

**University of California College of the Law, San Francisco**  
**International Exchange Program Fact Sheet 2025-2026**

Exchange Program Website	<a href="https://www.uclawsf.edu/academics/global-programs/incoming-exchange-students/">https://www.uclawsf.edu/academics/global-programs/incoming-exchange-students/</a>
Exchange Program Contact Information	University of California College of the Law, San Francisco Attn: Global Programs 200 McAllister St. San Francisco, CA 94102 Email: <a href="mailto:global@uclawsf.edu">global@uclawsf.edu</a> Phone: +1 415-565-4670
Language of Instruction	English
Language Requirements	Students from universities where the language of instruction is not English must submit proof of English fluency. This requirement can be satisfied with a signed letter from a student's home university that attests to the student's English-language proficiency.
Application Procedure	<p>Once a student is selected by his or her home university to attend UC Law SF as a foreign exchange (FX) student, the student must submit the following documents to Global Programs at <a href="mailto:global@uclawsf.edu">global@uclawsf.edu</a>:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Online Exchange Student Application Form</li> <li>• A 2-3 page personal statement introducing yourself and telling us why you want to attend UC Law SF and what you hope to gain from your semester here. (If you already submitted a personal statement to your home university as part of your application process, you can use that to fulfill this requirement, provided it is in English.)</li> <li>• Current Resume</li> <li>• Recent Transcripts</li> <li>• Documentation of the score from a recognized English language test (TOEFL, IELTS, or Cambridge) OR a signed letter from the student's institution which attests to the student's English language proficiency.</li> <li>• J-1 Visa Documents (see "Immigration Information" section below)</li> </ul> <p>The online application form and other forms are available at the UC Law SF Exchange Program Website listed above.</p>
Nomination Deadline	March 31, 2025 is the deadline for partner schools to nominate students for both Fall 2025 and Spring 2026.
Student Application Deadline	May 2, 2025

Academic Requirements for Semester Exchange	At least two years of previous law studies at the undergraduate level or at least one year of previous law studies at a graduate level.
Semester Dates	Fall semester is from mid-August to mid-December. Spring semester is from early January to early May.
Orientation Program	There is a mandatory orientation program for all FX students that takes place the week before the semester starts. Participation in the orientation program cannot be waived.
Course Enrollment /Registration	Students register for courses online. Course descriptions may be found here: <a href="https://www.uclawsf.edu/academics/course-catalog">https://www.uclawsf.edu/academics/course-catalog</a> . Some courses are not open to FX students, and some courses are full when the FX students register. Detailed registration information will be sent to admitted FX students.
Mandatory Course Load	Students must take at least 10 units to be considered full-time students. Students cannot take more than 15 units without special permission from the Associate Dean for Global Programs.
Extracurricular Activities	UC Law SF offers a variety of extracurricular activities.
Housing	UC Law has been able to offer housing to foreign exchange students in the past few years, but cannot guarantee its availability in any given year. Please reach out for additional information: <a href="https://www.uclawsf.edu/campus-life/campus-housing/">https://www.uclawsf.edu/campus-life/campus-housing/</a> .
Immigration Information	<p>Students who are not U.S. citizens or legal U.S. permanent residents must apply for and obtain J-1 exchange visitor status at U.S. embassies/ consulates in order to participate in the UC Law SF exchange program. Students who need a J-1 exchange visitor visa must submit the following documents in addition to the required application documents listed in the "Application Procedure" section above:</p> <p>Completed Certificate of Financial Resources  Documentation of resources to show that a student and/or a student's sponsors have sufficient funds to cover the student's living costs and other expenses (bank statements, letter of sponsorship, etc.)  Dependent Form (if you are bringing dependents)  A copy of a student's passport's biographic page</p> <p>The required forms are available at the UC Law SF Exchange Program Website. Students can submit the required materials to Global Programs at <a href="mailto:global@uclawsf.edu">global@uclawsf.edu</a>.</p>

<p>Health Insurance Requirements</p>	<p>UC LAW SF REQUIRES ALL ENROLLED STUDENTS TO HAVE HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE THAT MEETS UC MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS. ALL STUDENTS ARE AUTOMATICALLY ENROLLED IN AND BILLED FOR UC'S STUDENT HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS. ESTIMATED INSURANCE PREMIUMS FOR THE 2025-2026 ACADEMIC YEAR ARE \$2,400 - \$3,400 PER SEMESTER. Students who have another insurance policy that meets and/or exceeds UC minimum requirements may apply for a health insurance waiver. Information on UC minimum requirements for health insurance is available here: <a href="https://myucship.org/uc-law-sf/eligibility-and-enrollment/waiving-coverage/">https://myucship.org/uc-law-sf/eligibility-and-enrollment/waiving-coverage/</a>.</p> <p>Final UC health insurance premiums and information on the health insurance waiver application process will be sent to admitted students several months prior to their program start date.</p> <p>PLEASE NOTE THAT COVERAGE UNDER SOME FOREIGN HEALTH INSURANCE PLANS MAY NOT SATISFY THE MINIMUM UC LAW SF REQUIREMENTS. IF A FOREIGN EXCHANGE STUDENT APPLIES FOR A WAIVER AND THE WAIVER IS DENIED, THE STUDENT WILL BE BILLED FOR THE UC HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS. NO EXCEPTIONS CAN BE MADE TO THIS REQUIREMENT. STUDENTS SHOULD BE SURE THAT THEY ARE COMFORTABLE WITH THE UC LAW SF HEALTH INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS BEFORE PARTICIPATING IN THE EXCHANGE PROGRAM.</p>		
<p>Estimated Costs (please note that estimated costs are based on 2024-25 costs and are subject to change)</p>		<p>Fall</p>	<p>Spring</p>
<p>Activities Fee Books and Supplies Housing and Utilities Food MBE Support Fee Personal Expenses Transportation Health Services Health Insurance Total Estimated Expenses</p>	<p>\$157 \$748 \$9,900 \$1,620 \$120 \$1,348 \$969 \$483 \$2,445 \$17,790</p>	<p>\$157 \$748 \$9,900 \$1,620 \$120 \$1,348 \$969 \$482 \$3,422 \$18,766</p>	
<p><b>All FX students must pay mandatory administrative fees and UCSHIP fee (if you do not apply for health insurance waiver).</b></p>			