

SMU Exchange and How It All Starts... “The Big Picture”

Congratulations! You have taken a big step to pursue SMU Exchange! Do want to find out how you can make it all happen? Here is The Big Picture ...

Phase I: Building a Solid Foundation

Start with these six items in Phase I in your first year preferably or as soon as possible and continue right up to your departure overseas. They are not a requirement for the SMU Exchange application, but your serious preparation in these steps will prove to be valuable not only during the SMU Exchange selection process but also during your sojourn overseas.

- I-a. Take language courses
- I-b. Maintain good grades
- I-c. Ask for advice from professors
- I-d. Get involved in relevant extra curricular activities
- I-e. Keep up with international news
- I-f. Be open-minded!



Phase II: Final Preparation to perfect your SMU Exchange application

Follow these steps especially in the final 4-5 months (i.e. September-December) leading up to the SMU Exchange application deadline (January for Japan and February for elsewhere).

- II-a. Define your goals
- II-b. Research opportunities to narrow down choices
- II-c. Meet your academic advisor
- II-d. Ask SMU Exchange Advisor your questions
- II-e. Read the Student Exchange Agreement
- II-f. Complete and Submit the SMU Exchange application package
- II-g. Complete and submit the International Mobility Awards application package