# Information for Students on Exchange

## A. University

University of Melbourne  

## B. Country

Australia

## C. Academics

### i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer

After you have accepted the SEP offer from your faculty, you will be able to access the module mapping worksheet from the NUS Student Information System (myISIS). You are encouraged to map some spare modules in the event that your preferred modules are not offered in that semester, unavailable or cancelled. Module mapping request is subjected to approval from the Faculties. [Click here](#) for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping. Please ensure that your module mappings are approved before you depart for the exchange.

Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan.

### ii) Academic Calendar

**Semester 1:** Late February to Late June  
**Semester 2:** Mid July to Late November  

### iii) Exchange Duration

One semester

### iv) Examination

Students are expected to attend the mandatory examination at the host university.

### v) Curriculum Structure

Exchange students should take a full-time load of 50 points (usually 12.5 points x 4 courses) for one semester.

The minimum enrolment for student visa is 37.5 points for one semester. Please note that the maximum workload is 50 points per semester.

### vi) Entry Requirements

Completed at least one year of study at NUS upon application with host university. CAP of 3.0 out of 5.0 with no grade below C.

Check [here](#) for other eligibility criteria.
### VII) Language Proficiency Requirements

English is the language of instruction at U of Melbourne. NUS students should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term.

### VIII) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students

- Architecture, Building and Planning
- Arts (Humanities and Social Sciences)
- Business and Economics
- Medicine, Dentistry and Health Sciences
- Science
- Veterinary and Agricultural Sciences
- Engineering
- Information
- Law


### IX) Module restrictions and pre-requisites


### D. Application

#### i) Procedures

Students can apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty’s announcement regarding the application period.

Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.

#### ii) Deadlines

All NUS student must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

### E. Accommodations
### i) University Accommodation

U of Melbourne offers exchange students a range of accommodation options including residential colleges, student apartments and shared housing, to suit different personalities, budgets and lifestyles.

There are 12 colleges for undergraduate and graduate students, located on the Parkville campus or within short walking distance. The colleges provide academic and pastoral support as well as 24-hour access to study-related facilities including libraries, music practice rooms and common areas. College students live in fully furnished single rooms which all have phone and internet connects. All meals are provided.

As soon as the admission application has been submitted, students should begin to organise housing using their Application ID (Student Number). Students who wish to receive assistance to find housing may contact saex-housing@unimelb.edu.au, as there is a University staff member dedicated to helping study abroad and exchange students with this matter.

### ii) Private Accommodation

If you are planning to look for an off-campus accommodation, it is recommended that you arrive one to two weeks earlier to look for a permanent place to live. If you have found a private accommodation online, it is advisable that you arrive earlier to see the place and ensure that you are comfortable with the room condition, environment and safety before making any commitment.

Please read through the contract carefully to ensure that you are agreeable to the terms and conditions as well as other additional charges on top of the rental fee.

U of Melbourne maintains a list of student apartments and shared housing off-campus but nearby (some are as close as across the road). This may be a convenient choice for exchange students as they are generally furnished, self-catering and student focused. They are generally a cheaper option than the residential colleges.

For more information about accommodation, please refer to http://www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/life/housing.html

### F. Visa

#### Consular/Visa Regulation

Once you have purchased the Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), U of Melbourne will issue an Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE), which is required for your Australian Student Visa Application.

All exchange students must obtain an Australian Non Award Student Visa (sub-class 500) before arriving in Australia.
Students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

For more information on visa applications, please refer to https://www.homeaffairs.gov.au/Trav/Visa-1/500-

G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health/Medical Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html.

All international students studying in Australia are required to purchase an approved Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) policy. OSHC is a condition of the Overseas Student Visa issued by the Australian Immigration authorities. The cost is approximately A$330 for 6 months. Students can purchased OSHC through the U of Melbourne.

In addition, it is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside Australia. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students can purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

For more information on health and insurance, please refer to http://services.unimelb.edu.au/international/visas/oshc.html

ii) Emergency Number at host university

Melbourne Global Mobility office:
Business hours: +61 3 8344 7452 (Mon - Fri, 8.45am - 5pm Melbourne Time)
After hours: +61 3 8344 6666

University Security Number: +61 3 8344 6666 or Freecall 1800 246 066

H. Cost of Living

i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

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<td>Others (Entertainment, clothes)</td>
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Details can be found at
http://services.unimelb.edu.au/finaid/planning/cost_of_living/summary

For more student exchange information, please refer to
http://www.mobility.unimelb.edu.au/inbound/