

# UNDERGRADUATE EXCHANGE FACTSHEET 2023



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# STUDY IN VIETNAM

Vietnam is a rising economy full of opportunities.

- Forecasted to be one of the fastest growing economies globally, according to Moody's Analytics.
- With a large and young population (55.5% is under 35 years old), Vietnam is one of the most exciting and vibrant destinations for living and working, with many high-demand jobs in technology, healthcare, automobile, hospitality services,...
- Hanoi and Ho Chi Minh City: Global top 10 most dynamic cities, according to ILL's City Momentum Index (CMI) 2019.







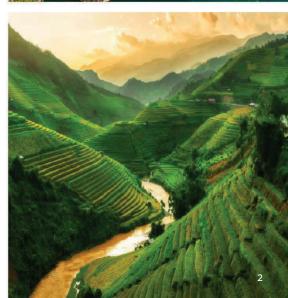
We at VinUniversity believe that studying in Vietnam is a unique journey that will bring global citizens to a live-learn environment where you can apply world-class theoretical knowledge to create solutions for real issues in a rapidly transforming business environment.

In addition, living and studying in Vietnam will give you an opportunity to explore a unique, historic, exotic, and rapidly developing country. There will be distinctive architecture, stories, and historical figures to witness at almost every corner of your new home - Hanoi the millennium-old capital formerly known as Rising Dragon Citadel. Furthermore, our natural landscape is blessed with wonders such as Ha Long Bay and Son Doong Cave.

Finally, Vietnam offers affordable living costs and ample travel opportunities that will deliver you the best 4 years of your life immersing yourself in academics while equally exploring our hospitality, unique arts, and festive activities.

We look forward to welcoming you to the journey of a lifetime!





# LIFE IN HANOI



VinUniversity students come from 63 cities and provinces nationwide as well as from abroad. Studying and living in Hanoi, a thousand-year-old capital with a long history and rich culture is definitely an unforgettable experience for every student. Here are the top 10 things to do in Hanoi:

#### 1. Visit Ho Chi Minh mausoleum

Uncle Ho's mausoleum is a place of pride not only for Hanoi but also for all Vietnamese people. This is a place that all Vietnamese would visit at least once in their lifetime.

#### 2. Explore the old quarter

The 36 streets in Hanoi's old quarter are ancient streets that still keep their rhythm of history and architecture from the 19th century. The memorable houses and street corners with many shops selling unique items have been preserved over many generations.

#### 3. Temple of Literature

With over 1000 years of history, the Temple of Literature still retains its ancient look with architectural features from the Ly Dynasty. This is one of the most distinctive historical and cultural monuments in Hanoi.

#### 4. Walk around Hoan Kiem Lake in the early morning

Regardless of the weather or the season, people in the capital still keep the habit of walking around Hoan Kiem Lake every early morning. Participating in sports, exercising, or just walking while chatting with friends and watching a peaceful capital behind the urban bustle are also must-dos when coming to Hanoi.

#### 5. Watch the sunset at West Lake

The afternoon is an ideal time to watch the sunset and take a relaxing walk after a hard-working day at West Lake, certainly different from the crowded and bustling streets of Hanoi.

#### 6. Enjoy "Bun cha"

"Bun cha" Hanoi a dish of flavorful chargrilled pork, and white rice noodles, served with herbs and dipping sauce is a must-try specialty in the capital.

#### 7. Walk on Long Bien Bridge

As a witness to the history of Hanoi for over 100 years, Long Bien Bridge is an ideal destination for art in the soul of local people. Don't miss the photo opportunities!

#### 8. Sip on egg coffee

The uniqueness of egg coffee lies in its flavor which is not too bitter and doesn't have an egg smell. The creamy taste of the soft whisked egg yolk mixed with rich coffee will make people go from surprised to addicted.

#### 9. Hanoi St. Joseph's Cathedral

Located in the city center, St. Joseph's Cathedral is a unique architectural work and a familiar image to every Hanoian.

#### 10. Enjoy rice noodles, tofu with shrimp paste

As a popular dish found on every street and corner in Hanoi, rice noodles with tofu and shrimp paste are an indispensable choice of meals for people in Hanoi.

Source: Vietnam Tourism Newspaper





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# VINHOMES OCEAN PARK

A MINIATURE CITY FOR THE INTELLECTUAL COMMUNITY

VinUniversity campus is located at Vinhomes Ocean Park, Gia Lam District, Hanoi. Vinhomes Ocean Park is not only a world-class mega city but also a city of nature, life, and inspiring and exciting people, ready for unimaginable yet realizable experiences.

With a prime location, along with high-class facilities, Vinhomes Ocean Park promises to be an ideal place for residents to become **a new center** with outstanding development in the heart of the citadel.



