

Macao Institute for Tourism Studies Info Sheet

Webpage for Exchange Students	https://www2.ift.edu.mo/international/index.php/exchange-programmes/incoming-student-exchange-programme	
Term Dates	Arrival	Within the week before the semester commences
	Fall Semester (Semester 1)	August to December
	Winter/Spring (Semester 2)	January to May
Quick-Facts	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macao Institute for Tourism Studies (IFTM), established in 1995, is a public institution of higher education that falls under the governance of the Secretary for Social Affairs and Culture of the Macao Special Administrative Region Government, People's Republic of China. • IFTM offers degree and professional programmes in a wide range of tourism related disciplines such as hospitality, tourism business, heritage, events, retail and marketing, leisure and entertainment, sports and recreation, creative and cultural studies, and culinary arts. • The Macao Institute for Tourism Studies (IFTM) has been ranked first in Macao, third in Asia and 23rd in the world, in the QS World University Rankings by Subject 2022. • Macao Institute for Tourism Studies is one of the first three higher education institutions in the world to receive QAA Global Accreditation which demonstrates that they operate at the highest level of quality assurance. 	
Language of Instruction	English	
Courses	<p>Exchange students are expected to learn the equivalent of 60 BU credits for their exchange semester which translates to 15 Macao credits.</p> <p>Course offerings: https://www2.ift.edu.mo/international/index.php/exchange-programmes/incoming-student-exchange-programme</p> <p>University Calendar: https://www.iftm.edu.mo/student/current-students/academic-calendar</p> <p>Course selection forms must be approved and signed by the home university, partner university, Study Abroad Academic Coordinator and the student.</p>	

<p>Housing</p>	<p>Macao Institute normally provides instructions regarding housing during the application process.</p> <p>Accepted exchange students may apply for accommodation at their student hostel with priorities usually given to international and exchange students.</p> <p>Accommodation details can be found: https://www.iftm.edu.mo/Hostel/register https://www.iftm.edu.mo/Hostel/hostel-life/costs</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Please remember to do your own research and read the small prints and reviews before booking any accommodation. • Also ensure that you are only booking accommodation in Bournemouth for the semester that you will be studying at BU.
<p>Health Insurance</p>	<p>You will be responsible for your own medical and dental costs during your stay in Macao, China. You are therefore required to take out an appropriate travel and health insurance scheme.</p> <p>All exchange students must enrol in an appropriate insurance plan to protect themselves in case of accidents and they will be requested to provide a copy of the Insurance certificate and policy before departure from home. The insurance plan should cover the entire exchange period with the start date and end date matching the student's flight departure date/return flight arrival date and the following items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Medical expenses (including out-patient, hospital expenses and accident) • Personal accident (as the result of any illness, injury, disability or accident) • Personal liability covering the legal liability of causing the death of a third party or property damage due to negligence • Emergency medical evacuation and repatriation of remains (due to accident/illness/other causes).
<p>Travel Insurance</p>	<p>BU offers a comprehensive BU travel cover to all outgoing students. after reviewing BU's travel cover, and depending on personal considerations or specific health issues, some students might decide to purchase an additional insurance policy to top-up what is available.</p> <p>Please note that BU Travel Cover is updated every August.</p>
<p>Visas & Permits</p>	<p>When travelling to Macao you must consider what document(s) you will need to enter the country and commence your studies or research at IFTM. This will depend on the country you are travelling from, your home citizenship, the length of your stay in Macao, and the purpose of your stay in Macao amongst other criteria.</p> <p>Please make sure to understand what is needed and secure this in time before you travel and that you have an up-to-date passport that expires no earlier than 6 months after you intend to return.</p> <p>IFTM assists non-local students in applying for a temporary resident permit (student visa) soon after their arrival in Macao. The processing time can be around 45 days.</p>

	<p>For students who have plans to travel to Mainland China, it is strongly recommended that students apply for their entry visa to Mainland China at the nearest Embassy of the People's Republic of China in their home country before departure to Macao.</p> <p>Useful webpages: https://www2.ift.edu.mo/international/index.php/exchange-programmes/incoming-student-exchange-programme PS-1474 Immigration – Immigration Clearance of Non-residents of Macao – Macao SAR Government Portal (www.gov.mo) Entry Requirements - Macao Government Tourism Office (macaotourism.gov.mo)</p> <p>You should also refer to UK Foreign Travel on Macao and can find further information on the GoingGlobal webpage.</p> <p>It is your responsibility to obtain the correct visa. Immigration laws are complex and subject to frequent changes and the Study Abroad Team is not qualified to offer consultations or detailed advice regarding visa applications. So, if you do have any visa-related questions you will need to contact the appropriate Embassy directly.</p>
<p>Approximate Costs</p>	<p>Tuition fees: Exchange students continue to pay their tuition and academic fees to Bournemouth University with no additional cost at the partner university.</p> <p>Costs to keep in mind:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Return ticket • Accommodation • VISA application fees • Insurance • Daily expenses (food, laundry, etc.) • Textbooks and stationery • Administrative fees <p>Estimated living costs per month: Please refer to Study in Macao (dsedj.gov.mo) and Cost of Living in Macao - Prices in Macao (numbeo.com) for examples of expected costs of living in Macao.</p>
<p>Funding</p>	<p>Turing Scheme Funding Student can apply for funding to help with study abroad costs. This is a grant and not a loan, so student do not have to repay it back. Please visit Turing Scheme Bournemouth University for more details.</p> <p>Student Maintenance Loan If you are in receipt of a maintenance loan, you will continue to receive this as usual when you are abroad but may also be eligible for a higher amount of, depending on your circumstances.</p> <p>Student Finance England Travel Grant You may be able to claim back some travel expenses from your period abroad. The amount of grant depends on your household income, and covers reasonable costs incurred on travel expenses during an academic year. Please visit the Student Finance England Travel Grant website, or contact Student Finance.</p>

Campus Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• General teaching facilities and library• Sport facilities• IT services	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Computer labs• Restaurants/cafeteria• Wine and tea room
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