

Mānoa International Exchange Inbound Program Fact Sheet Academic Year 2023-24 (Fall 2023 + Spring 2024)



	Mār	noa International Exc	hange	(MIX)		
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Overview	The University of Hawai'i at Mānoa is the flagship institution of the University of Hawai'i System. UH Mānoa is a leader in Hawaiian, Pacific, and Asian studies, as well as in fields such as Astronomy, Oceanography, International Business, and Travel Industry Management. See here for more details: https://www.hawaii.edu/campuses/manoa/					
Academic Calendar	Int'l Welcome Week Classes Begin Classes End Final Exams	TBD T Aug 21 J Dec 7 N Dec 11-15 N	Spring: BD an 8 May 1 May 6-1	TBD Aug 26 Dec 12 Dec 16-20	Spring 2025 TBD Jan 13 May 7 May 12-16	
Academic Areas	View UHM academic calendars at: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/academics/departments/					
Restrictions	Availability of courses in the following fields may be limited or restricted to degree-seeking students only: Academy for Creative Media, Business, Dental Hygiene, Education, Law, Medicine, Music, Nursing, Travel Industry Management. For more details, see here: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/academics/					
Enrollment Requirements	Undergraduates: 12 credits (minimum) - 19 credits (maximum) Postgraduates: 8 credits (minimum) - 16 credits (maximum) See here for more details: https://www.hawaii.edu/issmanoa/?page_id=32					
Other Useful Links	Course Availability: https://www.sis.hawaii.edu/uhdad/avail.classes?i=MAN International Student Services: www.hawaii.edu/issmanoa/ Student Housing: www.manoa.hawaii.edu/housing/ University Health Services: www.hawaii.edu/shs/					
	Admission Informa	tion for Inbound Exc	hange	and Visiting Students	;	
Applications	FALL SEMESTER (August Application opens: Dec 1 Nomination deadline: Feb Application deadline: Mar	1 1*		SPRING SEMESTER (January start) Application opens: July 1 Nomination deadline: Sep 1 Application deadline: Oct 1*		
Duration of Ford	*All applications and supplemental materials must be turned in by this date, including any mailed documents.					
Duration of Exchange	1 or 2 semesters					
Eligibility & Application Guidelines	Undergraduate: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/how-to-apply-undergraduate-students/ Postgraduate: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/how-to-apply-undergraduate-students/					
Language Requirement	https://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/english-language-requirements/					
ELI Placement Test	Students with English test scores below a certain threshold will be required to take the ELI Placement Test upon arrival. This test will determine if students will be required to take any courses from the English Language Institute (typically between 1-3 ELI courses per semester depending on the student's score on the placement test).					

Estimated Costs				
UHM Student Budget	http://www.hawaii.edu/fas/basics/student_budget/index.php			
Program Cost	MIX works with three types of students: Exchange Students (tuition waiver), Hoakipa Visiting Students (fee-paying with discount), and Independent Visiting Students (full fee-paying). Students should also budget for additional costs such as mandatory health insurance, special course fees, books and supplies, housing, meals, local transportation, and personal expenses.			
Accommodation				
On-campus	For information about on-campus housing, see here: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/housing/apply . Applications for on-campus housing in Fall are due May 1 . On-campus housing is extremely limited and MOT guaranteed.			
Off-campus	For information on off-campus housing options, see here: http://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/housing-meals/ . Prices are comparable to living on-campus. Off-campus housing can also be highly competitive, so students are strongly encouraged to begin contacting housing providers as soon as they are admitted into the program.			
Visa and Immigration				
Visa	A student who is not a US citizen or permanent resident (resident alien), will need a F-1 student visa in order to study at UHM as an exchange or visiting student. More details can be found on the UHM ISS website: https://www.hawaii.edu/issmanoa/?page_id=18 . A certificate of eligibility (I-20) will be issued to participants following admission into the program.			
Health Insurance	UHM requires international students to have adequate health insurance coverage throughout their programs of study. Students must either enroll in a UH-endorsed student health insurance plan or furnish proof of enrollment in a health insurance plan that provides the required minimum coverage. For more details, see here: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/healthinsurance/ .			
Employment	Exchange and visiting students are allowed to work on-campus within the dates of their program. Employment may total no more than 20 hours per week during the academic semesters. Please note that participants in an exchange or visiting student program offered through Mānoa International Exchange (MIX) are NOT permitted to participate in pre-completion or post-completion F-1 Practical Training. This includes Curricular Practical Training (CPT), Optional Practical Training (OPT), and internships. For more details, see here: https://manoa.hawaii.edu/mix/inbound/employment/ .			
Arrival				
Registration Holds	It is common for incoming exchange students to have the following registration holds placed on their account the initial course registration period: (1) Health Clearance (TB, MMR, Varicella, TDap); (2) Health Insurance; Visa Clearance; and (4) ELI (English Language Institute). Students are responsible for clearing these holds of their own. Until these holds are cleared, students may be unable to add/drop courses. The Health Clearance (http://www.hawaii.edu/shs/health_clearance/) holds are particularly strict and may result in students being unenrolled from their courses if they do not clear the holds (or request an extension) by the deadline. Student be emailed by the Registrar's Office if they are at risk of this happening.			
Recommended Arrival Dates	Students are strongly advised to arrive one week before the first day of class. An early arrival allows students to participate in the welcome week activities hosted by MIX and ISS, attend orientation, and clear registration holds prior to the first day of class, some of which students will not be able to clear until arrival (i.e. visa clearance) and can take a few days to clear (i.e. the TB health clearance hold). Students are NOT permitted to arrive after the fir day of class without prior approval by MIX staff.			
Welcome Guide	Upon acceptance, students will be provided with a digital Welcome Guide from MIX. This guide will provide students with information to help them successfully prepare for their program.			