Information for Exchange Students
(Tuition/Fee Exchange)
Academic Year 2017-2018

The following information is accurate as of the time of its writing; however, it is subject to change without notice. International Programs Center (IPC) will make every effort to communicate any program changes.

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Arrival Information

On-Campus Housing
Your housing is expected to be available beginning and ending on the following dates. Do not arrive any later than the following arrival date. See the "On-Campus Housing" section below for more detailed information.

Fall semester: Monday, August 17, 2017 to Thursday, December 8, 2017
Spring semester: Tuesday, January 2, 2018 to Friday, May 4, 2018

Off-Campus Housing
If you will be living off-campus, it is suggested that you arrive no later than August 1 (for the Fall Semester) and January 1 (Spring Semester) to have sufficient time to locate appropriate housing. See the "Off-Campus Housing" section below for more detailed information.

2017-2018 Academic Calendar

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<th>Fall 2017 Semester*</th>
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<td>Arrival/Move-In Day</td>
<td>August 7, 2017</td>
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<td>Orientation</td>
<td>August 7-11, 2017</td>
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<td>Registration Confirmation</td>
<td>August 15-21, 2017</td>
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<tr>
<td>Classes Begin</td>
<td>August 15, 2017</td>
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<td>Classes End</td>
<td>November 29, 2017</td>
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<td>Reading Day</td>
<td>November 30, 2017 (no classes or exams)</td>
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<tr>
<td>Exam Period</td>
<td>December 1-2, 4-7, 2017</td>
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<td>Fall Holidays</td>
<td>September 4, 2017 (Labor Day)</td>
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<td>Vacation period</td>
<td>October 6-11, 2017 (Fall Break)</td>
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November 21-27, 2017 (Thanksgiving Break)

Move Out Day (by 5:00pm) - December 8, 2017

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**Spring 2018 Semester***:

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<td>Arrival/Move-In Day</td>
<td>January 2, 2018</td>
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<td>Orientation</td>
<td>January 2-5, 2018</td>
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<td>Registration Confirmation</td>
<td>January 2-5, 2018</td>
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<td>Classes Begin</td>
<td>January 8, 2018</td>
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<td>Classes End</td>
<td>April 25, 2018</td>
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<tr>
<td>Reading Day</td>
<td>April 26, 2018 (no classes or exams)</td>
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<td>Exam Period</td>
<td>April 27-28, 30-May 3, 2018</td>
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<td>Spring Holidays</td>
<td>January 15, 2018 (Dr. MLK Jr. Holiday)</td>
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<td>March 30, 2018 (Spring Holiday)</td>
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<td>Vacation Period</td>
<td>March 2-March 11, 2018 (Spring Break)</td>
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<td>Move Out Day (by 5:00pm)</td>
<td>May 4, 2018</td>
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*Note: Dates are subject to change. It is recommended that students purchase a flexible flight ticket.

*Full Academic and Exam Schedule Calendar: [http://www.uncg.edu/reg/Calendar/](http://www.uncg.edu/reg/Calendar/)

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**Temporary Accommodations**

If you arrive on move-in day, you should go directly to **Tower Village Residence Hall** for check-in and orientation. If you arrive before the move-in day, you should go to your hotel. UNCG will provide transportation from the hotels listed below to campus only on the move-in day.

Springhill Suites and The Battleground Inn are a short drive from the University. Students are responsible for paying their own hotel cost. Students should call/fax or reserve a room online directly with the hotel. Make sure you identify yourself as an international student studying at UNCG. Students must remember to fill out the arrival form provided by the incoming exchange coordinator in order to verify they will be picked up from the hotel on move-in day.

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<th>Hotel</th>
<th>Address</th>
<th>Phone</th>
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<tr>
<td>Springhill Suites</td>
<td>6006 Landmark Center Blvd.</td>
<td>Tel: (336)809-0909</td>
<td>Fax: (336)809-0910</td>
<td>Approximately $99.00 per night-free wifi and breakfast</td>
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<tr>
<td>Battleground Inn</td>
<td>1517 Westover Terrace, Greensboro</td>
<td>Tel: (336)272-4737</td>
<td>Fax: (336)274-6242</td>
<td>Approximately $69.00-$90.00 per night</td>
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**Transportation to Greensboro, North Carolina**

It is best that you fly to the **Piedmont-Triad International Airport**, Greensboro, North Carolina. From the airport, UNCG is ten miles away. A 15-20 minute cab ride costs approximately $29 per person. Please be prepared to tip the taxi driver $5-$6.

