

SUMMER/WINTER PROGRAMMES (SWP)

IMPORTANT NOTE

Before applying for any summer/winter programme, read the [Global Relations Office \(GRO\) website](https://globalrelations.nus.edu.sg/) for important information on:

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

University of Pennsylvania: Penn Summer Global Institute

Host University Website: <https://summer.sas.upenn.edu/programs/international-students/psgi>

Programme Location: Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA

Programme Dates: 2 Jul to 8 Aug 2025

Application Deadline: **1 Apr 2025 (for both EduRec and University of Pennsylvania)**

ESTIMATED COST OF PARTICIPATION			
1	Programme Fee	Tuition and fees are subject to the approval of the Board of Trustees of the University of Pennsylvania and may change without notice.	
2	Projected Expenditure	Item	Estimated Cost (US\$)
		Application fee (non-refundable)	US\$75
		Penn charges an all-inclusive programme fee for their Summer Global Institute which includes: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Two courses • Housing in a double room • Half-day student orientation • Weekly extracurricular activities • Access to student academic advisor 	US\$13,765
		Total	USD 13,840
3	NUS Financial Aid	<p>You should have enough monetary funds to last you throughout the whole SWP programme. Your decision to go on SWP should not be dependent upon the confirmation of a scholarship or bursary award. You can consider the following financial aid options to fund your SWP:</p> <p>For Singaporeans only:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NUS Awards for Study Abroad (NASA) Enhancement Bursary • Overseas Student Programme (OSP) Loan • Post-Secondary Education Account (PSEA) Funds • Opportunity Enhancement Grant (OEG) <p>Please note that if you are successful for any financial aid, the funds will only be disbursed to you <u>after</u> completion of the programme.</p>	

PROGRAMME DETAILS		
4	Academic Content	Courses for the Summer Session II can be found here https://summer.sas.upenn.edu/courses/session/ss2 .
5	Eligibility Requirements	NUS' generic eligibility requirements apply, please see GRO website for details.
6	Accommodation	<p>While you are at Penn, you will live on-campus in one of the residence halls, which is furnished and in a secure environment. The residence halls will have coordinators that you can liaise with if you have any questions relating to your assigned living arrangements.</p> <p>You will receive your housing assignment via email from Penn Hospitality Services approximately 2 weeks prior to your arrival to Penn. For any questions regarding housing, please contact living@upenn.edu.</p> <p>Enrolment in a dining plan is optional. Meal visits will be in one of Penn's all-you-care-to-eat dining halls. Each time you eat, one visit is subtracted from your allowance. Dining Dollar\$ can be used in any Penn Dining location. Each purchase amount is subtracted from your Dining Dollar\$ account balance. If you decide to enroll in a dining plan, you will have the option to choose from available Summer Dining Plans. You must notify your PSGI advisor in order to be enrolled in the Dining Plan of your choice.</p> <p>For café hours, locations, and menus see: https://dining.business-services.upenn.edu/locations-hours-menus/locations</p>
7	Application Procedure	<p>Apply via Edu-Rec and the host university's website concurrently by 1 April 2025. You must accept both the Edu-Rec offer as well as the host university offer to confirm your participation in this programme.</p> <p>Please refer to the following link for more information: https://summer.sas.upenn.edu/programs/international-students/psgi/application</p>
8	Course Mapping	<p>You can start the course 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 course mapping. Also note the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Maximum of 2 courses (up to 10 units) can be mapped per summer / research programme during Special Term (May – August). • Maximum of 1 course (up to 5 units) can be mapped per winter / research programme during year-end vacation (December – January). • Total of 12 units from a maximum of 2 overseas summer/winter and research programmes can be mapped without having to pay NUS tuition. Additional units mapped will be subjected to Special Term fees. For details, visit the Registrar's Office website.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION		
9	Visa Application	<p>After you are admitted to the Penn Summer Global Institute, you should complete the online application for the Form I-20 or DS 2019 document from Penn's International Student and Scholar Services (https://global.upenn.edu/iss/new-app)</p> <p>ISSS (International Student and Scholar Services) will begin processing the Form I-20 or Form DS-2019 when it has received both the completed application and confirmation of admission from Penn College of Liberal and Professional Studies (LPS). During the peak application period (April to July) this process can take up to 3 weeks from the time of receipt of the Notice of Admission from the admitting school and the Form I20/DS-2019 application. Applications are processed in the order received. It is recommended that students wait to receive their visa documents before scheduling a visa interview.</p> <p>We encourage students to contact their local U.S. Consulate or Embassy for specific visa application instructions, but in general, you should pay the Student and Exchange Visitor Information System (SEVIS) fee (preferably online) and schedule an interview appointment with the nearest U.S. Consulate or Embassy upon receipt of your I-20 or DS-2019 form. Then follow the Consulate's instructions on the visa application process and required documents. Your entry visa will be stamped in your passport.</p> <p>Students are responsible for ensuring that they are in compliance with the United States of America's Department of Homeland Security regulations which can be found under "Instructions to Students" on page 2 of the form I-20. Additionally, students should visit ISSS's website to familiarise themselves with an overview of important immigration regulations: https://global.upenn.edu/iss/students#enrollment</p>
10	Travel Advisories	<p>For the latest advice for travel to the USA from Singapore's Ministry of Foreign Affairs, please refer here: https://www.mfa.gov.sg/countries-regions/u/united-states/travel-page</p>
11	Student Insurance	<p>NUS students embarking on a university-endorsed overseas programme are covered under NUS Travel Insurance. For more information on the coverage, please refer here: https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</p> <p>Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their summer programme.</p> <p>Access to Penn's Student Health Services on campus is included in your programme fee. Although it is not required, we do recommend that you also have comprehensive health insurance that covers emergency treatment.</p>
12	Contact Information	<p>Questions about the programme? Contact the host university at: Ms Lisa Taglang, Associate Director of International Programs: psgi-info@sas.upenn.edu Penn Summer Global Institute:</p>

	<p>https://summer.sas.upenn.edu/programs/international-students/psgi</p> <p>Questions about course mapping? Please contact your faculty SEP coordinator. Questions specific to NUS GRO? Contact us at global@nus.edu.sg.</p>
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Info correct as of 3 Jan 2025. Please check the Penn Summer Global Institute links for the most up-to-date info.