



*The College of  
William and Mary*

2015-2016

<b><i>I. General University Information</i></b>	
<b>Name of University</b>	The College of William and Mary
<b>Location</b>	Williamsburg, VA, USA
<b>University Size</b>	Approximately 8,250 students (6,171 undergraduates and 2,087 graduate/professional students)
<b>Number of International Students</b>	Approximately 600 students from 53 countries
<b>Academic Strengths</b>	Undergraduate: General Arts & Sciences
<b>Faculty-to-Student Ratio</b>	1:12
<b>Outstanding Features</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>♦ One of the United States' premier public universities</li> <li>♦ Close faculty-student relationships</li> <li>♦ Emphasis on undergraduate research</li> <li>♦ Civic commitment of the student body and strong emphasis on community service</li> <li>♦ Historic nature of the College: founded in 1693, we are the United States' 2<sup>nd</sup> oldest institution of higher learning; located in the historic triangle area of Virginia, a site of great historical importance</li> </ul>
<b>Web Address</b>	<a href="http://www.wm.edu">http://www.wm.edu</a>
<b>Office Working With International Exchange Students</b>	Global Education Office in the Reves Center for International Studies

## ***II. Global Education Office Information***

<b>Office Address</b>	Reves Center for International Studies The College of William and Mary P.O. Box 8795 Williamsburg, VA 23187-8795
<b>Street Address for Courier Deliveries</b>	Reves Center for International Studies 200 South Boundary Street Williamsburg, VA 23185
<b>Emergency contact phone number</b>	<b>+757.561.4425</b>
<b>Assistant Director of Global Education Exchange Coordinator (Both inbound and outbound)</b>	Caylie Zidwick (757) 221-7768 crzidwick@wm.edu
<b>Director of International Students, Scholars &amp; Programs</b>	Stephen Sechrist sjsech@wm.edu
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<b>Office Website</b>	<a href="http://www.wm.edu/revescenter/">http://www.wm.edu/revescenter/</a>

## ***III. Exchange Student Eligibility***

<b>Student Type</b>	Undergraduate
<b>Duration of Exchange</b>	One or two semesters (either Fall 2015, Spring 2016, AY 2015-16 or calendar year 2016)
<b>Minimum GPA Required</b>	N/A
<b>Language Requirements</b>	<b>TOEFL: 213</b> computer-based <b>iBT: 84 overall</b> (80-83 overall may be considered)/ 25 writing component (20-24 may be accepted conditionally) <b>IELTS: 6.5</b> (Required for all students whose first language is not English unless exempted by institutional agreement.)
<b>Financial Certification Required?</b>	<b>Yes.</b> Students must provide proof of financial support for living expenses. 2015-16 figures are \$15,000/year or \$7,500/semester for living. Tuition and yearly fees are waived for exchange students.

## ***IV. Curriculum***

<b>Course Offerings</b>	Arts and Sciences, which includes: American Studies, Anthropology, Applied Science, Art & Art History, Biology, Chemistry, Chinese Language and Culture, Classical Studies, Computer Science, Economics, Education, English Language and Literature, Environmental Science & Policy, Film Studies, Geology, Global Studies (African Studies, East Asian Studies, European Studies, Latin American Studies, Middle East Studies, Russian and Post-Soviet Studies), Government, History, International Relations, Kinesiology (Physical Education), Linguistics, Literary & Cultural Studies, Mathematics, Medieval & Renaissance Studies, Military Science, Modern Languages and Literatures, Music, Neuroscience, Philosophy, Physics, Psychology, Public Policy, Religious Studies, Sociology, Theater, Speech & Dance, Women's Studies
<b>Course Catalogue</b>	<a href="http://catalog.wm.edu/">http://catalog.wm.edu/</a>
<b>Dynamic Course Catalogue</b>	<a href="https://banweb.wm.edu/pls/PROD/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched">https://banweb.wm.edu/pls/PROD/bwckschd.p_disp_dyn_sched</a>
<b>Programs closed to visiting exchange students</b>	Law, Business Administration, and graduate-level courses, as well as all courses with 150 designation.
<b>Minimum Course Load</b>	12 credits. Students should confirm with their advisors that a course load of 12 William and Mary credits meets their home university's minimum enrollment requirements.
<b>Maximum Course Load</b>	18 credits. However, we strongly recommend that exchange students enroll in a maximum of 16 credits.
<b>Class Format</b>	Seminar or small lecture, some large lecture. Class size: 12-200 with an average of 25-35
<b>Important Academic Information</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>◆ Students register for classes online before the beginning of each semester. Assistance with registration is available in the Global Education Office. While we cannot guarantee any course for them, every effort is made to enroll them in their desired courses.</li><li>◆ Students will be expected to produce a significant amount of high-quality written work. Those students for whom this represents a difficulty should plan to enroll in an introductory composition class and to take advantage of the College's Writing Resource Center.</li><li>◆ The recommended course load for non-native speakers of English is 12 credits.</li></ul>

