

National Student Exchange

The National Student Exchange (NSE) provides opportunities for you to **study** for a semester or a year **at another NSE university in the United States, 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
- 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**

NSE participation expands academic, cultural and personal experiences. The changes in attitudes, understanding of other people in other settings, flexibility, maturity, self-confidence, and decision-making are similar to the experiences of students who study internationally. NSE is an enhancement of your undergraduate program that demonstrates to graduate schools and future employers that you possess the flexibility to plan, follow-through and go beyond the expected.

Go to nse.org to browse member schools for exchange opportunities

I LOVE IT HERE SO MUCH! I met wonderful people here my first day and we hang out all the time.

Zahra Janoowalla, Rutgers SAS to U. Hawaii Manoa

Eligibility

Each year more than 2500 students participate in NSE. Rutgers students continue to make progress toward their degree programs while studying in new places, meeting new people, and enrolling in specialized courses or unique academic options to supplement their Rutgers degree program.

Exchange participation is a privilege, not a right. Listed below are the minimum requirements for NSE participation.

- Full-time enrollment at the Rutgers prior to exchange
- Cumulative 2.5 GPA (4.0 scale)
- Completion of Expository Writing
- Good standing (academic, personal, and financial)

There may be additional requirements and/or restrictions on exchange participation imposed by Rutgers and/or your host campus. You can learn of these from your Rutgers coordinator and from the *Campus Profiles* at nse.org, *Students*.

Length of Exchange

Students may exchange for a Fall semester or for an academic year. We do not do exchanges for a Spring semester only.

Courses and Grades

Rutgers determines the manner in which your host campus courses are transferred and used toward requirements. Consult with your academic advisor regarding course selection prior to going on exchange and preferably during the time you are exploring possible host campuses. A written Proposal for Study, indicating how work completed at the host campus will fit into your Rutgers degree program, must be completed after placement and prior to leaving for your exchange site.

Cost

There are two tuition payment plans utilized by NSE. Rutgers participates only in Plan A, in which you pay the resident (in-state or in-province) tuition/fees to your host campus.

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

Room and meals are always paid to your host campus. You are responsible for transportation, personal expenses, and sightseeing opportunities while on exchange.

See the Program Coordinator to get an estimate of how much your exchange may cost.

Financial Aid

Financial aid for eligible students is applied for, awarded by, and disbursed by the host campus. Ask your home NSE coordinator.

Exploring Participation

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

- Meet with your NSE coordinator.
- Read the *Exchange Policies and Procedures* at nse.org, *Students*.
- Review *Campus Profiles* at nse.org, *Students*.
- Review member campus catalogs and course descriptions. (links at nse.org)
- Consult your academic advisor.
- Consider how much flexibility you have regarding course selection.
- Discuss participation with parents and significant others.
- Determine if financial and financial aid resources are sufficient for your exchange.

Application Process

Apply for exchange through your Rutgers NSE coordinator. The process includes a non-refundable application fee, biographical data, and a personal interview.

In addition to the eligibility criteria, other factors which may be considered in the application process include your flexibility, the ability to adapt to short-term relocation, clear academic and personal goals, support of your academic department, and a willingness to be a positive representative of Rutgers at your exchange college or university.

Placement

Most placements are made by the Rutgers NSE coordinator at NSE's annual conference in early March where 97% of the applicants are placed at one of their selected campuses. Placement is governed by the number of openings at an institution and the number of students seeking that location.

After Placement

Placements are confirmed by signing a *Placement Acceptance Form*. Upon receipt of the form, the host NSE coordinator will forward enrollment materials which usually include a housing application, an institutional admissions form, and registration information. All materials must be completed and returned by stated deadlines. At the end of the term preceding exchange you must have maintained all eligibility requirements applicable at the time of your application or your exchange will be cancelled.

Discover a program that will change your life!

2018-2019 “Plan A” Exchange Sites*

ALABAMA

Alabama A & M University
Alabama State University
University of Alabama
University of Montevallo

ALASKA

University of Alaska Anchorage
University of Alaska Fairbanks
University of Alaska Southeast

ARIZONA

Northern Arizona University

CALIFORNIA

California Polytechnic State University,
San Luis Obispo
California State University, Bakersfield
California State University, Chico
California State University, East Bay
California State University, Monterey Bay
California State University, Northridge
California State University, San Bernardino
Sonoma State University

COLORADO

Colorado Mesa University
Colorado State University-Pueblo
Fort Lewis College
University of Colorado at Colorado Springs
Western State Colorado University

CONNECTICUT

Eastern Connecticut State University

FLORIDA

Florida International University

GUAM

University of Guam

HAWAII

University of Hawaii at Hilo
University of Hawaii at Manoa

IDAHO

Boise State University
University of Idaho

ILLINOIS

Eastern Illinois University

IOWA

Iowa State University

KENTUCKY

Murray State University
Western Kentucky University

LOUISIANA

Louisiana State University
Northwestern State University
Southern University
University of New Orleans

MAINE

University of Maine at Presque Isle

MASSACHUSETTS

Bridgewater State University
Salem State University
University of Massachusetts
at Amherst
University of Massachusetts
at Boston
Westfield State University
Worcester State University

MINNESOTA

Minnesota State University Moorhead
University of Minnesota Morris
University of Minnesota Rochester
University of Minnesota, Twin Cities

MISSISSIPPI

Jackson State University

MISSOURI

University of Missouri-St. Louis

MONTANA

Montana State University
University of Montana

NEBRASKA

University of Nebraska at Kearney

NEVADA

University of Nevada, Las Vegas

NEW YORK

Binghamton University
Queens College,
City University of New York
Stony Brook University
SUNY College at Buffalo
SUNY Plattsburgh
SUNY Potsdam

OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma State University

OREGON

Eastern Oregon University
Southern Oregon University
University of Oregon
Western Oregon University

PENNSYLVANIA

Indiana University of Pennsylvania
West Chester University
of Pennsylvania

PUERTO RICO

Inter American University of Puerto Rico,
Barranquitas
Inter American University of Puerto Rico,
San German
Polytechnic University of Puerto Rico
Universidad del Sagrado Corazon
University of Puerto Rico, Bayamon
University of Puerto Rico, Cayey
University of Puerto Rico, Humacao
University of Puerto Rico, Mayaguez
University of Puerto Rico, Rio Piedras

RHODE ISLAND

University of Rhode Island

SOUTH DAKOTA

Dakota State University
South Dakota State University
University of South Dakota

TENNESSEE

Tennessee State University
University of Memphis

TEXAS

Prairie View A&M University
Texas State University, San Marcos
University of Texas at San Antonio
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley

U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

University of the Virgin Islands
at St. Croix
University of the Virgin Islands
at St. Thomas

UTAH

Southern Utah University
University of Utah
Utah Valley University

VERMONT

Johnson State College

WEST VIRGINIA

West Virginia University

WYOMING

University of Wyoming

CANADA

MANITOBA

Brandon University

NEWFOUNDLAND AND LABRADOR

Grenfell Campus, Memorial University of
Newfoundland

NOVA SCOTIA

Cape Breton University

SASKATCHEWAN

University of Regina

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only exchanges students through
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I am loving New Orleans. I have
met people from all over the world
and we are
exploring and enjoying the city
together.

Amanda Reddington

Rutgers SAS to

University of New Orleans

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Deadline for 2018-2019 school
year is February 2018.

Contact Dean Dudzak to find
out more and get started!

Where Do You Want to Study Next Year?

NSE forever
shaped the way
I view the world.

Patrick Monicle
North Carolina State University
to the University of Hawaii at Hilo



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