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The program dates are windows of opportunity for program participation. Within this timeframe, students are still subject to their university's official academic break schedule. Even though the window of opportunity may be longer than four months, a participant may only participate a maximum of four months or the length of the period of their academic break, whichever is shorter. If a country is not listed on the chart, please contact the Office of Private Sector Exchange Designation at <a href="DesignationSWT@state.gov">DesignationSWT@state.gov</a> for guidance.

Country	Opening Date	Closing Date	Approximate Length	Additional Notes
Afghanistan	6-Dec	28-Feb	3 Months	
Albania	20-Jun	15-Oct	4 Months	
Argentina	1-Dec	1-Apr	4 Months	
Andorra	10-Jun	10-Sep	3 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Armenia	1-Jun	31-Aug	3 Months	
Australia	15-Nov	8-Mar	3.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Austria	1-Jul	30-Sep	3 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Azerbaijan	16-Jun	16-Sep	3 Months	
Barbados	17-May	1-Sep	3.5 Months	
Belarus	25-Jun	1-Sep	2.5 Months	
Belgium	1-Jun	30-Sep	2.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Belize	15-May	15-Aug	3 Months	
Bermuda	16-May	16-Sep	4 Months	

Bolivia	15-Nov	15-Mar	4 Months	
Bosnia and Herzegovina	28-May	1-Oct	4 Months	Exact academic calendars vary from one university to another, and depend on exam dates.
Botswana	7-Apr	15-Aug	4 Months 4 Months	
Brazil	15-Nov	15-Mar	4 Months	
Bulgaria	1-May	30-Sep	5 Months	
Burma -	1-Oct	1-Dec	2 Months	Exact academic calendars vary from one university to another, and depend on exam dates.
	1-Apr	1-Jun	2 Months	Exact academic calendars vary from one university to another, and depend on exam dates.
Canada	15-Apr	20-Sep	5 Months	Exact academic calendars vary from one university to another.
Cape Verde	8-Jul	4-Oct	3 Months	
Chile	1-Dec	4-Apr	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
China	1-Jun	15-Sep	3.5 Months	Summer breaks here vary by university, and this range covers the earliest and latest dates.
Colombia	1-May	30-Aug	3.5 Months	
Costa Rica	1-Dec	31-Mar	4 Months	
Croatia	10-Jun	10-Oct	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Cyprus	21-May	30-Sep	4 Months	Exact academic calendars vary from one university to another, and depend on exam dates.
Czech Republic	15-May	30-Sep	4.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country

Denmark this includes				
(Greenland and	1-Jul	1-Sep	2 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Djibouti	1-Jun	30-Sep	4 Months	
Dominican Repu	15-May	7-Sep	3.5 Months	
Ecuador, Guaya	20-Jan	1-Oct	3 Months	"Participants are only permitted to participate in the program for three months or less and once a year during their official academic summer break"
Ecuador, Quito	20-Jan	1-Oct	3 Months	"Participants are only permitted to participate in the program for three months or less and once a year during their official academic summer break"
Egypt	15-Jun	15-Sep	3 months	
El Salvador	9-Jun	15-Aug	2 Months	
Estonia	15-May	15-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Fiji	9-Nov	4-Feb	3 Months	
Finland	14-May	4-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country; SWT Inquires: HelsinkiNIV@state.gov
France	1-Jun	30-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Germany	1-Jul	31-Oct	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Ghana	13-May	5-Sep	3 Months	
Georgia	19-Jun	15-Sep	3 Months	
Greece	1-Jun	30-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country

Greenland	26-Jun	3-Sep	2 Months	Greenland is a part of Denmark, and therefore is a visa waiver country
Grenada	8-May	14-Sep	4 Months	
Guatemala	15-Nov	15-Jan	2 Months	
Guinea-Bissau	1-Aug	7-Oct	2 Months	
Hong Kong	3-May	30-Aug	3 Months	Exact summer break dates in Hong Kong vary by university. These ranges cover the earliest and latest dates.
Hungary	17-May	14-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Iceland	10-May	31-Aug	3.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
India	1-May	31-Aug	4 Months	
Indonesia	1-Jun	30-Sep	2 Months	Timing of break between academic year varies between program dates, but does not exceed two months.
Iran	23-Jun	12-Sep	3 Months	Placement exceptions/unauthorized: STEM & IT Fields
Ireland	15-May	15-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Israel - Tel Aviv	10-Jun	23-Oct	4 Months	Israeli nationals break during this period
Italy	15-Jun	15-Sep	3 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Jamaica	20-Apr	8-Sep	4.5 Months	
Japan (Summer)	18-Jun	18-Oct	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Japan (Spring)	15-Jan	31-Mar	3 months	Only for students without classes.

