

THE UNIVERSITY
OF THE WEST INDIES
MONA, JAMAICA

**STUDY
ABROAD IN**
Jamaica

Inspiring Excellence, Producing Leaders

The Mona Experience

Your **mission**. Your **vision**. Your **Choice**. Your Future.

The University of the West Indies, (UWI) is an innovative, internationally competitive, contemporary university deeply rooted in the Caribbean and committed to offering quality higher education. The UWI provides a challenging and intellectually rewarding environment and has had a long history of academic success. From prize-winning authors and poets, 16 Prime Ministers to three distinguished Nobel laureates, The UWI has distinguished itself as the foremost tertiary institution in the Caribbean, with an ever-expanding global reach. Known for world class education, world leading research and world changing solutions to national, regional and global challenges, The UWI Mona campus is a leading study abroad destination, and welcomes students on Exchange and/or Study Abroad from the UK, USA, Canada and many other countries around the world each semester.



UWI Key Facts

- The Caribbean's premier tertiary level education institution
- Founded in **1948**—Jamaica's **foremost** university
- Competitive tuition fees
- A **diverse student population** from over 50 countries
- Rich and dynamic study abroad & exchange programmes
- Over **15,000** students
- Our first degree graduates enjoy **85%** employment rates
- **Superb locations** - one university, two beautiful campuses

(Study at our campus in Mona, St. Andrew or Montego Bay, St. James)



Why Choose? UWI

7 Reasons to Choose the Mona Experience

The University of the West Indies, Mona (UWI, Mona) has an exceptional reputation for scholarship, world class facilities and innovative programmes, making it a choice of a lifetime. Here are seven reasons why:

1. QUALITY TEACHING

Our programmes offer breadth, depth and variety. The Mona Campus offers a world class education and has consistently produced some of the Caribbean's top scholars. UWI, Mona faculty are some of the very best in their fields, well-respected and internationally renowned. At The UWI, Mona, there are no intellectual limits. Take advantage of a curriculum that goes far beyond the confines of a classroom and innovative programmes that are practical in application and that require strategic and creative thinking.

2. COMPETITIVE TUITION FEES

Our tuition fees can compete with any others anywhere! If it is going to be the Caribbean it has to be The UWI—nowhere else will you find such a great value education.

3. A SENSE OF COMMUNITY

At Mona, you'll be surrounded by the best and brightest minds, some your teachers and others your peers. On campus, you will feel a sense of community. Our students are smart, driven and down to earth, our lecturers knowledgeable, caring and inspiring. For us, mutual respect and community spirit go together. In fact, community is at our core.

4. EXCELLENT EXCHANGE AND STUDY ABROAD PROGRAMMES

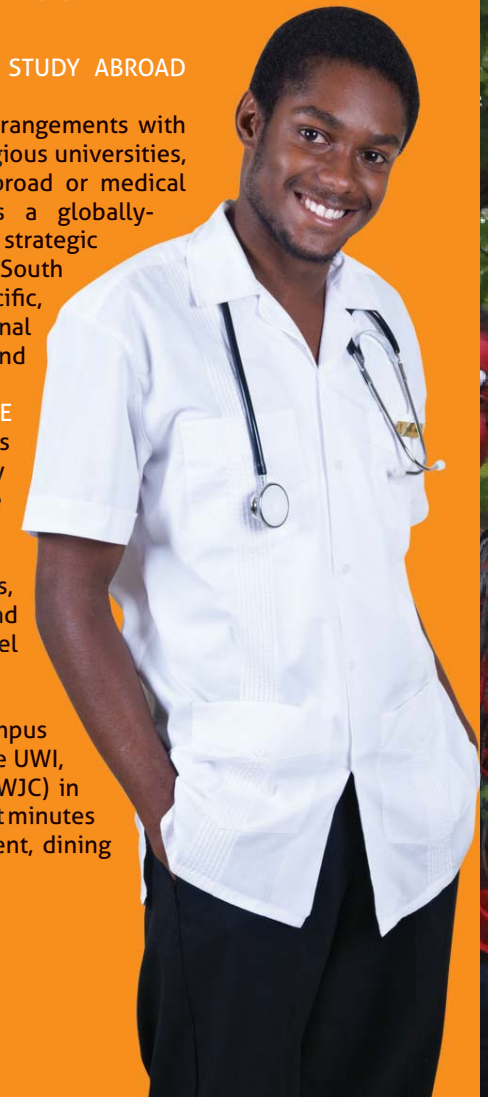
We have reciprocal exchange arrangements with some of the world's most prestigious universities, receiving students for study abroad or medical electives year-round. Mona is a globally-connected university with strategic partnerships in North America, South America, Europe, the South Pacific, Asia and Africa. Our international programmes are rich, dynamic and exciting.

