JOHNS HOPKINS UNIVERSITY | Global Education

Visiting International Students Program (VISP)

Fall/Academic Year 2026 - 2027 Factsheet

Johns Hopkins University welcomes applications from undergraduate international and exchange students interested in attending Johns Hopkins for a semester or academic year as study abroad (non-degree) students. The VIS program is managed by the Global Education Office. **For more information visit the website here.**

Program Overview

Eligibility	• You must be at least 18 years of age
	• You must be registered in a degree program at your home university
	• You must be nominated by your home institution
	• Minimum GPA of 3.0 or the equivalent
	• English Language Proficiency (completed no more than 2 years prior to the visa application process)
	  ◦ TOEFL: 100
	  ◦ IELTS: A score of 7.0 or higher on each band
	  ◦ DET: composite score of 120 or higher
	  ◦ C1 Advanced or C2 Proficiency expected with a Cambridge English score of 185 or higher
	  ◦ **If no English language assessment, students will need to schedule an English language conversation as part of their application

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Deadlines	• The Nomination Deadline for Fall/ Academic Year is **March 9, 2026**. • Nominated Students will receive an email to **Submit a Visiting Student Application** following the nomination deadline • Application deadline**: March 23, 2026 at 11:59 p.m. ET**
Application Materials	• **A completed online Visiting Student Application** • Transcripts of all university study • List of current courses you are currently taking at your home institution • TOEFL Exam or alternate language assessment • Copy of valid passport information pages
Important Dates	**Fall** • Arrival to Baltimore: **August 17 - August 24, 2026 (tentative** ◦ VISP students will move into **Nine East 33rd Apartments** • VISP Mandatory Orientation: **August 25 & August 26, 2026 (tentative)** • First Day of Fall Classes: **August 31, 2026** • Last Day of Fall Classes: **December 11, 2026** • Exams: **December 15 - December 23, 2026** **Spring** • Arrival to Baltimore: **January 11 to January 18, 2027 (tentative)** • VISP Mandatory Orientation: **January 19 & January 20, 2027** • First Day of Spring Classes: **January 25, 2027** • Last Day of Spring Classes: **April 30, 2027** • Exams: **May 10 - 18, 2027**
Visas	• Visiting International and Exchange Students are admitted to Hopkins on **J-1 Visas**. Once you have completed your online application and received your admissions letter, you will receive instructions to initiate your J-1 Visa (DS-2019) process. • Your **DS-2019 dates** correspond to the first and last day of classes • There is a **30-day grace period** at the beginning and end of the exchange during which you can enter or remain in the U.S. for non-academic purposes
Health Insurance	• VISP students are **required** to enroll in JHU health insurance

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