

International Students

All students registering with McMaster Divinity College under a “Visa” status should make themselves familiar with the International Students Office of McMaster University and the university regulations. International Student regulations may be found on the McMaster International Students website at <http://oisa.mcmaster.ca/>. The International Students Office also monitors the charging of UHIP for our students.

UHIP (UNIVERSITY HEALTH INSURANCE PLAN) - The cost of medical treatment is very expensive in Ontario. It is extremely important that all international students, including exchange students have adequate coverage while in Canada. The University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP) is a comprehensive plan that is mandatory to international students. The plan provides doctors’ services, hospital ward accommodation, all maternity claims even if pregnancy began before you arrived in Ontario, and coverage for medical care outside Ontario or Canada. The plan is compulsory and students will not be permitted to register unless they purchase UHIP. Students may purchase additional coverage under UHIP if they intend to stay in Canada after completion of their studies or would like to travel outside of Canada. Please note that UHIP does not cover the cost of prescription drugs and dental work.

ESL COURSES – McMaster University in conjunction with the International Students Office offer English as a Second Language courses. This course offering is to enable international students tutorial assistance to upgrade their English skills and assist them with their courses. If you are interested in the next ESL course being offered at McMaster University, please see the international students office website at <http://csd.mcmaster.ca/ESL/index.htm>.