Study Abroad

at Case Western Reserve University Cleveland, Ohio | 2026 - 2027

















Explore Cleveland

Ranked as one of the most livable cities in the United States, and especially a great place for young professionals, Cleveland is a mid-sized city that gets high marks for its thriving health care and biotechnology industries, lively arts and cultural scene, low cost of living, four-season climate, and wealth of natural resources. Cuyahoga County, where Cleveland and Case Western Reserve are located, is noted for its forward-thinking, progressive stance on a variety of social issues.

Cleveland often is hailed in the press as a hot new dining city, and it's long been renowned for its arts scenes in neighborhoods such as Tremont, Ohio City, and Collinwood. From African-American theater at Karamu House and indie concerts at the Beachland Ballroom to Friday-night polka-rock in Gordon Square and Saturday-morning shopping at the West Side Market, opportunities abound for busy life. Plus, you're just a short bus ride from Playhouse Square, the country's largest performing arts center outside of New York City.



Population: 362,656 (2023) **Nickname:** The Forest City **Climate:** Temperatures range from an average of 81°F (27°C) in summer to 18°F (-7°C) in winter. **Landscape:** Miles of coastline, 12 beaches, 18 regional parks,
Cuyahoga Valley National Park

Sports: Three professional teams: Cleveland Guardians (baseball), Cleveland Browns (football), Cleveland Cavaliers (basketball)

Key Statistics



Ranked 159th in the world*

More than 1900 international students

from 106 countries



23rd in the US undergraduate creative & research projects** 16th







worldwide for biomedical & health sciences***

Bring your ideas to life at Sears think[box], the largest open-access innovation center and makerspace in the United States







Over **300** student clubs & organizations







*Times Higher Education, 2025

**U.S. News & World Report, 2024

***Leiden World Ranking, 2024

Academics

Explore your interests! With nearly 100 majors, minors and concentrations across a range of disciplines, you can take classes in practically anything, from accounting to world literature and everything in between. Explore the full list of programs here: **case.edu/programs/**

Key: ♦ Top ranked undergraduate programs in the United States

Accounting ♦

Aerospace Engineering ◆

Ancient Near East and Egyptian Studies

Anthropology

Applied Mathematics

Art History

Asian Studies

Astronomy

Biochemistry

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Biology

Biomedical Engineering ◆

Business Information Technology

Business Management •

Chemical Biology

Chemical Engineering ◆

Chemistry

Chinese

Civil Engineering

Classics

Cognitive Science

Communication Sciences

Computer Engineering ◆

Computer Science

Dance

Data Science and Analytics

Economics

Electrical Engineering ♦

Engineering ♦

Engineering Physics

English

Environmental Geology

Environmental Studies

Finance

French

French and Francophone Studies

Geological Sciences

German

Gerontological Studies

Healthcare Management ◆

History

History and Philosophy of Science

International Business ♦

International Studies

Italian

Japanese Studies

Marketing

Materials Science and Engineering ♦

Mathematics

Mathematics and Physics

Mechanical Engineering ♦

Music

Music Education

Natural Sciences

Neuroscience

Nursing ♦

Nutrition

Nutritional Biochemistry and Metabolism

Origins Sciences

Philosophy

Physics

Political Science

Polymer Science and Engineering ♦

Pre-Architecture

Psychology

Quantative Methods (Economics)

Religious Studies

Sociology

Spanish

Statistics ♦

Supply Chain Management ◆

Systems Biology

Theater

Women's and Gender Studies

World Literature

Course Restrictions: Exchange students are able to take any undergraduate-level (100-, 200-, or 300-level) course for which they meet the prerequisite requirements, except within these departments: AIAE & AIQS.

400-level and above courses are graduate-level. Enrollment in graduate-level coursework requires instructor permission and is up to the discretion of the faculty member teaching the course. Exchange students are not able to take courses at our professional schools (medicine, dental, etc.).