5. A RICH SCHOLARSHIP HERITAGE

The UWI has established its position as the foremost tertiary institution in the Caribbean. The Mona Campus has graduated from its halls world-class educators, researchers, inventors, scientists, lawyers, doctors and is associated with three Nobel laureates.

6. A SUPERB LOCATION

Choose between the Mona Campus in the parish of St. Andrew or The UWI, Western Jamaica Campus (UWI-WJC) in St. James. Either way, you'll be just minutes away from the best entertainment, dining



experiences, theatres, bookstores, shopping facilities and more that Kingston & St. Andrew and Montego Bay, St. James have to offer. With access to picturesque beaches and sprawling hotels, in Mobay, you can study and live by the beach... the perfect combination.

7. A UNIQUE SUITE OF PROGRAMMES HARDLY FOUND ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD

We have a suite of courses you'll be hard pressed to find anywhere else, taught authentically by professionals who understand the role of culture in society and development. The UWI, Mona's cultural studies programmes are the best in the Caribbean for Reggae, Dancehall, African Diaspora Studies and Gender Studies.

Known for a stellar reputation in education, few universities in the Caribbean can compare with The UWI, Mona's teaching and research strengths—from the launch of the Caribbean's first GPS system to the world's first cardiac surgery simulator, from producing many of Jamaica's Rhode Scholars to being a part of the examination of rock-breakdown characteristics for NASA. We've remained a significant force in regional development and in our contributions to scholarship worldwide. The UWI, Mona graduate can compare with any other, anywhere, on any continent.



UWI

The UWI, Mona is not only interested in offering degrees but in the holistic development of our students. We use the most up-to-date teaching and learning methods; we care about your vision, your learning, your passions, but, above all, we care about your success.

Broaden your intellectual and cultural horizons with...

- Our Study abroad programmes,
- Exchange programmes,
- Faculty-led study tours
- Medical electives/clerkships,
- Full degree programmes and
- Research opportunities in a vast array of disciplines.



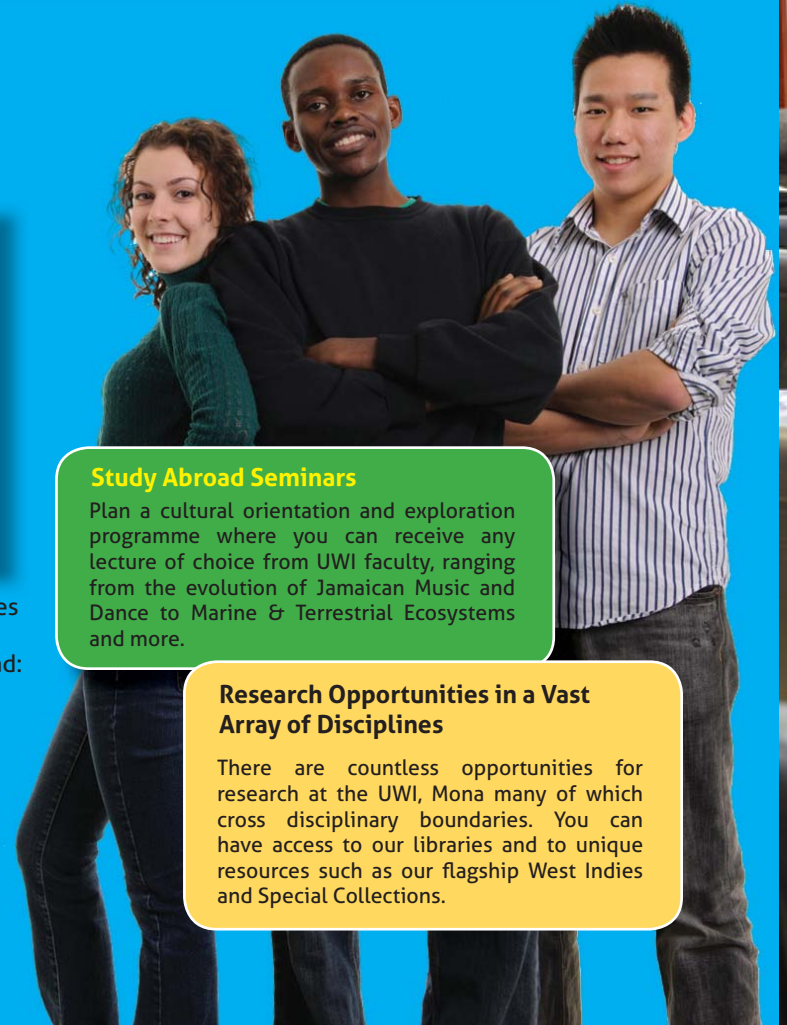
"It's not what you learn; it's *how* you learn, and sometimes where you learn it too. Cultures can shape us in ways we hardly imagined. And that's the beauty of studying abroad: the opportunity to **broaden your existing knowledge, to discover new things**, and not least of all, to **grow**."

