

## SWITZERLAND

### University of St. Gallen

#### University of St. Gallen Exchange Program

University of St. Gallen (HSG) was founded as a business academy in 1898 and in 1911 became a business university. In 2001, HSG introduced Bachelor's and Master's degree courses across the board and fundamentally reformed the education it offers. Despite being one of the smallest universities in Switzerland, it has the largest business faculty of any Swiss university and is one of the leading schools for business, economics and public administration in Europe. The university encourages students to go forth with an entrepreneurial spirit while pursuing their own objectives. Students at HSG are encouraged to design and plan their own course of study. *Financial Times* ranked it number 6 in European Business School Rankings.

St. Gallen is situated between the Swiss Alps and Lake Constance, nestled in a picturesque landscape. The narrow streets of the old town provide an excellent place to wander, with numerous shops, restaurants, and cafes. The modern city of St. Gallen also has rich cultural offerings with theatres, museums and concert halls. St. Gallen has an excellent infrastructure with good connections to the Swiss railway network and is located only an hour from the Zurich airport.

### **FACILITIES/HOUSING**

University of St. Gallen (HSG) is located on top of Rosenberg Hill, overlooking the old town of St. Gallen and the Alps. The campus has a student union, sport offices, library and computer services. It also organizes a buddy system for the exchange students.

Exchange students can apply for space in the university housing facilities located off campus. There is a non-refundable housing application fee of CHF 250 plus liability insurance fee of CHF 20. The room rental costs vary from CHF 700 to CHF 1050 or higher per month. Students can also arrange their own housing off campus:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/sharingiscaringunisg/>

### **SEMESTER DATES**

Autumn Term (fall):	September 10 – November 21, 2024
Spring Term:	January 7 – March 13, 2025

### **WORKLOAD**

Students take a 10-week International Study Program (ISP) at the University of St. Gallen and are required to take all the following core courses and a minimum of two elective courses.

**Required core courses:** Leadership in European Companies, Strategic Management, Team Building: Leadership and Team Competencies, European Corporate Governance, and European Culture and International Management

**Elective courses (minimum two required):** International Entrepreneurship, Investment Banking, Europe’s Business Environment, and Global Managerial Communication  
 The following optional courses: European Company Exploration and German Language for beginners (*Note: Students will not receive USC credit for taking the language course.*)

**UNIT VALUE AND CONVERSION**

**(SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO PENDING APPROVAL FROM USC CURRICULUM REVIEW)**

2 ECTS = 1 USC units

Minimum Units: 16 ECTS units = 8 USC units

Maximum Units: 24 ECTS = 12 units

**Note: You may earn less than 12 units if some courses are not approved for study abroad.**

**MINIMUM PASSING GRADE REQUIREMENT TO OBTAIN USC CREDITS**

5.0 (Good) or better **(SUBJECT TO CHANGE DUE TO PENDING APPROVAL FROM USC CURRICULUM REVIEW)**

**ESTIMATED COSTS** This is an estimated student budget, and all costs are subject to change without notice.

<b>University of St. Gallen St. Gallen, Switzerland</b>	
<b>Item</b>	<b>Estimated Amt in US Dollars</b>
USC MBA Tuition Rate (Maximum 12 units x \$2307* per unit)	\$27,684.00
Room and Board	\$5,000.00
Food	\$2,100.00
Books and Supplies	\$1,000.00
Airfare	\$1,800.00
Local Transportation	\$1,500.00
USC Health Insurance*	\$1,754.00
Insurance at Host Institute	\$280.00
Visa	\$200.00
Passport	\$140.00
Vaccinations/Health Fees	\$300.00
Miscellaneous/Personal	\$4,500.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$46,258.00</b>

*\*Rate based on Spring 2024*

Further information can be found at the University of St. Gallen’s website: <http://www.unisg.ch/>