

Information for Students

A. University	Boston College https://www.bc.edu/ http://www.bc.edu/offices/international/progsxchangestudents.html
B. Location	Newton, Massachusetts, 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 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: August to December Semester 2: January to May</p> <p>https://www.bc.edu/offices/stserv/academic/current/calendar.html</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	Exchange students to BC are expected to take around 15 to 16 US credits per semester.
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>Exchange students often find the U.S. academic system to be quite different from home: class size is usually fairly small; students are required to prepare for each class; there will be exams and written assignments during the semester as well as a final exam; final grades are often computed on the basis of written or oral work, exams, and class participation; and the grading system is different.</p> <p>Perhaps the greatest difference is that BC students take classes in a broad range of subjects. A typical student will take no more than 2 or 3 classes</p>

	<p>per semester in only one subject area, even if that is their major subject or specialization; exchange students are expected to do the same.</p> <p>BC tends to be a good fit for FASS, FoS, and SoC student. The information sheet How to Find Courses will be helpful in selecting classes.</p>
<p>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</p>	<p>While every effort is made to enrol exchange students in the courses requested on their applications, no guarantees can be made. Exchange students are urged to be flexible about the subjects and classes they take, and to be certain that they have had any prerequisites required for each requested class. Due to high demand, the Economics Department and Finance Department will allow registration in only one class. In addition, exchange students should not plan to take core classes that are required for graduation at their home institution.</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.</p> <p>The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in the SharePoint.</p> <p>Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean’s Office for the link to the SharePoint.</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.</p>
<p>E. Accommodation</p>	
<p>i) University Accommodation</p>	<p>The availability of on-campus accommodations for exchange students is extremely limited and rooms are assigned by lottery. Most exchange students live in off-campus accommodations such as shared houses or apartments with other BC and international students. The BC Off-Campus Housing Services office provides assistance to exchange students in locating housing both before and after arrival in Boston.</p>
<p>F. Visa</p>	
<p>Consular/Visa Regulation</p>	<p>All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they receive the official offer letter/email from their host university.</p> <p>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>

G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance	
<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 blanket travel insurance, please refer to the following link: http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html</p> <p>For more information on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf</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><i>Upon admission to Boston College, exchange students will be automatically enrolled in the BC student medical insurance plan.</i></p> <p>http://www.bc.edu/offices/international/progsxchangestudents/ExchangeStudentWellness.html</p>
<p>ii) Emergency Number at host university</p>	<p>In the unlikely event of an emergency, exchange students should first contact Boston College Police by calling (617) 552.4444, followed by the Office of International Programs at (617) 552.3827.</p>
H. Cost of Living	
<p>i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</p>	<p>Please refer to the following webpage with regard to finances. Note that exchange students will not be required to pay BC tuition fees, but may be required to pay other non-academic fees.</p> <p>http://www.bc.edu/offices/stserv/financial/finaid/undergrad/how_aid_works/cost_of_attendance.html</p>