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To: Coordinators of Participating Institutions for the 2nd Cycle of Program
A&B 2020-2 (Spring 2021)

CC: UMAP National Secretariat

From: UMAP International Secretariat (UMAP IS)

Re: Student Application Procedure

Thank you for your participation in the 2nd Cycle of UMAP Multilateral/Bilateral Student Exchange Program (Program A&B 2020-2) for Spring 2021. UMAP Student exchange will be performed among these Participating Institutions (please refer to the attached list).

If your students are interested in applying for one of these programs, we recommend they review the information on UMAP Student Connection Online (USCO) System (<https://usco.umap.org/>) and research the programs' contents, length, available credits, and fees before applying.

All transactions in the application procedure, such as submission of student application forms, nominations by home institutions, and acceptance or refusal by host institutions, will be completed using the USCO System.

To apply, the following **three steps need to be completed between September 4th and September 22nd 2020:**

- REGISTRATION - **Students** create an account on the USCO System by registering their email address and password (<https://usco.umap.org/std/>). For more information about the USCO System, students can check the Student User Manual through this link (<http://umap.org/usco/#students-manual>).
- APPLICATION - **Students** complete the Application Form in the USCO System for up to five preferred programs and click "Save and Submit". The USCO System will automatically inform the UMAP coordinators at the home university/institution that an application has been submitted. Applications will be accepted from **September 4th through September 22nd 2020.**
- NOMINATION -- **Coordinators** log into the USCO System (<https://usco.umap.org/incw/>), using the ID and password previously sent by UMAP IS. They can then check the applications they have received, and nominate up to two students by clicking "Approve as Program A".

Nomination should be completed by **September 22nd**.

Institutions with Quotas for outbound students are able to nominate additional students under Program A (Tuition waived) according to the number of quotas they have obtained. For those institutions that don't have Quotas, any additional students can be nominated under Program B. Please note: Students in Program B may be required by their host institutions to pay tuition fees.

For more information, please refer to the User Manual (<http://umap.org/usco/#institutions-manual>).

Please note;

1. Only institutions that participate in the 2nd cycle of this program are able to send their students to other participating institutions during the cycle.
2. For Program A-Tuition waived exchange students:
Institutions can nominate up to two (2) students per semester; however, institutions that have accepted additional students in the past are able to nominate an equal number of additional students to their Quota.
3. For Program B-Tuition non-waived exchange students :
Institutions can also nominate additional students for Program B if they do not have quotas available for nominating them for Program A. Following the placement period, host institutions notify accepted students about whether they will study abroad on a tuition-waived or non-waived basis.

If you have any questions about the application procedure, please do not hesitate to contact us.

We look forward to receiving many applications.

Sincerely yours,



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