

Information for Students

A. University	University of Pennsylvania <i>[Commonly referred to as U Penn or just Penn; exchange is with College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) only]</i> http://www.upenn.edu Webpage for Incoming Exchange Students
B. Location	Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA
C. Academics	
i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	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.
ii) Academic Calendar	Semester 1 (Fall): August to December Semester 2 (Spring): January to May http://www.upenn.edu/almanac/3yearcal.html
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	https://www.college.upenn.edu/courseload
vi) Entry Requirements	CAP of 3.5 out of 5.0 with no grade below C
vii) Language Proficiency Requirements	English
viii) Modules Compatibility	The NUS-Penn exchange is through Penn's College of Arts and Sciences (CAS) only, therefore it is a suitable SEP destination for FASS , FoS and SoC students. For more information on classes, please refer to the following link: http://global.upenn.edu/uploads/media_items/penn-abroad-exchange-student-handbook.original.pdf

	<p>The College of Arts and Sciences will only accept students whose majors at their home institutions are equivalent to a major offered through CAS.</p> <p>http://www.college.upenn.edu/</p>
ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites	<p>Any graduate (500-level or above) courses, including courses in the Medical School, Law School, School of Education, etc.</p> <p>Wharton courses are restricted to students on Wharton exchange. Students on CAS exchange may be able to take 1-2 courses per semester in Wharton, though they should not count on it. Students should select primarily courses from their schools of study. CAS will only accept students whose majors at their home institutions are equivalent to a major offered through CAS.</p>
D. Application	
i) Procedures	<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>
ii) Deadlines	<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>
E. Accommodation	
i) University Accommodation	<p>On-campus housing offers a furnished residence close to campus in a reasonably secure environment. All rooms and apartments are furnished, but you will have to provide sheets and towels and necessary utensils should you have a kitchen. Choices of room type include single, double and triple rooms, as well as one to four bedroom apartments.</p> <p>Beginning with the fall 2015 semester, all exchange students are required to live in Penn housing and sign up to the meal plan. You can find information about housing options here http://cms.business-services.upenn.edu/residential-services/.</p> <p>Please be aware that on-campus housing is limited, and first choices are not always available.</p>
F. Visa	

Consular/Visa Regulation	<p>Once you have received a notice of your acceptance from U Penn, you must log into the Penn PASSPORT application portal and commit to the exchange program by the relevant deadline.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> All exchange students who are not US citizens are required to obtain an F-1 or J-1 student visa for their exchange studies in the United States. More information is provided upon acceptance. <p>Further instructions regarding obtaining a Penn user ID and email address, submitting documents, applying for a visa, registering for courses, purchasing health insurance, obtaining on-campus housing, and choosing a dining plan are located on the application portal.</p>
G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance	
i) Health/Medical Insurance	<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>You are required to maintain approved health insurance coverage for the duration of their stay at U Penn.</i></p> <p><i>You must provide U Penn with immunization records after acceptance.</i></p>
ii) Emergency Number at host university	https://www.publicsafety.upenn.edu/contact/
H. Cost of Living	
i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses	<p>Tuition fee charges are waived for exchange students. However, you must budget adequate funds to cover living and personal expenses in Philadelphia. Exchange students who are not US citizens will be required to show adequate financial documentation to prove they can sustain themselves during the duration of their exchange. For more information, please refer to the following link (scroll down to Costs to Consider section). https://global.upenn.edu/pennabroad/exchangeapplication</p>