Fact Sheet
University of Zurich 2027/2028

(worldwide)

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	https://www.int.uzh.ch/en/in/program/world/university.html
Promotional Video	https://www.int.uzh.ch/en/in/program.html

Nomination / Application

The responsible person at the home institution provides the nominee's data in the excel sheet sent by UZH (including first name and last name, e-mail address, home university, year and level of study, major / minor field of study, contact details of the home university's coordinator in charge, subject to study at UZH, and semester/s of exchange) and sends the completed file to incoming@int.uzh.ch. Students will receive the link to our online application platform via e-mail once they have officially been nominated.

Information about the required application documents can be found here:
https://www.int.uzh.ch/en/in/program/world/university.html

	Fall semester or academic year	*Spring semester*
Nomination Deadline	15 March	15 September
Application Deadline	30 March	30 September
Notice of Acceptance	End of April	End of October

Requirements

Study Requirements	Bachelor/undergraduate students must have completed at least 2 semesters or equivalent before the exchange stay. Students must complete their degree at their respective home university after the exchange program.
GPA	No GPA requirement but applying students are expected to have a good academic standing.
Language Proficiency	For courses taught in English (only for students of non-English speaking partner universities): Certification of English skills at about level B2 (according to the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages – CEFR), e.g. IELTS 6.5, TOEFL ibT 4.5 or 90 (new scale from 2026: 1.0 – 6.0; previous scale: 0 – 120), CPE or CAE. Can also be provided by the Language Center of the home university (by a native speaker). Requirements for courses at UZH's English Department (English Language and Literature): https://www.es.uzh.ch/en/studies/stay-abroad/inboundstudents/guidelineinbounds.html For courses taught in German: A proof of proficiency in German at about level C1 (according to CEFR) issued by the Goethe Institute or the German language department of the home university (by a native speaker).

Academics

Academic Calendar	Exams: Depending on the faculty, at the end of or after the lecture period (January/June) https://www.uzh.ch/cmsssl/en/studies/dates/dates.html *Fall semester* *20.09.2027 – 23.12.2027* *Spring semester*

	21.02.2028 – 02.06.2028
Course Load	Exchange students are expected to choose courses amounting to around 20 ECTS in the same or a similar subject they study at their home university.
Online Course Catalogue	https://courses.uzh.ch/
Restrictions	- Cross-faculty course booking is allowed; however, students should attend most courses in their major and minor(s). - Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences: no cross-level booking. - English Department (English Language and Literature): Students who are not enrolled in English Language and Literature at their home university can only take lectures offered by the English Department. - Department of Biology: Only students who study Biology, Biochemistry or Biomedicine at their home university are allowed to take courses in Biology, Biochemistry or Biomedicine. Also, Block Courses in these subjects are closed to exchange students. - Department of Psychology: Only students who study Psychology as a major at their home university are allowed to take courses offered by the Department of Psychology. - Faculty of Law: Students taking courses at the Faculty of Law must have completed 4 semesters at their home university before the begin of their exchange stay at UZH.
Language Courses	The Language Center of the University of Zurich and ETH offers language courses for students from all fields of study for a fee between CHF 80.- and 150.-. There are also courses for international and exchange students like "German as a Foreign Language". Exchange students also have the possibility of taking a German course during the two weeks before the lectures start. A fee of CHF 120.- applies for this non-semester intensive German course. Information about the exact dates, duration and application deadlines will be available several weeks before the beginning of the semester at https://www.sprachenzentrum.uzh.ch/en.html
Transcript of Records	Students can download their official electronic transcript of records from their UZH Student Portal account approximately 8–10 weeks after the end of their exchange (mid-March for the fall semester and early October for the spring semester). In the meantime, they may use the overview available on the student portal as a provisional transcript of records, which is accessible earlier.

Additional Information about UZH	
UZH Memberships	UZH is member of the following organizations: - Universitas 21, the leading global network of research universities for the 21st century - The League of European Research Universities (LERU) - The European University Foundation (EUF) - Una Europa

Living in Zurich	
Housing	UZH does not own on-campus student dormitories. However, there is a limited number of rooms reserved for UZH students which are managed by the ETH/UZH Housing Office. Exchange students will receive more information and an application link from Global Student Experience after their acceptance. Please note that the Housing Office is in charge of allocating rooms. Additional information: https://www.int.uzh.ch/en/in/organization/living.html
Living Expenses	**Estimated monthly Budget** Rent: **up to** CHF 800.- (room* provided by UZH's Housing Office) Health and other insurances: **around** CHF 200.-** Food, household: CHF 450.- (when eating at UZH's cafeteria/cooking your own meals) Transport: CHF 100.- Study materials: CHF 50.- Miscellaneous: CHF 250.- **TOTAL: CHF 1850.-** *Furnished rooms, the rent includes overhead costs (internet connection, electricity and heating). ** Some students may be exempt from the mandatory health insurance if their home country's health insurance meets the requirements set by the Swiss public authorities (decided on a case-by-case basis). Students must submit a separate application in order to request this exemption.
Insurance	For anyone staying in Switzerland for longer than three months, it is compulsory to purchase Swiss health insurance. If a student's home-country insurance is deemed equivalent, they may apply for an exemption from this requirement. Students must wait for a letter from the Cantonal Department of Health, which they will receive after registering at the *Personenmeldeamt* (Zurich's residents' registration office). Liability insurance is recommended but not mandatory.

	Additional information: https://www.int.uzh.ch/en/in/organization/arrival.html
Visa	Nominated students from countries with visa requirements will receive the visa application form and detailed instructions directly from Global Student Experience at UZH. Global Student Experience will then submit the visa application on the student's behalf to the cantonal Migration Office. The visa fee must be paid even in the event of a cancellation.