## Information for Students on Exchange

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| B. Country | Canada |

| C. Academics |
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| i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer | 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. 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 term): Early September – end December Semester 2 (Winter term): Early January – early May |
| iii) Exchange Duration | One semester |
| iv) Examination | [http://www.concordia.ca/students/exams.html](http://www.concordia.ca/students/exams.html) |
| v) Curriculum Structure | Students must take at least 12 credits (approx. 4 courses) each semester, and a maximum of 15 credits (approx. 5 courses). Taking more than 15 credits is not advisable and may not be possible. When you apply, you should list at least 6 courses you would like to take while on exchange to Concordia U. You should not include graduate courses on your list as you will not be able to register for them. You can also use the following links to plan for your modules: |
|                       | - Undergraduate Program Calendar: [http://www.concordia.ca/academics/undergraduate/calendar.html](http://www.concordia.ca/academics/undergraduate/calendar.html) |
|                       | - Course schedule: [https://campus.concordia.ca/psc/pscprod/EMPLOYEE/SA/c/CU_EXT.CU_CLASS_SEARCH.GBL?&](https://campus.concordia.ca/psc/pscprod/EMPLOYEE/SA/c/CU_EXT.CU_CLASS_SEARCH.GBL?) |

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### vi) Entry Requirements

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<td>(a) Be registered as a full-time undergraduate student of NUS</td>
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<td>(b) Have successfully completed at least two (2) semesters of study at</td>
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<td>NUS upon admission to the host university;</td>
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<td>(c) Not be eligible for exchange in the graduating year</td>
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<td>(d) Be a student of good standing at NUS with</td>
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<td>a. A minimum upper division second class honours or;</td>
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<td>b. A minimum B average grade or;</td>
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<td>c. A CAP of at least 3.5 (out of 5) for NUS students</td>
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### vii) Language Proficiency Requirements

The language of instruction at Concordia University is English. You must demonstrate the required level of English proficiency prior to admission to Concordia, regardless of citizenship status or country of origin.

### viii) Modules Compatibility

Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines:

- FASS
- FoS
- FoE
- BIZ

Please also note the following:

- Incoming exchange students may attend courses in different departments — conditional to the approval of the academic advisor of each department. 50% of the courses selected should be selected from a single department.
- Students are advised to be flexible in their course selection and course schedule. Course description can be found in the course calendar. Course syllabi are generally not available before the student arrives on campus.
- Students are not permitted to enrol in restricted courses, or in continuing education courses.
- Students will be required to meet pre-requisites for courses (if applicable) and must be prepared to submit verification of completion of pre-requisites when requested by the Concordia International Office.
- Please note that a particular class may be:
  - Full year (Sep to Apr) indicated as /3 courses (6 credits)
  - Fall term only (Sep to Dec) indicated as /2 courses (3 or 6 credits)
  - Winter term only (Jan to May) indicated as /4 courses (3 or 6 credits)
- Students must not choose a /3 course if they are only going for 1 term.
- Course codes comprise 4 letters and 3 numbers. The course numbers are:
  - 2XX – Introductory and first year courses
  - 3XX – Second year courses (often requires pre-requisites)
  - 4XX – Advanced courses may be restricted to Honours and Graduate students
### Module restrictions and pre-requisites

The list of restricted modules can be found here: [http://www.concordia.ca/content/dam/concordia/offices/ci/docs/Restricted%20Course%20List%202019-2020.pdf](http://www.concordia.ca/content/dam/concordia/offices/ci/docs/Restricted%20Course%20List%202019-2020.pdf)

Students will be required to meet pre-requisites for courses (if applicable) and must be prepared to submit verifications of completion of pre-requisites when requested by the Concordia International office.

### Application

#### i) Procedures

You must be nominated by NUS to study at Concordia on exchange. After nomination, you may continue to submit an application to Concordia University.

Required application documents (to be uploaded to the Online Application Form):

- Personal Statement in English, one page maximum
- Academic transcript of records
- Proof of English language proficiency, if applicable
- Official Permission Letter from Home University to study at Concordia and to take courses listed in this application
- Academic Reference
- Photocopy of passport identification page
- Web-based portfolio without any password restrictions (students applying to Fine Arts only)

#### 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.

- Semester 1 (Fall term): 1 April
- Semester 2 (Winter term): 1 April

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.
### i) University Accommodation

Space in the University Residences is limited and not guaranteed. If you would like to live in university housing, please contact University Residences after you have received your admission letter. The residence application fee is non-refundable under any circumstance.

http://www.concordia.ca/students/housing.html

### ii) Private Accommodation

http://www.concordia.ca/students/international/new-international-students/settling-in.html

### F. Visa

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<td>Depending on nationality, students may need any other following documentation <strong>before their arrival</strong> in Canada:</td>
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(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](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](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:

- 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 transportation for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada.
- 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.

For more information on Study Permits, please refer to the following website, [http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp](http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp)

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One George Street, #11-01; Singapore 049145
Telephone: (65)-6854-5900
Email: Singapore-im-enquiry@international.gc.ca

### 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 on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to [http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf](http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf)

For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to [http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html](http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html)

If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

In general, international students attending Concordia must purchase the Concordia health insurance plan: [https://www.concordia.ca/students/international/health-insurance.html](https://www.concordia.ca/students/international/health-insurance.html)

#### ii) Emergency Number at host university

Emergency Contact Number: Canada’s emergency number is **911**, call this number for any emergency service such as police, medical, fire, etc.

For more information on Campus Safety at Concordia University, please refer to the following link.

[https://www.concordia.ca/campus-life/security.html](https://www.concordia.ca/campus-life/security.html)

### H. Cost of Living

#### i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. For more financial advice specific to Concordia University, please refer to the following webpage: [https://www.concordia.ca/students/financial-support/costs.html](https://www.concordia.ca/students/financial-support/costs.html)