

## University of Miami School of Law International Semester Exchange Program: Information Sheet: 2017-2018

### Semester Dates:

Fall - early-August and until mid-December

Spring - early-January until mid-May

### Application Process:

Students will be nominated by UM Law's partner exchange universities.

Deadline for fall semester is April 1<sup>st</sup> and for spring semester is October 1<sup>st</sup>.

If UM Law accepts a nomination which will occur shortly after the deadline date, the student will be sent an application to complete which explains additional materials needed especially those needed for the I20. TOEFL is required (under some situations an exception may be granted) and the expected score is 95 or above for the computer-based version of the exam.

### Tuition and Fees (including Health Insurance requirements):

Students will pay tuition to their home institutions. They will not be required to pay a student activity fee for the Law School. However, if a student chooses to use the wellness center (fitness equipment, swimming pool, etc.), he/she will need to pay approx. \$152/semester. There is also an optional athletic fee of approx. \$75/semester which allows students to attend home games of UM sports teams.

Students must obtain UM health insurance for international students. The cost will be approximately \$1439/semester. A form may be obtained and completed by the student's home insurance company to obtain an exception. However, the home insurance must cover HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted diseases; and also substance/alcohol rehabilitation treatment. For this reason, most students must obtain UM insurance. The website for health insurance information is:

[http://www.miami.edu/sa/index.php/student\\_health\\_center/insurance\\_information/#International](http://www.miami.edu/sa/index.php/student_health_center/insurance_information/#International)

The University provides a Student Health Service and Counseling Center on campus for students at the cost of \$160/semester. This fee is required and is separate from the health insurance coverage. Some services at the Health Service Center are free upon payment of the fee; other services are not free and may be submitted for payment to the health insurance company.

### Course Registration:

Information on courses being offered is available on the UM Law Registrar's website under CourseLink:

<http://www.law.miami.edu/registrar/?op=0>

Information on this site will give students information about courses being offered. However, actual registration will take place when the students arrive on campus, just before the semester begins. Students will receive course advising, to help ensure the courses taken will be appropriate based on their academic backgrounds. Some courses may be full at the time of registration and unavailable to our exchange students. Given the large number of courses offered at UM Law each semester, there will always be excellent options for our exchange students.

## **Housing Options:**

JD programs at American universities are professional graduate-level programs. All graduate students attending the University of Miami, including the Law School, are required to live off-campus. The University is located in Coral Gables. The UM Law Office of Recruitment offers an excellent housing guide with helpful information for students seeking apartments:

<http://www.law.miami.edu/admissions/housing-information>

There are apartments within walking distance of the Coral Gables campus (where the Law School is located) and also apartments close to the Miami Dade Metro train which has a stop on campus. For information on public transportation: <http://www.miamidade.gov/transit/>

## **Additional Information:**

Please direct any additional questions to:

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