

**Information for Students**

<b>A. University</b>	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> <i>(commonly known as Georgia Tech, GA Tech or simply Tech)</i>  <a href="http://www.gatech.edu">http://www.gatech.edu</a>   <a href="https://oie.gatech.edu/accordion-exchange-student-application">https://oie.gatech.edu/accordion-exchange-student-application</a> (scroll down for info on the exchange)
<b>B. Location</b>	Atlanta, Georgia, USA
<b>C. Academics</b>	
<b>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</b>	Please ensure your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home School or Faculty before the exchange.  Modules approved in the past may not be offered by the host university or approved by your Faculty when it is time for your SEP. Please check the latest course offerings at the host university while you develop your Study Plan.
<b>ii) Academic Calendar</b>	<b>Semester 1 (Fall):</b> August to December <b>Semester 2 (Spring):</b> January to May  <a href="http://www.registrar.gatech.edu/calendar/">http://www.registrar.gatech.edu/calendar/</a>
<b>iii) Exchange Duration</b>	One semester
<b>iv) Examination</b>	Students should check the exam timetable at their host university, and ensure they can stay at their host university until after the end of the official exam period.
<b>v) Curriculum Structure</b>	
<b>vi) Entry Requirements</b>	CAP of 3.5 out of 5.0 with no grade below C
<b>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</b>	English
<b>viii) Modules Compatibility</b>	When applying to GA Tech, you will be asked to visit <a href="#">OSCAR</a> , GT's Course Catalogue and look through to find courses that you are interested in taking. Courses for your term of study may not yet be listed, but look through previous terms to get an idea (the catalogue is subject to change). We recommend that you find 8-10 courses that you'd like to take at Georgia Tech; sometimes courses fill up and you won't necessarily get your first choice(s).

	<p>Georgia Tech exchange students must take least 50% of total courses in the major they select in their application. Beyond this minimum, you are free to take any courses you want at Georgia Tech as long as you:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Your home school or faculty Dean’s Office approves it, and</li> <li>• You are academically prepared for the class (i.e. you have met any pre-requisites)</li> </ul> <p>In general, GA Tech is a good fit for <b>FASS, FoS, FoE</b> and <b>SoC</b> students.</p>
<p><b>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</b></p>	<p>If you are admitted to GT as an undergraduate student, you must have specific permission to take graduate level courses.</p>
<p><b>D. Application</b></p>	
<p><b>i) Procedures</b></p>	<p>All NUS students have to be nominated by NUS before they can apply for a fee-waiver exchange at the host university. The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in the SharePoint. Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean’s Office for the link to the SharePoint.</p> <p>Georgia Tech’s Exchange Application consists of 3 parts. All application items must be received by the appropriate deadline.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. OIE Application Instruction Email</b></li> <p>Students will receive an email from OIE with specific instructions on the application process, and items required for the J-1 visa.</p> <li><b>2. GT Transient Student Application</b></li> <p>Submitted online, this link will be sent directly to nominee.</p> <li><b>3. Original Documents Submitted Electronically</b></li> <p>Students must request the following documents be sent directly from their home university:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Official Transcript (in English)</li> <li>- GT Incoming Exchange Permission Form</li> <li>- Students must request the following test score reports be sent directly from the testing agency:</li> <li>- English Proficiency Certification: TOEFL (minimum ibt 95) or IELTS (minimum 7.0). Note that a TOEFL/IELTS score reports is valid for 2 years.</li> </ul> <p>Institute Code for TOEFL – 5248</p> </ol>

<p><b>ii) Deadlines</b></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 by the stipulated deadline, may result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.</p>
<p><b>E. Accommodation</b></p>	
<p><b>i) University Accommodation</b></p>	<p>Georgia Tech and the surrounding Atlanta neighbourhoods offer a wide variety of housing options to suit most preferences. Many Exchange students want a more standard US college experience and therefore choose to live on-campus. Others want prefer a bit more freedom and ease of living among Atlantans rather than students 24/7. Whichever you think is best for you, please keep the following information in mind as you prepare to study at Georgia Tech.</p> <p><b>On-Campus</b></p> <p>Exchange students must be formally admitted to Georgia Tech before you can apply to live on campus. This means completing all of the requirements (all 3 steps) of the application process. <i>If you think you want to live on campus, please complete your application as early as possible.</i> On-campus housing does fill up, and we want every student who wants to live on campus to have that opportunity. Georgia Tech cannot guarantee on campus housing to all applicants.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Undergraduate Students:</b> With the exception of the I-House (see below), Full Academic Year exchange students who would like to live on-campus can apply for on-campus housing via <a href="http://housing.gatech.edu">housing.gatech.edu</a> after they have been admitted. On-Campus housing is not guaranteed. Students studying for only the Fall semester are not eligible for on-campus housing (other than iHouse).</li> </ul> <p><i>Please be aware that on-campus housing is not guaranteed. Some students who wish to live on-campus may find that there is no space available.</i></p> <p><b>I-House</b></p> <p>The I-House is an international-themed dorm on campus that is about 50% exchange students and 50% current GT students who have recently returned from a study abroad experience. A Think Big program, the I-House offers a very diverse experience and opportunity to learn about many different cultures. The I-House is open to undergraduate exchange students, but spaces are <i>not guaranteed</i> to all applicants. The application process is significantly different for the I-House than for other dorms.</p>

