WHY PHILADELPHIA AND DREXEL?

Philadelphia is the birthplace of the United States and its sixth most populous city. Situated halfway between New York City and Washington, D.C., Philadelphia is centrally located while possessing a distinctive character of its own. Rich in both history and innovation, Philadelphia is the only world heritage city in the United States, and Pennsylvania’s economic center. Navigable by bus, subway, bicycle, or foot, Philadelphia offers endless opportunities to explore inspiring museums, exciting sports, live arts, and world class culture.

Drexel University is a private research institution ranked among the top 150 universities in the United States. Located in the University City section of Philadelphia, Drexel’s campus is part of a thriving student and scholar community. Exchange students have access to wide variety of course options in a number of well-regarded academic programs, while co-curricular activities seek to provide further educational, social, and cultural opportunities.

WHO QUALIFIES AND WHAT’S THE PROCESS?

Students who meet the following qualifications:

- Minimum GPA 3.0
- English Language Proficiency tests*:
  - TOEFL iBT 80, IELTS 6.5, TOEFL CBT 214, TOEFL PBT 550, Cambridge 180
- Application materials submitted by deadline

*Drexel does not accept TOEFL ITP

1. Nominate interested and qualified students to Drexel by the deadline (more information on page 4).
2. Students will receive an email with login instructions for Drexel’s application.
3. Students complete Drexel’s online application before the deadline.
4. We welcome accepted students to Drexel!
COLLEGES & PROGRAMS

* Programs may not be available to exchange students
** Students may have to submit a portfolio to be considered

COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCES
- Biological Sciences
- Chemistry
- Communication
- Criminology and Justice Studies
- English
- Environmental Science
- Environmental Studies and Sustainability
- Geoscience
- Global Studies
- History
- Mathematics
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Sociology

COLLEGE OF NURSING & HEALTH PROFESSIONS*
- Behavioral Health Counseling
- Culinary Arts and Science
- Health Sciences
- Health Services Administration
- Hospitality Management
- Nursing
- Nutrition and Foods

COLLEGE OF COMPUTING AND INFORMATICS
- Computer Science
- Computing and Security Technology
- Data Science
- Information Systems
- Software Engineering

CLOSE SCHOOL OF ENTREPRENEURSHIP
- Entrepreneurship & Innovation

SCHOOL OF BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING, ENGINEERING SCIENCE, AND HEALTH SYSTEMS
- Biomedical Engineering

LEBOW COLLEGE OF BUSINESS
- Accounting
- Business Analytics
- Business and Engineering
- Business Economics
- Economics (School of Economics)
- Esport Business
- Finance
- General Business
- Legal Studies
- International Business
- Management Information Systems
- Marketing
- Operations and Supply Chain Management
- Organizational Management
- Real Estate Management and Development
- Sport Business
- Technology Innovation Management

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING
- Architectural Engineering
- Chemical Engineering
- Civil Engineering
- Computer Engineering
- Construction Management
- Electrical Engineering
- Engineering
- Engineering Technology
- Environmental Engineering
- Materials Science and Engineering
- Mechanical Engineering and Mechanics

WESTPHAL COLLEGE OF MEDIA ARTS & DESIGN**
- Animation and Visual Effects
- Art History
- Dance
- Design and Merchandising
- Entertainment & Arts Management
- Fashion Design
- Film and Television
- Game Design & Production
- Graphic Design
- Interactive Digital Media
- Interior Design
- Digital Media
- Music Industry
- Photography
- Product Design
- Screenwriting and Playwriting
- Virtual Reality and Immersive Media

KLINE SCHOOL OF LAW*

DREXEL’S NUMBERS: 14,555 Undergrad & 9,000 Grad
COURSES

• Undergraduate students must take 12-20 course credits per quarter.
• Undergraduate students are required to take at least 50% of their courses each term from within their assigned Drexel college or school.
• Graduate students must take at least 9 course credits per quarter.
• Graduate students are required to take 100% of their courses each term from within their assigned Drexel program. Certain graduate programs are not open to exchange students.
• Each student is assigned a Drexel academic advisor who registers students for classes.
• Class selection is subject to course availability and fulfillment of pre-requisites.

HOUSING

• On-campus housing is available to exchange students, though not guaranteed.
• Suite style and double-occupancy rooms are available.
• Off-campus housing is also available. Students must arrange off-campus accommodations independently.
• Our Drexel Dragons Abroad Facebook page is a great resource for finding sublets.
• We encourage students to avoid signing leases for a period longer than their intended stay at Drexel.

MEALS

• Exchange students may participate in university dining plans, but they are not required to do so.
• Students living in on-campus residence halls will have shared access to kitchen facilities.
• There are a variety of restaurants and grocery stores near the university.

HEALTH INSURANCE & IMMUNIZATIONS

All exchange students must...
• Purchase Drexel’s health insurance in order to meet US immigration health insurance requirement
• Pay a $35 immunization fee
• Complete required immunizations
• Be fully vaccinated and boosted against COVID-19.

VISA

• All incoming exchange students are required to obtain a J-1 Student Visa.
• Drexel will issue a DS-2019 visa document to students upon acceptance.

COST AND BUDGET*

Housing $3,000-$5,000/quarter
Meals $1,000-$2,000/quarter
Books $300-$500/quarter
Health Insurance $600-$1,200/quarter
Immunizations $35 (one-time fee)
Personal Expenses varies
SEVIS & Visa Fees $450 (one-time fee)

*The above amounts are estimates and are subject to change. Total does not include airfare or personal travel expenses.
STUDENT NOMINATIONS

- Partners will be sent a nomination link.
- When nominating students, please be sure to remember that Drexel operates on a quarter calendar, noting the difference between our Winter and Spring quarters.
- When nominating students, please indicate which Drexel major would be the most appropriate for the student.

REQUIRED MATERIALS

Once a student has been nominated, they will receive instructions via email about completing the online application. The following application materials will be:
- Official Transcript (In English)
- Passport Copy
- Preliminary course selections
- English Language Proficiency Test (if applicable)
- Inbound Exchange Application Form
- Portfolio (if applicable)

DEADLINES

- Fall Term (Sept. Start)
  Nominations Open: 1-Mar
  Nominations Close: 1– Apr
  Nominee Application Deadline: 30– Apr

- Winter, Winter/Spring,
  Winter/Spring Summer
  Terms (Jan. Start)
  Nominations Open: 1– Aug
  Nominations Close: 1– Sep
  Nominee Application Deadline:
  30– Sep

- Spring, Spring/Summer
  Terms (March)*
  Nominations Open: 1– Aug
  Nominations Close: 1– Sep
  Nominee Application Deadline: 30– Sep

*Extensions will be granted for Spring quarter nominations and applications if necessary

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