

The College of William & Mary

Williamsburg
USA



The University

Dating from 1693, William & Mary is America's second-oldest college and is ranked as the best small public university in the US. With only 7,625 students, of whom approximately 5,700 are undergraduates, the College enjoys a student-teacher ratio of 11:1. The College is home to a racially and culturally diverse group of students from 50 states and 60 foreign countries. In recognition of its excellence, the media have included William & Mary among the nation's prestigious "Public Ivys", and ranked it first among state institutions in terms of commitment to teaching.

University website: www.wm.edu



Location

The college is located in historic Williamsburg, Virginia, approximately 150 miles south of Washington DC, midway between Richmond and Norfolk.

The campus has approximately 1,200 acres including picturesque Lake Matoaka and the College Woods, and is situated adjacent to Colonial Williamsburg. The ancient campus section is restored to an 18th century appearance.

Travel

There are three airports convenient to Williamsburg: The Richmond International Airport (RIC), Norfolk International Airport (ORF), and the Newport News/Williamsburg Airport (PHF). Richmond and Norfolk are each about an hour from the College by car; Newport News is about 40 minutes. All airports have shuttle services to Williamsburg and the College.

More information available at:

<http://www.wm.edu/offices/revescenter/issp/newstudents/transportation/index.php>



Immigration

The University of Exeter produces a visa factsheet for students travelling to the United States, including approximate costs.

For further information:

<http://www.exeter.ac.uk/international/abroad/exchange/visa/>

Housing

Housing options are based on shared rooms with 2 or 3 students sharing a room. Costs are approximately \$2,406 - \$3,286 per semester. Meal plans range from \$799 - \$1,984 per semester (based on 2011/12 costs).

Further information is available at :

<http://www.wm.edu/offices/revescenter/issp/life/housing/index.php>





Health Insurance

William & Mary Health Insurance is compulsory for all students. The cost is \$1,370 (2010/11) for the academic year, and students will be billed automatically in two instalments, \$631 before the Fall semester and \$739 at the beginning of the Spring semester. However, it is possible to get a waiver if you already have adequate insurance.

<http://www.wm.edu/offices/revescenter/issp/life/insurance/index.php>

Term Dates Dates for 2012/13 to be confirmed

Semester 1 2012	Dates TBC	Semester 2 2013	Dates TBC
Orientation	17-22 August		
Classes begin	23 August	Classes begin	17 January
Fall break	7-10 October	Spring break	2-10 March
Thanksgiving	22-26 November		
Classes end	1 December	Classes end	26 April
Exam period	4-13 December	Exam period	27 April - 8 May



Services

Information available from the Reves Center for International Studies:

www.wm.edu/revescenter/iss/

<http://www.wm.edu/offices/revescenter/issp/newstudents/exchange/index.php>

Course Requirements

To maintain your student visa status you must take a minimum of 12 credits per semester. This equates to 4 classes per semester.

Information on programmes available for Arts and Sciences:

www.wm.edu/as/undergraduate/curriculum/index.php



Application

- 1 February 2012** Deadline for submitting internal application form accompanied by personal statement, transcript of studies to date and 2 academic references.
- 8 February 2012** Allocation of host institution made (in liaison with Study Abroad Co-ordinators). Students notified and provided with relevant host institution application form.
- 1 March 2012** Deadline for submitting host institution application form and any additional supporting documentation required (e.g. transcript, photographs, financial statements, housing applications etc).

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All information is subject to change and is given here to assist students in finding out about the host institution for themselves. Quoted costs should be taken as guidelines until confirmed by the host institution. It is the responsibility of the student to research, confirm and add to the details listed above.
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