	<p>There are 2 steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Go to the I-House main page (<a href="https://ihouse.gatech.edu/">https://ihouse.gatech.edu/</a>) and submit an application when the system is open for your semester. There are 2 different links: 1 for current GT students and 1 for exchange students. Be sure to click the exchange student link, and to do this as soon as you begin your application, but no later than the deadline on the site.</li> </ol> <p>After the deadline passes, I-House spaces will be assigned. Those given spaces will be directed to make an application to GT Housing. Those not given spaces will be instructed of their other options.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2. If given a space, you will go to the <a href="#">GT Housing website</a> and register for housing. This is the part that you can only do after admitted to Georgia Tech.</li> </ol> <p><b>Off-Campus</b> Please <a href="#">click here</a> for a few tips on finding off-campus housing.</p>
<p><b>F. Visa</b></p>	
<p><b>Consular/Visa Regulation</b></p>	<p>Once accepted into the Exchange Program, Georgia Tech’s Office of International Education (OIE) will email the student with a link to the DS-2019 Information e-form requesting the following documents:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Copy of Passport (biographical page)</li> <li>• Financial Documentation</li> </ul> <p>Georgia Tech will then issue and mail the DS-2019 form according to the preference indicated in the nomination form. Student must then:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pay I-901 SEVIS fee at <a href="http://fmjfee.com">fmjfee.com</a></li> <li>• Apply for a J-1 Visa</li> <li>• Please visit <a href="http://travel.state.gov">travel.state.gov</a> and <a href="http://j1visa.state.gov">j1visa.state.gov</a> for visa application information.</li> </ul> <p><b>Please note: Visas can take several weeks to process. Students should apply for the J-1 Visa as soon as possible.</b></p> <p>When traveling to the United States, student’s passport must be valid at least 6 months into the future.</p> <p>For more information, please refer here: <a href="https://oie.gatech.edu/content/international-student-scholar-services">https://oie.gatech.edu/content/international-student-scholar-services</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 on the</p>

	<p>blanket travel insurance, please refer to the following link:  <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a></p> <p>Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their exchange semester.</p> <p>In addition, students will be required to enrol in the compulsory health insurance policy or scheme at their SEP host university.</p> <p><b><i>For GA Tech, J-1 students are required by US law to have adequate health insurance during their entire stay in the United States. You can find the requirements <a href="#">here</a>. As a GT student, you will be automatically enrolled in the GT Student Blue insurance (and charged for it- see the Costs tab for amounts) once you register for your courses. GT insurance meets the minimum J-1 requirements.</i></b></p> <p><b><i>If you already have insurance, you may request a waiver of the GT insurance. Please understand that this will be a request, and the Office of International Education does not have any influence over the decision. If you have equivalent or greater coverage, please bring an official summary of your benefits (in English) to campus with you.</i></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b><i>To request the waiver, you'll have to upload the summary of your benefits. You will still be charged (and expected to pay) for the GT insurance. If your waiver is approved, the GT insurance fee will be credited back to your account.</i></b></li> </ul> <p><b><i>Immunizations and Health Insurance: After you're admitted, you will receive information about the immunizations that are required of all GT Students. The GT Health department manages the immunization requirements on campus. Please see <a href="#">their website</a>, as there is an FAQ and an email address for questions. The immunization upload site occasionally goes down. If it does and prevents you from submitting your documents, please don't worry. You will not face consequences if your immunizations are not submitted on time because of GT technical difficulties. The Office of International Education is not able to answer specific questions about the immunization requirements.</i></b></p>
<p>ii) Emergency info</p>	<p>For emergency contact information, please refer to the following link:  <a href="http://police.gatech.edu/campus-security-authorities">http://police.gatech.edu/campus-security-authorities</a></p>
<p><b>H. Cost of Living</b></p>	
<p>i) Estimated Monthly Expenses</p>	<p>Please refer to this webpage - <a href="https://oie.gatech.edu/accordion-exchange-student-application">https://oie.gatech.edu/accordion-exchange-student-application</a> - and scroll down to the <b>Costs associated with GT Exchange</b> tab for more information on the cost of an exchange at GA Tech.</p>