Study Abroad Seminars

Plan a cultural orientation and exploration programme where you can receive any lecture of choice from UWI faculty, ranging from the evolution of Jamaican Music and Dance to Marine & Terrestrial Ecosystems and more.

Research Opportunities in a Vast Array of Disciplines

There are countless opportunities for research at the UWI, Mona many of which cross disciplinary boundaries. You can have access to our libraries and to unique resources such as our flagship West Indies and Special Collections.



Testimonials

Full Degree Programmes

"Studying at the Western Jamaica Campus (WJC) was a blessing. Classes at the WJC proved to work in my favour. The smaller student population meant classes and sessions with lecturers and tutors were a lot more intimate." – **Etienne Fraser, Barbados**



Our Study Abroad Programmes

"The opportunity to study at UWI was a dream come true! At UWI, there is a balance between education and extracurricular activities. I was always occupied by school work, sporting events and Hall activities; life at the UWI, Mona Campus was never boring." – **Tsiu Tjen Lim, Malaysia**



Medical Electives/Clerkships

"Electives/Clerkship at the University Hospital in Jamaica has been indeed a fascinating experience. Here, I appreciate the real clinical practice experience, the structured teachings on ward rounds at the UHWI and at other training sites. I appreciate the research and recreational facilities for both full time and medical students. And I can never, will never, forget my time here." – **Victor Evbouwamn, Nigeria**



Exchange Programmes

"I am convinced that spending a semester at The University of the West Indies, Mona was the best choice I could have made. The time passed way too fast, but I learned a lot; I've gained knowledge that is of high value for my future studies." – **Diana Ramos-Farina, Germany**



Accommodation

International students are given first preference for a place on Hall.

- We have 6 traditional Halls of Residence
- Three new Halls: The Elsa Leo-Rhynie Hall, Marlene Hamilton Hall and the Leslie Robinson Hall (138)
- Off-campus rental housing is also available



Campus Facilities & Highlights

- A range of dining facilities offering a variety of local and international cuisines
- Just five miles away from the Liguanea shopping area
- Over 250 student organizations
- Several Jamaican heritage sites
- Home of the UWI/Usain Bolt Regupol Track. The training ground of world class athletes
- Home to Olympic 110m bronze medalist, Hansle Parchment
- Basketball, tennis and badminton courts, football fields & an Olympic-size swimming pool
- Home of the first Confucius Institute in the region





International Student Support Services

- Special Orientation
- Disability Services
- First Year Experience (FYE) Programme
- Extension of Stay (immigration support)
- English for Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL) programme

Passports and Visas

International students may enter Jamaica using a valid passport and visa (where applicable), and regularizing his or her stay on the island after landing by way of an Extension of Stay. As a general rule, non-Jamaican students are required to apply for an Extension of Stay provided their course or programme of study will last for more than six months in the island.

