

Fact Sheet 2026-2027
Institutional Information

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ACADEMIC CALENDAR

SEMESTER	BEGINNING AND END OF CLASSES (including exams)	NOMINATION AND APPLICATION DEADLINE
Fall 2026	September 8th to December 23rd, 2026 Orientation Day: → September 3rd, 2026 (for ESG international exchange students)	April 1st, 2026 (For an exchange during the Fall 2026 semester OR Fall 2026 and Winter 2027 semesters)
Winter 2027	January 11th to May 2nd, 2027 Orientation Day: → January 7th, 2027 (for ESG international exchange students)	October 1st, 2026 (For an exchange during the Winter 2027 semester only)

→ Attending the orientation session is **mandatory**.
→ Students should plan to arrive in Montreal before the orientation session.
→ Late arrivals are strongly discouraged.
→ Furthermore, a student who is not present for their second week of classes could have their registration cancelled.
→ Since it's not possible to negotiate the passing of exams in the exchange student's home institution, students are responsible for ensuring that their departure from Montreal at the end of the semester is scheduled after all final exams.

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

CREDITS AND WORKLOAD

Learning activities are evaluated in credits:

→ 1 UQAM credit = 2 ECTS credits

A 3 credit course generally requires 45 hours of class work (i.e. 45 contact hours) and 90 hours of personal work, for a total workload of 135 hours.

FULL-TIME COURSE LOAD

At the undergraduate (Bachelor's) level, a full-time student must enrol in at least 4 courses (12 credits), the normal course load being 5 courses (15 credits) per semester.

At the graduate (Master's) level, a full-time student must enrol in at least 3 courses (9 credits), the normal course load being 4 courses (12 credits) per semester.

However, for the Maîtrise en comptabilité, contrôle et audit program (French only), students can register to a maximum of 3 courses within the program, considering the intense workload. If the student needs to register to a fourth course, it can be selected amongst the ones offered in our other programs.

EVALUATION OF STUDENTS IN COURSES

At the undergraduate level, the level of learning reached by students, in regard to course objectives, is indicated by letter grades:

→ A+, A and A- : Excellent
→ B+, B and B- : Very Good
→ C+, C and C- : Good
→ D+, D : Passable
→ E : Fail
→ S : Satisfactory

Grades C-, D+ and D are not used in the evaluation of graduate (Master's level) courses.

The following symbols are also used for transmitting technical information on grades:

→ I : Incomplete (forthcoming grade)
→ # : Authorized delay for grading
→ X : Authorized withdrawal from a course
→ ZE : Fail by withdrawing from a course

LANGUAGES OF INSTRUCTION

In undergraduate programs (Bachelor's level) and graduate programs (Master's level), most courses are taught in French. Some courses are taught in English.

FRENCH

Partner institutions whose main language of instruction is not French must ensure that all students planning to enroll in courses taught in French at ESG have intermediate level spoken and written French. This knowledge of French should be sufficient to enable the student to obtain a minimum score equivalent to the B2 level (Upper Intermediate) of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL). This minimum score is presented as a guide. Although no specific test is required, a certificate attesting to the student's French language skills (oral and written) must be provided by a competent authority.

ENGLISH

Partner institutions whose main language of instruction is not English must ensure that all students planning to enroll in courses taught in English at ESG have intermediate level spoken and written English. The expected level of competency corresponds to the B2 level (Upper Intermediate) of the Common European Framework of Reference for Languages (CEFRL) and to the following major test score (presented as a guide):

→ TOEIC : 785 +
→ TOEFL (Paper) : 550 +
→ TOEFL (Internet) : 80 +
→ IELTS : 6,0 +

An official result attesting to the student's proficiency in English (both oral and written) must be provided, in the form of a recognized test result (for example: TOEFL, IELTS, or equivalent). **The Duolingo test is not accepted.**

COURSE LIST

COURSES TAUGHT IN FRENCH

ESG's course list can be accessed online:
https://esg.uqam.ca/en/international/international-students/courses-offered/

Any student wishing to enrol in Master's or Graduate Certificate (DESS) courses must obtain course selection approval from the head of the relevant program of study. It should be noted that some graduate programs are not available to exchange students.

COURSES TAUGHT IN ENGLISH (BACHELOR LEVEL ONLY) | 3 CREDITS EACH		
AOT4200	Introduction to Operations Management	Fall
DSR2012	Corporate Social Responsibility	Fall
DSR4701	International Management and Cultures	Fall & Winter
DSR5100	Strategic Management	Fall & Winter
ECO2401	Macroeconomic Analysis	Fall
EUT1172	Sustainable Development in Management	Winter
FIN3500	Financial Management	Fall & Winter
FIN5521	Investment and Portfolio Management	Fall
MGT3123	Management of SMEs (Entrepreneurship)	Fall
MGT3224	Introduction to Project Management	Fall
MKG3330	Digital Marketing	Fall
MKG5305	Consumer Behavior	Fall & Winter
MKG5321	International Marketing	Fall & Winter
MOD1101	Business of Fashion	Fall
ORH1163	Organizational Behavior	Winter
ORH1700	Management of Human Resources	Fall

FRENCH COURSE FOR NON-FRENCH SPEAKERS*		

This course (3 credits) aims to develop basic skills for oral and written communication in French.

FLS1000	Français élémentaire sur objectifs spécifiques	Fall

*Basic beginner course. If the student wishes to take a more advanced course, they will have to do a placement test ($).

