

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Information for Students applying for Exchange

A. University	The University of Edinburgh http://www.ed.ac.uk/global/study-abroad
B. Country	United Kingdom
C. Academics	
i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	<p>Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home Faculty before the exchange.</p> <p>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.</p>
ii) Academic Calendar	<p>Semester 1: Early September to Late December Semester 2: Mid-January to Late May</p> <p>https://www.ed.ac.uk/global/study-abroad/diary</p>
iii) Compulsory Attendance	<p>All visiting students must attend and engage fully in the classes that they are enrolled in at The University of Edinburgh. If you consistently fail to attend or engage with your studies, the issue will be escalated within your College and may result in your termination from the exchange.</p> <p>Students will be encouraged to speak with their Personal Tutor or the Student Support team in their school if they are experiencing difficulties (i.e. academic, personal, health).</p>
iv) Exchange Duration	Semester-based exchange is recommended. There are no overlapping semesters.
v) Examination	You <u>have to</u> finish the examinations at the host university before returning back to NUS.
vi) Curriculum Structure	<p>Majority of the semester-based courses are worth 20 credits each. Full-year courses are worth 40 credits each.</p> <p>Usually 60 credits per semester with typically three 20 credits each. Range of 50 to 70 credits per semester is allowed only if you are required to take a particular course the only option being of 10 credits. Strictly no overloading above 70 credits per semester and under loading below 50 credits per semester.</p>

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vii) Entry Requirements	<p>You should:</p> <p>(a) Be registered as a full-time, degree-seeking undergraduate student of NUS</p> <p>(b) Have successfully completed at least:</p> <p>(i) one (1) semester of study at the NUS upon application for the Exchange Programme; and</p> <p>(ii) two (2) semesters of study upon admission to the host university</p> <p>(c) Be a student of good standing at NUS with:</p> <p>(i) a minimum 'B' average grade or;</p> <p>(ii) a NUS CAP of 3.75 over a 5.0 scale or;</p> <p>(iii) a GPA of 3.0 over a 4.0 scale</p> <p>(d) Show the aptitude, motivation and maturity, to thrive in the environment at the host university</p>
viii) Language Proficiency Requirements	<p>Applicants from the National University of Singapore are no longer required to demonstrate their English language competence for admissions purposes, course enrolments or visa application. The University of Edinburgh trust that selected students meet the required English language proficiency level.</p> <p>Please note the above information is subject to change.</p>
ix) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biological Sciences • Biomedical Sciences • Business School • Chemistry • Divinity • Economics • Engineering • Geosciences • History • Classics and Archaeology • Health in Social Science • Informatics • Law • Literatures • Languages and Cultures • Mathematics • Philosophy • Psychology and Language Sciences • Physics and Astronomy • Social and Political Science

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	Some subject areas are popular and have limited availability. Please see here for more information.
x) Module Compatibility	<p>Courses available for exchange students can be found in this web: http://www.ed.ac.uk/study-abroad/course. Courses available are subject to change.</p> <p>Students must meet all required prerequisites as stated in the course finder. Please take note of the module restrictions and pre-requisites.</p> <p>If you need more information about a certain course, please submit your question at http://www.ed.ac.uk/study-abroad/contacts.</p>
xi) Module restrictions and pre-requisites	<p>Honours courses (or third year classes) <u>with limited places</u>. There is no guarantee places for these popular courses.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Popular subject areas and limited availability courses: www.ed.ac.uk/global/study-abroad/courses-credits • Medicine and Studio based classes such as Architecture, Landscape Architecture and Art and Design are not available. • Please read the academic guide provided by The University of Edinburgh College of Humanities and Social Science • If you have to make changes to the course list after you have submitted your application to Edinburgh, you have to fill in Edinburgh's online enquiry form: http://www.ed.ac.uk/studying/visiting-exchange/studyabroad-enquiry-form <p>Postgraduate modules are <u>not</u> open to undergraduate exchange students.</p>
D. Application	
i) Procedures	<p>NUS Registrar's Office will consolidate the nominations from NUS Faculties and Schools before submitting to The University of Edinburgh.</p> <p>Only students nominated by NUS will receive an invitation email from Edinburgh to apply via Edinburgh's online application system with access to the latest application guide.</p> <p>Edinburgh's past year application procedures can be found at http://www.ed.ac.uk/study-abroad/how-to-apply</p> <p>Students are encouraged to upload the following supporting documents:</p> <p>Nominated international exchange students are not required to submit a reference at the time of application. However, both College Visiting</p>

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<p>iii) Deadlines</p>	<p>All NUS students 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 in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.</p>
<p>E. Accommodations</p>	
<p>i) University Accommodation</p>	<p>Students must have accepted an unconditional offer to study at <u>The University of Edinburgh</u> before they can apply for accommodation. Exchange students are guaranteed accommodation if their application is submitted on time. However, preferred room type cannot be guaranteed.</p> <p>You should regularly check your University of Edinburgh email account after you have applied for Edinburgh’s accommodation.</p> <p>For more information about the criteria, please visit: https://www.ed.ac.uk/global/study-abroad/living-edinburgh/accommodation</p>

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<p>ii) Private Accommodation</p>	<p>If you need to look for accommodation in the Private Sector, please take note that there are various scams operating in the Private Sector. Therefore, please take note of the advice and guidance found here: http://www.accom.ed.ac.uk/for-students/private-housing/</p>
<p>F. Visa</p>	
<p>Consular/Visa Regulation</p>	<p>UK Visa and Immigration updates their immigration policy regularly. It is the student’s responsibility to check on the requirements via their website before they leave for the exchange.</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration</p> <p>For latest information on border control please see:</p> <p>https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control</p> <p><u>Standard Visitor Visa for Semester Exchange</u></p> <p>If you are a Singapore citizen or a citizen of another country on the UK non-visa nationals list, and if your course of studies is less than 6 months, you will request entry to the UK as a Standard Visitor when you arrive.</p> <p>Singapore citizens do not normally need to meet with a Border Force agent, and will be able to enter the UK through E-gates. The E-gates will automatically grant you permission to stay in the UK for up to 6 months.</p> <p>You will not receive a stamp on your passport thus it is important that you retain evidence of when you entered the UK. Hence, please keep your boarding pass or evidence of your flight itinerary.</p> <p>Please refer here for more details on the Standard Visitor Visa.</p> <p><u>Student Visa for Full-Year Exchange</u></p> <p>You need a Student Visa for a full-year exchange in Edinburgh.</p> <p>For more details on visa application, read the information available here.</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. Some visa application processes can take up to 2 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.</p> <p>Edinburgh’s information on Visa and Immigration can be found here:</p> <p>https://www.ed.ac.uk/student-administration/immigration</p>

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G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance	
i) Health/Medical Insurance	<p>Students who are on exchange in UK for less than six months are not entitled to subsidised NHS treatment. Therefore, semester-based exchange students are encouraged to purchase additional insurance to cover medical costs, hospitalisation expenses and emergency evacuation costs which might be incurred while they are on exchange.</p> <p>All registered NUS students are covered under the group personal accident and medical insurance as well as the student travel insurance. For more information on the insurance coverage, please refer to https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/.</p> <p>If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.</p>
ii) Emergency Numbers at host university	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • +44 (0)131 651 5086 (Study Abroad Team, office hours) • +44 (0) 131 650 2257 (University of Edinburgh Security)
H. Cost of Living	
Estimated Monthly Living Expenses	Detailed breakdown of living costs is available at http://www.ed.ac.uk/studying/international/finance/cost-of-living
I. Useful Information	
COVID-19 Updates	https://www.ed.ac.uk/news/covid-19

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