Academics

Minimum GPA Requirements

3.0 on a 4.0 scale (U.S. System), or equivalent

Minimum Language Requirements

Applicants whose first language is not English must be able to speak, read, write, and comprehend English. The following are accepted language exams and scores for non-native English speakers:

- Duolingo English Test: 115
- International English Language Testing System: 7
- PTE Academic: 61
- TOEFL iBT, including Home Edition and Paper Edition tests: 90

New Student Orientation & Roadmap

The Student Roadmap is designed to help you prepare for your arrival on campus. The Roadmap will guide you through all the various tasks required of new students, including selecting housing, meal plan preferences, and registering for classes.

In order to begin using the Roadmap, you will need to activate your CWRU network ID (instructions will be provided after admission). Use this guidebook to familiarize yourself with your options, then make your selections later via the Roadmap:

https://case.edu/orientation/first-yearstudents/starting-fall/first-year-student-roadmap

Study Abroad While Studying Abroad!

Academic Year and Spring Semester exchange students have the opportunity to participate in a 3credit faculty-led Spring Break study abroad course with CWRU faculty and students.

Recent spring break courses have included Bioethics, Classics, Engineering and History to destinations in the Netherlands, Greece, Uganda and the United Kingdom.

Course Registration

You will register for classes through the Student Information System (SIS), sis.case.edu, using your CWRU Network ID and password.

Course registration for the academic year and fall semester opens in April and course registration for spring semester opens in November. Exact dates can be found on the CWRU academic calendar:

case.edu/registrar/dates-deadlines/academic-calendar

Course Schedule

You must enroll in a minimum of 12 U.S. credit hours (24 ECTS) per semester to maintain full-time student status, and you may enroll in up to 18 credit hours per semester (36 ECTS).

You can use the Class Search on the University Registrar's website to begin planning your schedule: case.edu/registrar/registration-classes/class-search

In general, 400 level courses and above are graduate level courses and are not available to students participating in exchange programs.

Academic Resources

Need extra assistance in your classes? Peer tutors, available by appointment, are trained to:

- Work with you individually, or within a small group
- Help reinforce what you already know
- Model new ways of learning
- Monitor your progress over several sessions
- Help you get ready to approach your professor with specific questions.

Many courses also offer Supplemental Instruction sessions led by students who are trained to facilitate learning. View all Academic Resources here: case.edu/studentlife/academic-resources



Student Life

What's the best thing about life at CWRU?

The chance to do research. The dedicated faculty who help you find your passion. The location, with more than 50 arts, cultural, medical and education institutions within one mile. And, of course, the friends you'll make along the way. Just minutes from downtown Cleveland—recently named "America's hottest city"—our campus is an ideal place to study, research and have fun.

Activities & Recreation

Whether you're into soccer or swing dance, community service or Quidditch, odds are there's someone (and probably groups of someones) on our campus with the same passion. With 19 varsity sports teams—and dozens of club options—plus 200+ student organizations, there's something for everyone.



Meal Plans

Students who live on campus can have meals in campus dining halls. If desired, you will sign up for a meal plan as part of your housing application. The cost of the meal plan will vary depending on the plan you choose. Students on the Case Western Reserve meal plan can dine at a variety of locations on campus including Leutner and Fribley dining halls, Grab-It and Bag-It, Tomlinson Café, and Tinkham Veale University Center restaurants. Information and pricing: case.edu/dining/meal-plans/meal-plan-options/

Research & Entrepreneurship

CWRU is an ideal place for discovery, whether you're unearthing new clues to solve an old problem through our hands-on research programs or using our 50,000-square-foot makerspace to create the next big thing. You can conduct research in everything from art history to world literature, and see your work's real-life impact.



Student Support

Office of International Student Resources and Engagement (OSIRE) is dedicated to ensuring our international students have transformative experiences through the delivery of quality, intentional, and creative activities and events.

Other Resources:

- Campus Security
- Disability Resources
- Libraries and Library Advisors
- English Language Resources
- Office of Multicultural Affairs
- University Health and Counseling Services
- LGBT Center









Accommodation

There are a variety of housing options available for students studying at Case Western Reserve University. You may choose to live in university-owned housing or in off-campus, privately-owned housing. Whichever you choose, you must secure housing before you arrive in the United States.