All exchange students may be met and greeted by a student or staff member at the airport if the International Programs Center is advised ahead of time of your arrival schedule. Upon acceptance, students will receive an electronic arrival form that they can use to send their arrival details to IPC.

IPC will alert the taxi service at the airport of your arrival information. You are responsible for the cost of the taxi ride. If you arrive late or you are not met at the airport, you should take a taxi to your hotel. A taxi can be called to the airport from the taxi desk on the first floor near the baggage claim area.

*Greensboro is also served by Amtrak trains ([http://www.amtrak.com](http://www.amtrak.com)) from all points north and south.*
The Spring 2018 Orientation for all international exchange students begins on Wednesday, January 2, 2018. **Please arrive on the move-in day and be present for orientation.**

You will participate in university orientation activities for all international students with special orientation programs and events for exchange students. Various activities will be scheduled at UNCG and in the community, including tours and shopping trips.

### On-Campus Housing

Most exchange students at UNCG choose to live on-campus due to its tremendous convenience, diversity of accommodations, and general value. The International House, now located in **Tower Village**, is typically the most popular housing for exchange students and internationals in general. Students also have the option of living in the other on-campus student apartments **Spring Garden Apartments**, and **Jefferson Suites** (these are more European-style accommodations including single rooms and a shared kitchen/bathroom) or they can live in a double-room (traditional style housing - [http://hrl.uncg.edu/living-campus/view-halls/](http://hrl.uncg.edu/living-campus/view-halls/)). For more detailed information about housing options visit: [http://hrl.uncg.edu/](http://hrl.uncg.edu/). On-campus housing is competitive and students should submit their housing applications as soon as possible once admitted.

#### Estimated Costs (2017-18):

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<td>Double Room (ex. Phillips-Hawkins)</td>
<td>$2,625.00 per semester</td>
<td>air conditioning, cable and wireless internet connection</td>
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<tr>
<td>Single room (Tower Village)</td>
<td>$3,165.00 per semester</td>
<td>air conditioning, cable and wireless internet connection</td>
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<tr>
<td>Single room (Spring Garden Apartments)</td>
<td>$3,587.50 per semester</td>
<td>air conditioning, cable and wireless internet connection</td>
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<td>Single room (Jefferson Suites)</td>
<td>$3,538.50 per semester</td>
<td>air conditioning, cable and wireless internet connection</td>
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Information concerning residence halls is included with your admission packet. Please read the directions carefully regarding applying for on-campus housing. You should register for housing as soon as possible. Most on-campus accommodations are shared double rooms (except student apartments). You will need to pay your semester room/meals bill by the Friday of the first week of classes (payable at the Cashier's Office, Mossman Building).

#### Frequently Asked Questions

1. Are cooking facilities provided? In apartment style options, there are cooking facilities.
2. Are bed linens and blankets provided? No.
3. Are towels provided? No.
4. Are laundry facilities available? Yes.
5. How far is housing from institution? On-campus.

*As an exchange student, you are NOT required to send a housing deposit for accommodations.*

*Married, Co-ed or family rooms are not available. Co-habitation is considered a violation of the housing contract and can result in dismissal from on-campus housing.*

Note: Housing contracts are for the full year or semester (if that is the duration of your exchange). You will sign a full-year contract. Students who are on exchange for a semester, will receive details from the incoming exchange coordinator on how to cancel housing for the second semester.
Off-Campus Housing

Exchange students who choose to live off-campus must find their own housing (e.g. apartments, group homes etc). Generally, housing is always available in Greensboro, the only variables being cost as well as distance from the university. The International Programs Center can offer limited assistance (e.g. community contacts and accommodations list). Students renting apartments should be prepared to pay up-front security deposits (often equal to one month’s rent). Sometimes, student group homes are available which can be less expensive. You should arrive in Greensboro early enough to arrange off-campus housing, preferably no later than August 1 for the Fall Semester. (You will need to arrange temporary housing until you locate accommodations. IPC cannot arrange temporary housing. See Temporary Accommodations above for suggested hotels).

