

Information for Students

A. University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill http://www.unc.edu/ https://studyabroad.unc.edu/incoming-exchange/
B. Location	Chapel Hill, North Carolina, USA
C. Academics	
i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	<p>Please ensure your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home School or Faculty before the exchange.</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Logistics are handled on a Faculty-exchange basis with the following NUS Faculties and Schools: NUS Business School, Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences, Faculty of Science, University Scholars Programme, and School of Computing. If you have any questions, please ask the advisors at your home School or Faculty's Dean's Office.</p>
ii) Academic Calendar	<p>Semester 1 (Fall): August to December Semester 2 (Spring): January to May</p> <p>http://registrar.unc.edu/academic-calendar/</p>
iii) Exchange Duration	One semester
iv) Examination	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.
v) Curriculum Structure	The minimum course load for undergraduates for a single semester is 12 academic credit hours (one hour physical education activities do not count towards academic hours).
vi) Entry Requirements	CAP of 3.5 out of 5.0 with no grade below C
vii) Language Proficiency Requirements	English
viii) Modules Compatibility	<p>UNC-CH is a good fit for BIZ, FASS, FoS, SoC and USP students. For more information, please refer to the following links:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Business: UNC Kenan-Flagler Business School • FASS & FoS: College of Arts & Science

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SoC: Department of Computer Science • USP: Honors Carolina <p>To find specific courses, please refer to the following link: https://registrar.unc.edu/courses/schedule-of-classes/</p> <p>For more information on academics at UNC, please refer here: https://studyabroad.unc.edu/incoming-exchange/academics-2/</p>
<p>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</p>	<p>Please check with your home School or Faculty's Dean's Office.</p>
<p>D. Application</p>	
<p>i) Procedures</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>Students will receive an email with a link to the UNC application once they have been nominated by NUS.</p> <p>Applications are online and consist of multiple components tailored to your specific programme. Follow the instructions carefully to ensure your application is complete. Each application component is listed on your account page. Be sure to follow all instructions carefully, as there may be required follow-up steps.</p> <p>Below is a list of items required for most, if not all, programme applications. Some applications require additional items not listed here. <i>Each item has more instructions on the application.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Students Rights & Responsibilities and UNC Honor Code: These items discuss important UNC rules, regulations, and policies you are required to follow as part of your program at UNC. • English Language Proficiency: If English is not your native language, you will need to provide copies of your scores on the TOEFL iBT, APIEL, or IELTS tests. *Should be waived as an NUS student* • Essay: Respond to the prompt(s) to tell UNC about your plans to study in Chapel Hill. • Transcript: Upload a copy of your official NUS transcript.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • (GVSP only) Letter of Reference: Applicants to the GVSP must submit two letters of reference on official university letterhead from instructors or professors who are familiar with your academic work. <p>When you finish all required items, click Submit Application. Please complete all requirements before the deadline to be considered.</p> <p>For more information, please refer here:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Applicant requirements <p><i>Please note: No items need to be physically mailed to the UNC Study Abroad Office. All required items are submitted in this system.</i></p> <p>Application Review and Notification</p> <p>All UNC applications will be reviewed after the deadline and acceptance decisions will be communicated via email within two weeks following the application deadline. After receiving your decision, you will be asked to indicate commitment to the program within your UNC Study Abroad application portal.</p>
<p>ii) 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 by the stipulated deadline, may result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange. For more information on UNC's deadlines, please refer here:</p> <p>Dates and deadlines</p>
<p>E. Accommodation</p>	
<p>i) University Accommodation</p>	<p>On-Campus Housing: International students can select from the 31 campus residence halls. Double occupancy rooms are the only option. Apartment style housing is limited. Click here for additional housing information.</p> <p>Off-Campus Housing: International students can reside in off campus housing. You would be responsible for identifying the type of housing and make the necessary arrangements.</p> <p>Meals: Students are not required to purchase a campus meal plan, but it is strongly recommended. Several meal plan options are available that can meet a student's dining habits. Click here for details and description of the various meal plan options.</p> <p>For more information on campus life, please refer here: https://studyabroad.unc.edu/incoming-exchange/chapel-hill-life/</p>

F. Visa

Consular/Visa Regulation

International exchange students will apply for an F1 visa. This visa will allow you to enter the US 30 days prior to the program start date listed on your I-20 form and depart the US 60 days after the program end date listed on your I-20 form. You will submit the required visa documents to UNC Chapel Hill for review and approval. The processing time can take 2-4 weeks. Upon approval, the I-20 form will be sent to you. This form is required to schedule the visa appointment. It is important that you submit the required visa documents in a timely manner to avoid delay in receiving the I-20 form. This process will begin **post acceptance**.

Before leaving your country, confirm that your passport and visa are still valid for entry into the United States. Your passport should be valid for at least six months beyond the date of your expected stay.

Additional information can be found on the U.S. State Department's [Study & Exchange website](#).

[U.S. Embassies, Consulates, and Diplomatic Missions](#)

[UNC Office of International Students & Scholar Services \(ISSS\)](#)

G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to the following link:
<https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/>

Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their exchange semester.

In addition, students will be required to enrol in the compulsory health insurance policy or scheme at their SEP host university.

Health Insurance (UNC-CH advice)

All students are required to have health insurance coverage. International students can enroll in the university insurance program, Student Blue. Exchange students can waive out the Student Blue insurance and substitute it for a preferred insurance. All preferred insurance policies meet the following requirements to be considered and approved:

- **Minimum total benefit/coverage of \$100,000 (USD) per accident or illness**
- **Plan deductible of no more than \$500 (USD)**
- **Minimum of \$50,000 (USD) for medical evacuation**

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum of \$25,000 (USD) for repatriation • Policy must be active for the entire duration of the academic semester <p>Students cannot start the process of waiving out of the mandatory insurance until after acceptance to the exchange program. More details about the specific waiver process will be provided post-acceptance.</p> <p>Medical Care</p> <p>International students at UNC are eligible to use the university's Campus Health Service (CHS), which can provide care for minor illnesses and accidents, immunizations, injections, and other medical services. For specialized treatment, students are referred to medical specialists in the community. Click here for more information about CHS, including services available, hours of operation, and important phone numbers.</p>
<p>ii) Emergency Number at host university</p>	<p>For emergency contact information, please refer to the following link: https://safe.unc.edu/</p>
<p>i) Cost of Living</p>	
<p>i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</p>	<p>Please refer to the following link for an estimated cost of living at UNC: http://studentaid.unc.edu/cost-of-attendance/undergraduate/ (Tuition fees are waived for exchange students)</p>

Information correct as of July 2021. Please refer to the UNC links for the most up-to-date information.