Jordan	1-Jun	1-Oct	4 Months	
Kazakhstan	8-May	1-Sep	3 Months	
Kenya	1-May	31-Aug	4 Months	
Kosovo	15-May	30-Sep	4.5 Months	
Kyrgyzstan	1-Jun	31-Aug	3 Months	
Latvia	1-May	15-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Lebanon	15-Jun	15-Sep	3 Months	Lebanese University and USJ's break is early June-late September. AUB/LAU have earlier start dates.
Lesotho	5-Jun	5-Aug	2 Months	
Lithuania	2-May	15-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Luxembourg	1-Jun	14-Sep	3.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Macau	17-May	30-Aug	3.5 Months	Exact summer break dates in Macau vary by university. These ranges cover the earliest and latest dates.
	25-May	15-Sep	3.5 Months	Dates reflect academic breaks for accredited universities subject to varying academic schedules throughout Malaysia. Participants are only permitted to participate in the
Malaysia	25-Nov	15-Mar	3.5 Months	program for four months or less and once a year during their official academic break.
Mali	1-Jul	30-Sep	3 Months	
Malta	1-Jul	30-Sep	3 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Mexico	19-May	5-Sep	3.5 Months	
Moldova	24-May	3-Sep	3 Months	Dates allow an arrival before Memorial Day and departure Labor Day

Monaco	1-Jun	10-Sep	3.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Mongolia	1-Jun	1-Sep	3 Months	
Montenegro	15-Jun	15-Sep	3 Months	Note that this opportunity does not include the complete exam period at the conclusion of the academic year for all universities, nor does it fully include the period prior to the start of the new academic year during which students sit for make-up exams.
Morocco	10-Jul	5-Sep	2 Months	
Namibia ""	15-Jun	19-Jul	2.3 Months	Visa Waiver Country
	6-Dec	11-Jan	2.3 Months	
Nepal	1-Jul	1-Aug	1 Month	Visa Waiver Country
Netherlands	15-May	15-Sep	4 Months	
New Zealand	23-Oct	26-Feb	4 Months	
Nicaragua "	15-Dec	15-Mar	3 Months	Dates reflect academic breaks for accredited universities subject to varying academic schedules throughout Nicaragua. Participants are only permitted to participate in the
	15-May	1-Sep	3.5 Months	program for four months or less and once a year during their official academic summer break.
Nigeria	1-Jun	1-Oct	4 Months	
Norway	16-Jun	14-Aug	2 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Pakistan	1-Jul	31-Aug	2 Months	
Territories - Jerusalem	10-Jun	1-Sep	3 Months	
Panama	1-Dec	31-Mar	3 Months	

Papua New Guir	1-Dec	1-Feb	2 Months	
Paraguay	23-Nov	7-Mar	3.5 Months	
Peru	1-Dec	31-Mar	4 Months	
Philippines	26-Mar	1-Sep	5 Months	
Poland	25-May	30-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Portugal	24-May	7-Oct	4.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Qatar	15-May	15-Aug	2.75 Months	
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Macedonia	1-Jun	30-Sep	4 Months	
Romania	15-Jun	30-Sep	3.5 Months	Interview dates will begin February 10 and end on June 30, 2025.
Russia (Moscow	15-May	15-Sep	4 Months	Appointment availability may be affected by the Mission Russia staffing reduction imposed by the Russian government, as well as health and safety restrictions due to the COVID-19 pandemic.
Saudia Arabia	15-May	2-Sep	3.5 Months	
Serbia (Belgrade	21-May	10-Oct	4.5 Months	Appt Dates: Third week in March - Second week of June
Senegal	15-Jun	15-Oct	4 Months	
Singapore	1-May	31-Aug	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Slovakia	15-May	15-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Slovenia	1-Jun	30-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Solomon Islands	1-Dec	1-Feb	2 Months	

				These dates may overlap with end of year exams and/or beginning of the year
South Africa	1-Nov	1-Mar	4 Months	orientation at certain universities.
South Korea	15-Dec	1-Mar	2.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Spain	24-May	7-Oct	4.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Swaziland (Eswa	1-Jun	31-Aug	3 Months	
Sweden	6-Jun	30-Aug	3 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Switzerland	30-May	15-Sep	3.5 Months	Visa Waiver Country
Taiwan	1-Jun	30-Sep	3 Months	Visa Waiver Program Member
Tanzania	1-Jun	31-Oct	4 Months	
Thailand (Spring	7-Mar	7-Jul	4 Months	
Thailand (Summ	7-May	7-Sep	4 Months	
Togo	5-Jul	9-Sep	2 Months	
Trinidad and Tol	18-May	25-Aug	3 Months	
Tunisia	30-Jun	15-Sep	2.5 Months	
Turkey	15-May	1-Oct	4.5 Months	
Turkmenistan	1-Jul	31-Aug	2 Months	Turkmen university students are generally not permitted to leave the country during the programs, which is the primary reason why SWT has not been an active program here in the past.
Ukraine	6-May	6-Sep	4 Months	Applicants are encourged to check the Embassy's website frequently for updates to appointment slots availability.

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United Arab Emi	2-May	6-Sep	4 Months	
<b>United Kingdom</b>	1-Jun	30-Sep	4 Months	Visa Waiver Country
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Uruguay	15-Nov	1-Apr	4.5 Months	once a year during their official academic summer break.
Uzbekistan	20-May	20-Sep	4 Months	The general range for Uzbekistan Universities
Vanauatu	1-Dec	1-Feb	2 Months	
Venezuela	1-Jul	30-Sep	3 Months	
		33 334		Due to Vietnam's two month program length, the large majority of Vietnamese students
Vietnam	15-Jun	15-Aug	2 Months	will not be eligible for Summer Work and Travel
	15-Jun 1	5- 30-Aug	2.5 Months	University of Barotseland Copperbelt
Zambia	Sep	1-Dec	2.5 Months	University
Zimbabwe	1-Jun	15-Aug	2.5 Months	Zimbabwe universities and schools follow what in the U.S. would be considered a year-round calendar: that is, they get off for approximately 1 month every 3 months with breaks in August-Sep, December-Jan, April-May. So the 1 month that lines up with U.S. summer would be late April – May
	1-Dec	1-Feb	2 Months	