The Lutgert College of Business Exchange programs generally allow FGCU students to pay FGCU tuition to study at foreign institutions. Students earn direct FGCU academic credit for courses taken abroad. Most LCOB Exchange programs are available only to LCOB Business students, but a few programs are available for students from other majors.

The principle university in the iconic city of Barcelona, the University of Barcelona offers coursework in both traditional business and resort and hospitality management. For RHM students, the Tourism & Hospitality Education / Research Center offers Spring a semester program (12 credits) and a 3-week summer program (3 credits). Traditional LCOB business majors will have the option of a Spring semester at the University of Barcelona's Business School (12 credits).

**Dates:** Fall Semester: Late August to mid December, Spring Semester: mid Feb to mid June

**Program Fees:** FGCU Tuition for courses, approx. $600 per month lodging + airfare /living costs

**Courses**


**U of Barcelona Website**

**Google Maps**

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How to Apply for FGCU LCOB Exchange Programs

Eligibility Verification
The first step is to email Matt Ryan, mryan@fgcu.edu to verify that you are eligible to apply:
Eligibility for Lutgert exchange programs:
• Have always met FGCU Code of Conduct
• Minimum 3.0 FGCU GPA
• Minimum of 60 earned credits
• Transition to full business major (not applicable for RHM students)
• Possess a non-expired passport

If eligible, follow these steps:

1. **Complete Application**, await confirmation email with further instructions
   Deadlines:
   Fall semester: March 15th
   Spring semester: September 15th
   Summer term: January 15th
   *Summer term for Wurzburg Germany program: December 1st

2. **Personal Statement**
   Your personal statement should be completed as follows: 1 page long; Header must include your full name, major, and academic year. Statement should address: how the exchange program participation helps you academically and personally and how it supports your career goals in today's global environment. Submit to Matt Ryan

3. Acceptance is based on the number of FGCU applicants for that program and host university exchange student limits. If your application is accepted you will be nominated for the host university by the study abroad office. You will receive an application link from the host university as well as course registration instructions and housing information.

4. Schedule appointment with an LCOB Advisor for international exchange programs to go over course options and degree works planning.

5. Begin travel preparations including purchasing airfare, international travel health insurance and getting your student visa if you are a semester student.

6. Attend an FGCU Pre-departure Orientation. You will receive an invitation for this orientation when dates and times are confirmed. You may also opt to take orientation virtually.