#### **OVERVIEW OF VINUNIVERSITY**

#### VISION

VinUniversity is the first private, not-for-profit Vietnamese university established based on international standards. The university integrates the models of excellent international universities with the unique cultural and economic characteristics of Vietnam, in order to make a breakthrough in Vietnamese higher education and to become a world-class university.

#### MISSION

The mission of VinUniversity is to educate and train outstanding individuals, who are knowledgeable, capable, and passionate about contributing to improving themselves and societal conditions, inspiring the current and next generations, and making lasting positive impacts on global development.

# CORE

#### EXCELLENCE

VinUniversity attracts, trains, and develops talents with outstanding qualities, empathy, creative thinking, and a strong desire to create excellent work, to solve problems with aspiration, and to take action to improve the quality of life within the community.

#### VinUniversity (VinUni) is an excellent, private, not-for-profit university established by Vingroup.

VinUniversity's inauguration ceremony was held on its campus located at Vinhomes Ocean Park, Gia Lam, Hanoi, with a total investment of VND 6,500 billion (approximately USD 285 millions) from Vingroup.

Established on the highest standards of research, teaching, career development and international outlook, within the first year, Vin University was awarded Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) 5 stars rating for seven aspects:

- Teaching
- · Academic Development
- Internationalization
- · Social Responsibility
- · Facilities
- · Arts and Culture
- Inclusiveness

The institution comprises of Faculty of Arts and Sciences; College of Business and Management; College of Engineering and Computer Science; and College of Health Sciences. VinUni offers 12 degree programs, namely:

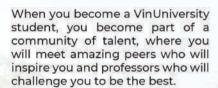
- · Bachelor of Business Administration
- · Bachelor of Science
- in Hospitality Management
- Bachelor of Science
- in Mechanical Engineering
- Bachelor of Science in Electrical Engineering
- · Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
- · Master of Innovation
- in Artificial Intelligence
- · Doctor of Philosophy in Computer Science
- Bachelor of Nursing
- · Medical Doctor Program
- Graduate Medical Education degree programs in Internal Medicine, General Surgery, Pediatrics



# REASONS TO CHOOSE VINUNI

#01

Community of Talent



#03
Globally
Distinguished
Faculty

You will get to learn from lecturers and professors from 14 countries, who have rich experiences in teaching and possess in-depth work and research experience at leading universities around the globe.

#02

Academic Programs of Excellence





The entire curriculum, from design to quality validation, is supported by Cornell University and University of Pennsylvania.

#04

Strong Industry Engagement

You will gain strong industry perspectives and engagement through your courses, 5in5 in-semester internship, summer internship, and by closely interacting with business leaders, and involvement in industry-specific projects.

**#05** 

Active Learning



VinUniversity's teaching pedagogy is geared towards developing students into active problem-solvers through team-based learning, experiential learning, case studies, gamification, and simulation.

#06

**Research Oppotunities** 

You will get opportunities to become involved in academic research projects by working directly with faculty. VinUniversity is one of the few universities to help students participate in research activities with reputable faculty right from the start of their university studies.

#08

#### Interdisciplinary Projects

You will get access to opportunities to do interdisciplinary research projects and pursue interdisciplinary studies by working with other students and minoring in subjects at different colleges at VinUniversity. **#07** 

#### World-class Standards



Every aspect of the University: its curricula, research, faculty, student body, facilities, and campus life, is being developed to meet the highest standards set by the world's leading accreditation and ranking organizations, such as ABET, AACSB, Quacquarelli Symonds (QS), and Times Higher Education (THE).

#09



#### **Entrepreneur Mindset**

The Entrepreneur Lab helps develop students' start up ideas, and provides them with opportunities to interact with and learn from renowned experts and entrepreneurs.



## **FACTS & FIGURES**

about VinUniversity

750 Students

Nationalities of students

**159** Staffs

Nationalities of Faculty

Student to Faculty Ratio

Global distinguished faculty

#Facility: Athletics, Library, Social spaces, Classrooms,

etc. \*Data as of December 2022

University website: https://vinuni.edu.vn/





# OVERVIEW

#### **# ENTRY LEVEL**

Evidence of strong academic preparation in general and in the proposed field(s) of study; a minimum of one and a half years of continuous full-time university study at home institution; a grade point average (CGPA) is not less than 2.5 accumulatively.

# AGE 18 or above

#### **# ENGLISH LEVEL**

The TOEFL and IELTS are the two most frequently accepted tests for those students who come from non-official English speaking countries.

