

Information for Students on Exchange in AY2018/19

A. University	University of Waterloo https://uwaterloo.ca/ https://uwaterloo.ca/international/inbound/exchange-students
B. Country	Canada
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. You can check with the SEP Coordinator in the Dean's Office of your home faculty.</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>U Waterloo operates on a Trimester System (Fall, Winter and Spring Terms). NUS students may go on SEP in either semester/term, but it is strongly encouraged to choose Semester 1 (Fall) or Semester 2 (Winter). Often Final Exams for Spring Term will overlap with the start of the Academic Year back at NUS.</p> <p>Semester 1: September – December (Fall) Semester 2: January – April (Winter) Semester 3: May – August (Spring)</p> <p>https://ugradcalendar.uwaterloo.ca/page/uWaterloo-Undergraduate-Calendar-Access</p>
iii) Exchange Duration	One semester
iv) Examination	https://ugradcalendar.uwaterloo.ca/group/uWaterloo-Academic-Regulations-Tests-Exams
v) Curriculum Structure	<p>The full-time undergraduate course load at UWaterloo is 5 courses per term (equivalent to 2.5 credits) with a minimum of 3 courses per term (equivalent to 1.5 credits). Most UW courses are assessed as a credit of 0.5 and are approximately 39 teaching hours per term. Some courses may include supplementary tutorials (TUT) or labs (LAB) in addition to lectures (LEC). Details of specific credit weights and teaching hours per course are available via the Schedule of Classes.</p>

	http://www.adm.uwaterloo.ca/infocour/CIR/SA/under.html
vi) Entry Requirements	<p>(a) be registered as a full-time undergraduate student of NUS</p> <p>(b) have successfully completed at least two (2) semesters of study at NUS upon admission to the host university;</p> <p>(c) not be eligible for exchange in the graduating year</p> <p>(d) be a student of good standing at NUS with</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. a minimum upper division second class honours or; b. a minimum B average grade or ; c. a CAP of at least 3.5 (out of 5) for NUS students
vii) Language Proficiency Requirements	English is the official language of instruction at the University of Waterloo. All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency to be considered for admission to the exchange programme.
viii) Modules Compatibility	<p>Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FASS • FoS • FoE • SoC • SDE (limited) <p>To see what courses University of Waterloo offers, please click on the link below and click on the Faculties on the left-hand side of the webpage. http://ugradcalendar.uwaterloo.ca/page/uWaterloo-Undergraduate-Calendar-Access</p>
ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites	<p>For more information on course restrictions and prerequisites, please refer to the following page.</p> <p>https://uwaterloo.ca/international/node/361</p>
D. Application	
i) Procedures	<p>For information on the application process, please refer to the following link. https://uwaterloo.ca/international/inbound/exchange-students/undergraduate-applications#Application</p>
ii) Deadlines	<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>
E. Accommodations	

<p>i) University Accommodation</p>	<p>Incoming exchange students are provided with various housing options at the University of Waterloo. Please note however, that placement is not guaranteed and the availability of housing options does differ between terms (Fall, Winter or Spring). Waterloo residences are not available to students who are <u>only</u> registering for the Fall term, as an 8-month contract is required). 4-month contracts are given for the Winter and/or Spring terms.</p> <p>For more information on the housing options at University of Waterloo, as well as the application process, please refer to the following link.</p> <p>https://uwaterloo.ca/international/inbound/exchange-students/housing</p>
<p>ii) Private Accommodation</p>	<p>For more information on off-campus housing options, please refer to the following link.</p> <p>https://uwaterloo.ca/off-campus-housing/</p>
<p>F. Visa</p>	
<p>Consular/Visa Regulation</p>	<p>It is your responsibility to obtain the correct documents from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) prior to your exchange semester(s) in Canada.</p> <p>Depending on nationality, students may need any other following documentation before their arrival in Canada:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) - As of March 15, 2016, visa-exempt foreign nationals are expected to have an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to or transit through Canada. Exceptions include U.S. citizens, and travellers with a valid Canadian visa. To find out if you need an eTA prior to your exchange, please refer to the following link. http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp (b) Visitor Visa - If you do not qualify for an eTA, you will need to obtain a Visitor Visa prior to your arrival in Canada. Please contact the High Commission of Canada in Singapore to start the process of obtaining the appropriate visa. The High Commission Officer might advise you to obtain a Study Permit instead since your time in Canada is primarily for studying. To determine if you need a Visitor Visa, please refer to the following link, http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp (c) Study Permit – Study Permits are usually reserved for students studying more than 6 months at a Canadian institution. To be eligible for a Study Permit, students must. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • have been accepted by a designated learning institution in Canada. • prove that you have enough money to pay for your tuition fees (no applicable for SEP), living expenses for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada and return

	<p>transportation for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • be a law-abiding citizen with no criminal record and not be a risk to the security of Canada. You may have to provide a police certificate. • be in good health and willing to complete a medical examination, if necessary. • satisfy an immigration officer that you will leave Canada at the end of your authorized stay. <p>For more information on Study Permits, please refer to the following website, http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp</p> <p>High Commission of Canada in Singapore One George Street, #11-01; Singapore 049145 Telephone: (65)-6854-5900 Email: Singapore-im-enquiry@international.gc.ca http://www.canadainternational.gc.ca/singapore-singapour/index.aspx?lang=eng</p>
<p>G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance</p>	
<p>i) Health/Medical Insurance</p>	<p>All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf</p> <p>For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html</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> <p>Once accepted to UWaterloo, international students are required to purchase medical and hospital insurance through the University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP) and the Health & Dental Plan administered through UWaterloo’s FEDS/GSA Health & Dental Plan Office. The applicable health insurance fees will be posted on the students’ Quest account approximately one month prior to the beginning of the respective term.</p> <p>Approximate rates per term are as follows and are subject to change:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • UHIP – CAD\$204 • FEDS/GSA Health & Dental – CAD\$182 <p>UHIP coverage is compulsory. However, students may be able to opt out of the supplementary FEDS/GSA Health and Dental Plan if they have adequate coverage through another insurance provider. Students may visit the FEDS/GSA Health and Dental Plan office (located in Health Services rm. 1106)</p>

	<p>once they are at UWaterloo. If they provide the office with proof of their insurance coverage, including the health coverage details, the office will verify if the student can opt out or not. Students who can opt out will receive a cheque with the refund amount closer to the end of the term.</p>
<p>ii) Emergency Number at host university</p>	<p>Emergency Contact Number: Canada’s emergency number is 911, call this number for any emergency service such as police, medical, fire, etc.</p> <p>For more information on Campus Safety at University of Waterloo, please refer to the following link.</p> <p>https://uwaterloo.ca/watsafe/campus-safety-security</p>
<p>H. Cost of Living</p>	
<p>i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</p>	<p>The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. University of Waterloo has provided the following estimates in the link below to help you budget for your SEP to UW; but keep in mind your living expenses will depend on your lifestyle, and be sure to set aside some money for unexpected costs</p> <p>https://uwaterloo.ca/off-campus-housing/students/resources/cost-living</p>
<p>I. Other</p>	<p>Useful Link(s):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • https://uwaterloo.ca/orientation/node/29