Information for Students on Exchange

A. University

Peking University

http://english.pku.edu.cn/

Peking University (PKU), is a major Chinese research university located in Beijing and a member of the C9 League. It is the first modern national university established in China, founded as the "Imperial University of Peking" in 1898 as a replacement of the ancient Taixue or Guozijian, or Imperial Academy. It also served as the highest administration for education in China at the beginning of its founding. By 1920, it had become a center for progressive thought.

Peking University is consistently ranked as one of the top higher learning institution in mainland China. In addition to academics, Peking University is especially renowned for its campus grounds and the beauty of its traditional Chinese architecture.

B. Country

China

C. Academics

i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer

SEP students can transfer 20 MCs back to NUS if they have taken a full semester of workload at the host university with effect from AY2016/17.

Please check with your SEP co-ordinator at your Faculty for more information.

ii) Academic Calendar

Semester 1: September to January
Semester 2: February to July

iii) Exchange Duration

One semester or Full-Year exchange, depending on your home Faculty.

iv) Examination

Students are expected to sit for the mandatory examinations at Peking University before returning to NUS for the next semester.

v) Curriculum Structure

Exchange students are required to take 6-20 credits during their exchange semester at Peking University (normally 1 credit is equivalent to one or two hours of class attendance per week).

vi) Entry Requirements

- be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student;
- have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme;

Updated as of 16 January 2018
- have a sound academic record, i.e. minimum CAP of 3.0, and should not have any grade below grade ‘C’ (grade point of 2.0) in any module;
- have sufficient financial means to cover the necessary expenses for the duration of the SEP (ranging from S$5,000 to S$15,000 per semester, subject to the country and local conditions at the overseas Partner University during the period of exchange). When applying for your student visa, a number of countries may demand documentary proof of your financial status;
- obtain the Faculty's approval for the SEP;
- satisfy partner institution and host country entry requirements; and
- check with the issuer of any scholarship he or she is receiving to ensure there are no restrictions involving overseas study (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Ministry of Education).

| vii) Language Proficiency Requirements | Mandarin is the medium of instruction for classes at the host university (limited English courses). NUS students with Chinese background are exempted from the HSK Chinese language proficiency requirements to read Chinese courses at the University. |
| viii) Modules Compatibility | Suitable for students from the following faculties: |
| | BIZ | Management |
| | FASS | Chinese Language and Literature, Foreign Languages, History, Sociology, Journalism and Communication, Philosophy, Psychology, International Studies, Economics, Political Science |
| | FoL | Law |
| FoS        | • Mathematical Sciences  
          | • Physics               
          | • Chemistry             
          | • Life Sciences          
          | • Earth and Space Sciences |
|------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| SDE        | • Urban and Environmental Sciences               |
| SoC        | • Software                                        
          | • Computer Science                               
          | • Information Management                         |
| USP        | • Yuanpei College                                |

Please refer to the Schools & Departments at Peking University for details:

http://english.pku.edu.cn/schoolsdepartments/index.htm

ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

Most courses offered at Peking University are taught in Chinese. English courses are highlighted in the remarks column in the course information website. Modules may change, the school/department reserves the right to enrol a student to certain course. The course information of the next semester will be published at the course information website at the end of the previous semester.

Courses from the following faculties/programmes are not open to exchange students:

Health Science Centre
Faculty with special pre-requisites
Tailor-made programmes
Shenzhen Graduate School

D. Application

i) Procedures

Please apply via your home Faculty for SEP to Peking University. Only if you have been offered a SEP placement by your Faculty and you have accepted the internal offer, you will be informed to apply to Peking University directly.

ii) Deadlines

Please check with your SEP Administrator in the Dean’s Office for actual dates.
### E. Accommodations

#### i) University Accommodation

PKU has two kinds of dormitory for international students: the Global Village and Shaoyuan. Both offer shared bedrooms where you will be assigned one roommate upon arrival. The monthly rent is around CN¥3,000 - CN¥4,200.

Global Village: Exchange students who would like to stay at the Global Village should contact the respective office at the Global Village for reservation directly. PKU Office of International Relations (OIR) would not be able to assist in the reservation at Global Village.

Shaoyuan: OIR will send booking information when there is vacancy.

[http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=show&catid=70&id=570](http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=show&catid=70&id=570)

#### ii) Private Accommodation

Off campus housing offers more choices in room type and the monthly rent ranging from CN¥1,000 - CN¥5,000. Exchange students are advised to visit local agents for assistance.

### F. Visa

#### Consular/Visa Regulation

Exchange students in China are required to apply for student visa (X2 visa for those intending to study in China for a period of no more than 180 days and X1 visa for those intending to study in China for a period of more than 180 days).

You will receive the admission letter and visa application form (JW202) once you are accepted by the host university for the student exchange programme. Exchange students are required to apply for the student visa in person at the China Visa Application Service Centre in Singapore with the relevant documents before the start of the academic semester.


### G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

#### i) Health/Medical Insurance

All NUS matriculated students are covered under the NUS Travel Insurance Policy for personal accident and medical expenses incurred by NUS students on NUS approved overseas trips. If the coverage is not comprehensive, students are welcome to purchase their additional travel insurance.
The Chinese Ministry of Education requires that all international students be medically insured throughout their study in China. This policy is crucial to the health, wellness and success of international students. Students who study at Peking University for more than one semester are required to purchase the University’s recommended medical insurance on the day of registration. Students who study at Peking University for one semester could choose to buy overseas medical insurance, which must cover China and with offices in mainland China, and submit relevant insurance proof (the insurance company’s contact in China included) on the day of registration. Please note that students without valid medical insurance are not allowed to register.

http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=show&catid=71&id=580

**H. Cost of Living**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Breakdown of Costs</th>
<th>Cost</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Accommodation</td>
<td>CN¥3,000 - CN¥4,200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Food</td>
<td>CN¥1,000 - CN¥3,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Transport</td>
<td>CN¥200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Others (Entertainment, clothes, etc)</td>
<td>CN¥300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Monthly Estimate</strong></td>
<td>CN¥4,500 - CN¥7,700</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&c=index&a=show&catid=70&id=569

**ii) Relevant Awards/Scholarships**

**Bursaries**:
- SEP Award for the Community Spirited: [http://www.nus.edu.sg/iro/fa/bur/sepcs.html](http://www.nus.edu.sg/iro/fa/bur/sepcs.html)

**Scholarships**:
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Global Relations Office (Study Abroad Team)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

### I. Useful Links

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Peking University</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>• <a href="http://www.oir.pku.edu.cn/En/html/Programs/StudentExchange/">http://www.oir.pku.edu.cn/En/html/Programs/StudentExchange/</a></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>• <a href="http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&amp;c=index&amp;a=show&amp;catid=121&amp;id=142">http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/index.php?m=content&amp;c=index&amp;a=show&amp;catid=121&amp;id=142</a></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>