## V. Application Process

<p><b>Application Format</b></p>	<p>Online (studyabroad.wm.edu), link will be provided to each school when application period opens. Students will fill out online portion, and then submit materials requested (financial guarantee, transcripts, recommendation, etc.) to your office, which will forward them on to us. Once accepted, students will fill out their course preferences, W&amp;M will obtain the necessary permissions, and students will register themselves for classes.</p>
<p><b>Incoming Nomination Deadline</b></p>	<p>For fall semester/academic year: February 15 For spring semester/calendar year: September 15</p>
<p><b>Incoming Application Deadline</b></p>	<p>For fall semester/academic year: March 1 For spring semester/calendar year: October 1</p>
<p><b>Date of Incoming Acceptance Notification for your students (those going from your institution → W&amp;M)</b></p>	<p>Email – April 1 for fall/full year October 15 for spring  Written – April 15 for fall/full year November 1 for spring</p>
<p><b>When William &amp; Mary needs to know how many students you can accept</b></p>	<p>February 1 of the prior academic year</p>
<p><b>Recipient of Acceptance Notification for our outbound students (those going from W&amp;M → your institution)</b></p>	<p>We request that notification be <b>sent to our office</b>, <i>not</i> directly to the student. However, if acceptance is decided later than 2 weeks prior to the end of W&amp;M classes, please send the acceptance packet to the student with an email notification to Ms. Zidwick. (For 2015/16, this would apply to acceptance packets arriving after April 17 for Fall 2015 or AY 15/16, or after November 20 for Spring 2016).</p> <p>If students are notified of acceptance via email, we request that our office be copied on the email correspondence.</p>

## VI. 2015-2016 Academic Calendar

<p><b>Fall 2015 Semester</b> * Approximate Dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Date of arrival:</b> to be determined</li> <li>• <b>International Student Orientation:</b> to be determined</li> <li>• August 21-25: Orientation Period</li> <li>• August 26: First day of undergraduate classes</li> <li>• September 4: End of add/drop period</li> <li>• October 10-13: Fall Break (<i>no classes</i>)</li> <li>• October 23: Last day to withdraw from a course</li> <li>• November 25-29: Thanksgiving Holiday (<i>no classes</i>)</li> <li>• December 4: Last day of undergraduate classes</li> <li>• December 7-16: Final exams</li> </ul>
<p><b>Spring 2016 Semester</b> * Approximate Dates</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Expected arrival date:</b> to be determined</li> <li>• <b>International Student Orientation:</b> to be determined</li> <li>• January 15-19: Orientation Period</li> <li>• January 20: First day of undergraduate classes</li> <li>• January 29: End of add/drop period</li> <li>• March 5-13: Spring Break (<i>no classes</i>)</li> <li>• March 18: Last day to withdraw from a course</li> <li>• April 2: Last day of undergraduate classes</li> <li>• May 2-11: Final exams</li> </ul>
<p><b>Transcript Issue Dates</b></p>	<p><b>Fall 2015:</b> January 2016 <b>Spring 2016:</b> June 2016</p>

## VII. Housing

<p><b>Accommodations</b></p>	<p>Exchange students are required to live in double-occupancy, on-campus dormitories. Student placement is determined by the Office of Residence Life, but students can view the non-freshman undergraduate dormitories online <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>Visiting exchange students may also apply to live in <a href="#">Reves Hall</a>, special interest housing for W&amp;M students with an interest in global affairs.</p>
<p><b>Housing Application</b></p>	<p>Students must fill out a housing application online: <a href="http://www.wm.edu/offices/residencelife/forms/undergraduate/housingapp.php">http://www.wm.edu/offices/residencelife/forms/undergraduate/housingapp.php</a>.</p> <p>There is no set deadline; applications are processed in the order received.</p>

## VIII. Summary of Student Fees

Exchange students do not pay tuition and basic student fees to the College of William and Mary. There are, however, some fees and expenses not included in the Tuition Exchange Agreement which it will be necessary to pay. The following is a summary of estimated costs:

<b>Accommodation</b>	Exchange students are required to live in on-campus housing. Each student must pay a refundable room damage deposit of \$75; in addition, you are responsible for the cost of your on-campus housing. Undergraduate housing cost per semester for 2014-2015 was between \$3,000-\$3,500.
<b>Meals</b>	Exchange students living in undergraduate accommodation are required to purchase a university meal plan for their initial semester at William and Mary because the dorms are not well-equipped for meal preparation. The various meal plans offered by dining services may be viewed at <a href="http://www.wm.edu/offices/auxiliary/dining/upperclassmen/index.php">http://www.wm.edu/offices/auxiliary/dining/upperclassmen/index.php</a> . Meal plan costs range from \$1,669 to \$2,264 per semester.
<b>Health Insurance</b>	Exchange students are required to purchase the university health insurance coverage. <b>The 2014-2015 annual student premium was \$1,612</b> (\$742 for the fall coverage period and \$870 for the spring/summer coverage period.) Information about international student health insurance at William and Mary may be viewed at: <a href="http://web.wm.edu/health/insurance/">http://web.wm.edu/health/insurance/</a>
<b>X-Rays</b>	Exchange students are not required to have a chest x-ray made after arrival at W&M if (1) their PPD result was negative OR (2) their PPD result is positive, their chest x-ray result is negative and the student has discussed treatment options with their physician. Exchange students are required, however, to have a chest x-ray made after their arrival if their PPD result has come back positive and no chest x-ray or treatment was sought. The cost is approximately \$100.00.
<b>Transportation</b>	We are working on ways to improve the transportation from the local airports to Williamsburg – and will let your students know their various options upon acceptance. While attending W&M, a free College shuttle bus connects the main campus with shopping areas and with the graduate housing areas. Any other transportation costs (e.g. cab fares or the purchase of a bicycle) are the students' responsibility.
<b>Orientation Fee &amp; Additional Support Charge</b>	You will be billed \$280 for support services, housing, and meals during orientation week. You will receive a bill for these fees on your arrival. Submit the bill to the Cashiers Office in Blow Hall when you pay all of your fees.
<b>Additional Fees</b>	Applied music courses, as well as some Art, Laboratory Science and Kinesiology (Physical Education) classes carry additional required fees if exchange students elect to enroll in those classes.
<b>Books</b>	The cost of books varies greatly according to the course, but the average is approximately \$300 per semester.