

# 2016-2017 Incoming J1 Exchange Student Fact Sheet

### **University Description**

Johnson & Wales University: One university, four great campuses!

Our Providence, Rhode Island campus is large, historic, and located in an artsy urban center. Our Charlotte, North Carolina campus has new, modern facilities in a smaller setting within walking distance of the urban center. Our diverse, palm-tree-lined campus in North Miami, Florida offers the best of year-round weather, while the Denver, Colorado Campus — set around an expansive outdoor commons with the Rocky Mountains on the horizon — has a more traditional university feel

Each dynamic city has its own blend of culture and events, from music and professional sports to recreation, shopping, and dining. No matter what kind of student life experience you're looking for — big or small, east or west, mountains or ocean — you can experience it at JWU.

All campuses offer courses in Business, Culinary Arts, Hospitality and Arts & Sciences. Additionally, Providence offers courses in Engineering & Design and graduate level Business. For campus tours, academic program details, and student life activities, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.jwu.edu">www.jwu.edu</a>.



#### **Academic Terms**

JWU's academic calendar is divided into three 11-week terms — Fall, Winter, Spring, and Summer. Exchange students can enroll for one or two terms (except for Winter term) or for the academic year. You are required to enroll for a full course load of 13.5 credits during each term at JWU. Talk with your university's exchange advisor to decide what is best for you.

# **Important Dates for Exchanges**

| <u>Full Year</u> | Fall/Winter/Spring                 |                                |  |  |  |
|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Application Due: | March 30 2016                      |                                |  |  |  |
| Arrival:         | August 28, 2016                    |                                |  |  |  |
| Orientation:     | August 29- September 2             |                                |  |  |  |
| Classes:         | September 6- May 18, 2016          |                                |  |  |  |
| Two Terms        | <u>Fall/Winter</u>                 | <u>Spring/Summer</u>           |  |  |  |
| Application Due: | March 30, 2016                     | October 30, 2016               |  |  |  |
| Arrival:         | August 28, 2016                    | February 27, 2017              |  |  |  |
| Orientation:     | August 29 - Sept 2                 | February 28-Mar 3              |  |  |  |
| Classes:         | September 8 -<br>February 23, 2017 | March 7 -<br>7 July or August* |  |  |  |
| <u>One Term</u>  | <u>Fall</u>                        | <u>Spring</u>                  |  |  |  |
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<sup>\*</sup>For Spring/Summer Exchange, the end date depends on summer course schedules and will only be confirmed after you arrive in the USA. You are advised to purchase either a flexible/refundable ticket or a one way flight.

#### **Travel & Arrival Information**

J-1 Visa regulations allow you to enter the USA 30 days prior to your class start date. However, university residence halls are only available starting on the arrival date listed above.

You will need to submit a required Travel Plans form. International Student Services will confirm your Providence airport pick up and give you more information regarding your arrival to campus. If you arrive to Providence, RI by bus/train, you will need to take a taxi to your final destination.

Upon arrival, please check in with International Student Services to confirm your class schedule, finalize payments, and get familiar with JWU.

## **Visas**

Exchange students need to obtain a J-1 visa issued by the U.S. government to enter the USA. You will need a DS 2019 form to obtain the J-1 visa. In order for us to be able to send the DS 2019, you must submit <u>ALL</u> of the application requirements listed on the next page. After you have received the DS 2019, you must pay the SEVIS fee. You will then make an appointment at the nearest U.S. Embassy to obtain a J-1 visa. Be sure to bring your DS 2019 and your SEVIS fee receipt to your visa appointment.

# **Application Requirements**

All documents must be scanned and emailed to the Exchange Coordinator in Providence, RI.

- A copy of the picture page of your passport
- A completed JWU Exchange Student Application Form
- The Financial Declaration form and bank statement
- A current academic transcript
- TOEFL or IELTS score. If you have taken a different exam, please inquire about other acceptable testing. (If you are a native speaker of English or are currently enrolled in an academic program conducted in English you do not need this)
- Curriculum Vitae/Resumé

# **After Acceptance**

The Exchange Coordinator will mail you your letter of invitation, DS 2019 (the document to get your visa), information on the SEVIS fee, and health insurance requirements. In addition, you will receive an Accepted Student Guide by e-mail which will give you more details about housing, course selection, health forms, and arrival dates and services.

#### **Classes**

To see which classes are available, please follow these simple instructions:

- 1. Go online to link.jwu.edu and click on Search the Course Offerings
- 2. Choose the term date (e.g. Fall 2016 or Spring 2017)
- 3. Choose a Subject Area (e.g., Finance, Management, or Leadership)
- 4. Select your campus ("Providence Down City Course" for Business, Hospitality, Technology or "Providence Harborside Course" for Culinary Arts)
- 5. Leave all other blocks as "All" and hit "Submit."

Upon acceptance you will receive further information as to how to select classes.

# Financial Planning (per term)

- Tuition paid to your home university
- \$4600 JWU Room and Board for one term payable directly to JWU (detailed options below)
- \$1000 Books, health insurance, and modest living expenses per term at JWU (laundry, snacks, etc.)
- Varies Flight and visa fees
- Varies Additional personal expenses for recreation, local transportation, health emergencies, etc.

# **Housing & Meal Plans**

Exchange students must live on-campus in a residence hall. This process is handled through the JWU Exchange Coordinator and the students will be notified once they are placed. Students are typically placed in Tier 1 Housing which is \$3081 per term. for a double or triple with a private bath.

Students will choose a meal plan based on their preference and advise the exchange coordinator.

#### Meal Plans

18 meals a week, \$100 per term flex dollars: \$1468 14 meals a week, \$200 per term flex dollars: \$1409

For additional information regarding meal plans: <a href="http://www.jwu.edu/content.aspx?id=3580">http://www.jwu.edu/content.aspx?id=3580</a>

Students will be required to move out of the residence hall within 24 hours of the last class at Johnson & Wales University. More information can be found at Residential Life.

# **Internship Opportunities**

Students wishing to participate in internships upon completing their academic program at JWU may do so with permission from their home institution. Internship placements are acquired by the student and are <u>not</u> guaranteed as they are subject to availability and employer interest. JWU can offer limited assistance in the internship search. Please indicate your interest in internships on your application if you wish to participate. Please ask your home institution advisor or the JWU Exchange Coordinator for more information.

#### **Resources**

| JWU Home Page         | http://www.jwu.edu/                      |  |
|-----------------------|--|--|
| jwuLink               | http://link.jwu.edu                      |  |
| JWU Residential Life  | http://www.jwu.edu/content.aspx?id=37002 |  |
| JWU Academic Calendar | http://academics.jwu.edu/calendar/       |  |
| JWU Exchange Students | http://www.jwu.edu/content.aspx?id=49673 |  |

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We look forward to welcoming you as a new Wildcat!

