



**GRAND VALLEY
STATE UNIVERSITY®**

**INTERNATIONAL
STUDENT SERVICES**

GVSU EXCHANGE STUDENT APPLICATION GUIDE

Thank you for your interest in applying to Grand Valley State University's partner exchange program. In order to apply, you will need to submit the following information with the application:

1. An Academic Transcript or record of the courses you have completed prior to attending Grand Valley State University (GVSU)
2. Official test results of your English Ability from TOEFL or IELTS
3. A typed statement of your proposed program of study at GVSU and how it will relate to your present academic program at your home university.
4. Evidence of Financial Support (see section IV for details)
5. Copy of your passport

The Application

The application is required in order to apply to GVSU and to obtain the "Certificate of Eligibility" DS-2019. The DS-2019 is required in order to obtain a J-1 exchange visitor visa.

Please answer all of the questions completely and return the form as well as items 1-5 listed above to your home institution's international office. They will forward your application along with their nomination to GVSU.

Application Deadlines

All materials must be received by GVSU's International Center by the following deadlines. Please note, your home institution may have an earlier deadline.

Fall Admission (August)

JUNE 1

Winter Admission (January)

OCTOBER 1

GRAND VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY EXCHANGE PROGRAM APPLICATION

Please type all information requested on this form

PART I. BIOGRAPHICAL INFORMATION

Please provide Information exactly as it appears on your passport

Family Name (Surname) _____

First Name (Given Name) _____

Middle Name _____

Current Mailing Address _____

Permanent Address _____

Cell phone _____ Email _____

Name of home institution _____

Male ___ Female ___ Date of Birth (Month/Day/Year) _____

City of Birth _____ Country of Birth _____

Citizen of _____ Permanent Resident of _____

Have you ever held a J-1 visa status before? [] No [] Yes, dates _____ If yes, please attach copies of previous DS-2019.

PART II. ACADEMIC PROGRAM INFORMATION

Field of Study _____

Planned Arrival Date _____

Planned Departure Date _____

NOTE: You will need to work with a GVSU Academic Advisor to register for courses. You are expected to register for all courses prior to arrival in the US. Your GVSU Advisor should email you within four weeks of you receiving your immigration documents from GVSU. Please check your email regularly for messages from GVSU

PART III. DEPENDANT INFORMATION

To be completed ONLY if you wish to bring a spouse or child with you to the United States of America. If no dependents will be coming with you, leave this section blank and skip to Part IV.

Full Name	Nationality	Relationship	Birth Place and Birth Date
_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____

Dependents will be: (check one)

Entering the US with me _____ Entering the US separately _____

PART IV. DOCUMENTATION OF FINANCIAL SUPPORT

US Federal Regulations require GVSU to obtain from you a certification that you have adequate financial resources to meet all expenses related to you program.

Identify below each source of funding that is available to you for the period of your stay and the amount of financial support provided. For sources of funding other than the exchange, please provide evidence of support.

Please submit a bank statement or proof of loan approval to cover your expenses while at GVSU. If the bank statement is not in your name, we will need a letter of support from the person whose bank statement you are providing.

Please list all amounts in United States Dollar (USD).

	USD \$ Amount
___ Exchange Visitor's Government	_____
___ Personal	_____
___ All other (please specify):	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

PART V. INSURANCE REQUIREMENT

Health insurance is mandatory by US Federal Regulations. **All exchange students at GVSU are required to provide proof of insurance (in English) at the time of orientation that covers the entire duration of the program. Federal Law requires the following coverage:** \$100,000 minimum coverage, \$50,000 minimum medical evacuation coverage, \$25,000 minimum coverage for repatriation, \$500 maximum deductible per accident or illness.

PART VI. SIGNATURE

Your signature below signifies that the information you have provided on this form is complete and accurate to the best of your knowledge and that you authorize GVSU to communicate with your home institution about your academic progress and performance.

Applicant's Signature

Date

PART VII. EUROPEAN UNION DATA PROTECTION POLICY

Supplement for students from Europe or currently studying at a university in Europe.

GDPR Privacy Notice and Request for Consent

The European Union General Data Protection Regulation, or GDPR (EU 2016/679), is a regulation concerning the collection, protection and processing of personal data provided by an individual ("data subject") while in a European Union Member State, regardless of citizenship or residency. **Therefore, the terms and conditions contained in the Regulation and detailed in this Notice only apply while an individual is physically present in one of the EU Member States.** Complete information is available on the [European Commission](#) website.

PRIVACY NOTICE

Grand Valley State University continues to be committed to conducting the collection and processing of personal data with integrity and in compliance with applicable data protection laws. This Privacy Notice, required under the GDPR, presents information about how the University collects, uses and protects personal data you provide as an International Student

A. Data Controller Contact Information Grand Valley State University serves as the Data Controller and determines the purposes and means of processing your personal data. The individual below serves as the primary contact for GDPR compliance related to international student information and is responsible for responding to questions about this Notice and requests to exercise a data subject's rights.

NAME: Kate Stoetznr

DEPARTMENT: Padnos International Center

TITLE: Director of International Student and Scholar Services

GVSU ADDRESS: 130 Lake Ontario Hall, 1 Campus Drive, Allendale, MI 49401

EMAIL: stoetznk@gvsu.edu

TELEPHONE: 616 331 3898

B. Purposes for Collecting and Using Data Your information is collected and used to report your information and status to USCIS, Social Security Administration, Relation Health Insurance, other GVSU departments.

C. Sharing and Transferring Data Your information is collected and used to report your information and status to USCIS, Social Security Administration, and other GVSU departments.

D. Data Retention Data is retained in accordance with University policy and as required under applicable U.S. laws and regulations.

E. Sensitive Data Your personal identifying information, such as passport, birth date, country of birth, names of family members are collected in order to provide services required by federal law or in order to provide assistance to you in case of an emergency.

F. Rights of the Data Subject While in the EU you will be able to exercise your rights as a data subject described in Article 15-22 of the GDPR: right of access to your personal data, right to correct that data, right to have the data erased, right to restrict processing, right to data portability, right to object to processing, right to withdraw consent, the right not to be subject to automated decision-making, and the right to lodge a GDPR-related complaint with an EU Supervisory Authority. Please note that the University is subject to federal and state laws, including but not limited to the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, that may require that we request, process and retain and report on certain types of data. These legal obligations may also affect actions we would be permitted to take in response to a request to exercise your GDPR data rights, especially the right to have your data erased.

G. Importance of Data Failure to report the data will likely result in non-compliance of the Department of Homeland Security regulations.

H. Data Protection The University has put in place reasonable physical, technical and administrative safeguards designed to prevent unauthorized access to or use of information collected online.

Request for Consent Please read the above Notice and agree to the conditions, in order to be permitted to be enrolled at Grand Valley State University.

I consent to Grand Valley State University's use of my personal data (including sensitive data) for the purposes outlined in this Notice, as well as for the transfer of my personal data between the European Union and Grand Valley State University and its representatives, pursuant to the conditions and limits specified in the EU GDPR. I also hereby waive any right to privacy and confidentiality regarding the University's reporting to the appropriate authorities if I am seriously ill; suffer an injury; or am the victim or perpetrator of harassment, whether on- or off-campus.

Applicant's Name

Date

Applicant's Signature