

**Termination of Subsidies for edX Online Courses under
Design Your Own Course (DYOC) with effect from AY2024/25**

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)

1. Why will students no longer be able to gain DYOC course units through edX online courses from AY2025/26?

This is due to the change in the status of edX from a non-profit to a for-profit organisation operated by 2U.

Nevertheless, the options of pursuing DYOC through AI For Industry (AI4I)® online courses, or creating your own courses through group work with supervision will continue to be available.

2. Why will reimbursement for edX courses no longer be available from AY2024/25, and credit transfers for edX courses no longer be available from AY2025/26?

This is to ensure that the non-availability of reimbursement and credit transfers for edX courses is implemented in phases, in order to reduce any adverse impact on students' study plans as a result, and provide students with more time to make the necessary adjustments to your study plans.

3. When is the last date that I can submit my DYOC application, to be eligible for reimbursement for an edX course?

The last date that any student can submit a DYOC application, to be eligible for reimbursement for a completed edX course, is the last day of the examination period for AY2023/24 Special Term Part 2, i.e., Saturday 3 August 2024, 2359 hours.

You must have successfully completed the edX course and obtained the verified certificate for the course by the time of application.

For details on how to read an edX course via the DYOC scheme and submit a DYOC application, please refer to the DYOC main page at <https://www.nus.edu.sg/registrar/academic-information-policies/undergraduate-students/design-your-own-course>.

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5. What should I do if I was intending to use edX course(s) to fulfil my graduation requirement?

You should select alternative courses offered by NUS to fulfil your graduation requirement, or complete the edX course(s) and submit your DYOC application(s) for credit transfer and reimbursement by 3 August 2024, or thereafter submit your DYOC application(s) for credit transfer only by 2 August 2025.

6. I intend to read “CS50’s Introduction to Computer Science” edX course to fulfil my Computational Thinking (CT) or Digital Literacy (GEI) requirement. Will I still be able to do so?

You can make use of CS50’s Introduction to Computer Science to:

- (a) fulfil your Computational Thinking requirement if you are a Chemistry, Food Science & Technology, Life Sciences, Pharmaceutical Sciences and Physics major from intake cohort AY2020/21 and before, or a Pharmacy major from cohort AY2018/19 to AY2020/21, or to
- (b) fulfil your Digital Literacy requirement if you are a Pharmacy major from cohort AY2021/22 to AY2022/23.

You will need to complete the CS50’s edX course, obtain the verified certificate and submit the DYOC application for credit transfer and reimbursement by 3 August 2024, or thereafter submit the DYOC application for credit transfer only by 2 August 2025. The verified certificate for CS50’s series of edX courses by Harvard University (including Introduction to Computer Science) will only be issued one month after you complete the course. Hence, if you intend to read any CS50’s edX course, please complete the course at least one month before the DYOC application deadline.

Otherwise, you will need to read an alternative NUS course to fulfil your CT or GEI requirement. For the complete list of alternative NUS courses available, please refer to the Faculty of Science website at <https://www.science.nus.edu.sg/undergraduates/general-academic-requirements-and-policies/>. You can check in with the Faculty of Science via the MS Form at https://forms.office.com/pages/responsepage.aspx?id=Xu-IWwKxd06Fvc_rDTR-gttQ_HmefxZlhC64GuniTyZURjFPRkFETEZYtjM0Q1pNMVpUTVpUWExFNyQIQCN0PWcu&web=1&wdLOR=c1F87F5A5-B6D2-4272-B32A-D758DC6591BE (category: CURR) if you have any further queries.

7. What should I do if I complete an edX course while I am on Leave of Absence in AY2023/24 Semester 2, and I will only resume my studies in AY2024/25 Semester 1?

You should submit a DYOC application with your verified certificate for the course by 3 August 2024, and we will process the credit transfer and reimbursement in the semester when you resume your studies in NUS. The credits for the edX course will also be counted towards the semester that you resume your studies.

8. What should I do if I complete an edX course while I am on Leave of Absence in AY2024/25 Semester 2, and I will only resume my studies in AY2025/26 Semester 1?

You should submit a DYOC application with your verified certificate for the course by 2 August 2025, and we will process the credit transfer only in the semester when you resume your studies in NUS. The credits for the edX course will also be counted towards the semester that you resume your studies. There will be no reimbursement for the edX course since students will no longer be able to seek reimbursement for completed edX courses from AY2024/25.

9. Can I read and complete an edX course before 3 August 2024, and submit my DYOC application for credit transfer and/or reimbursement after 3 August 2024?

If you submit your DYOC application for credit transfer and/or reimbursement after 3 August 2024, you will only be eligible for credit transfer for the completed edX course. You will not be eligible to seek reimbursement for the edX course, since students will no longer be able to seek reimbursement for completed edX courses from AY2024/25.

10. Can I read and complete an edX course before 2 August 2025, and submit my DYOC application for credit transfer and/or reimbursement after 2 August 2025?

No, you will not be eligible for credit transfer and reimbursement for edX courses after 2 August 2025.

11. Can I continue to count credits from edX courses to DYOC, without obtaining reimbursement for the edX courses after 2 August 2025?

No, you will not be eligible for credit transfer for edX courses after 2 August 2025.

12. Can I continue to obtain reimbursement for edX courses, without counting credits from the edX courses to DYOC after 3 August 2024?

No, you will not be eligible for reimbursement for edX courses after 3 August 2024.