ADMISSION PROCEDURES

REQUIRED DOCUMENTS (must be uploaded within the online registration form)

→ ESG UQAM online registration form, which will be received by the candidate by email after their nomination by his/her home institution;

→ A copy of the individual record of civil status or any other document (e.g. birth certificate) attesting to the identity of the candidate and including the names of both parents (a requirement of the Government of Quebec). If the document is not in French or in English, an official translation is mandatory;

→ Photocopy of the candidate's passport ID page **(Does not replace the birth certificate)**;

→ An official transcript of all courses completed to date by the candidate in his/her current program;

→ A list of all courses taken by the candidate during the two semesters preceding his/her arrival at ESG UQAM;

→ When required (see section on Languages of Instruction), a certificate attesting to the French or English language skills of the candidate;

→ A list of courses selected by the candidate for his/her exchange semester(s) at ESG UQAM.

Remarks:

→ **Incomplete applications of candidates for an exchange will not be processed** until all the required documents are uploaded online. UQAM's Service de l'admission will not treat files with missing information.

→ **Documents must be in French or English**. If not, please provide a translation with the original document.

→ Applications of candidates for an exchange may be accepted after the application deadlines (April 1st and October 1st). However, it is generally impossible to guarantee late applicants that they will receive their acceptance letter early enough to enable them to complete immigration procedures, if required.

GENERAL INFORMATION

IMMIGRATION PROCEDURES

Students studying in Québec for a period of six months or more must obtain, before their arrival, an acceptance certificate (Certificat d'acceptation du Québec (CAQ)) from Immigration-Québec and a study permit issued by Immigration and Citizenship Canada. For shorter stays of one semester or less (typically up to six months), students are generally not required to obtain a CAQ or study permit, but must still comply with entry requirements for visitors. For details, see:

→ www.immigration-quebec.gouv.qc.ca

→ www.cic.gc.ca

ELECTRONIC TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION (eTA)

Visa-exempt foreign nationals who fly to or transit through Canada will need an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA). Exceptions include U.S. citizens and travelers with a valid visa. For more information concerning the eTA:

→ www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp

HEALTH INSURANCE

All students participating in an exchange program at ESG UQAM **must** be covered by a medical insurance plan. At first, all students are billed for a full year of insurance, then **the invoice will be modified** to show only the fees of one or two semester(s). The student must pay the amount corresponding to the duration of his stay. Students must pay their insurance bill for the duration of their exchange at UQAM, or present proof of RAMQ to have the amount removed from the bill.

1. **Coverage by the Régie de l'assurance maladie du Québec (RAMQ)**

   The Government of Quebec has signed a series of reciprocity agreements with Belgium, Denmark, Finland, France, Greece, Luxembourg, Norway, Portugal, Romania, Serbia and Sweden. Under these agreements, exchange students who are nationals of these countries are exempted from subscribing to a health insurance plan after demonstrating to the UQAM authorities that they have obtained a RAMQ card.

   Procedures for obtaining the RAMQ card are presented in the International section of the ESG website under the headings International Students and Insurance.

   Finally, please note that the deadlines for applying for exemption from the health insurance fee are October 15th (Fall Semester) and February 25th (Winter semester).

2. **Coverage by the Desjardins Sécurité Financière (DSF) compulsory health insurance plan**

   Since subscription to a Canadian or a foreign health insurance plan, other than the DSF plan, is not accepted, exchange students are automatically charged a health insurance fee upon their registration to courses at UQAM. In 2025-2026, this fee was **$300 CAD** per semester.

   It should be noted that exchange students are covered by the DSF health insurance plan as long as their enrolment in courses is maintained. Students are no longer entitled to benefits from the DSF plan as soon as they cancel their courses. The DSF coverage is valid only for the period of studies. If the student plans to arrive earlier or leave later, he will have to obtain his own insurance coverage.

TRANSPORTATION FROM MONTREAL-TRUDEAU AIRPORT TO THE UQAM CAMPUS

There is no airport pick-up service for international students. However, this route is served by the Société de transport de Montréal (bus #747) with 24-hour service for $11,25 CAD. It is also possible to take a taxi, an Uber or a Lyft from the airport.

INTEGRATION ACTIVITIES ORGANIZED BY SSI

Orientation sessions, welcome days, "Farewell" party, International happy hour and more.

SERVICES AVAILABLE ON UQAM'S CAMPUS

University library, bookstore, computer labs, cafeteria, sports center, sports activities, student coffee shop. International Student Community Welcome Program – ALLÔ!

→ https://portailetudiant.uqam.ca/international/allo/

SERVICES AVAILABLE NEAR UQAM'S CAMPUS

Quebec National Library, restaurants, banks, shops, bookstores, hotels.

HOUSING

UQAM's Services à la réussite et à la vie étudiante can help exchange students find accommodations, for the duration of their stay or a few days, upon their arrival in Montreal.

→ https://portailetudiant.uqam.ca/hebergement/

Residence halls

Two residence halls are located on the UQAM campus. To make a reservation, **which should be done as soon as possible**, exchange students should have completed the admission process and received their acceptance letter from UQAM. Then, students should contact the residence halls office at:

→ www.residences-uqam.qc.ca

→ https://residences.uqam.ca/reservation-en-ligne/

Contracts with the residence halls are binding from August 15th to May 14th. Therefore, rooms are normally reserved for students seeking accommodation for two semesters, however exceptions are possible. Exchange students staying for the fall term only will be able to cancel their lease upon their departure in December.

Off-campus temporary accommodation

In the vicinity of UQAM, several establishments offer reasonably priced lodging on a temporary basis. However, it would be wise to make a reservation as soon as you know your arrival date. More information will be sent in preparation emails after admission.

COST OF LIVING IN MONTREAL

Living expenses for students, depending on their lodging and lifestyle, is about $2,000 CAD monthly.