

FAQs (Elliott School of International Affairs, The George Washington University)

Q1. Do you accept students of any nationalities? If not, who are not eligible?

A1. We do not restrict students from coming based on nationality.

Q2. Will exchange students be allowed and able to take courses offered by other schools at the University?

A2. Yes, with the exception being law and medicine courses. Graduate exchange students are not permitted to take these.

Q3. Are there any academic requirements for MA exchange students while at the University? (e.g. Exchange students are required to take X number of courses and can take up to X number of courses.)

A3. Students must be enrolled in at least 9 credits. We ask that they take at least one course from The Elliott School.

Q4. Are there any academic requirements for Ph.D. exchange students while at the University?

A4. We do not have a Ph.D. program.

Q5. Are there any additional application documents to be submitted if the applicant is Ph.D. student?

A5. Not applicable.

Q6. Will exchange students be able to take local language classes free of charge at the University?

A6. Not at the university. English for Academic Purposes is a course available, but students must pay full tuition cost.

Q7. Tell us the required language proficiency. Do you accept a TOEIC score as a certificate of English language proficiency?

A7. TOEFL: 105 (Internet test), IELTS: 7.0 Overall with no band score below 6.5.

Q8. Will students with an academic degree from an institution in an English speaking country be exempted from submitting a certificate of English language proficiency?

A8. Yes.

Q9. Are there any requirements/regulations at the University exchange program applicants should be particularly aware of?

A9. Students must have insurance compatible with the Affordable Care Act. Students are automatically enrolled in compliant health care through the university.

Q10. Are there any requirements regarding enrolment period at the University exchange program applicants should be particularly aware of? (Minimum or Maximum study period in Waseda University before participating in exchange program)

A10. No.

Q11. Will exchange students be able to do internship at a company or international organization during the semester exchange program? If so, is there any support to find the institute from the University?

A11. Students are not permitted to do an internship during their exchange period. They are permitted to attend all career related events, site visits and panels. Exchange students do not have access to GSS Career Staff.

Q12. Do you have any dormitories where exchange students are allowed to stay?

A12. No.

Q13. Please describe the procedure for obtaining the visa and the required documents.

A13. GW will provide DS-2019 forms to students who submit appropriate documentation. Students must apply for and obtain the visa on their own.

Q14. Please send us the list or URL of the courses which exchange students can take.

A14. This is the link to the GW schedule of classes: <https://my.gwu.edu/mod/pws/>
Students are able to see course descriptions for both current and past semesters via the [Elliott School Graduate Academics](#) web page.