University-Owned Housing

University-owned upperclass housing options include the Village at 115, Stephanie Tubbs Jones Residence Hall, 1609 Hazel Apartments, Overlook House, and Property Management Apartments.

Our campus will become your home away from home. Living options range from residential communities to suites to apartments—creating a unique residential community in which 80 percent of students live in campus housing.

Details of these options are available at <u>case.edu/housing</u>. Students who wish to live in university housing can apply through the Student Roadmap.

Off-Campus Housing

Students also have the option to live off-campus in the University Circle area and surrounding communities. Numerous off-campus options are available for you to explore. The Uptown Apartments, located minutes away from campus with convenient access to Uptown's many shops and restaurants, are particularly popular.

If you are interested in living off-campus you can search the Off-Campus Housing Listing Service available online: https://offcampus.case.edu/.

Students living off-campus move into their housing at the discretion of their housing agency.

Living in University Circle

University Circle is a dynamic modern arts and cultural district. Home to Case Western Reserve, a variety of museums, excellent restaurants, coffee shops, and festivals, there is always something to do in University Circle. Wade Oval hosts year-round outdoor programming including live concerts, movie nights, art walks, parades, and ice skating.





University Circle

Located conveniently in the center of CWRU's campus, University Circle--Cleveland's cultural district--offers residents a variety of restaurants, shops, and easy access to RTA and HealthLine public transportation stops.



Little Italy

Within walking distance of CWRU, Historic Little Italy is known for its art galleries and fine Italian cuisine. There is always something going on in Little Italy, such as live entertainment, art walks, parades, and the Feast of the Assumption.



Coventry Village

Coventry Village is a diverse neighborhood home to eclectic shops and eateries including record stores, book venders, consignment shops, bars, and music venues, all just minutes from campus!

Van Aken District

This vibrant urban hub, located in Downtown Shaker Heights, offers the best mix of retail, restaurants and entertainment, a short ride away from campus!

Cleveland Bucket List

A "bucket list" typically consists of goals you would like to accomplish in your lifetime. The Cleveland Bucket List is for Case Western Reserve University students and features interesting places to see and fun things to do off-campus before graduation.



Cleveland Museum of Art



Rock & Roll Hall of Fame



Cleveland Metroparks



Playhouse Square



Cleveland Orchestra



Edgewater Park



Great Lakes Science Center



Cedar Point



West Side Market

How to Make it Happen

Important Dates

Fall 2026 Semester

Move-in	August 14 (estimated)
Discover Week	August 16 - 22 (estimated)
Classes Begin	August 24
Exams	December 8 - 16
Fall Semester Ends	December 16

Spring 2027 Semester

Move-in	January 6 (estimated)
Discover Days	January 6-9 (estimated)
Classes Begin	January 11
Exams	April 29 - May 6
Spring Semester Ends	May 6

Costs & Fees*

Per Semester (estimated)

On-campus Housing	\$6,500 - \$7,955
Meals	\$1,985 - \$4,135
Books	\$600
Local Transportation	\$500
Visa	\$510
Personal Expenses	\$1,350
Fees & Health Insurance	\$2,663
Total	\$14,108 - \$17,713

^{*}Exchange students pay tuition fees to their home institution

Apply Now

If you are enrolled as an undergraduate, degreeseeking student at one of our exchange partner institutions or a Global E3-affiliated university, you can apply to study abroad at Case Western Reserve for one or two semesters as an exchange student. To get started:

- 1. Contact the study abroad office at your university to begin the application process.
- 2. Once you are accepted by your home university, you will receive information on how to apply to Case Western Reserve or Global E3. If you have questions on how to complete CWRU's application process, please email exchanges@case.edu.
- 3. Once you are accepted by Case Western Reserve, you will be given information on how to apply for your visa and register for classes.
- 4. Pack your bags and come to Cleveland!

You can learn more about Case Western Reserve and our undergraduate exchange programs here: case.edu/studyabroad

Application Deadlines

Academic Year 26-27	April 1, 2026
Fall 2026	April 1, 2026
Calendar Year 2027	October 1, 2026
Spring 2027	October 1, 2026



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