# Student Exchange Global Relations Office INFORMATION SHEET



As Singapore's flagship university, we welcome more than 2,000 international exchange students every year. Centred in Asia, we are one of the best places to learn more about this exciting region.

### CHOOSE TO STUDY AT

#### DIFFERENT SCHOOLS/FACULTIES















\*Business and Law exchange are by invitation only.

Enrolment into specific modules cannot be guaranteed. Students are advised to exercise flexibility in module selection.

List of modules available: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/ng-modules.pdf">http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/ng-modules.pdf</a>

Module restrictions: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/non-graduating-module-restrictions.pdf">http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/non-graduating-module-restrictions.pdf</a>

Module descriptions: https://nusmods.com/timetable (Please check that you select the right semester.)

Be nominated as a Non-Graduating Exchange student from an NUS exchange partner university (<a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/gro/student-exchange.php">http://www.nus.edu.sg/gro/student-exchange.php</a>)

- 2. Have at least a "B" average with no grade lower than a "C"
- 3. Have completed at least 1 year of undergraduate study at home university
- 4. Be proficient in the English language
- 5. Have financial means to support stay at NUS

## Exchange timeline

No	mination	Application	Results released	Orientation & Registration	Semester period	Exam period	Transcript available
SEMESTER 1	Mid Feb - Mid Mar	- Mid Mar – Mid Apr	Mid Jun	Late Jul/ Early Aug	Mid Aug – Mid Nov	Mid Nov – Early Dec	Early Feb
SEMESTER 2	Aug	Sep	Mid Nov	Early Jan	Mid Jan – Mid Apr	Mid Apr to Mid May	Mid Jul

#### PREPARING YOUR Application

Here are some things to take note of in your application to NUS:

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modular credits (MCs) minimum required for admission to NUS

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MCs is the maximum credits you are allowed to read at NUS

Select the correct level of modules:



- 1000 3000: Undergraduate modules
- 4000: Honours modules
- 5000 6000: Not open to exchange students



Ensure that you meet the module prerequisites

We recommend that you indicate **up to 32 MCs worth of modules** in your application, and include the course descriptions of modules that you are currently taking. Students who intend to take design-related modules must upload a letter from their home university stating the year of design modules applicants should be enrolled in during their exchange.

You can submit your application online: <a href="https://myapplications.nus.edu.sg/">https://myapplications.nus.edu.sg/</a>. For more information, please refer to the NUS Online Application Portal Guide: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/userguide-for-ng-application-system.pdf">http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/userguide-for-ng-application-system.pdf</a>



- 1. Modules at typically worth 4 MCs each, translating to about 10 hours of preparation and class work each week
- 2. You must be registered in at least 12 MCs worth of modules before you will receive an acceptance letter
- 3. Please note that modules in the following majors are highly competitive: Architecture, Computer Science, Civil Engineering, and Economics.
- 4. You can make modifications to your Study Plan after receiving your acceptance letter, during the add/drop exercise. Please ensure that you have sought your university's approval for your Study Plan before the add/drop exercise. Dates of the exercise will be regularly updated in the Registration Guide: <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/registration-guides/ng-registration-guide.pdf">http://nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/registration-guides/ng-registration-guide.pdf</a>

# Orientation & Registration

You are highly encouraged to attend Orientation and Registration, which usually happen 1 to 2 weeks before the start of the semester. We advise that incoming students complete all necessary exams at their home universities before arriving at NUS.



#### ORIENTATION

You will receive important information regarding your exchange at NUS (including making modifications to your study plans, student wellness and residential life) at Orientation.



#### REGISTRATION

You will complete the registration for your Student's Pass (student visa) on-campus at Registration.

Students who are unable to arrive on time for Registration please inform the Registrar's Office at nghelp@nus.edu.sg Registrar's Office will only provide this special arrangement to students with valid reasons.

### Visa Matters (!)



All students will need to obtain a Student's Pass (Student Visa) to study at NUS. NUS Registrar's Office will email instructions on applying for your Student's Pass at least one month before the start of the semester. Students will collect their Student's Pass after arriving in Singapore, but will need to complete some online steps prior to arrival to ensure that the Student's Pass is issued smoothly.

