

## MEAL (MEET, EAT, AND AMERICAN LIFE) @ MICHIGAN



### What is MEAL @ Michigan?

MEAL @ Michigan is an opportunity for U-M faculty and staff to host international students at their home for dinner. In 2020-2021, due to COVID-19 safety measures, MEAL @ Michigan will be moving virtual! While hosts do not need to provide dinner this year, we still think this program is a great opportunity for cross-cultural exchange between international students and faculty/staff.

For questions regarding MEAL @ Michigan, contact Kelly Wagner at [kellwag@umich.edu](mailto:kellwag@umich.edu) [2].

### Who participates?

U-M faculty/staff are the hosts and international students are the guests! We will pair faculty/staff hosts with 3-4 international students for a virtual meet-up. Matches will be based on date availability and potential areas of study/academic level.

### When does it happen?

MEAL @ Michigan dinners typically happen on a Friday or Saturday nights (hosts and students are only matched for one date, depending on availability). For your virtual MEAL event, we suggest that you plan for a 60-90 minute meeting that starts sometime between 6-8pm.

MEAL @ Michigan dates for this academic year:

- Fall 2020: November 13 and 14
- Winter 2021: March 19 and 20

### How do I become a host or guest?

To become a host or a guest, you must complete an application so that we can appropriately match everyone. Matches for students and hosts will be announced March 12, 2021.

- **Hosts:** [Winter applications Due March 11](#) [3]
  - For more information about hosting students for MEAL @ Michigan, read the 2020 Hosting Guide.
- **Students:** [Winter applications Due March 11](#) [4]

International students are matched with hosts on a first come, first served basis, and we may not be able to accommodate all requests to participate.

**Handout:**

 [MEAL Hosting Guide Fall 2020.docx.pdf](#) [5]

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