Schulich International Relations

Exchange Application Success Strategies





Today's Agenda

Exchange Application Process Timeline

- Do the Research
- Applying with a Friend
- Application Process Details
- Interviews
- Matching & Selection
- Pro Tips
- What's Next?



A GUIDE TO

The Exchange APPLICATION Process Full Term

WHAT TO EXPECT OVER THE NEXT 6-12 MONTHS

MID-NOVEMBER NOVEMBER - DECEMBER

MID-DECEMBER MID-DECEMBER -MID-JANUARY

END-FEBURARY END-MARCH/EARLY -APRIL



EXCHANGE FAIR & INFO SESSION



RESEARCH TO
SUPPORT
CRITERIA &
SCHOOL CHOICES



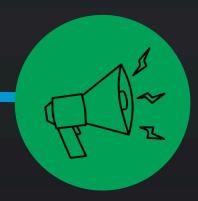
SUBMIT APPLICATION



PREPARE FOR AND SUBMIT INTERVIEW



ROUND TWO:
APP &
INTERVIEWS



YEAR
EXCHANGE
OFFERS
ANNOUNCED

Do the Research

Develop Criteria

Narrow down schools based on criteria

Be mindful of biases: talking to students/friends, exposure to media



RESOURCES

Schulich Full Term Exchange Website

Exchange Reports (!!) - Link on website

Partner School Website

International Relations Team

Schulich Alum -> through network or reports

Incoming Exchange Students

Considering your Criteria

Decide on criteria based on these factors...



What are your exchange goals?

You've Got a Friend in Me



Discuss with friends...

Need to VS would like to

MUST be open

More friends → lower school on list or no match at all

Check spaces available at partner school

• iBBA priority vs open

Consider and list criteria appropriately

Will your friendship survive?

Application Components

- 1. Initial written application
 - a. Demographics, list of schools, written pieces, resume, etc
- 2. **Interview** submitted through platform a. Second interview if necessary



1. Initial Written Application



DEADLINE December 16th 2024 @ 9AM

ONLINE FORM
Link on Exchange website

Late applications will be penalized

Form will go live after Friday's session

1. Initial Written Application Details

Online Application Form: Demographics, School Choices w/ weighting

3 criteria used to choose schools

How did you narrow down your choices?

Proposed Study Plan – for top 3 schools

Resume – maximum 2 pages

Basic – employment and cocurricular/community involvement

One Proposed Budget

• Use a range if schools/countries have varied costs

Partner School List

Example:

Partner School	Weighting (TOTALING 100%)		
School A	50		
School B	20		
School C	15		
School D	15		
And so on V			
Up to 15 Choices	= 100%		

Proposed Study Plan

Name: IVANA GOABROAD			Host University INTERNATIONAL SUPERSTAR UNIVERSITY				
Student No.: 123456789			Exchange Term (one form per term) WINTER 2010				
Host Full Course Load: 30 ECTS = 15 SSB			Exchange Term Dates From: JANUARY To: MAY				
Program	□вва	x iBBA					
Host Cours	e Name					Host Credit Value	SSB Degree Requirement
e.g. Global Marketing						6 ECTS	SSB Elective
e.g. Financial Management on Mt Everest						6 ECTS	SSB Elective
e.g. Business Culture of the Outback					6 ECTS	SSB Elective	
e.g. Europe	an Life					3 ECTS	Non-Business
e.g. Penguir	n Culture in Anta	irctica				3 ECTS	Globally-Focused
e.g. Finance	D'entreprise					6 ECTS	Advanced language

Application Advantages



iBBAs → regionally focused degree path

• language + RF course(s) + top choices

Participation in community

- Int'l Peer Mentor
- OAC Buddy

Optional: Creative Submission

show passion for exchange thru creativity

Some ideas for creative submission
(but not limited to):
Video
Infographic
Song/Rap/Spoken word
Painting/drawing/graphic design
Dance via video

Interviews

Interviews conducted via Kira Talent

interview platform

After application deadline → Students will receive a link with a UNIQUE code to submit interview