Students who need a visa to enter Singapore can print the In-Principle Approval (IPA) letter via the SOLAR system. They can use this letter as a single-trip entry visa. All other students will enter on a tourist visa, and convert this visa to a Student's Pass during Registration. More information can be found in the Registration Guide

(http://nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/registration-guides/ng-registration-guide.pdf).



### WHAT TO EXPECT Upon arrival

Singapore is well-connected by public transport, and NUS is easily accessible. More information about getting to NUS can be found here: https://uci.nus.edu.sg/oca/transport-logistics-carpark/getting-to-nus/.

Also look forward to welcome events from the Global Relations Office and Office of Student Affairs! You will receive the invitation to these events before your arrival.

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### On-Campus Accommodation



#### Halls of Residences

- Compulsory meal plan
- Known for vibrant activities



#### **Residential Colleges**

- Compulsory meal plan
- Integrated learning & living environment



#### **Student Residences**

- Independent living
- More privacy

Please note that exchange students are **not guaranteed** on-campus accommodation. Students will only be invited to apply for on-campus housing if they have indicated that they would like housing in their application form.

Room types: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/hostel-options">http://www.nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/hostel-options</a>

Room rates: <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/hostel-meal-plan-rates">http://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/hostel-meal-plan-rates</a>

Housing Application Guide: <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/application-guide">http://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/application-guide</a>

Off-campus accommodation: <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/other-accommodation">http://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/other-accommodation</a>

### Health & Wellness



All international students must enrol in a compulsory NUS Health and Insurance Scheme, which is included in the Miscellaneous Student Fees.



The NUS population is served by the <u>University Health</u>
<u>Centre (UHC)</u> at Kent Ridge main campus. Students may also visit the <u>University</u>
<u>Counselling Services</u> for counselling and psychological services.

Insurance coverage:

http://www.nus.edu.sg/uhc/services/billing-insurance/insurance-matters#local

Miscellaneous Student Fees:

http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/education-at-nus/non-graduating-programme.html#I4

Students who require medical support during their visits to NUS are encouraged to declare their health condition in their application form. They can also write to the <u>Disability Support Office</u> to enquire about the range of services and facilities.

# EXCHANGE IN A Crazy Rich City?

Although touted as one of the most expensive cities in the world, living in Singapore can be very affordable and comfortable. Here's a breakdown of expected **monthly** expenses (in Singapore dollars):

	On-campus	Off-campus	
Accommodation	\$480 - \$850 (depending on room type)	\$600 - \$1,300	
Food (3 meals a day)	\$250 - \$500	\$400 - \$800	
Public Transport	\$100 - \$150	\$200 - \$300	
Personal expenses	\$300 - \$500		
Total	\$1,130 - \$2,000	\$1,500 - \$2,900	

These are provided as a guideline only and does not include additional travel expenses. As oncampus accommodation at NUS is not guaranteed and in high demand, students should budget with the possibility of staying off-campus in their planning. Exchange students are **not allowed** to work or intern in Singapore while holding the Student's Pass.

### CONTACT INFORMATION: GENERAL ENQUIRIES



http://www.nus.edu.sg/gro/student-exchange.php



http://nusgro.custhelp.com/





http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/prospective-students/nongraduating/coursework



nghelp@nus.edu.sg

#### **OTHER USEFUL LINKS:**

NUS Academic Calendar: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/calendar">http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/calendar</a>

NUS Non-Graduating (NG) Programme: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/prospective-students/non-graduating/coursework">http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/prospective-students/non-graduating/coursework</a>

NUS GRO website for incoming exchangers: <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/gro/global-programmes/student-exchange/incoming-exchangers">http://nus.edu.sg/gro/global-programmes/student-exchange/incoming-exchangers</a>

NUS Incoming Exchanger Guide: <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/gro/docs/default-">http://nus.edu.sg/gro/docs/default-</a>

source/pub/sep\_incoming\_exchange\_guide.pdf

NUS Online Application Portal Guide: <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/userguide-for-ng-application-system.pdf">http://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/userguide-for-ng-application-system.pdf</a>

NUS Timetable Builder and Knowledge Platform: <a href="https://nusmods.com/">https://nusmods.com/</a>