# Information for Students on Exchange

## A. University

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## B. Country

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## 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](http://www.unsw.edu.au) 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

With effect from 2019 onwards, UNSW is transiting to a new calendar model known as UNSW3+ comprising of three terms plus a January/August intensive term.

NUS students may attend the following terms.

- **January Intensive Term:** Early January to Mid February
- **Term 1:** Mid February to Mid May
- **August Intensive Term:** Mid August to Mid September
- **Term 3:** Mid September to Mid December

[http://www.international.unsw.edu.au/study-abroad-at-unsw](http://www.international.unsw.edu.au/study-abroad-at-unsw)

### iii) Exchange Duration

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### iv) Examination

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### v) Curriculum Structure

Exchange students may take 3 modules (equivalent to 18 units of credit) per regular Term 1 or Term 3 and 1 module (equivalent to 6 units of credit) during the intensive term in January or August.

Please click to see the [course offerings](#) for the intensive terms.

Students who meet the minimum grade requirement may take 4 modules per regular term. Refer to this [link](#) for more info.

### 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 UNSW.

NUS students should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term.

### viii) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students

- Arts & Social Sciences
- Business
- Built Environment
- Art & Design
- Fine Arts
- Engineering
- Law
- Science

Course information:
- [http://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au](http://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au)

### ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

**Arts and Social Sciences**

- Students wishing to take stage 3 ARTS courses must be majoring in the desired field.
- Undergraduate students can only enrol in undergraduate courses.
- INST, GLST, DANC, EDST and Music courses are restricted to declared majors.

**Art and Design**

- Courses are held on Paddington campus, approximately 20 minutes away from Kensington (main) campus – a free shuttle bus service is available
- Priority will be given to students majoring in Art/Design/Media.
### Student Exchange Programme (SEP)

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- Students may take a mix of courses from Paddington and Kensington campus, as long as they are aware of the travel involved.

- Media courses are limited and can only request upon arrival at UNSW, subject to availability. Enrolment in MDIA courses is normally restricted and approved on a case-by-case basis (if space is available). Students should select alternative courses under ARTS as back-ups.

#### Business

- The following courses are not available to exchange students:
  - Industrial Training courses including MARK2999, MARK3999, MARK4999, FINS3100, FINS3200, MARK6xxx courses, GBAT course

#### Built Environment

- Studio based courses are often limited due to space. Students should be flexible with subject choices.

#### Engineering

- Enrolment in Biomedical Engineering courses is extremely limited. Students need to be prepared to select courses from another major.

#### Law

- Enrolment in Law subjects is restricted to Law Majors.
- Juris Doctor courses are open to students enrolled in a Juris Doctor Program at their home institution.
- Students are not able to take both LAWS and JURD courses simultaneously.
- Core courses and internship courses are not available to exchange students.

#### Medicine

- Exchange students can enrol in courses from the School of Medical Science however courses in the Doctor of Medicine are not open to exchange students.

#### Science

- Postgraduate psychology courses are not available to exchange students.
- Psychological coursework is available within the Arts and Science faculty at an undergraduate level.

### Restricted Courses:
## 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 students 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 in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

## E. Accommodations

**i) University Accommodation**

UNSW offers a variety of housing options including catered colleges, self-catered university apartments or privately run colleges on (or very close) to campus. University accommodation should be pre-arranged as places are very limited and not guaranteed. UNSW encourages exchange students to apply for multiple options, and be willing and prepared to live off campus if their application is unsuccessful. On average, 1 in 10 exchange students live on campus.

Exchange students will be housed at the self-catered University Terraces (limited places) and fully-catered Kensington Colleges. Further details, including fees, application form and application deadline will be sent to students after they have been accepted into the exchange programme. Please apply earlier as on-campus accommodation is limited.

The University Terraces opened in January 2013, offer 371 well-furnished and stylish apartments. The facilities and services include recreation and
| **ii) Private Accommodation** | Most exchange students choose to live off campus and enjoy the beautiful suburbs that surround UNSW. Sydney is generally a safe city, with public transport connecting the UNSW campuses, beaches and city centre.

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.

Refer to this link for resources and advice.
https://student.unsw.edu.au/accommodation |

| **F. Visa** | **Consular/Visa Regulation** | Once you have purchased the Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), UNSW 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.


### 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](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 UNSW. Instructions will be provided upon acceptance by UNSW.

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 [https://student.unsw.edu.au/overseas-student-health-cover](https://student.unsw.edu.au/overseas-student-health-cover).

#### ii) Emergency Number at host university

+61 2 9385 6666

### H. Cost of Living

#### i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

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