# **EXCHANGE PROGRAM FACTSHEET**



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# OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS FROM HOCHSCHULE ROSENHEIM

One semester exchange – Either August to December or January to May One Year (two semesters) exchange – August to May

# **APPLICATION PROCESS**

#### **EXCHANGE**

- 1. Request a nomination from your university to be sent to CCU via e-mail to internationalservices@coastal.edu
- 2. Complete the application for admission at <a href="https://www.coastal.edu/forms/international/undergraduateoptin/">https://www.coastal.edu/forms/international/undergraduateoptin/</a>
  - a. Create an account and choose "Start New Application"
  - b. Under "Choose Application Type," choose "International Application"
  - c. When asked "What type of student are you?" choose International Non-Degree/Exchange
  - d. You will enter your home institution name and your advisor's information in the application. They will receive an email with a link to securely submit your official transcripts and English proficiency documents.
    - i. If your advisor cannot submit the transcripts through the application system, please request that they send them to us in a secure email. **DO NOT SEND YOUR TRANSCRIPTS YOURSELF.**
  - e. Use application fee waiver code CCU2025 for Fall 2025 applications and CCU2026 for Spring 2026 applications.
- 3. After completing the application, you will be able to upload supporting documents to your application
  - a. Copy of your passport photo page
  - b. Confidential Financial Statement, Letter of Guarantee, and Bank Confirmation
    - i. You can submit your financial documents with your application. You may also send us a secure email if you prefer.
- 4. Submit your class choices at <a href="https://forms.office.com/r/MGBpwxg2SM">https://forms.office.com/r/MGBpwxg2SM</a>.

# **APPLICATION DEADLINES**

Academic Year 2025-2026 (August to May): March 28 Fall Semester 2025 (August to December): March 28 Spring Semester 2026 (January to May): October 24

# **ACADEMIC CALENDAR**

\*SUBJECT TO CHANGE

**FALL 2025** 

Arrival Day: August 11 - 12

Orientation (required): August 13 - August 15

Welcome Weekend: August 16 - 19

Classes Begin: August 20 Holidays: September 01

Thanksgiving: Break: November 24 – November 28

Final Exams: December 05 – December 11

SPRING 2026

Arrival Day: January 06 - 07

Orientation (required): January 08 – 09 Welcome Weekend: January 10 – 11

Classes Begin: January 12 Holidays: January 19, April 03 Spring Break: March 02 – 07 Final Exams: May 01 – 07

DO NOT MAKE TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS BEFORE THE FINAL SCHEDULE IS RELEASED.

For the full calendar: <a href="https://www.coastal.edu/app/registrar/acadcalendar/calendars.html">https://www.coastal.edu/app/registrar/acadcalendar/calendars.html</a>.

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# **COURSE SCHEDULES**

#### **EXCHANGE**

Courses must be pre-approved by your university and submitted to CCU as soon as possible after you submit your application. **All prerequisites must be completed.** We will create your schedule for you based on your requirements and course availability. Please be sure to include alternate courses with your application.

Undergraduate students must enroll in at least 12 credits (four 3-credit courses) and can take up to 18 credits (six 3-credit courses). You may take some online classes if your home institution permits, but at least 9 credits must be from in-person classes. *Undergraduate (Bachelors-level) course numbers will be between 100 and 499. For example, ACCT 110 or MATH 415.*Graduate students must take 9 credits (three 3-credit courses). You may take some online classes if you prefer and your home institution permits, but at least 6 of the credits must be in-person classes. *Graduate (Masters-level) course numbers will be between 500 and 699. For example, ACCT 535 or COMM 691.* 

Search the courses by signing into the Self-Service system as a guest at https://sservice.coastal.edu/Student/Student/Courses.

- 1. Choose "Advanced Search"
- 2. Choose "Section Listing"
- 3. Select the "Term" you plan to study at CCU (example: Fall 2025 or Spring 2026)
- 4. Click on the "Subject" drop-down arrow under "Courses and Sections" to view all the offered subjects
  You do not have to choose anything under "Meeting Start Date," Meeting End Date," "Course Number," or "Section."
  Leaving these blank with show you more options.
- 5. You may narrow your search using the day, time, course type, etc. blocks. You will ONLY take classes on the CCU Main Campus.
- 6. On the list of search results, you can click on the "Section Name" for a course to get more information about the course, including prerequisites and course descriptions.

