

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Information for Students on Exchange

<p><b>A. University</b></p>	<p>Osaka University</p> <p><a href="http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en">http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en</a></p>
<p><b>B. Country</b></p>	<p>Osaka, Japan</p>
<p><b>C. Academics</b></p>	
<p><b>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</b></p>	<p>Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange.</p> <p>After you have accepted the SEP offer from your faculty, you will be able to access the module mapping worksheet on myEduRec. You are encouraged to map some spare modules in the event that your preferred modules are not offered in that semester, unavailable or cancelled. Module mapping request is subjected to approval from the Faculties. Please ensure that your module mappings are approved by the relevant departments in NUS before you depart for the exchange.</p> <p>Do note that 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 university while you are preparing your Study Plan.</p> <p><a href="#">Click here</a> for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping.</p>
<p><b>ii) Academic Calendar</b></p>	<p><b>Semester 1:</b> Early April to Mid-August;</p> <p><b>Semester 2:</b> End September to Early February</p> <p><a href="http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/campus/calendar.html">http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/campus/calendar.html</a></p>
<p><b>iii) Exchange Duration</b></p>	<p>One semester</p>
<p><b>iv) Examination</b></p>	<p>Students are expected to attend all mandatory examinations at the host university.</p>
<p><b>v) Curriculum Structure</b></p>	<p>Osaka U offers the following programs to exchange students:</p> <p>Osaka University Short-term Student Exchange Program (OUSSEP)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A full- or half-year program designed for exchange students in the 2nd or 3rd year of study. Students take special academic lectures taught in English called "International Exchange Subjects."</li> </ul>

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	<p>FrontierLab@OsakaU</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• This is a research oriented program where students will be placed in laboratories of the following schools: Science, Engineering Science, Engineering, Information Science and Technology, or one of their departmental schools for a period of 5 to 12 months. Students can also take international exchange subjects, Japanese language and other related subjects if they wish to.</li> <li>• This program was created for international students to conduct thematic studies and achieve results under the guidance of the academics while acquiring skills necessary for continuing research in one of Osaka University's internationally renowned science and technology laboratories.</li> </ul> <p>Maple Program</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Maple Program is a one-year program, designed by the <a href="#">Center for Japanese Language and Culture</a> (CJLC) to help students improve their Japanese language skills and enhance their knowledge of Japanese culture and society. Students need to obtain JLPT Level N4 to be eligible for this program.</li> </ul> <p>Immersion Exchange Program Osaka (iExPO)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Students can enrol for classes or conduct research under the guidance of a supervisor in Osaka U. International students in this program are required to have a good level of fluency in Japanese language in order to take classes for regular students which are conducted in Japanese.</li> </ul> <p>Course information:  <a href="http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program">http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program</a>  <a href="http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/eng_course">http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program/eng_course</a></p>
<p><b>vi) Entry Requirements</b></p>	<p>Completed at least one year of study at NUS upon application with host university. Minimum CAP of 3.5 out of 5.0 and no grade below C.</p> <p>Check <a href="#">here</a> for other eligibility criteria.</p>
<p><b>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</b></p>	<p>Japanese language proficiency is not required for OUSSEP and FrontierLab. However, it is recommended that students have basic Japanese language knowledge. JLPT N1 or N2 is required for iExPO Japanese-based program; N3-N4 for Maple program</p> <p>The medium of instruction for classes is Japanese.</p>

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	Generally, JLPT Level 1 or N1 is required for courses conducted in Japanese.
<b>viii) Faculties &amp; Schools accepting exchange students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Economics</li> <li>• Engineering</li> <li>• Engineering Science</li> <li>• Foreign Studies</li> <li>• Human Sciences</li> <li>• Letters</li> <li>• Pharmaceutical Sciences</li> <li>• Science</li> <li>• Center for Education in Liberal Arts and Sciences</li> </ul>
<b>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</b>	<a href="http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program">http://www.osaka-u.ac.jp/en/international/inbound/exchange_program</a>
<b>D. Application</b>	
<b>i) Procedures</b>	<p>Students may apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty's announcement regarding the application period.</p> <p>Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.</p>
<b>ii) Deadlines</b>	<p>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</p> <p>Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.</p>
<b>E. Accommodations</b>	
<b>i) University Accommodation</b>	<p>Exchange students will be housed in the university housing. Due to lack of housing in Osaka, students may not be placed in the dormitory of their choice.</p> <p>Dormitory fees are about JP¥20,000 – JP¥40,000 per month, including electricity, gas, and water fees, come to about. Exchange student dormitories at Osaka University contain no dining facilities.</p>

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	<p>Applications for housing will be accepted through the exchange program application webpage simultaneously with the confirmation of intent to enter the university after acceptance into the exchange program.</p> <p>For more information about accommodation, please refer to <a href="https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/housing/">https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/housing/</a></p>
<p><b>F. Visa</b></p>	
<p><b>Consular/Visa Regulation</b></p>	<p>Upon acceptance, Osaka U will apply for a Certificate of Eligibility on your behalf with the Japanese Ministry of Justice, and send it to you when issued. The certificate is required for you to apply for a study visa. Exchange students must obtain a “College Student” visa for the duration of their study in Japan. Please visit the Japan Embassy website for the required supporting documents for your visa application.</p> <p>All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.</p> <p>For more information on visa applications, please refer to <a href="https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/visa/">https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/visa/</a></p> <p><a href="http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html">http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html</a></p>
<p><b>G. Safety, Health &amp; Medical Insurance</b></p>	
<p><b>i) Health/Medical Insurance</b></p>	<p>All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information, please refer to <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a></p> <p>Foreign nationals living in Japan for more than three months are required to join the National Health Insurance.</p> <p>In addition, it is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside Japan. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students can purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.</p> <p>For more information on health and insurance, please refer to <a href="https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/living/medical/">https://iss-intl.osaka-u.ac.jp/supportoffice/eng/living/medical/</a></p>

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<p><b>ii) Emergency Number at host university</b></p>	<p>+81-66-879-4026 ext. 9538</p>																	
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