Exchange Scheme with York University

Where is York University? - Established in 1959 - York University is the third largest university in Canada and is situated in the city of Toronto, Ontario in Canada. The university has 11 faculties and 26 research centres, supporting approximately 50,000 students.

Who can go?

- Two places will be made available to York undergraduate students in 2017/18.
- This will replace your 2nd year of study at York for integrated programmes (or the 2nd/3rd year of study if you’re on a 4 year programme). Please speak to your department about the availability of extended degrees that allow you to take an additional year to study abroad.
- Please consult the opportunities by department webpage to see if your subject is eligible for exchange. [https://www.york.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/opportunities/](https://www.york.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/opportunities/)

Courses

- Students will be required to take a full course load of 24 credits (i.e. four 6 credit modules/three 8 credit modules).
- Every course has a 4 digit code, in order for students to get the equivalent of 120 York credits; they must take 3000-4000 level courses. These level courses normally require pre-requisites which will need to be taken into account when choosing courses.
- Courses available for 2017/18 can found in the course catalogue [https://w2prod.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/cdm](https://w2prod.sis.yorku.ca/Apps/WebObjects/cdm)
- There are certain restrictions on courses which students should be aware of, details can be found at [http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/comingtoyorkuonexchange/?q=/incomingexchange](http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/comingtoyorkuonexchange/?q=/incomingexchange).

How will my marks be assessed/converted?

- Grade Conversion Tables for each institution will be made available to successful applicants.
- Please ensure that you are fully aware of how your grades will be converted on your return to York. Students on additional years will have different arrangements to those on integrated study.

Costs

1) Tuition Fees: Students will pay no tuition fees to York University in Canada and in 2016/17 their University of York fees were reduced to 15% of the full academic fee.

2) Visas: Study permits for Canada $150 (approx. £87)

3) Medical insurance: All international students will be covered by two types of health cover, more information about both can be found at [http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/current-international-students/health-insurance/](http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/current-international-students/health-insurance/).

- The first is University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP), this is mandatory for international students. This plan ranges depending on the length of the plan and other factors but for 8 months coverage it will cost a student a total of $408.
- The second is Supplemental Health Insurance; this provides supplemental insurance such as dental and eye care. In 2015/16, this cost a total of $254.42 for 12 months coverage.
4) **Additional costs to consider:** flights, accommodation, travel insurance and visas (see below), living costs (food, books, money for additional travel/activities).

**Visa**

- A Temporary Resident Visa (TRV, “entry visa” or “visitor visa”) is required for students with certain citizenships to enter Canada. Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) is required for foreign nationals from some visa-exempt countries. To find out if an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) or an entry visa is required, please check [www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas/asp](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas/asp) or contact the nearest Canadian visa office.
- Students can apply for their study permits through Citizenship and Immigration in Canada, for more information on applying and the steps involved, please visit the following link [http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/current-international-students/immigration-information/study-permits/](http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/current-international-students/immigration-information/study-permits/).

**Where will I live?**

Students may apply for on-campus accommodation, in one of ten residences on York campus, by filling out the housing application as soon as possible. Students will be informed whether their application was successful or not. If students are not successful then it is advised that they arrive in Toronto before orientation in order to find permanent accommodation.

Campus rooms without kitchen facilities require students to buy a meal plan, the plan can vary in cost from $2,500-$4,000 for the academic year depending on the type of plan chosen.

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**Useful web links:**

Main York website: [http://www.yorku.ca/index.html](http://www.yorku.ca/index.html)
Study Abroad and Exchange: [http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/comingtoyorkuonexchange/?q=/incomingexchange](http://yorkinternational.yorku.ca/comingtoyorkuonexchange/?q=/incomingexchange)
FCO: [https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/canada](https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/canada)
Third Year Abroad: [http://www.thirdyearabroad.com/](http://www.thirdyearabroad.com/)

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