COME ON EXCHANGE TO THE UNIVERSITY OF GUELPH
WELCOME TO GUELPH

Come join over 20,000 students on our campus and exchange students from over 30 countries!

The Centre for International Programs will support you in your transition to life in Guelph, Ontario, and Canada. The academic support, social events, and advising will help to make sure your experience as a Guelph Gryphon is a positive one!
ACADEMICS

Choose from hundreds of courses and 90+ majors in the following departments:

- ARTS
- SCIENCE
- APPLIED SCIENCE
- COMMERCE
- COMPUTER SCIENCE
- ENGINEERING
- AGRICULTURE
- ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE
- LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE

FIND A FULL LIST OF COURSES HERE

Classes are taught through lectures, tutorials, seminars, and laboratories and exchange students typically take 4-5 courses per semester.

IMPORTANT DATES

FALL SEMESTER

START International Orientation: 3 days
Class Start: early Sept.
Homecoming: late Sept.
Class End: mid-December

WINTER SEMESTER

START International Orientation: 1 day
Class Start: early January
Frosty Mug: late January
Class End: late April
START INTERNATIONAL

We understand that it can be difficult to transition to a new country and education system. Therefore, we have designed an orientation program for exchange and international students to familiarize you with everything you need to know about UofG!

We will cover topics like:
• The Canadian University Academic system
• Cultural Adjustment
• Health Insurance
• Support Services Available

And you will have lots of social opportunities to meet the other exchange students and begin making some lifelong memories!

There are also Orientation Week (O-Week) activities that will be happening on campus that exchange students are welcome to participate in.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT O-WEEK HERE

Join the LINK Program to connect one-on-one with a UofG student who can answer any questions you may have! LINK also organizes social events and trips such as, outings to Toronto, Niagara Falls, hockey games, skating & more.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT THE LINK PROGRAM
UofG CAMPUS

THE UNIVERSITY

The University of Guelph was founded in 1964, and is located on a beautiful 412-hectare campus.

Historic buildings mix with modern design, and a focus on sustainability and the environment - UofG is a wonderful place to call home!

Explore what it means to be a Guelph Gryphon!

ACCOMMODATION

Exchange students who apply by the residence application deadline are guaranteed a space in residence. You can choose from one of our 14 residences that are only a five to seven minute walk to class and vary in size from 50-500 students. Most exchange students choose to live in the East Residence, East Village Townhouses or West Residence because these residences don’t require a meal plan and students can cook their own meals. There are also many housing options for students who choose to live off-campus.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT RESIDENCE

CAMPUS FOOD

The University of Guelph’s cafeteria and food services have been ranked #1 in Canada for campus food for the past eight years.

You’ll find many vegetarian, vegan, Kosher, Halal, and gluten-free options available and special dietary concerns can be accommodated.

For students who prefer to prepare their own meals, there are several grocery stores within walking distance from the University.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CAMPUS FOOD
The University of Guelph offers more than just an academic experience!

While here on exchange you will have the opportunity to get involved with student clubs, intramurals, trivia nights, sporting events, and much more.

Use the links below to find out more about the student life on the UofG campus:

- CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS
- INTRAMURALS
- VARSITY ATHLETICS
- STUDENT EXPERIENCE
- HOMECOMING
THE CITY OF GUELPH

GUELPH

Guelph is just the right size with everything at walking, biking, or bussing distance!

There are two rivers surrounded by beautiful parks that are popular for walking, biking, and even canoeing. Guelph features a variety of cafés and restaurants with flavours from around the world, as well as a number of well-known music and art festivals throughout the year.

The City of Guelph has been named one of the top 10 best cities to live in Canada, and Canada’s most caring community.

Guelph’s central location also makes it ideal for exploring the rest of North America.

CANADA

Travelling within Canada can be expensive, but travelling with a group of other exchange students can make it more manageable. Some popular destinations are: Toronto, Ottawa, Montreal, Calgary, Vancouver, and more.

INTERNATIONAL TRIPS

Some favourite trips of past exchange students include: New York, Chicago, Cuba, Mexico, and more.
HOW TO APPLY

Contact your International Office for information on how to apply to the University of Guelph for exchange.

Once your application has been accepted, the Centre for International Programs (CIP) at UofG will provide you with information and support to assist you with your exchange. After you’ve arrive in Guelph, we will continue to provide assistance.

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