

## University Information Sheet – Halifax

University	St. Mary's University, Halifax
Country	Canada
Unicode	Partner University
Homepage	<a href="http://www.smu.ca/">http://www.smu.ca/</a> <a href="http://www.smu.ca/international/">http://www.smu.ca/international/</a>

### University

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#### Information Material

<https://www.smu.ca/future-students/internationaladmissions/internationaladmissionsfaq/>

Further information and notes on former outgoings' first-hand experiences are available on StudIP.

Courses for the upcoming academic year are published online usually in March on their website.

#### Available Spots

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#### Term Time

Beginning of September – middle/end of December. The Orientation Week is held one week before the semester starts. Final exams may take place in December.

#### Language of Instruction

English, (Spanish, French)

#### Language Requirements

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## Finance

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### Funding

TUITION: Partner University > no tuition fees

Tuition waiver will be for up to 5 courses per semester

### Accommodation

PRIVATE: Room sublet with housemates ([www.kijiji.ca](http://www.kijiji.ca)): 675 CA\$

### DORMS:

- Loyola Residence: shared flat (6 students): 25 CA\$ application fee (once), 500 CA\$ residence deposit, the rent for a single room in the Loyola residence is about 1,100 CA\$
  - Residence and Meal plan (if living in residence), see [rates here](#)
- Rice Residence: 2,500 CA\$ for the semester
  - on campus shared double apartment, furnished, internet and phone access
- Super Single Room: room, kitchen (stove, fridge, microwave) & bathroom shared with 2 other girls, wifi, water: 1,055 CA\$

### Other Costs

Students will be responsible for student fees and medical insurance charges (– these are mandatory even for visiting exchange students on tuition-waiver). The following are the rates from the 2023-24 academic year for your reference purposes:

- F/T Students' Association Fees: CAD\$89.50 per semester
- SMUSA Dental Health Plan: CAD\$120.00 per 12 months
- SMUSA Basic Plan Int'l: CAD\$915.00 per 12 months
- SMUSA Extended Health Plan: \$250.00 per 12 months
- U-Pass – SMUSA/Metro Transit: CAD\$87.00 per semester
- Obligatory health insurance: 1,285 CA\$  
Room deposit: 500 CA\$; application fee for residence portal: 25 CA\$  
Books: 350 CA\$

VISA: Since 2016, an ETA (Electronic Travel Authorization) is needed for Canada: about 7 CA\$

## Studying

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### Information on Courses

#### WiSe 23/24

1. Language Issues in Canada
2. Intercultural Communication
3. Personality Psychology
4. Politics: Contemporary Issues

#### WiSe 22/23

1. The Media in Everyday Life
2. Literature and Science
3. Cultural Studies
4. Reading Film
5. The Sky and Planets

#### WiSe 21/22

1. The Modern Novella
2. The Study of Narrative
3. Making Sense of Atlantic Canada
4. GEOG 1100 – Global Perspective of Land & Life
5. GEOG 1200 – People, Places & Environment
6. Intro Personality Psychology
7. History of Canadian Culture(s)
8. Beginners' French Level II
9. Introductory Modern Chinese

## Further Information

Many business courses require Marketing as a prerequisite.

UPPER-YEAR COURSES with pre-requisites are not open to visiting exchange students unless the student obtains approval from Saint Mary's academic advisor of the subject area ahead of time. Our academic advisor uses the student's home university transcript to assess their academic background. Not all pre-requisite override requests may be approved.

Not all times courses students want to choose may be available; thus, we do not recommend our exchange program to students who have a specific set of courses they must complete during the exchange program.

Courses for the upcoming academic year are published online usually in March. In the meantime, you can go to their [website](#) and follow the prompts on the page to see the courses offered in the current year:

- At "Select a term", choose "September-December 2023" or "January-April 2024" from the dropdown menu and press "continue".
- At "Enter Your Search Criteria", choose:
- "Undergraduate" for "Academic Level";
- the subject area of interest for "Course Subject";
- "Main" for "Campus" and press "Search".

To look up course descriptions, check the [Undergraduate course catalog](#). Use this catalogue only to search for course descriptions; not all courses on the catalogue are offered every semester!

For information purposes, you can look up their [Frequently Asked Questions](#) ("FAQ") page to understand how the courses are organized and numbered.

Students must take a minimum of 3 courses (9cr) to a maximum of 5 courses (15cr) per semester to be a full-time student.