Information for Students on Exchange in AY2018/19

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| B. Country          | Canada |

| C. Academics        | |

  i) **Module Mapping & Credits Transfer**

Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange. You can check with the SEP Coordinator in the Dean's Office of your home faculty.

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:** September – December  
**Semester 2:** January – April

[https://www.concordia.ca/academics/undergraduate/calendar/pdf.html](https://www.concordia.ca/academics/undergraduate/calendar/pdf.html)

  iii) **Exchange Duration**

One semester

  iv) **Examination**

[http://www.concordia.ca/students/exams.html](http://www.concordia.ca/students/exams.html)

  v) **Curriculum Structure**

Undergraduate course load: Students must take at least 12 credits (approximately 3 courses) each semester, while most students take around 15 credits, or 5 courses. Taking more than 15 credits is not advisable and may not be possible. When you apply, you should list at least 6 courses you would like to take while on exchange to Concordia U. You should not include graduate courses on your list as you will not be able to register for them.

  vi) **Entry Requirements**

(a) be registered as a full-time undergraduate student of NUS  
(b) have successfully completed at least two (2) semesters of study at NUS upon admission to the host university;  
(c) not be eligible for exchange in the graduating year  
(d) be a student of good standing at NUS with  
   a. a minimum upper division second class honours or;  
   b. a minimum B average grade or;  
   c. a CAP of at least 3.5 (out of 5) for NUS students
| vii) Language Proficiency Requirements | The language of instruction at Concordia University is English. You must demonstrate the required level of English proficiency prior to admission to Concordia, regardless of citizenship status or country of origin. |
| viii) Modules Compatibility | Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines:  
- FASS  
- FoS  
- FoE  
- BIZ  

In general, course registration at Concordia takes place online. You will receive registration instructions in your admission letter. Some students might be required to contact an advisor to register for all or certain courses. You are strongly advised to register for courses as soon as you are told that you can do so. If you wait to register for courses later or - even worse - until after you arrive at Concordia, be advised that most courses will be full and closed. It is your responsibility to read all information as soon as you receive and to act promptly on it.  

For more information and instructions on how to register, please visit the Registrar’s website at the link below.  
https://www.concordia.ca/students/registration.html  

ix) Module restrictions and prerequisites | Please refer to the embedded PDF for module restrictions for AY2018/19:  
Adobe Acrobat Document  

D. Application  

i) Procedures | To apply to Concordia as an exchange student, you must meet the following minimum requirements:  

You must be nominated by NUS to study at Concordia on exchange. After nomination, you may continue to submit an application to Concordia University.  

Required application documents (to be uploaded to the Online Application Form):  
- Personal Statement in English, one page maximum  
- Academic transcript of records  
- Proof of English language proficiency, if applicable  
- Official Permission Letter from Home University to study at Concordia and to take courses listed in this application  
- Academic Reference  
- Fine Arts Portfolio, URL for a web based portfolio of current creative work  
- Photocopy of passport identification page  

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Students wishing to study on exchange in the Faculty of Fine Arts who plan to take studio or performance based courses at Concordia must provide a web based portfolio (TUMBLR, YOU TUBE, DROP BOX, BEHANCE...etc) of current creative work.

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<td>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.</td>
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<td>It is your responsibility to obtain the correct documents from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) prior to your exchange semester(s) in Canada. Depending on nationality, students may need any other following documentation <strong>before their arrival</strong> in Canada:</td>
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- **(a) Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)** - As of March 15, 2016, visa-exempt foreign nationals are expected to have an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to or transit through Canada. Exceptions include U.S. citizens, and travellers with a valid Canadian visa. To find out if you need an eTA prior to your exchange, please refer to the following link. [http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp)

- **(b) Visitor Visa** - If you do not qualify for an eTA, you will need to obtain a Visitor Visa prior to your arrival in Canada. Please contact the High Commission of Canada in Singapore to start the process of obtaining the appropriate visa. The High Commission Officer might advise you to obtain a Study Permit instead since your time in Canada is primarily for studying. To determine if you need a Visitor Visa, please refer to the following link, [http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp)

- **(c) Study Permit** – Study Permits are usually reserved for students studying more than 6 months at a Canadian institution. To be eligible for a Study Permit, students must:
  - have been accepted by a designated learning institution in Canada.
• prove that you have enough money to pay for your tuition fees (no applicable for SEP), living expenses for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada and return transportation for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada.
• be a law-abiding citizen with no criminal record and not be a risk to the security of Canada. You may have to provide a police certificate.
• be in good health and willing to complete a medical examination, if necessary.
• satisfy an immigration officer that you will leave Canada at the end of your authorized stay.

For more information on Study Permits, please refer to the following website, http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp

High Commission of Canada in Singapore
One George Street, #11-01; Singapore 049145
Telephone: (65)-6854-5900
Email: Singapore-im-enquiry@international.gc.ca

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 on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf

For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html

If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

All exchange students at Concordia University are required to purchase a compulsory health insurance plan (payable to Concordia at the start of the semester. For more information, please refer to the following link.

https://www.concordia.ca/students/international/health-insurance.html

ii) Emergency Number at host university
Emergency Contact Number: Canada's emergency number is 911, call this number for any emergency service such as police, medical, fire, etc.

For more information on Campus Safety at Concordia University, please refer to the following link.

https://www.concordia.ca/campus-life/security.html

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## H. Cost of Living

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<th>The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. For more financial advice specific to Concordia University, please refer to the following webpage.</th>
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