



Information for Exchange Partners

Overview of CU Boulder	<p>CU Boulder is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The flagship university for the state of Colorado • One of the most spectacular college campuses in the country • A member of the prestigious Association of American Universities (AAU) and the only member in the Rocky Mountain region • Home of 5 Nobel laureates and more than 50 members of prestigious academic academies 	http://www.colorado.edu/about
Location: Boulder, Colorado	<p>The city of Boulder is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nestled against the eastern foothills of the Rocky Mountains at an elevation of 5,430 feet (1,655 m) • Located 30 minutes northeast of Denver, Colorado's state capitol • Home to approximately 100,000 residents (including 30,000 CU Boulder students) • About an hour from Denver International Airport (with public transportation readily available) • A center for outdoor activities with miles of bicycle trails and hiking trails, and easy access to mountain climbing and skiing 	http://www.colorado.com/cities-and-towns/Boulder
Climate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Boulder has a dry climate typical of much of the state, and enjoys over 300 sunny days each year. • Students who arrive in August will encounter hot weather that will gradually cool through the fall. • Students who arrive in January will initially encounter cold and windy weather. • Temperatures are somewhat unpredictable year round. It can be warm in the winter and cool in the summer. Summer maximum temperatures are in the mid 90^o F range (about 32^o C). Winters are cool to occasionally bitterly cold, with highs averaging mid to upper 40^o F (about 7-9^o C). Lows may plummet below freezing during winter nights, but extended subzero cold is uncommon. • Nights are significantly cooler than days year-round due to the high-elevation and dry climate. 	https://www.colorado.edu/iss/node/172/
General Semester Dates	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fall semester begins late August and ends mid-December. • Spring semester begins early or mid-January and ends early May. • Summer dates vary and is not part of an exchange agreement. 	http://www.colorado.edu/academics/academic-calendar



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Clubs and Sports	Whether students are looking for a group that emphasizes ethnic or cultural heritage, political involvement, hobbies, environmental issues, or sports, they will find more than 90 clubs and organizations that are important to our campus life. Spectators and participants can enjoy men's and women's intercollegiate competition in basketball, cross country, golf, alpine and Nordic skiing, volleyball, and indoor and outdoor track and field – as well as women's soccer, lacrosse, and tennis and men's football.	https://www.colorado.edu/involvement/organizations https://www.colorado.edu/recreation/intramural-sports
Library	We have a comprehensive library system with both print and online services.	https://www.colorado.edu/libraries/
Technology	CU Boulder is proud of its superior information technology (IT) environment. A CU Boulder student can take advantage of educational technology tools, wireless network access, an extensive array of modern computing labs, and innovative classroom technology.	http://oit.colorado.edu/
Housing and Meal Plans	<p>Housing is limited on campus and exchange students are encouraged to apply as soon as they are admitted and receive instructions.</p> <p>A variety of meal plans are available to students living on and off campus.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://www.colorado.edu/offcampus/ • https://www.colorado.edu/living/housing and dining
Estimated Cost of Living Per Semester	<p>SEMESTER BREAKDOWN: ESTIMATED</p> <p>Living expenses per semester (paid by STUDENT) - \$11,475 Books and supplies (paid by STUDENT) - \$600 Student approximate total: \$12,075</p> <p>Additional fees may apply, depending on the exchange agreement</p> <p>(Optional): Anthem Gold Health Insurance - \$2,442</p> <p>Housing is VERY limited in Boulder, Colorado. Students may want to look at residences in neighboring towns and cities, and commute by bus to reduce the cost of living.</p>	<p>View your program's information on what fees may or may not be covered within your exchange agreement.</p> <p>Estimated costs based on undergraduate nonresident budgets found here: https://www.colorado.edu/financialaid/cost/example-aid.</p>
Health Insurance	<p>Exchange students are required to have health insurance that meets US J-1 visa requirements. Exchange students may purchase campus health insurance or use their insurance from home if it meets the Visa requirements. Students must have proof of insurance. The CU Gold SHIP Plan health insurance meets visa requirements and may be purchased.</p> <p>Students who plan to use their current insurance while in Boulder are encouraged to add the supplemental BuffCare Coverage Program.</p>	<p>http://www.colorado.edu/healthcenter/insurance</p> <p>https://www.colorado.edu/health/buffcare</p>



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Coursework Requirements	<p>Exchange students must be enrolled as full-time students.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undergraduates take a minimum 12 credits. Undergraduate students who meet pre-requisites and get permission to take some graduate level classes (5000 level and above) must be enrolled in a minimum of 8 credits. Graduate students take at least 5 credits per semester. <p>Each credit is equivalent to 15 contact hours per semester.</p>	<p>Course catalogs are updated in February and March each year)</p> <p>Semester-specific course search (students should select Boulder main campus courses):</p> <p>https://classes.colorado.edu/</p>
Application Documents	<p>Undergraduate exchange applications include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> An application form A financial statement and supporting financial documentation Official transcript showing all university level work the student has completed A copy of the passport page showing the student's name and birthdate (the biodata page) Students admitted as undergraduate students must demonstrate a proficiency in English language as determined by scores from an approved English aptitude test. Qualifying exam scores can be found on the Admissions website. Students seeking graduate admission are subject to the Graduate School English Proficiency requirements. Law students are subject to the English language proficiency requirements set by JD International Admissions <i>Note that students from certain exchange partners may not have to submit proof of English language proficiency, including those based in English-speaking countries.</i> <p>Some departments/programs (Graduate School, MBA, Music, Architecture) require additional application materials.</p>	<p>Exchange Student Eligibility Requirements</p> <p>English proficiency requirements:</p> <p>Undergraduate Student English Proficiency</p> <p>Graduate Student English Proficiency</p>
Exchange Student Nomination Deadlines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall nominations must be received by January 15. Spring nominations must be received by September 1. 	<p>https://www.colorado.edu/oie/student-exchanges/information-partner-institutions</p>
Contact Information for Exchanges	<p>International Student and Scholar Services</p> <p>Kelsey Mark, Exchange Program Manager (contact for balances and agreements)</p>	<p>Email: exchangepartner@colorado.edu</p> <p>Web: https://www.colorado.edu/oie/student-exchanges</p>