Information for Students on Exchange

A. University

University of New South Wales
http://www.unsw.edu.au

B. Country

Australia

C. Academics

i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer

Please ensure that your module mappings are approved by the relevant departments in NUS before you depart for the exchange. You can submit your request for module mapping via myEduRec using the module mapping worksheet after you have accepted your SEP offer.

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. You are encouraged to map some spare modules in the event that your preferred modules are not offered in that semester, unavailable or cancelled.

Click here for a step-by-step guide on applying for module mapping.

ii) Academic Calendar

UNSW has transited to a new academic calendar known as UNSW3+ starting from 2019. UNSW3+ comprises of three terms plus January and August intensive terms.

NUS students may attend the following terms during their exchange at UNSW.

Students on SEP in NUS Semester 1

*Tailored Term 3: Mid August to Mid December (Aug Term + T3)

Term 3: Mid September to Mid December (T3)

Students on SEP in NUS Semester 2

*Tailored Term 1: Early January to Mid May (Jan Term + T1)

Term 1: Mid February to Mid May (T1)

*Student can take 1 course during the intensive terms in Jan or Aug and 3 courses during the regular terms (T1 or T3).

http://www.international.unsw.edu.au/study-abroad-at-unsw
### iii) Exchange Duration

| Exchange Duration | One semester |

### iv) Examination

| Examination | Students are expected to attend the mandatory examination at the host university. |

### v) Curriculum Structure

| Curriculum Structure | Exchange students must enrol in a full-time workload of 3 courses (equivalent to 18 units of credit) per regular term (T1 or T3) and optional 1 course (equivalent to 6 units of credit) during the intensive term in January or August. Please click to see the course offerings for the intensive terms. |

### vi) Entry Requirements

| Entry Requirements | • be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student;  
| | • have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme;  
| | • have a sound academic record, i.e. minimum CAP of 3.0, and should not have any grade below grade ‘C’ (grade point of 2.0) in any module;  
| | • have sufficient financial means to cover the necessary expenses for the duration of the SEP;  
| | • obtain the Faculty’s approval for the SEP through your application;  
| | • satisfy partner institution and host country entry requirements;  
| | • check with the issuer of any scholarship he or she is receiving to ensure there are no restrictions involving overseas study (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Ministry of Education);  
| | • have a clean disciplinary record and be a strong ambassador for NUS and Singapore; and  
| | • not in the final semester of your degree during SEP. |

### vii) Language Proficiency Requirements

| Language Proficiency Requirements | English is the language of instruction at UNSW. NUS students should possess reasonable English proficiency level in order to follow the classes during the exchange term. |

### viii) Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students

| Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students | • Art & Design  
| | • Arts & Social Sciences  
| | • Built Environment  
| | • Business  
| | • Engineering  
| | • Law  
| | • Science  
| | • Medicine (exclude clinical Medicine courses) |

Course information:  
[Silk Road Program](http://www.handbook.unsw.edu.au)  
[Current Subject Search](http://www.timetable.unsw.edu.au/current/subjectSearch.html)
**Spotlight on Australian Studies Courses:**
Take the opportunity to learn more about the people, history, and landscape that make up this unique country while studying in Sydney.

- ATSI1012: Aboriginal Sydney
- ARTS1190: Sydney, History, Landscapes, People
- ATSI1011: Indigenous Australia
- BEES6601: Introduction to Sydney Environment
- GENL0251: Managers, Media, Players and Spectators
- MSCI0501: The Marine Environment

**Experience the Great Barrier Reef for Course Credit:**
Aviation and Sustainable Tourism (AVIA3900/SCIF3900) is a unique course designed to provide students with a field-led development of skills in assessing the physical, social, and economic sustainability of societal decisions in the context of the Great Barrier Reef marine park. The course includes a field excursion to Lady Elliott Island prior to the start of Term 1. Additional travel costs will apply. This course is only available in January.

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<th>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</th>
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<td>Students wishing to take stage 3 ARTS courses must be majoring in the desired field.</td>
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<td>Undergraduate students can only enrol in undergraduate courses.</td>
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<td>INST, GLST, DANC, EDST and Music courses are restricted to declared majors.</td>
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**Art and Design**

- Courses are held on Paddington campus, approximately 20 minutes away from Kensington (main) campus – a free shuttle bus service is available
- Priority will be given to students majoring in Art/Design/Media.
- Students may take a mix of courses from Paddington and Kensington campus, as long as they are aware of the travel involved.
- Media courses are limited and can only request upon arrival at UNSW, subject to availability. Enrolment in MDIA courses is normally restricted and approved on a case-by-case basis (if space is available). Students should select alternative courses under ARTS as back-ups.

**Business**

- The following courses are not available to exchange students: Industrial Training courses including MARK2999, MARK3999, MARK4999, FINS3100, FINS3200, MARK6xxx courses and GBAT course.
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<td>Students are limited to one studio-based course due to space limitations and should be flexible with subject choices.</td>
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<td>Enrolment in Law subjects is restricted to Law Majors. Coursework is available at undergraduate and postgraduate level.</td>
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<td>LLM elective courses are open to all Law Exchange students and students are encouraged to take the elective courses as undergraduate and JD Law enrolment for Exchange students is capped.</td>
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<td>Juris Doctor courses are open to students enrolled in a Juris Doctor Program at their home institution.</td>
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<td>Students are not able to take both LAWS and JURD courses simultaneously.</td>
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<td>Core courses are not available to Exchange students.</td>
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<td>Internship opportunities are available to Exchange students as advertised.</td>
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<td>Exchange students with a strong research interest may apply to enrol in research thesis with the approval of the Head of School. Research proposal and supervisor must be arranged in advance.</td>
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<td>Postgraduate psychology courses are not available to exchange students.</td>
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<td>Psychological coursework is available within the Arts and Science Faculty at an undergraduate level.</td>
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<td>Exchange students can enrol in courses from the School of Medical Science however courses in the Doctor of Medicine are not open to exchange students.</td>
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**Restricted courses:**
### D. Application

#### i) Procedures

Students can apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty’s announcement regarding the application period.

Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.

#### ii) Deadlines

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.

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.

### E. Accommodations

#### i) University Accommodation

A number of privately managed colleges and apartments are situated on UNSW's main Kensington campus. As affiliated accommodation, each college has their own application and enrolment process. Students need to apply directly to each accommodation of interest separately.

**New College**

New College is an undergraduate residential community on campus at UNSW, founded on Christian faith and values. Accepting residents of all faiths & none, the college is known for its friendly and safe environment, outstanding record of academic achievement, social, sporting and cultural programs.

**Shalom College**

Shalom College is an inclusive, academic and personal community, established in 1973. Located right on the UNSW Campus, the College is home to 133 students, both undergraduate and postgraduates, from a wide range of backgrounds and studying across all faculties.
## Warrane College
Warrane College is a residential community of 140 male university students and academics. Our residents understand the importance of preparing for their future roles in society, and the College supports their development.

## UNSW Village
A Co-educational apartment open to students of all faiths or none. UNSW also has eight other affiliated [Colleges and Apartments](#) that provide high-quality accommodation. You should apply directly to the College and Apartment as soon as possible.

### ii) Private Accommodation
UNSW is located with close proximity to some of the most beautiful beaches in Sydney, and a short distance by public transport to the vibrant Sydney city centre. Many Study Abroad and Exchange students live in the beautiful suburbs that surround the UNSW campus.

Sydney has several accommodation providers catering specially to students. These providers are located around Sydney – generally around 20-50 minutes by public transport from the UNSW campus. These options offer high-quality rooms with air conditioning (not offered in on-campus accommodation) and extra services. UNSW approved options include Iglu and Urbanest.

**Shared Accommodation:** Usually a single room (furnished or unfurnished) in a flat or house often shared with other students. Facilities and expenses such as rent, electricity, gas, phone and bond are usually shared. Average cost for rent only is $200 – $300 per week and you need to allow extra for food and expenses.

**Room & Facilities:** Usually a furnished room and use of facilities in a private home. You have use of the kitchen to do your own cooking. Expenses such as gas & electricity are often included in the rent. Average cost is $300 – $380 per week plus food.

**Properties to Rent:** Furnished and unfurnished flats and houses are also listed. Depending on the location, number of rooms and general condition of the property, rent will vary considerably. For example, rental prices for a two-bedroom flat may vary between $380 and $550 per week. When renting a flat or house, one is usually required to sign a six-month lease. For unfurnished premises a bond of four weeks’ rent is payable before you move in. Telephone, gas and electricity bonds may also be required.

It is recommended that you arrive one to two weeks earlier to look for a permanent place to live. You may book a temporary accommodation for your arrival while arranging to secure your permanent accommodation. If you have found a private accommodation online, it is advisable that you arrive earlier to see the place and ensure that you are comfortable with the room condition, environment and safety before making any commitment.
Please read through the contract carefully to ensure that you are agreeable to the terms and conditions as well as other additional charges on top of the rental fee.

The following assistance with off-campus accommodation search is available to Exchange students:

- Useful resources and advice on off-campus accommodation is available on the Accommodation and Housing webpage
- Students often advertise available rooms on our Facebook Group, so you may want to join this page
- There is also the unofficial UNSW Rent/Sublet Accommodations Facebook group
- The UNSW Study Stays website is also available once you have your UNSW ID set up

F. Visa

Consular/Visa Regulation

Once you have purchased the Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC), UNSW will issue an Electronic Confirmation of Enrolment (eCoE), which is required for your Australian Student Visa Application.

All exchange students must obtain an Australian Non Award Student Visa (sub-class 500) before arriving in Australia.

Students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.


G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health/Medical Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html.

All international students studying in Australia are required to purchase an approved Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) policy. OSHC is a condition of the Overseas Student Visa issued by the Australian Immigration
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authorities. The cost is approximately A$330 for 6 months. Students can purchased OSHC through the UNSW. Instructions will be provided upon acceptance by UNSW.

In addition, it is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside Australia. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students can purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

For more information on health and insurance, please refer to https://student.unsw.edu.au/overseas-student-health-cover

| ii) Emergency Number at host university | +61 2 9385 6666 |

H. Cost of Living

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<th>i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</th>
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<td>Accommodation</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>A$400 – A$700</td>
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<td>Transport</td>
<td>A$80 – A$200</td>
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<td>Others (Entertainment, utilities, internet and phone)</td>
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<td><strong>Monthly Estimate</strong></td>
<td><strong>A$1,680 – A$3,700</strong></td>
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Details can be found at http://www.international.unsw.edu.au/cost-of-living

For more student exchange information, please refer to http://www.international.unsw.edu.au/study-abroad-at-unsw

For the Study Abroad Guide refer to https://www.international.unsw.edu.au/sites/default/files/study_abroad_guide_2020_digital_0.pdf