

Fees, Deposit and Payment Schedule, Applicant Cancellation and Refund Policy*

Fees

A nonrefundable application fee is charged to accepted applicants of education abroad programs. UW-System insurance is required for programs taking place outside the United States. UWRF also charges an Office of International Education (OIE) administrative fee (study abroad fee).

The program fee is defined as the comprehensive education abroad fee charged to the student, inclusive of tuition. This program fee is listed as the billable subtotal on individual program pages.

Deposit and Payment Schedule

A deposit (applied to the cost of the program) is required during the application process. If a participant withdraws their application prior to acceptance or is not accepted into the program the deposit is refunded. An application is considered complete and is reviewed for acceptance once all application materials have been submitted and marked as complete. Once participants are accepted the deposit becomes nonrefundable. Participants have. 5 business days to notify the Office of International Education if they are no longer able to participate in the program before incurring additional program costs beyond the deposit and application fee.

Final payment is due prior to beginning the program. Refer to program fees on individual program pages for specific costs.

Applicant Cancellation and Refund Policy

Participants who withdraw their application after being accepted to a program are responsible for the application fee and deposit.

Participants who withdraw their application, or are terminated due to administrative ineligibility, more than 5 business days from the day of acceptance are responsible for the application fee, the OIE administrative fee and additional costs per the refund schedule below. The nonrefundable deposit is applied to these costs. The refund schedule below outlines costs for participants in UWRF faculty-led and center-based programs, based on withdrawal/termination date:

- 91+ days prior to program start date: education abroad application fee, OIE administrative fee, 40% of the program fee, as well as any non-recoverable costs accrued on the student's behalf that exceed the cancellation percentage
- 61 90 days prior to program start date: education abroad application fee, OIE administrative fee, 60% of the program fee, as well as any non-recoverable costs accrued on the student's behalf that exceed the cancellation percentage
- 1 60 days prior to program start date: education abroad application fee, OIE administrative fee, 80% of the program fee, as well as any non-recoverable costs accrued on the student's behalf that exceed the cancellation percentage
- On or after the official program start date: education abroad application fee, OIE administrative fee, and 100% of the program fee

NOTE:

- For center-based programs and faculty-led programs that do not include airfare, the start date is the official program start date abroad. For faculty-led programs that include airfare, the start date is the official departure date.
- For exchange programs, any refundable amounts are in consultation with the
 overseas partners for expenses paid directly to them. UWRF tuition refunds are
 generally not granted once the exchange is underway because the tuition funds are
 utilized to host the incoming international student.
- Participants in non-UWRF programs are subject to the cancellation and refund policies of that program.

Under no circumstances will any refund requests be considered for participants who have completed a program.

Withdrawing from this program may affect federal, state, or institutional financial aid.

University of Wisconsin-River Falls Program Cancellation Policy

The University of Wisconsin-River Falls considers participant safety its highest priority. Therefore, UWRF reserves the right to cancel any UWRF education abroad program in a location considered unsafe by the University.

If UWRF cancels a program for safety reasons, the University will make every effort to refund recoverable costs to the participants. Certain costs may be expended on behalf of participants before the program begins and may not be recoverable. Students should consider purchasing trip cancellation insurance.

Agreement

If I withdraw my enrollment in the program, I will immediately notify the Office of International Education in writing.

I understand withdrawing from this program may affect federal, state, or institutional financial aid. It is my responsibility to discuss withdrawal with the financial aid office.

*This update applies only to students participating in programs during the 2024-25 academic year and beyond. Students studying abroad in 2023-24 (including summer 2024) are subject to the 2023-24 Cancellation and Refund schedule in the Fee Agreement

