



## Tel-Aviv University- Exchange Students Fact Sheet

**About Tel Aviv University:** Tel Aviv University (TAU) is Israel's largest and most comprehensive institution of higher learning. With over 30,000 students studying in nine faculties and over 125 schools and departments across the spectrum of sciences, humanities and the arts, TAU attracts the best minds from across Israel and the world.

Situated in Israel's cultural, financial and technological capital, TAU shares Tel Aviv's unshakable spirit of openness and innovation – and boasts a campus life as dynamic and pluralistic as the metropolis itself. Tel Aviv the city and Tel Aviv the university are one of the same – a thriving Mediterranean center of diversity and discovery

**Website:** <http://english.tau.ac.il/>

**Exchange at Tel Aviv University:** <https://rector.tau.ac.il/international-academic-affairs>

\*At the left side, under the title "*Exchange students*", you will find all the important information about the process to apply for exchange mobility at TAU.

**Institutions abroad that**

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**Cooperation with TAU** <http://new.tau.ac.il/international-agreements>

**Academic Calendar:** The academic calendar in Israel is set according to the Jewish calendar (which is lunar calendar), which means that every year, the semesters run on slightly different dates. Generally, however, the first semester runs from approximately mid-end of October, to mid-end of January (13-14 weeks), and the second semester runs from approximately beginning-mid march to beginning-mid June (13-14 weeks).

**Fall semester 2018:** starts at October 14th until January 13th

**Spring semester 2019:** starts at February 25th until June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Please note that we are offering an orientation day each semester (before the beginning). As well, please see that the dates up are not including the exam period time. This will be few weeks after the end

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of the semesters (3-4 week later).

**Please be aware that beginning and ending of the semesters may vary in different programs.**

**Nomination and  
Registration Deadline for  
Exchange Students:**

Spring term: Nomination October 31st, Registration November 15th

**Contact Details for  
Exchange Students:**

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**Courses and Programs:** In general, the language of instruction at TAU is Hebrew. However, there is a large variety of English-taught courses available for exchange students at TAU. In addition to over 60 English taught courses in the regular curricula of the university, exchange students may choose a number of courses taught at the international extra-curricular programs, subject to pre-requisites and availabilities.

**Grading:** The grades at Tel Aviv University are given in percentage points, according to the following scale:

95 – 100 = EXCELLENT

85 – 94 = VERY GOOD

75 – 84 = GOOD

65 – 74 = FAIRLY GOOD

60 – 64 = FAIR

LOWEST PASSING GRADE = 60

*Value of Credits*

1 credit point equals 1 Semester hours and is equivalent to 14 hours. Each academic hour is composed of 45- 50 minutes. Accordingly, a 1 credit class will meet for a total of 630 minutes – 700 hours. A class of 2 credit points equals 28 academic hours, i.e. 1,260 – 1,400 minutes.

**Language Courses:** A [Hebrew or Arabic Language course](#) is available with additional cost.

**Accommodations:** Tel Aviv University **cannot** guarantee a housing solution for visiting student because of the excessive demand and limited supply for on-campus housing. **Visiting students are required to find their own accommodation.** The price range for a shared room in a rented apartment is approximately \$700 per month.

Assistance in applying to the dormitories may be found [here](#).

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**Living Expenses:** The tuition fee is paid by the exchange students to their home university.

As for the other expenses, those are not included in the fee. Students are required to arrange their own budget for purpose of accommodation, living costs, travel and entertainment costs. The costs, *accommodations excluded*, can be estimated in about 600US\$ per month, varying, of course, from one person to another according to your personal habits.

**Insurance:** **Visiting Students are required to have full health insurance covering their period of stay at TAU. This may be supplemented with policies for automobile, home, health, and life insurance by local companies.**

**Visa:** All students from all countries must obtain a visa prior to arrival in Israel. The visa you need to apply for is A2 student visa.

**A2 Student Visa** – This visa can be obtained by applying to an Israeli embassy /Consulate in your country.

Please contact the Office of International Academic Affairs to find out more on the subject.

**Usual Links with Further Information:**

Accessibility on Campus:

<http://english.tau.ac.il/accessibility>

Arts and Culture in Tel-Aviv:

<http://english.tau.ac.il/entertainment>

Entertainment on Campus:

<http://english.tau.ac.il/entertainment>

Other activities are available upon registration.

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