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| University Name | Northeastern University  Global Experience Office (GEO) |
| Address | 360 Huntington Avenue  403 Richards Hall  Boston, Massachusetts 02115  USA |
| Website Address | GEO: <http://www.northeastern.edu/geo/studyabroad/incoming-exchange/>  NU: <http://www.neu.edu> |
| Contact & E-Mail Address | Incoming Exchange: [geoincomingexchange@neu.edu](mailto:geoincomingexchange@neu.edu)  Phone: 01-617-373-5276  or  Mrs. Brenna Axford, Global Experience Coordinator  [b.axford@neu.edu](mailto:b.axford@neu.edu) - 1-617-373-7993 |
| Language of Instruction | American English |
| Level of Study for Exchange Students | Bachelor, Graduate with permission of department |
| Brief University Description | “Since its founding in 1898, Northeastern University has evolved from a parochial university, serving mostly a local population of recent immigrants, to the largest private national research university in Boston proper, offering a comprehensive range of programs leading to degrees through the doctorate in six undergraduate colleges and eight graduate and professional schools. Located in the heart of Boston, near the financial district and in the biomedical research corridor, Northeastern enrolls more than 15,000 undergraduate and 5,000 graduate students.” |
| Academic Calendar | For exact dates, please refer to the relevant calendar on line at: <http://www.neu.edu/registrar/calendars.html>  *Fall Semester*: early September - end of December  *Spring Semester*: early January - end of April  *Summer 1*: early May - end of June  *Summer 2*: early July - end of August  \*These dates are not inclusive of housing |
| Period of Exchange | Fall or spring start, one or two academic semesters |
| Courses for incoming exchange students: | Courses may be taken in any of the colleges pending seat availability and pre-requisites. |
| Course Selection | Must be given to NU prior to arrival on campus, changes will be limited to the first week of the term and subject to availability. |
| Number of credits per course | 4 semester hours per course unless otherwise indicated (some classes may be only 1 semester hour) |
| Credit load per semester | Undergrad: 12-16 semester hours (3 or 4 classes) |
| Minimum workload per semester | 12 semester hours to stay in compliance with immigration rules (three 4-credit hour classes) |
| Maximum workload per semester | 19 semester hours (anything beyond this amount the student is charged for additional credit hours – may only exceed 16 hours for labs) |
| Contact hours per course | **Lecture course**: 1 semester hour of credit corresponds to 50 class minutes per week plus 120 prep minutes per week.  **Lab course**: 1 semester hour of credit corresponds to 120-180 lab minutes per week plus 120 prep minutes per week.  *If the course does not meet on a regular weekly schedule for a full semester, the “class minutes/week” value above should be replaced by the total class minutes for the entire course divided by 14. Use the same principle for “lab minutes/week” and “prep/other minutes/week.”* |
| Number of weeks in a Semester | 14 weeks in the Fall and Spring semesters  7.5 weeks each in Summer 1 and Summer 2 |
| Teaching Methods | Lecture and Seminar. This will include, reading assignments, in-class discussions, presentations, group and/or individual projects. |
| Assessment Types | May include but not limited to, quizzes, exams, presentations, term papers. Please note that in most classes, class participation as well as class attendance is part of the grading process. |
| Grading Scale | Grade Numerical Equivalent  A 4.000  A- 3.667  B+ 3.333  B 3.000  B- 2.667  C+ 2.333  C 2.000  C- 1.667  D+ 1.333  D 1.000  D- 0.667  F 0.000 |
| English Proficiency: TOEFL or IELTS accepted | TOEFL Scores: 92 on the internet-based TOEFL exam (Reading sub score 22, Listening sub score 22, Speaking sub score 24 and Writing sub score 22), 6.5 on the IELTS exam and a 62 on the PTE exam. |
| Application Deadlines | 1 March for fall semester  1 October for spring semester  \*Nominations by home institutions due:  15 February for fall semester  15 September for spring semester |
| Application Requirements | Documents must be submitted by the deadline. All documentation should be submitted via e-mail and followed up with originals via post.  **Documents Required**:   * Nomination spreadsheet via e-mail from coordinator at home university (by nomination date above) * GEO Application (by application deadline) * English Proficiency Results (submitted via ETS unless otherwise agreed upon) (by application deadline) * University transcript (by application deadline) * Copy of passport (by application deadline)   **Due After Acceptance:**   * Health report * Course Form * Declaration and Certification of Finances (J-1 DCF form) (once fully accepted) * Form 305 J-1 Health Insurance Form (once fully accepted) |
| Medical Coverage  Medical Coverage Continued | The US Healthcare system is entirely privatized, and healthcare is extremely expensive. There are no government programs that reduce healthcare costs for international students and students can often be required to pay out of pocket for healthcare expenses if they cannot provide the doctor or hospital with a valid health insurance card issued by a US based health insurance company.  Students not seeking a degree from NU areonlyrequired to meet the minimum health insurance standards as defined by the J-1 visa. More specific information will be provided on the exchange application website. Students are eligible to enroll in the NU health plan (NUSHP), please go to [www.neu.edu/uhcs/nushp](http://www.neu.edu/uhcs/nushp) for more information. |
| Housing | Exchange students are not required to live on campus. Spaces for on-campus housing are extremely limited. Late housing applications will not be considered  **Off campus housing** : there are many opportunities for students to find apartments off campus via the off campus housing website at [www.neu.edu/offcampus](http://www.neu.edu/offcampus)  Additional information will be provided on the exchange application website. |
| Orientation – MANDATORY | Fall: last week in August or first week in September (depending on academic calendar)  Spring: first week of January  Dates for orientation will be sent to students after acceptance. |