

# COUNTRY SPOTLIGHT



Monash has exchange partnerships with eighteen institutions located right across the USA; from Honolulu, Hawaii to Potsdam, New York.

Consider the following if you're contemplating studying on exchange in the USA. See each partner's brochure page on the Monash Abroad Portal (MAP) for more information.



## Finding Unit Outlines

### It's a time-consuming process

It is notoriously difficult to find comprehensive unit outlines for the USA, as much of the information is only released to students who are enrolled in the specific class.

Follow the instructions on the MAP brochure page to assist you in your search and allow yourself plenty of time.



## Health Insurance

### Required by most US partners

It's important to remember that unlike Australia or Malaysia, the USA does not have universal public health care, so if you are uninsured and become sick, you could be liable for thousands of dollars in out of pocket costs.

Monash Travel Insurance is not considered sufficient health care coverage by most of our US partners. You will therefore be required to purchase the host institution's health insurance upon acceptance.

Factor the cost into your budget. It can be up to US\$1,800 for a semester.



## Proof of funds

### J-1/F-1 visa requirements

At the time of application to the host institution, you must show proof of having financial resources **immediately** available to you (i.e. in your bank account at time of application) to cover 6 or 12 months (1 or 2 semesters) of expenses to qualify for the J-1 or F-1 visa.

You will be advised of the required amount at the time the application is given to you to complete, but you should plan for this to be between US\$10,000-15,000 depending on the part of the US in which the host institution is located.

Visa and other entry and exit conditions can change at short notice so monitor the [US Embassy's website](#) in Australia for up-to-date information

For more information, head to <https://www.monash.edu/study-abroad>