

**Information for Students**

<b>A. University</b>	<b>Georgia Institute of Technology</b> <i>(commonly known as Georgia Tech or GA 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 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.
<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>
<b>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</b>	<p>If you are admitted to GT as an undergraduate student, you must have specific permission to take graduate level courses.</p>
<b>D. Application</b>	
<b>i) Procedures</b>	<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>
<b>ii) Deadlines</b>	<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>
<b>E. Accommodation</b>	
<b>i) University Accommodation</b>	<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</p>

campus to have that opportunity. Georgia Tech cannot guarantee on campus housing to all applicants.

- **Undergraduate Students:** With the exception of the I-House (see below), if you want to live on-campus, please first email [incomingexchange@oie.gatech.edu](mailto:incomingexchange@oie.gatech.edu). The Office of International Education will assign a few rooms to interested students first. If there is more need after those rooms are assigned, you will be given further instructions.
- **Graduate Students:** If you are studying at GT for either the full Academic Year or the Spring semester, go to the [GT Housing](#) website and register as soon as you are admitted. Everyone who registers will have to pay a housing deposit. Fall only grad students may only live off-campus.

*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-House**

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 *not guaranteed* to all applicants. The application process is significantly different for the I-House than for other dorms. There are 2 steps:

**1.** Go to the [I-House Application](#) page and follow the appropriate link. There are 2 different links: 1 for current GT students and 1 for exchange students.. This should be done as soon as you begin your application, but no later than the deadline on the site.

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.

**2.** If given a space, you will go to the [GT Housing website](#) and register for housing. This is the part that you can only do after admitted to Georgia Tech.

#### **Off-Campus**

Please [click here](#) for a few tips on finding off-campus housing.

#### **F. Visa**

##### **Consular/Visa Regulation**

To obtain a J-1 visa you will need a **DS-2019** (CERTIFICATE OF ELIGIBILITY FOR EXCHANGE VISITORS J-1 STATUS). The DS-2019 will be mailed to you

	<p>with your acceptance letter. This document certifies your eligibility to obtain a J-1 visa to study at Georgia Tech as an exchange student.</p> <p><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 blanket travel insurance, please refer to the following link:  <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html">http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html</a></p> <p>For more information on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf">http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf</a></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><b>Insurance</b></p> <p><i>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 <a href="#">requirements 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></p> <p><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></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><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></li> </ul> <p><b>Immunizations and Health Insurance</b></p> <p><i>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></p>

<b>ii) Emergency Number at host university</b>	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>
<b>H. Cost of Living</b>	
<b>i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</b>	Please refer to the following 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.