Dining on Campus

Benefits - Meals
You will have many meal plan options (subject to change):
Cafeteria meals at “Fountain View” Dining Hall are "all you can eat." Students that choose Flex options will receive this balance on their Student I.D. card to use at service concessions across campus such as Wild Greens, The EUC Food Court, Au Bon Pain, Bojangles, Subway, Starbucks Coffee, convenience store/market, and university dining hall, etc.

2017-2018 Residential Student Meal Plans
The price of the most popular meal plan for students, Spartan Unlimited, is $1748.22 per semester (prices subject to change for 2017-18). For a full list of meal plan options, visit: http://spartancard.uncg.edu/mealPlan.html#future

*Students that live in the residence halls or apartments must purchase one on-campus meal plan as required.

Estimated Personal Expenses

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<td>Health Insurance</td>
<td>$1,248 per semester for UNCG health insurance, as of academic year 2017-18 (rate is subject to change) (Note: Students have the option to request a UNCG health insurance waiver – details are listed below under the Insurance section).</td>
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<tr>
<td>Books</td>
<td>You will need to budget between $200 - $500 per semester. Actual cost depends upon classes taken.</td>
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<td>Miscellaneous Costs</td>
<td>You should budget a minimum of $150 - $300 per month for miscellaneous costs such as local travel, entertainment, supplies, etc.</td>
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Medical Requirement/Health Services

In your preliminary acceptance email and your welcome packet you will receive a memo entitled “Student Medical Form” with instructions concerning your medical forms. Please follow the instructions per the memo and mail it back to IPC per the requested deadline. It is far less expensive for you to have your forms completed at home than to do it once you arrive.

Vaccinations
You should bring copies of your vaccination records. If you have insufficient evidence of proper inoculations, you may receive these upon your arrival at your own expense. Most vaccinations cost between $15 and $25.

Medical Facilities
There is a full-service university infirmary on campus providing medical services. There is also a counseling center with counselors and psychologists on staff.

### Insurance

U.S. Government regulations require international students to have sufficient medical insurance coverage to participate on an exchange to the United States. UNCG international exchange students are required to have health insurance. Students may purchase the UNCG health insurance plan or submit proof of their own non-UNCG health insurance that satisfies the U.S. Department of State requirements outlined below:

- Medical benefits of at least $100,000 per person per accident or illness
- Repatriation of remains in the amount of at least $50,000
- Medical Evacuation coverage in the amount of at least $50,000
- A deductible not to exceed $500 per accident or illness
- Confirmation that your plan will cover expenses incurred while outside your home country
- Certain inside limits cannot be accepted (ex. prescription coverage of only $100 per year)

Students will receive detailed information on the UNCG insurance option and waiver option once they are accepted as exchange students to UNCG.

*ISEP participants purchase their insurance through ISEP*

### Payment

Cash and US paper check payments may be made in person at the Cashiers and Student Accounts Office, 151 Mossman Building. The University of North Carolina at Greensboro no longer accepts credit card payments for student account balances over the phone, in person, by mail, or by fax. Credit card payments for student account balances are only available online. PayPath, a third party payment service, will accept credit card payments on behalf of the University via the online Student Account Center. As part of this service, PayPath will add a **2.75% service fee** to the total payment made by credit card. PayPath accepts Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express.

For more information, please visit the Cashier’s website at the following address: [https://csh.uncg.edu/payment-plan-information/](https://csh.uncg.edu/payment-plan-information/)

### Miscellaneous Information

**Local Transportation:** Like many U.S. cities, Greensboro does not have an extensive public transportation system (there is limited bus service). Greensboro is an automobile town, with most domestic students getting around by car. Few international students choose to buy a car for their studies at UNCG. The UNCG Campus and surrounding area are serviced by **HEAT** (Higher Education Area Transit); this service is free to students. Routes and schedules for HEAT and Greensboro Public Transportation can be found at [www.rideheat.com](http://www.rideheat.com) or [http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/index.aspx?page=2189](http://www.greensboro-nc.gov/index.aspx?page=2189), respectively.

**Employment:** Exchange students are eligible to work on-campus up to 20 hours per week when classes are in session; 40 hours per week during holiday periods.

### Questions?

If you have any questions, please email Dee Stafford at **saein@uncg.edu**