:

<https://honors.uw.edu/>

Q13. Mandatory fees Waseda students must pay to your institution.

2. U-pass (bus pass,): currently \$258 for the year
3. Insurance: approximately \$1,179 for the year * (students who have comparable insurance coverage may be eligible to apply for an insurance waiver upon arrival)
4. Student Technology Fee: currently \$66

Q14. Insurance plan: Is an exchange student required to purchase a compulsory insurance plan (e.g., health insurance plan) designated by your university or country? If "yes", how much does it cost?

Yes

Insurance: \$1,200 for the entire year, including summer.

Q14-a. If your answer to Q14 is "yes", is a waiver available, provided that the student purchases an insurance plan designated by Waseda University? Please state specific "conditions" if any.

Yes, students must meet certain criteria and show proof of comparable coverage to obtain the waiver. For the most updated information, please refer to the ISS website:

<http://www.washington.edu/ship/international-student-insurance-health-plan/>

Application Information

Q15. Application documents

Two Step Process, GLFP applicants must submit both the UW form and the general UW Visiting Exchange Student application.

Step 1, Honors Program:

- Review the Honors Program GLFP webpage and become familiar with the Honors Program at the UW by reviewing <https://honors.uw.edu/>
- Complete and submit the online application form. (Honors Program review): <http://depts.washington.edu/uwhonors/international/waseda/>

Step 2, UW Exchange Application:

Exchange students must be officially nominated by their home university. Once a student is nominated, they'll receive a link to the UW Study Abroad application. Students can get further information about the application and the exchange program details on the Visiting Student Exchange website: <https://www.washington.edu/studyabroad/visitingexchange/>

Undergraduate applicants must submit:

ONLINE:

- 1.Application
- 2.Statement of Purpose online (1-2 page, double-spaced, in English). Indicate you are applying for the GLFP

MATERIAL SUBMISSION (scan & submit via email):

1. Transcript
2. Verification of English Proficiency (TOEFL, IELTS or Duolingo)
3. Copy of information page of passport
4. Official bank letter or bank statement (*only required after students have been admitted*). The bank statement will need to show students can cover non-tuition expenses for the duration of the exchange.

Q15-a. Application deadlines

Feb.1 (Honors Materials)

April 1st (International Programs and Exchanges General Application)

Q15-b. Anticipated dates for notification of admission

Mid-May to early June

Q17. Any comments and other useful information (e.g., visa, orientation, local information)

Upon admission, international exchange students will receive a DS-2019 form to apply for an J-1 visa. International Student Orientation is normally scheduled for mid-September (The date will be confirmed once students are admitted). Students who plan to live in the residence halls may apply for Early Arrival Housing in August and move into a temporary room during orientation until the residence hall move-in date.