For more information on immigration matters, you may contact the International Students Office (ISO) at (876) 702-3737 or by emailing isomona@uwimona.edu.jm. Alternatively, you may visit the Passport Immigration and Citizenship Agency (PICA) website at www.pica.gov.jm/Applications-and-Forms.aspx.





Applying to The UWI, Mona

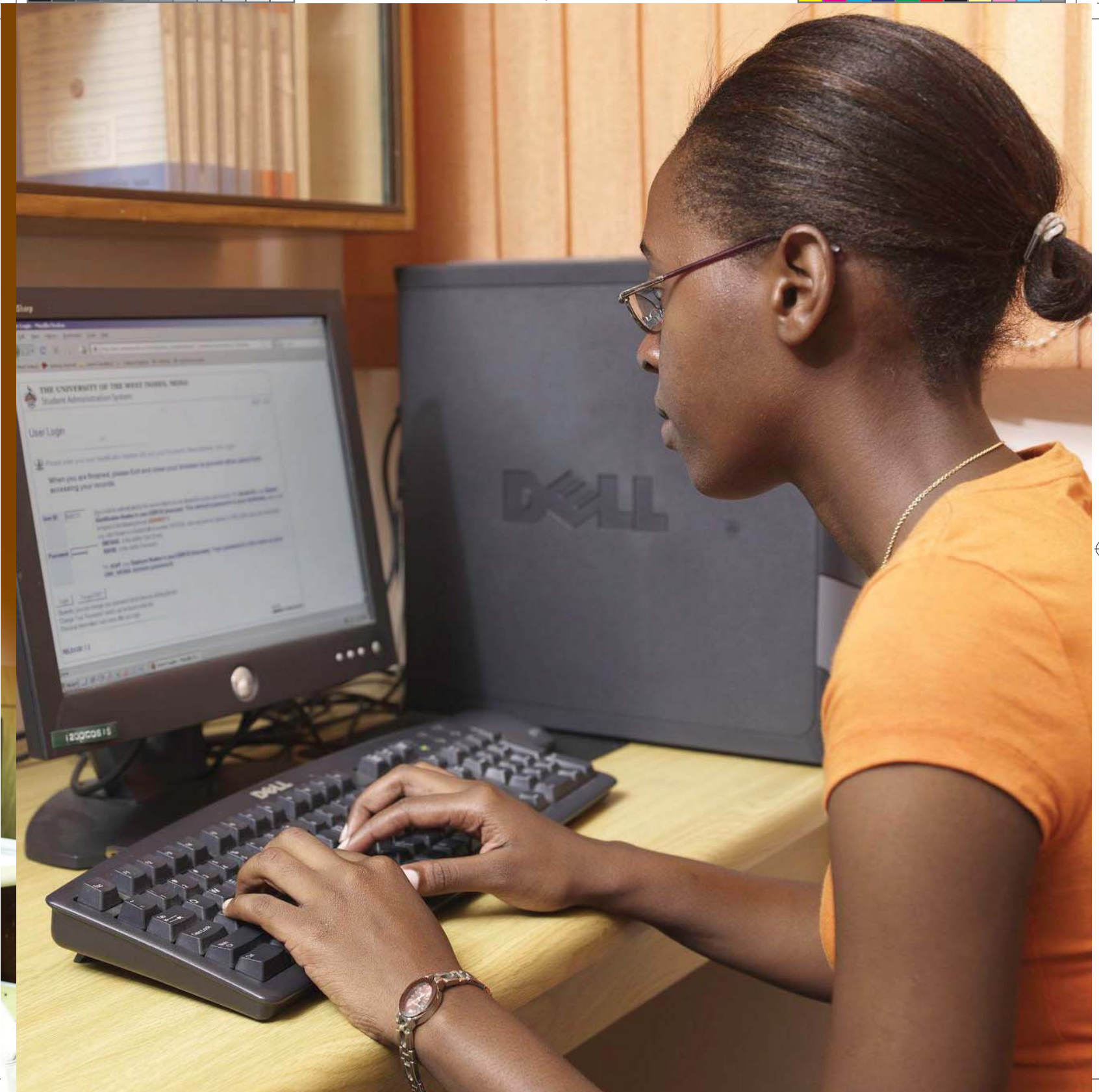
There are two options to apply to The UWI, Option A: apply online or Option B: apply by paper. Make your application directly to The UWI, Mona undergraduate or graduate admissions by visiting <http://www.mona.uwi.edu/admissions/forms/index.php> for complete information on applying.

