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Semester Exchange and Independent Semester Abroad

How do I re-enrol for 2022?

When you are approved to go on exchange, your faculty will enrol you in special exchange/study abroad units. You are NOT able to self-enrol in these units, therefore **you need to re-enrol for 2022 as if you were not going on exchange**. When your exchange is finalised, your faculty will update your enrolment.

What if my WAM/GPA changes?

Your semester two, 2021 results, released on **6 December**, will be those that your IECs will use when allocating you to a partner institution. If you have deferred or supplementary exams, we may be able to take this into consideration, depending on the institution to which you are applying. Monash Abroad will have access to your updated results, so you don't need to contact us to confirm any changes.

What if my WAM/GPA drops and I'm no longer eligible for my first preference?

Your IEC will contact you to discuss alternative options.

What if I choose SFR this semester?

Please refer to the information provided here:

<https://www.monash.edu/students/admin/exams/results/grading-update>

If you commenced your course in 2020 or 2021 and have opted for a grade of SFR (satisfied faculty requirements), for **ALL** passed units in your course, you will not have a GPA or WAM recorded on your transcript. This means we may be unable to allocate you to a partner with a specific entry requirement (e.g. King's who require a 3.3 GPA), so please carefully consider the implications of choosing SFR. If you have an existing GPA or WAM recorded on your transcript but you choose SFR for this semester, we will use the current GPA or WAM recorded.

When will I hear an outcome?

You will be contacted about allocation to your host institution from mid-December onwards. Allocation notifications will take place on a rolling basis until the end of May, and are based on discussions with the host institution. The earliest deadlines are for the USA and Canada, with Europe usually being the latest.

Can I change my first preference?

At this stage, no. Once allocations have been made, we will know where we will have spaces available and can consider alternative options for you, depending on where we still have spots.

What is an allocation?

After assessment, your IEC will assign you a place at a host institution. At this time you will be asked to confirm that you accept your allocation. If your IEC is unable to allocate you to your first preference, they will consider your second or third preferences or discuss alternative preferences with you prior to allocating you to a host institution.

Once your allocation is confirmed, your status in MAP will be changed to 'Allocated' and your IEC will formally confirm with your host institution that they have selected you to receive an exchange spot (also known as a 'nomination'). This does not mean you have been accepted by that institution yet, it is the first step in the process and is an internal Monash process.



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What is a nomination?

Once your IEC has formally nominated you, you will be required then to submit an application to your potential host institution. Your IEC will update your status in MAP to 'Nominated' and send you an email with instructions on how to prepare and submit your application.

Your allocation and nomination will be communicated to you via MAP. Please ensure you are regularly checking your Monash student email, as faculties and IECs will often require follow up information as part of the assessment process in order to finalise your allocation. Failure to respond to emails may result in your application being cancelled.

When can I start booking flights and accommodation?

Do not make any financial commitments for your program (e.g. airfares, housing, etc), nor quit your job or end a housing lease, until specifically advised by your IEC.

You are not usually able to apply for housing at your host institution until you have been formally nominated.

Is there a risk my program will be cancelled because of COVID?

We are anticipating that semester two, 2022 will be going ahead. Vaccination rates in Australia and Malaysia are progressing well, while travel restrictions and border closures are easing in many countries worldwide. We continue, however, to monitor the situation closely and to heed advice from partners. If your potential host institution makes any changes to their plans for hosting exchange students in semester two next year, your IEC will contact you directly to discuss options and alternatives.

Can I defer until semester one, 2023?

If your potential host institution cancels its program due to COVID, you will be permitted to defer until semester one, 2023 and you will be prioritised for a place at your allocated institution.

If, however, you simply change your mind about going ahead with exchange in semester two, 2022, you will need to withdraw your current application and submit a new one for semester one, 2023. Priority for a place is only offered to students whose exchange is delayed because of COVID and therefore outside their control. We anticipate opening applications for semester one, 2023 in March 2022.

Can I withdraw my application at any time?

If you are thinking about withdrawing your application, you should liaise with your IEC before you make this decision. It is your responsibility to let your IEC know as soon as you make this decision. If you withdraw after you have been formally allocated to a host institution, for reasons other than those accepted as [extenuating circumstances](#), you will not be able to reapply for a Semester Abroad/Global Intercampus Program in the subsequent application round. You will be required to show proof that your reason for withdrawing your application meets the definition of extenuating circumstances.

IN THE MEANTIME...

Please be patient!

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