Deadline: January 15th @ 11:59PM

Second interview - if necessary



**Prepare for questions about overall intention and goals for exchange, criteria, community involvement, scenario

Matching & Selection



How we Match
Evaluation ranking of
total score
Preferred match
GPA

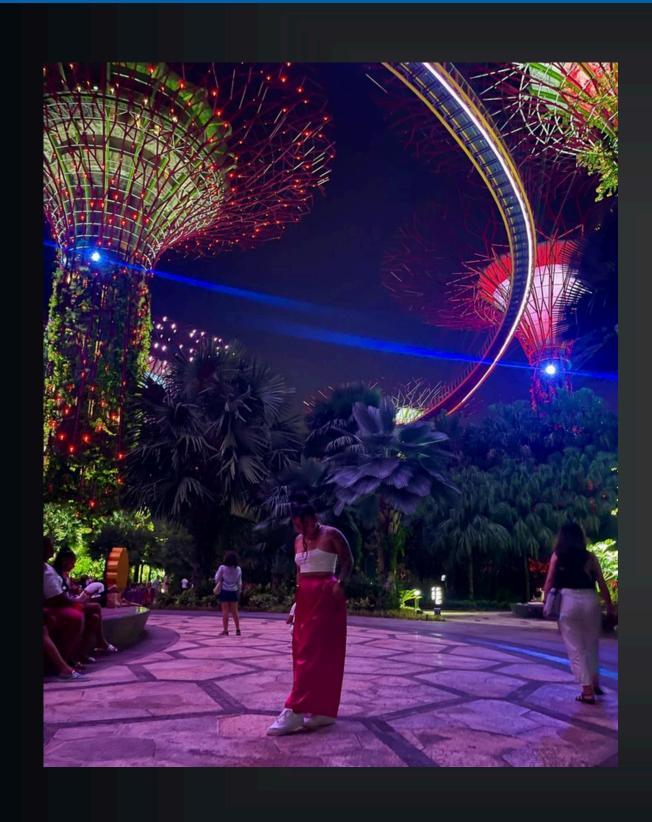
Score based on:

- Partner schools selected meet exchange goals/criteria
- Attitude towards global experience
- Ambassadorial skills



** We will do our best to match you to one of your listed choices, however, due to limited space availability, you may receive a list of alternative schools to select **

Pro Tips



Be careful using Generative AI - organic answers

Don't say you want to travel

Don't tell us you want to be independent or experience personal growth

Be honest and sincere

Do show/tell us your passion for exchange and experiencing new things

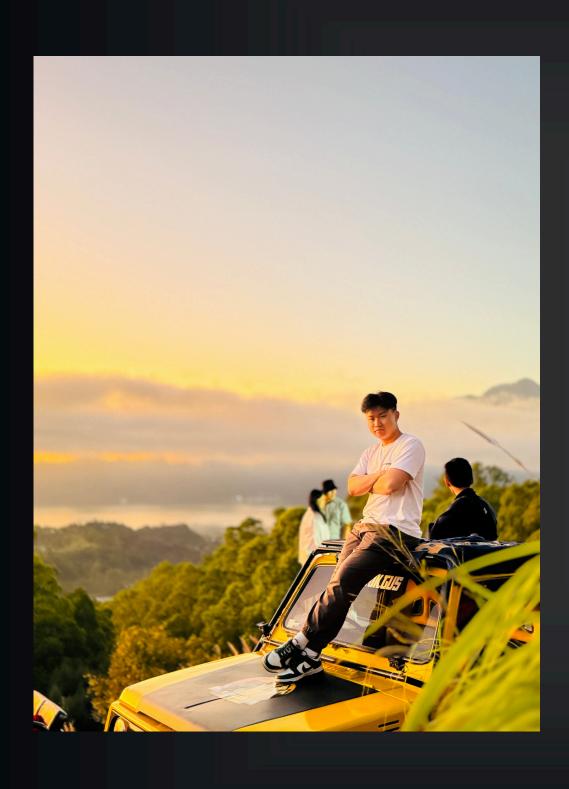
Don't tell us anything we can Google or find on the school website

Don't talk about rankings

Prepare app and for interview like you would for your dream job

Do show us your personal and/or creative side (*we like that)

Kira Talent Specific Tips



The platform will flag any suspicious activity.

Actions flagged by platform:

- audio/visual of another person in the room
- browser refreshes
- plagiarism
- unusual time to complete answers

Actions noticeable by/obvious to evaluator:

- reading from primary or secondary screen
- memorized or prepared responses

Applications in breach of any of the above will be heavily penalized.

What's Coming Up?

Throughout November-December

If you have questions along the way...

Q&A and Drop-in advising up until deadline

Check website for dates next week

DEADLINE December 16th @ 9AM

Submit your application

DEADLINE January 15th @ 11:59PM

Complete your interview

End March/Early April (or earlier)

Exchange Announcement Ceremony



Make sure you are receiving emails from exchange@schulich.yorku.ca for updates...