IMPORTANT NOTE
Before applying for any summer/winter programme, read the GRO website for important information on:
- General Eligibility Requirements and Application Process
- Module Mapping and Financial Aid
- Visa Application, Travel Advisories and Student Insurance

University of British Columbia (UBC) Vancouver Summer Program – June-July session
(Updated as of 31 Jan 2022)

Host University Website:  https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/
Programme Location:  Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada
Programme Dates:  4 June to 4 July 2022 (June – July session)*
Application Deadline:  1 March 2022
No. of Placements:  Unlimited

*This year, the August session for UBC VSP ends during term time. Hence, we will not be promoting the August session. Interested students should consider the June-July session instead.

IMPORTANT: COVID-19 related updates
Due to the fluid situation of the COVID-19 pandemic, there is still much uncertainty regarding international travel in the months ahead.

Students’ ability to travel to Canada for summer 2022 will be determined by the host country’s travel policies as well as the latest travel advice from Singapore authorities. Do factor in the need for quarantine in the host country and stay-home notice upon return to Singapore when considering the feasibility of participating in summer programmes.

To be eligible for physical (on-site) summer programmes, students will need to:
1. fully vaccinated
2. complete the compulsory Overseas Travel Preparedness (OTP) module on LumiNUS one month before the programme start date;
3. submit a copy of the completed Risk Acknowledgement and Consent Form on LumiNUS (folder within the OTP module);
4. register with the Ministry of Foreign Affairs or your country’s diplomatic mission; and
5. attend a pre-departure conducted by GRO.

Students who proceed with the physical (on-site) option acknowledge the risks associated. NUS will not be responsible for any lost deposits or expenses (including but not limited to programme/tuition fees, air tickets, housing deposits, meal plans and/or non-academic student fees) associated with travel disruptions.

You are advised NOT to make any financial commitments particularly those which are non-refundable until you are certain that travel is possible. You will be fully responsible for any travel expenses, quarantine accommodation costs, COVID-19 tests or other costs.

ESTIMATED COST OF PARTICIPATION
Programme Fee

The packaged fee per student for the 2021 programme is CAD 5,450. The programme fee includes:

- Tuition for your course package
- Accommodation
- Course materials
- Medical insurance
- Transport to and from the airport
- City tour of Vancouver
- Welcome event
- Farewell lunch

The course package for the June-July session can be found here: [https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/course-packages/](https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/course-packages/) The range of subjects offered includes Applied Science – Mechanical Engineering, Arts, Business, Community and Regional Planning, Education, Land and Food Systems, Medicine, and Science.

Projected Expenditure

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Financial Aid Available Through NUS GRO

As a participant of this programme, you are eligible to apply for:

- [NASA Enhancement Bursary](https://) (Singaporean only)
- [Overseas Student Programme Loan](https://) (Singaporeans only)
- [PSEA Fund Withdrawal](https://) (Singaporeans only)

Financial Aid options will not be available for programmes/classes that are conducted fully online. If programmes are hybrid, only on-site participation would qualify a student for financial aid. If a physical/on-site programme switches to fully online before the commencement of the programme, NUS reserves the right to adjust or retract the financial aid package.

Programme Details

Students may take two courses in each package (session). Each course is about 39 hours of class time. Classes are interactive and often include group work and discussions. Evaluation may include assignments, group projects, papers, exams, and participation marks.

June – July Course Packages:
[https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/course-packages/](https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/course-packages/)

Please note, courses do not receive UBC credit but credit may be granted by the student’s home university (at the discretion of your home School or Faculty’s Dean’s Office).
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<td>The June-July session students stay in apartment suites, although alternative dormitory accommodation may be offered if maximum occupancy has been reached. More information on accommodation can be found here: <a href="https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/student-life/accommodation/">https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/student-life/accommodation/</a></td>
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<td>Application Procedure</td>
<td>Please apply to NUS via EduRec → Global Education (to complete module mapping and apply for financial aid) and UBC (you are encouraged to read through this link before applying <a href="https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/applying-to-ubc-vsp/">https://vancouversummerprogram.ubc.ca/applying-to-ubc-vsp/</a>)</td>
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<td>In your UBC application, you will be asked to provide the contact details of the administrator who will be coordinating your visit or who can verify your student status. Please include the following: Contact name: Chua Bi Quan Contact position title: Manager, Global Relations Office Contact email address: <a href="mailto:grocbq@nus.edu.sg">grocbq@nus.edu.sg</a> Contact number: +65 6516-7992</td>
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<td>You must accept both the EduRec offer as well as the host university’s offer to confirm your participation in this programme.</td>
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<td>The application deadline for EduRec is 1 March 2022.</td>
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<td>NUS recommends completing your application at least 2 weeks before the deadline to secure your spot.</td>
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<td>Module Mapping</td>
<td>You can start the module mapping process after you apply in EduRec and accept the offer for the programme. Click here for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping. Also note the following: • Maximum of 2 modules (up to 10 MCs) can be mapped per summer / research programme during Special Term (May – August). • Maximum of 1 module (up to 5 MCs) can be mapped per winter / research programme during year-end vacation (December – January). • Total of 12 MCs from a maximum of 2 overseas summer/winter and research programmes can be mapped without having to pay NUS tuition. Additional MCs mapped will be subjected to Special Term fees. For details, visit the Registrar’s Office website.</td>
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<td>Visa Application</td>
<td>It is your responsibility to obtain the correct documents from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) prior to your exchange semester(s) in Canada.</td>
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documentation **before their arrival** in Canada:

(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)

For more visa/immigration-related advice, please contact the following:

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

**Covid-19 requirements**

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<td><strong>Insurance coverage for official NUS trips</strong> is provided for your participation in this programme. Students are responsible for ensuring that they have sufficient travel insurance coverage. Exclusions to the NUS blanket travel insurance may apply. Students may consider purchasing additional travel insurance if required.</td>
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| 12 | Contact information | Questions about the programme? Contact the host university at: Vsp.ubc@ubc.ca
Questions about module mapping? Visit this [webpage](http://www.canadainternational.gc.ca).
Questions specific to NUS GRO? Contact us at: askGRO |