



**AOP 35.05: PAYMENT OF NON-RESIDENT FEES  
FOR APPROVED STUDENT EXCHANGE**

**PURPOSE:**

The purpose of this Academic Operating Policy and Procedure (AOP) is to encourage and enable the participation of Mississippi State University (MSU) students in study abroad exchange programs by granting partial or full non-resident tuition fellowships for approved foreign students who are exchanged on a one-for-one basis with MSU students approved to study abroad. To assure that approved MSU students who are exchanged on a one-for-one basis receive reciprocal benefits at foreign institutions, an approved exchange agreement between MSU and the hosting institution is required.

**REVIEW:**

This AOP will be reviewed every four years, or whenever circumstances require an earlier review, by the Associate Provost for Academic Affairs (APAA) with recommendations for revision presented to the Provost and Executive Vice President.

**POLICY/PROCEDURE:**

MSU students who are approved through the Office of the Provost to participate in one-for-one exchange programs will pay the cost of tuition and fees at the MSU rate. Those funds will pay the foreign exchange student's tuition and fees. Non-resident fees will be paid partially or in full by approved fellowships. There is also a category of foreign students attending MSU with partial or full non-resident tuition fellowships specified in particular memoranda of agreement.

Approved foreign exchange students will be required to pay all other applicable fees not covered by the exchanging MSU student, such as repatriation and the cost of overload tuition. Fellowships for non-resident fees for approved foreign exchange students and foreign students will be covered by specific memoranda of agreements. (Other foreign exchange students who are not exchanged on a one-for-one basis will be charged at the appropriate MSU rate, including non-resident fees.)

To assure that Mississippi State University students exchanged on a one-for-one basis will be exempt from paying tuition and non-resident fees when enrolling at foreign institutions, an approved written agreement stipulating specific conditions for exchanging students is required before partial or full fellowships for non-resident fees for exchange students are approved. A copy of all written exchange agreements will be maintained in the Office of the Provost.

**APPROVED:**

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