## Information for Students on Exchange

### A. University

**The Hebrew University of Jerusalem**

University: [http://new.huji.ac.il/en](http://new.huji.ac.il/en)


*The Student Exchange Programme operates in conjunction with the Rothberg International School (RIS) at the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. A wide variety of undergraduate modules (lectures, exercises and seminars) are taught in English at RIS.

### B. Country

Israel

### C. Academics

#### i) Module Mapping & Credits

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**: Mid-October to early February  
**Semester 2**: Mid-March to early July

*RIS Undergraduate University*

*Please note that there is a difference in the academic calendar of RIS Undergraduate programmes and the University academic calendar. Undergraduates should take into consideration that, if they wish to take courses both at RIS and at faculties, their semester might be extended for an additional month.

#### iii) Exchange Duration

Students are **recommended to go for Semester 2** exchange due to severe calendar overlap.

#### iv) Examination

Please take note that examination in Semester 1 starts from late December. NUS students are expected to stay and complete the examination in late January if they are going to HUJI.

**Earlier assessment at Hebrew University of Jerusalem (HUJI) is neither to be expected nor demanded while at HUJI.**
| v) Curriculum Structure | The normal workload for a full time student is approximately 40 HUJI credits per academic year or 20 credits per semester. HUJI credit calculation is based on frontal lecture hours in the semester.  
1 HUJI credit = 1 semester hour of frontal study  
HUJI has not adopted the ECTS credit system. However, HUJI credits can be translated into ECTS as follows:  
0.66 HUJI credits = 1 ECTS  
Please refer to HUJI’s grading system [here](#). |
| vi) Entry Requirements | (a) Be a student of good standing at NUS with:  
(i) A minimum NUS CAP score of 3.0 out of 5.0 or a minimum ‘B’ average grade or 70% average marks or ranking in the top one-third of the class;  
(ii) no single grade below ‘C’;  
(b) Show the aptitude, motivation and maturity, to thrive in the environment at the host university |
| vii) Language Proficiency Requirements | NUS students should display a suitable level of competence in English. English is the language of instructions at HUJI’s RIS. Exchange students applying for undergraduate modules should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term.  
Students who wish to read module in Hebrew will need to meet Hebrew Language requirements advised by the partner university and may be required to sit for a placement exam. |
| viii) Modules Compatibility | Students must check the prerequisites of each course and make sure that the specific admission requirements are fulfilled. In addition, the allocation of courses is also based on availability and timetable in the respective semester.  
The list of courses available for exchange students are as follows:  
- University faculty courses (English)  
- University faculty courses (Hebrew)  
- RIS Undergraduate (English)  
https://international.huji.ac.il/book/exchange-programs  
Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines |
| FASS          | Arabic  
|              | Archaeology  
|              | Economics (limited)  
|              | Gender studies  
|              | Literature  
|              | History  
|              | International Relations  
|              | Philosophy  
|              | Political Science  
|              | Psychology  
|              | Religious Studies  
|              | Sociology  
| FoS          | Neuroscience (limited)  
| BiZ          | Will need to be nominated through the Faculty-level Student Exchange Programme Agreement specific to NUS Business School.  
| FoL          | Will need to be nominated through the Faculty-level Student Exchange Programme specific to NUS Law School.  

ix) **Module restrictions**  
Postgraduate modules are not open to undergraduate exchange students. Most of the courses in the faculty level programmes are open to exchange students, pending availability. Participation in some courses requires approval from the department in which the student wishes to study. The Faculty of Social Sciences accepts exchange students only for electives.

D. **Application**  

i) **Procedures**  
Nominated students will be sent applications and materials directly from HUJI’s International Office. For general admissions requirements, please refer to the following link.

https://overseas.huji.ac.il/academics/undergraduate-programs/exchange-students/  

For more information on the application process, please refer to the following link.

https://overseas.huji.ac.il/?pg=searchcase&categoryid=171
### ii) Deadlines

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 online application to the host university on time will result your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

Online application to HUJI is to be submitted **1 June** for semester 1 and **30 November** for semester 2 exchange application.

### E. Accommodations

#### i) University Accommodation

Housing is available at HUJI but is not guaranteed. Incoming students are mainly accommodated in student housing complexes on Mount Scopus, overlooking the incredible panorama of Jerusalem. Students are usually housed in apartments with single bedrooms. The bedrooms contain a bed, desk, chair and closet. Kitchen and bathroom facilities are shared. Internet access is available for an additional fee.

Students must supply their own bedroom linens and blankets, dishes and cooking utensils. There is no meal plan, but the kitchens are equipped with stove burners and refrigerators for preparing light meals and snacks. Moderately priced kosher cafeterias and snack bars, as well as small supermarkets, can be found in or near each student housing complex. Laundry facilities are also available.

More information is available online [here](#).

### F. Visa

#### Consular/Visa Regulation

All students must obtain a MULTIPLE ENTRY A/2 STUDENT VISA prior to their arrival to Israel through the closest Israeli Embassy or Consulate.

Students will be required to present their acceptance letter from the Rothberg International School to the Israeli Embassy or Consulate as part of their visa application. Please check with your local Israeli Embassy or Consulate as per what additional documentation is required and what the expected processing time is for visas, as this may vary from country to country.

**Embassy of Israel in Singapore**

[https://embassies.gov.il/singapore/Pages/default.aspx](https://embassies.gov.il/singapore/Pages/default.aspx)
This visa is issued for the duration of study. Students in one-year programs or longer are advised to obtain the visa as close to their date of departure as possible, since a visa is only issued for a maximum of 12 months.

The student’s passport must be valid for the full period of the visa.

Students who arrive to Israel without an A/2 student visa may be required by the Israeli authorities to leave the country in order to obtain the correct visa.

More information is available online here.

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 the following link: https://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html

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

For more information on HUJI’s Health Insurance Plan, refer to the link below: https://overseas.huji.ac.il/student-life/health-safety/

Students must submit a Health Insurance Waiver Form if they wish to opt out of HUJI’s Insurance Plan, in view of NUS’ Blanket Travel Insurance.

ii) Emergency Number at host University

Campus Emergency Contact Number: +972 2 5880218

H. Cost of Living

i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

While costs may vary according to your spending habits, you can find a useful list of the typical costs of living in Jerusalem here.

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