

**SUMMER/WINTER PROGRAMMES (SWP)**

**IMPORTANT NOTE**

Before applying for any summer/winter programme, read the [GRO website](#) and [Application Guide](#) for important information on the following:

- General Eligibility Requirements and Application Process
- Course Mapping and Financial Aid
- Visa Application, Travel Advisories and Student Insurance

**PolyU International Research Summer School**

*Information is accurate as of February 2025.*

<b>Host University Website</b>	<a href="https://polyu.hk/EZGpm">https://polyu.hk/EZGpm</a>
<b>Programme Location</b>	Hong Kong
<b>Programme Dates</b>	29 Jun – 10 Jul 2025
<b>Application Deadline</b>	<b>5 Mar 2025</b>
<b>No. of placements</b>	<b>2</b>

ESTIMATED COST OF PARTICIPATION		
1	<b>Programme Fee</b>	<p>There is no programme fee, but is an application fee of HKD 500.</p> <p>PolyU is offering fee-waiver places for NUS students who meet the following criteria:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Final year undergraduates (except passport holders of Mainland China, Hong Kong SAR, Macau SAR and Taiwan),</li> <li>2. Have a strong desire to pursue a PhD degree,</li> <li>3. With outstanding academic and research performance, and</li> <li>4. Able to attend all sessions of the summer school in person</li> </ol>
2	<b>Projected Expenditure</b>	<p>Besides the application fee waiver, PolyU will provide:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. HKD 5,000 cash allowance to subsidise travel costs,</li> <li>2. Free accommodation at PolyU Student Hall, and</li> <li>3. Full subsidy of Hong Kong visa/entry permit fee.</li> </ol>
3	<b>Financial Aid Available Through NUS GRO</b>	<p>You should have enough monetary funds to cover the whole SWP. Your decision to go on i-SP should not depend on confirmation of a scholarship or bursary award. You can consider the following financial aid options to fund your SWP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="#">NASA Enhancement Bursary</a> (Singaporean Citizens only)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Overseas Student Programme Loan</a> (Singaporeans only)</li> <li>• <a href="#">Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA) Ad-Hoc Withdrawal</a> (Singaporeans only)</li> </ul> <p>Please note that if you are successful with any financial aid, the funds will only be disbursed to you after completion of the Programme.</p>

PROGRAMME DETAILS		
4	<b>Academic Content</b>	<p>The International Research Summer School will focus on the following themes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Global Challenges of Health and Wellbeing</li> </ol>

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		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. Artificial Intelligence vs Human Experience</li> <li>3. Sustainable Futures</li> </ol> <p>The programme includes:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Workshops</li> <li>2. Themed lectures and seminars</li> <li>3. Visits to department and facilities</li> <li>4. Academic exchange</li> <li>5. Consultations</li> <li>6. Student sharing</li> <li>7. Local excursions</li> <li>8. Cultural experiences</li> </ol>
5	<b>Eligibility Requirements</b>	<p>Host university’s requirements are listed on the individual course web pages at <a href="https://www.polyu.edu.hk/gs/news-and-events/irss-2025_call/#t-3programme">https://www.polyu.edu.hk/gs/news-and-events/irss-2025_call/#t-3programme</a>.</p> <p>NUS’ generic eligibility requirements apply, please refer to the <a href="#">GRO website</a> for more information.</p>
6	<b>Accommodation</b>	<p>Please refer to the host university website for accommodation arrangements. If university-arranged accommodation is not available, you will be responsible for securing your own.</p>
7	<b>Application Procedure at NUS</b>	<p>Please apply through the NUS Education Records System - Global Education (<a href="#">EduRec-GE</a>) first if you want to do module mapping and apply for financial aid/loans. Applying through EduRec-GE will allow GRO to contact and assist you in times of crisis/emergency while overseas.</p> <p>With an official application through EduRec-GE, you are covered by the NUS Travel Blanket Insurance. Besides, GRO can also provide you with supporting letters for visa application. Read the step-by-step guide we prepared for you on <a href="#">GRO’s website</a>.</p> <p>You should also concurrently apply to the host university once you have applied to NUS Edu-Rec.</p>
8	<b>Application Procedure at Host University</b>	<p><b>Please apply via EduRec by 5 Mar</b>, with your:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. CV,</li> <li>2. latest transcript, and</li> <li>3. application letter stating your research experience, strengths, aspirations and career plans, research areas and interest, reasons for applying to this summer school, and what you expect to gain from the programme.</li> </ol> <p>The documents should be compiled in a single pdf.</p>

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9	<b>Confirmation of participation</b>	To confirm your participation in this Programme, you must accept both the EduRec offer and the host university's offer to confirm your participation in this programme.
10	<b>Course Mapping</b>	<p><b>All course mapping requests are subject to approval by the faculties/departments.</b></p> <p>If you are interested in obtaining credits for your course, you can start the course mapping process via EduRec-GE after you have accepted the programme offer.</p> <p>Students may map up to a maximum of 10 units for each Summer Programme. Over the course of study in NUS, students may map up to a total of 12 units for involvement in the summer programme. Beyond 12 units, NUS Special Term tuition fees will apply, in addition to Summer/Winter Programme fees paid to the host university. Please read the information on the Office of the University Registrar's website for details.</p>
11	<b>Transcript</b>	<p>Please provide a valid, personal mailing address in the online registration portal so the host can send your transcript to you after the summer programme.</p> <p>Please <b>do not</b> request that your transcript be mailed to the NUS Global Relations Office (GRO). GRO is not responsible for missing transcripts.</p>

<b>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</b>		
12	<b>Visa Application</b>	<p>Holders of a Singapore passport do not require a visa for visits to Hong Kong lasting up to 90 days.</p> <p>For other nationalities, please enquire with the Chinese Embassy in Singapore for visa requirements.</p>
13	<b>Travel Advisories</b>	Visit the <a href="#">MFA website</a> for travel advisories from the Singapore government in various countries.
14	<b>Student Insurance</b>	<p>NUS will continue to offer NUS Travel Insurance for approved study abroad programmes, including summer/winter programs (SWP).</p> <p>For more information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NUS Student Travel Insurance Cover, click <a href="#">here</a></li> </ul> <p>Students are responsible for ensuring that they have sufficient travel insurance coverage for the entire duration of their trip (including travel) and are advised to review the insurance coverage/policy to ensure that it meets their needs. Students may purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.</p> <p>The host university may require you to submit a copy of your insurance certificate, which you can obtain via <a href="mailto:myPortal@NUS">myPortal@NUS</a>.</p>

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15	<b>Contact Information</b>	Questions about the programme? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Contact the host university at <a href="mailto:gs.summer@polyu.edu.hk">gs.summer@polyu.edu.hk</a></li></ul> Questions specific to NUS GRO? <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Contact us at <a href="mailto:global@nus.edu.sg">global@nus.edu.sg</a></li></ul>
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