- IELTS: Minimum of 6.5 with no band score lower than 6.0
- TOEFL iBT: Minimum 79 with at least 20 for writing, 18 for speaking, 15 for reading, and 15 for listening.
- Pearson Test of English (Academic) Minimum overall score of 58 with no communicative skills score less than 50.
- Cambridge English Certificate in Advanced English (CAE) Minimum 176 with no skill below 169 in any component.

English Proficiency Requirements



#### **# NOMINATION PROCEDURE**

Partners send the nominated list of students to VinUniversity. Following that, VinUniversity will review, assess, and send guidance and an application form to successful candidates.

#### **# ONLINE NOMINATION DEADLINE FOR PARTNER INSTITUTIONS**

Fall 2023: June 1st, 2023

**Spring 2024:** September 15th, 2023

Academic Calendar at VinUni



#### # COURSES

Course information, including module descriptions, can be found on our website. For more information of course list offered by colleges:

- 1. College of Arts & Sciences
- 2. College of Business and Management
- 3. College of Engineering and Computer Science
- 4. College of Health Sciences

The detail of course registration guidance will be sent to all enrolled students within 2 weeks before the course registration period. Exchange students can select courses as long as there are slots available and they meet the prerequisite requirements. Some courses may require professor approval for enrollment.

#### # LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION English

#### **# STUDY LOAD**

The total required credits for each semester will be **at least 12 credits** and **no more than 22 credits** - A credit is equivalent to 50 hours of study for students, including taught study (contact hours), tutorials, self-managed study, experiential learning, assessments, and exams. The study load is defined in detail according to the VinUni's Academic Regulations.

#### # ACADEMIC RECORD

The study performance of student is recorded and managed on SIS. After finishing the study, VinUni will issue the academic transcript for students. Students receive 2 free transcript copies. All transcripts are mailed to students' home universities for handling and will take about 6-8 weeks after the semester for the arrival.

#### **# GRADING SYSTEM**

The University grading system is composed of letter grades with pluses and minuses. Passing grades range from A to D-; F is a fail.

Please see the more details in Article 25. Grading system in Academic Regulation.

#### # TEACHING METHOD

Eschewing the traditional, didactic form of learning, VinUniversity provides a highly student centric, active & experiential forms of teaching and learning. Faculty use a variety of models suitable to drive higher order learning for the subject: from case based teaching, project based and problem based learning, group work, debates and discussions, applied projects, service and community learning and many others.

#### # ADDITIONAL CLASSES

VinUni offers many free elective courses. Moreover, the course of Vietnamese Language is opened and specially designed for foreign students.



#### **# AVERAGE COST**

Accommodation: ± 133 US\$/month (shared room, 8 bed rooms), ± 333 US\$ (shared

rooms, 2 bed rooms)

**Deposit accommodation:** ± 133US\$/month

■ **Food:** ± 180 US\$/month

Personal care: ± 45 - 90 US\$/month
 Basic shopping: ± 45 US\$/month
 Social Activities: ± 45 US\$/month
 Visa: 95 US\$ for 3 - 6 month visa

Facility: 49 US\$/month

\*The US\$ to VND exchange rate is: US\$ 1 ~ VND 24,000

#### **# HOUSING**

<u>VinUni Dorm</u> is located inside the campus. We offer fully furnished accommodation (no kitchen) and students can share a room. Also, there are many services for residents, including Canteen (at own costs), Laundry Service, Vending Machines, Mini convenience store, Cafeteria, and so on.

For more details, please take a look at <u>this guide</u>. On campus accommodation is not guaranteed and is treated on a first come, first served basis for exchange students.

Exchange students can always rent rooms outside of campus in walking distance in Vinhomes Apartment Building.

#### # HEALTH & TRAVEL INSURANCE

Health insurance fee for international student is a compulsory surcharge which is paid by the students to cover the appropriate health insurance package during their study period at VinUniversity.

On average, health insurance fee for international students is about 5,700,000.00 VND/-year/student (equivalent US\$250). Fee may vary from year to year depending on the policy of the insurance providers.

#### **# STUDY PERMIT & ENTRY VISA**

For a short term study/exchange study period in Vietnam, incoming exchange students need student exchange visa/residence permit. VinUni will provide inbound exchange students with necessary supporting documents for them to apply for the visa.