Or if interested in Study Abroad, Exchange or Medical Electives call the International Students Office (ISO) at (876) 702-3737 or email isomona@uwimona.edu.jm.

Application Deadlines

January 31





Full Degree Programmes

Academics

We have a wide range of academic programmes. These include:

Accounting
Actuarial Science
African and African Diaspora Studies
African and Asian Studies
Alternative Energy
Animal Biology
Anthropology
Applied Chemistry
Applied Plant Sciences
Banking & Finance
Biochemistry
Biology
Biology with Education
Biotechnology
Botany
Business Economics and Social Statistics
Chemistry (General)
Chemistry (Pure)
Chemistry and Management
Chemistry/Mathematics/Physics with Education
Chemistry (Special)
Civil Engineering
Computer Science
Computer Systems Engineering

Demography
Digital Media Production
Early Childhood Education
Ecology
Economics
Electronics
Electronics Engineering
Energy & Environmental Physics
Entertainment & Cultural Enterprise Management
Environmental Biology
Environmental Physics
Experimental Biology
Finance
Food Chemistry
French
French and Spanish
Gender & Development Studies
Geography
Geography/Social Studies
Education
Geology
History
History and Archaeology
History Education
History and Heritage

Hotel Management
Human Resource Management
Integrated Marketing Communication (formerly Media and Communication)
Information Technology
International Relations
Marine Biology
Mathematics
Mathematics Education
Ministerial Studies
MBBS Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery
Medicine
Modern Languages
Molecular Biology
Philosophy
Physics
Psychology
Spanish
Statistics
Sustainable Development
Terrestrial & Freshwater Biology
Theological Studies
Theology
Zoology

Entry Requirements

FULL-TIME DEGREE APPLICANTS

United States of America

- A minimum SAT I score of 1800, plus a minimum of two (2) SAT II subjects at a score of 500 or above
- Successful completion of Advanced Placement courses
- At least six (6) Grade 12 University level courses with a minimum GPA of 3.0
- The International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma

Canada

Ontario

An acceptable Provincial Secondary School transcript with an overall grade of at least 60% in the Ontario Secondary School Honours Graduation Diploma (OSSHG) awarded after Grade 13, OR the Ontario Secondary School Diploma (OSSD), awarded after Grade 12 since June 1986

Applicants from the North West Territories, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, New Foundland, Alberta, Prince Edward Island, Saskatchewan and other provinces

- An acceptable high school diploma with at least six (6) Grade 12 university level courses
- An overall minimum GPA of 2.7

EU and Other International Applicants

- The International Baccalaureate (IB) or German Abitur.

English Language Requirements

If your first language is not English, you are asked to provide satisfactory evidence of your English language proficiency, that is, you should have:

- Scored a minimum total of 6.5 on the University of Cambridge IELTS (International English language Testing System) OR
- Scored a minimum of 500 (paper-based) or 82* (computer-based) on the test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)

*Note: Breakdown -

Minimum Score

Writing 22
Reading 20
Listening 20
Speaking 20

Study Abroad/ Exchange applicants

Make your application directly to The UWI-ISO. You can apply by sending your application to us via email; however original application documents must be posted to us. See [www. http://www.mona.uwi.edu/iss/forms.php](http://www.mona.uwi.edu/iss/forms.php)

Eligibility Criteria

To satisfy the requirements for the International Exchange or Study Abroad programme, you should:

- Be registered as a full-time undergraduate or postgraduate student at the home institution
- Have spent at least one academic year at the home institution
- Have attained at least a GPA of 3.0 or the equivalent at the home institution
- Have not been the subject of any disciplinary action and have no such action pending at the home institution

Medical Elective Applicants

To apply for Medical electives, see http://www.mona.uwi.edu/iss/how_apply3.php

Special Admissions

To apply for Special Admission, see http://www.mona.uwi.edu/admissions/specially_admitted.php

