

Exchange programme: information for international students

Name of School: ECAL/Ecole cantonale d'art de Lausanne University of Art and Design Lausanne	Website: www.ecal.ch	
	Contract: Bilateral agreement	
	Prerequisites: Bachelor students only	Exchange Duration: One term only (5 months)
Address: ECAL/Ecole cantonale d'art de Lausanne 5, avenue du Temple CH-1020 Renens/Lausanne	Registration deadlines: -Autumn Semester: 30 th April -Spring Semester: 31 st October	
Official registration and documents (portfolio, CV, letter of motivation and a recommendation/nomination letter (approval) of the international coordinator from your institution) must be sent through "Moveon": https://hesso.moveonfr.com/form/62ebbfce0ebb5f755f31b3df/eng		
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Fields of Study: - Industrial Design - Graphic Design - Photography - Media and Interaction Design - Cinema - Fine Arts	Start/End of Term*: Autumn Semester 2023-2024: - September 19th, 2023 to January 12th, 2024 Spring Semester 2023-2024: - February 19th, 2024 to June 21st, 2024 *dates to be confirmed	
Learning agreement: All relevant information can be downloaded in French and English, from our website (description of the various modules). Students only select modules in the chose field of study.		
Languages: lectures are mostly provided in French (B1 level)	ECTS Credits: maximum 30 ECTS credits per study semester	Language Course: None
Accommodation: Due to acute shortage on the housing market, it is extremely difficult to find accommodation in the Lausanne area and students should plan well ahead. A restricted number of rooms are available in the framework of an agreement with the FSLE foundation for student halls. Contact them per e-mail: fsle@unil.ch		
Visa/Work Permit: Applicants from countries subject to a visa obligation for a stay over three months must file their visa application from abroad, to be issued a student entry visa by a Swiss embassy or consulate. To obtain a student visa, applicants should apply to the Swiss diplomatic representation closest to their home abroad, specifying the chosen curriculum and foreseen duration of studies. Documents required: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Valid passport;- ECAL enrolment certificate;- Documents in proof of your financial means during your studies in Switzerland (taking secondary employment while studying is only allowed at least six months following the start of your course). It takes minimum 2 to 3 months to obtain a student visa (student B permit). Students not subject to a student visa obligation only need to comply with the procedure to be followed on arrival in Switzerland.		

Procedure to be followed on arrival in Switzerland:

All foreign students, including those who need a visa, must register with the residents' office ("Contrôle des habitants") of their commune of residence within 8 days. Contact details for Lausanne:

Service du Contrôle des habitants

18, rue du Port-Franc (case postale 5354) – 1002 Lausanne

Tel: +41 (0)21.315.21.33 (or 34 or 35 or 36)

controle.habitants@lausanne.ch / www.lausanne.ch/controle_habitants

To apply for a residence permit, a foreign student should submit the following:

- *Passport with student visa if required;*
- *ECAL enrolment certificate;*
- *2 passport photos;*
- *Arrival report ("rapport d'arrivée");*
- *Certificate of Swiss or foreign study grant or cost coverage certificate (whereby someone else pledges to cover your costs);*
- *Lease or contract from the landlord.*

Applicable fees to obtain a residence permit:

- *EU/EFTA students: CHF 95.-*
- *Non-European students: CHF 147.-*

Health Insurance:

Taking out health insurance is compulsory for foreign students wishing to stay in Switzerland for over three months. However, according to Article 3, § 2 of the Swiss Federal Law on Compulsory Health Care (LAMal), the Federal Council may exempt certain categories of persons from mandatory health insurance, in particular representatives of foreign States and officials of international organisations. Insured persons with one of the above statuses who have insurance providing equivalent coverage according to Swiss law will be issued an exemption for the duration of their stay in Switzerland.

The following students are exempted:

- From an EU country with social security: these students must submit a copy of their European Health Insurance Card (EHIC);
- From an EU country without social security, but covered by private insurance: these students must fill in the [form to establish equivalent health insurance coverage](#);
- From a non-EU country, but covered by private insurance: These students must fill in the [form to establish equivalent health insurance coverage](#).

Students unable to validate their insurance in Switzerland or to take out approved coverage in their home country must take out health insurance in Switzerland:

Golden Care SA

31, Bd. Helvétique

1207 Genève, Suisse

Tel. 41 022 786 12 00

<https://www.goldencare.ch/home.php?l=1&la=1>

Swisscare Insurance AG

Chemin de Beaulieu 8

1752 Villars-Sur-Glâne

Tel. 0840 001 001

<https://swisscare.com/fr/>

Student Worldwide Cover – Advisor Swiss Insurance SA

4, av. de Provence

CP 35 – 1000 Lausanne 20

Tel. 021 620 75 00

<http://www.advisor-swiss.com/insurance/students/health-insurance/foreign-student/>

General Information on the Lausanne area (websites, etc.): www.lausanne.ch