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# VinUniversity's **FACILITIES**



- 7 TBL (Team-based learning) classrooms (1 equipped for video classroom)
- 1 large TBL classroom
- 13 multi-functional classrooms
- 1 lecture, 1 large multifunctional classroom, 1 Active learning classroom

24 Classrooms



16 Labs

- 3 computer labs
- 2 ME labs
- 2 ME labs
- 2 open labs

#### **CHS**

- Simulation center
- 4 labs

(1 anatomy, 1 chemical, 1 medical biology, 1 virtual lab)

#### СВМ

■1 hospitality lab

#### **University wide**

■1 Eship lab



#### **ATHLETICS**

- 9-a-side football pitch
- athletic tracks
- outdoor basketball / volleyball court
- tennis court
- swimming pool 50m x 25m in size with 8 swimming lanes
- ■1 gymnasium
- studios for yoga, dancing, martial art, etc.
- multifunctional sports hall: indoor basketball, volleyball, badminton, table tennis. etc

#### **LIBRARY**

- 19 discussion rooms
- ■124/7 room
- 1 One-button studio, 1 sem-professional studio
- ■1 iMac computer lab
- ■1 Writing lab
- Learning spaces

#### **SOCIAL SPACES**

- 2 social spaces at dormitory
- ■1 canteen
- 1 cafeteria
- 2 main informal learning spaces
- + small informal learning spaces
- + outdoor social spaces





Join VinUni virtual tour at



## **ACCOMMODATION & MEALS**

#### ON-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

#### # OPTION 1

#### **Shared apartment:**

8 students share 1 apartment (3 bedrooms, shared kitchens, 2 shared WCs, 2 shared bathrooms), 2-3 students per room: 42 rooms

#### #OPTION 2

2 students share 1 room (1 bedroom, 1 share WC+ bathroom) 14 rooms

#### **# MEALS**

- Breakfast, dinner at canteen or minimart at the dormitory, campus or food
- Lunch during weekdays: canteen at Building E or food delivery from outside



#### OFF-CAMPUS ACCOMMODATION

Vinhomes Serviced Apartment: (300m from campus)

Type of Apartment	Area	No. of Bedrooms	No. of Toilets
1 Studio	30.6m2	1 bed	1
1 bed + 1 apartment	48.1m2	1	1
2-bed-apartment	54.9 m2	2	2
2 bed + 1 3-bed-apartment	63.4m2 75.6m2	3 3	2 2

All room types have a kitchen.



## **CAMPUS LIFE**

#### # Student Associations

#### Student Clubs:

VinUni has various student-run clubs and societies, including cultural groups, performing groups, spiritual groups, sports and game clubs, student leadership and activism groups, student publications, etc. Joining student clubs or societies is a great way to learn new things, practice your leadership skills, and make new friends.

Explore our student-run clubs and societies here:



In order to support you better during the time you stay with us, our pleasure to introduce VinUni International Student Association (VISA), which is established to provide international students at VinUniversity with an inclusive space for community engagement and resource sharing.

You can find more information about VISA here:



#### **Student Council:**

The Student Council (SC) serves as the voice of the students, ensure that all voices are heard and addressed. SC is a group of elected and volunteer students working together within the framework of a constitution or bylaws to provide a means for student expression and assistance in school affairs and activities, give opportunities for student experience in leadership, and encourage student/faculty/community relations. SC includes a president, secretary, and members.

Email: studentcouncil@vinuni.edu.vn Fanpage: https://www.facebook.com/VinUni-Student-Council-108375808201909

#### # Orientation and Events

#### **Student Clubs:**

All inbound exchange students are expected to attend new student orientation and attend social activities like VinUni students, including:

- Sports activities at the sports complex, including state-of-the-art gym, athletic stadium, swimming pool, tennis courts.
- Activities of student clubs, including academic and non-academic activities
- Volunteering activities and joining social networks
- Celebration events like Halloween. Winter Festival. Festival of Ideas...

#### # Contact for Medical Services

VinUni's on-campus clinic aims to provide high-quality, accessible, and confidential care to our students and staff. Students are welcome to use the VinUni medical clinic as their primary health care resource for the duration of their time at the university.

Clinic: 8:30 am - 5:30 pm on working day, VinUni Campus. Medical Hotline (24/7) 0866200019

#### **# VinUni Campus COVID Impact**

As the pandemic of COVID-19 might continue to impact global mobility, the student exchange programs at VinUni are therefore subject to change based on global/local health and travel advisories. VinUni will attempt to keep partners and nominated students informed of news and instructions to maintain community health and safety on campus.

More information about VinUni campus COVID impact here.

#### # Contact for Advising and Counselling Services

Counseling is available to all students who find they need to speak with someone for support. We have a range of support services to help you stay healthy so you can enjoy your time here.

Venue: Room II18 (Walk-in schedule: every Tuesday and Friday afternoons).
Counselling Tel: 0868900016 (during working hours)
Counselling Email: bewell@vinuni.edu.vn

#### #24/7 contact for students

The Residential Office should be the first contact point for any matter related to your accommodation.

Hotline (24/7) 0866100018

#### # Other information

More information about life at VinUni, please refer to https://vinuni.edu.vn/life-at-vinuni/

#### # Contact point

Global Exchange Office

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