Each class has a "section number." This number indicates the day, time, location, and professor. Some courses will have multiple sections offered on different days, times, etc. Some courses will have only one section.

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# HOUSING AND MEAL PLAN

EXCHANGE STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO LIVE ON CAMPUS.

- Housing information and the housing application may be found at <a href="https://www.coastal.edu/housing/">https://www.coastal.edu/housing/</a>.
- Housing for the semester breaks may require additional fees charged to the student.
- We recommend you select one of the University Place communities (Low Country, Grand Strand, Sandhills, Piedmont, Blueridge) on your housing application. We CANNOT guarantee you will be assigned to your first choice of housing or that you will have a private room and bathroom. Assignment preferences are met whenever possible.
- You are required to sign up for a meal plan at the time of your housing application. You may choose to change or cancel your meal plan within the first two weeks after arrival. You can learn more about meal plans and eating on campus at http://coastalcarolina.campusdish.com/.

#### VISAS

International exchange students who want to study in the USA must obtain a J-1 visa. You must be accepted to CCU before you can start the visa process. For more information on obtaining your visa, please visit the US Embassy nearest you or the Study in the States website (<a href="http://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/">http://studyinthestates.dhs.gov/</a>). You can visit the US Embassy in Germany website at <a href="https://de.usembassy.gov/">https://de.usembassy.gov/</a>.

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#### **IMMUNIZATIONS**

All students are required to have certain immunizations before arriving at CCU. You are asked to submit your immunization forms before your arrival. Please refer to the following website for specific information:

https://www.coastal.edu/wellbeing/immunization/

# **HEALTH INSURANCE**

All international students are required to obtain medical insurance. You can purchase insurance for approximately \$40.00 per month. If your health insurance meets the minimum requirements, you do not have to purchase additional insurance. You are required to submit proof of insurance with effective dates and coverage, in English, upon arrival. For more information, visit <a href="https://www.coastal.edu/health/internationalstudentsandexchangevisitors/">https://www.coastal.edu/health/internationalstudentsandexchangevisitors/</a>.

**Please be advised:** Medical care is VERY expensive in the USA. If you have a medical emergency and do not have sufficient coverage, you may incur very large medical bills. We recommend you choose health insurance carefully. Your coverage should begin the day you arrive in the USA and end no earlier than the day after you return home. We do have a clinic on campus where you can see a health practitioner for free for minor illnesses. Proof of insurance is required for these visits.

#### Minimum coverage for insurance as required by the United States Government is:

- Medical benefits 100,000 USD
- Repatriation of remains 25,000 USD
- Medical Evacuation 50,000 USD
- Deductible per accident or illness: 500 USD or less

#### **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

- In the United States, textbooks are not included in your tuition and are very expensive. You should expect to spend between 600 and 900 USD per semester, depending on your courses. You can purchase or rent books at the on-campus store and online.
- CCU is a tobacco-free campus. This includes all areas of campus, including student housing. This means you will not be able to smoke anywhere on campus.
- The legal drinking age in the US is 21. However, CCU has very strict restrictions and policies regarding drinking alcohol on campus, including in student housing. Please refer to the Code of Student Conduct for more information on this policy and the many other policies for students living on-campus or off-campus at <a href="https://www.coastal.edu/conduct/">https://www.coastal.edu/conduct/</a>.
- If you would like to obtain a South Carolina license, you will have to provide a translated copy of your driver's license. We recommend obtaining an international license from your home country before coming to the U.S. You can only drive in the U.S. for 90 days after arrival with your foreign license.
- CHANT411 is an office on campus that provides a lot of general information about campus to students, faculty, staff, and the community. For information, visit <a href="http://www.coastal.edu/chant411/">http://www.coastal.edu/chant411/</a>.