

WIDEN YOUR EDUCATIONAL HORIZONS

The **National Student Exchange (NSE)** provides opportunities for you to **study** for a semester or a year **at another NSE college or university in the United States, Canada, Guam, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands.**

With **nearly 200 universities** from which to choose, you should be able to find a campus with just the right combination of courses, facilities, and environment to meet your personal and academic needs and interests.

Students participate in NSE to:

- Broaden their perspectives
- Explore new areas of study
- Learn from different professors
- Access new courses
- Break out of their comfort zones
- Experience personal growth
- Make new friends
- Live in a different area
- Investigate graduate schools
- Seek future employment
- Become more independent
- **Experience life from a different point of view**

Each year, more than 2500 students participate in NSE. They continue to make progress toward home campus degree programs while studying in new places, meeting new people, and enrolling in specialized courses or unique academic options which may not be available on their home campuses.



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RESOURCES

The following are helpful resources as you consider your exchange participation and select an appropriate exchange location.

- UA NSE COORDINATOR
[Nura Dualeh, 520-626-7475](#)
nura@email.arizona.edu
- *Exchange Policies and Procedures* (nse.org, Students)
- *Campus Profiles* (nse.org, Students)
- Academic adviser
- Faculty in your major
- Parents/friends
- Financial aid office

ELIGIBILITY

Exchange participation is a privilege, not a right. Minimum requirements are:

- Full-time enrollment
- Cumulative 2.5 GPA (4.0 scale)
- Good standing (academic, personal and financial)

There may be additional requirements and/or restrictions on exchange participation. You can learn of these from your campus NSE coordinator and from the *Campus Profiles*.

LENGTH OF EXCHANGE

You may participate in NSE for a single term or a full academic year. Some campuses can accommodate summer exchange. The maximum cumulative total for exchange participation may not exceed one calendar year.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Apply for exchange through your home campus NSE coordinator. The process includes a non-refundable application fee, a transcript, recommendations, statement of goals, biographical data, and a personal interview.

FINANCIAL AID

With some exceptions, U.S. federally-funded financial aid for eligible students is applied for, awarded by, and disbursed from the campus at which tuition/fees are paid.



COST

There are two tuition payment plans utilized by NSE. Most NSE campuses use both payment plans.

- Under Plan A, you pay the resident (in-state/in-province) tuition/fees to your host campus.
- Under Plan B, you pay your normal tuition/fees to your home university.

On both tuition payment plans, fees assessed as a condition of enrollment (e.g., fees for laboratory courses, general service, computer, technology, art and photography supplies) are always paid to your host campus.

If you reside on campus, you will pay for room and meals at your host campus. You will also be responsible for transportation, personal expenses, and sightseeing opportunities while on exchange.

PLACEMENT

Most placements are made at NSE's annual conference in early March. Annually, 97% of the applicants are placed at one of their campus choices. Placement probabilities are governed by the number of openings at an institution and the number of students seeking that location.

FOR INFORMATION:

For me, going abroad seemed too far away; staying home seemed too close. NSE was the perfect choice!

Lauren Flaherty, Sonoma State University to the University of Northern Colorado