## Information for Students on Exchange

### A. University

**University of Gothenburg**

[http://www.gu.se/english](http://www.gu.se/english)

### B. Country

Sweden

### C. Academics

#### i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer

Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home 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:** August/September to January
- **Semester 2:** January to June

[http://utbildning.gu.se/education/studentlife/academic-calendar](http://utbildning.gu.se/education/studentlife/academic-calendar)

#### iii) Exchange Duration

One semester

#### iv) Examination

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

#### v) Curriculum Structure

In order to obtain a residence permit, you must study full-time. Full-time studies correspond to 30 Higher Educational Credits (hec) per term. Courses usually consist of 7.5 credits, 15 credits, or 30 credits each. 1.5 hec corresponds to one week's studies (40 hours).

Requirements for exchange students: Minimum 22.5 credits – Maximum 37.5 credits/semester.

Swedish higher education institutions have a degree structure that conforms to the Bologna Process, a European-wide standardisation initiative for higher education.

For more course information, please refer to [https://utbildning.gu.se/education/courses-and-programmes/courses-for-exchange-students](https://utbildning.gu.se/education/courses-and-programmes/courses-for-exchange-students)

* Please note that the course application is made separately. You can find more information on your faculty website under "Additional
**Entry Requirements**

A minimum CAP of 3.0 out of 5.0 with no grade below C.

**Language Proficiency Requirements**

The medium of instruction for classes is Swedish. However, English courses are also available (undergraduate & graduate level). There are more than 300 courses in English at GU covering various areas of studies.

**Faculties & Schools accepting exchange students**

- Science
- Arts
- IT-Faculty
- Social Sciences
- Business, Economics and Law (one seat in Law is reserved)
- Fine arts, applied and performing arts
- Education
- Pharmacy

**Module restrictions and pre-requisites**

As an exchange student at the University of Gothenburg you may choose from a wide range of courses. There are more than 300 courses in English in various academic areas. These courses are open also for exchange students.

**The School of Business, Economics and Law**

These are open – according to the exchange agreement one seat is reserved for law students.

**Application**

**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.

**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 in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

E. Accommodations

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<td>Students on university-wide agreements are guaranteed a student accommodation offer if they apply before deadline.</td>
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**Applying for our services**

Students should apply for housing after they have submitted their online application. Students will receive a unique housing application code once submitted their online application.

Deadline for housing application is the same as the online application. No late applications can be accepted. Apply as soon as possible, since there is a great demand for housing. You do not have to be academically accepted before you apply online for non-academic services.

**Service application periods**

- Autumn term: April 1 – May 15
- Spring term: October 1 – November 15

The rooms and flats that we rent out are provided by SGS Studentbostäder, the local student housing company. Reservations and payment are managed by the university or by the local student housing company.

**Accommodation and facilities**

Accommodation for exchange students is provided by the local student housing company, SGS Studentbostäder.

All rooms come with a private bathroom and basic furniture, such as a desk, a bookshelf, a bed, chairs and lamps. Pillows, sheets, towels, kitchen utensils, light bulbs etc. are not provided. The rent includes electricity, water, heating, internet access (you will have to bring your own computer and network cable) and laundry facilities.

For more information on accommodation, please refer to [http://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing/exchangestudents](http://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing/exchangestudents)

| ii) Private Accommodation | Alternative ways to source accommodation are private housing and student housing companies. |
For more details, please refer to
http://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing/internationalstudent/private-housing

http://utbildning.gu.se/education/studenthousing/internationalstudent/student-housing-companies

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<td>If you are a citizen of a non EU/EEA country and are planning to stay for longer than three months, you need a residence permit before entering Sweden. For studies that are shorter than three months, citizens from certain countries must have an entry visa. You apply for a residence permit online or at the Swedish embassy or consulate in your home country. The process of getting your residence permit may take up to 12 weeks, so be sure to apply as soon as you receive your letter of acceptance. It is important that you have your residence permit card with you when entering Sweden. To obtain a residence permit you must:</td>
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<td>• have a valid passport;</td>
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<td>• be admitted to full-time studies (you must be admitted to full-time studies worth at least 30 Higher Educational Credits (HECs));</td>
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<td>• be able to support yourself financially for the planned study period;</td>
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<td>• have a comprehensive health insurance if you are admitted to studies for less than one year.</td>
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<td>All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. Some visa application process could take up to 3 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.</td>
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### 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/uhc/general-health/billing-insurance/insurance-matters](http://www.nus.edu.sg/uhc/general-health/billing-insurance/insurance-matters)

For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to ‘Insurance Cover for Official NUS Trips’ through [http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html](http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html)

Exchange students in University of Gothenburg are covered by the Student IN insurance. This insurance covers:

- Emergency medical care in case of illness or accident.
- Emergency dental care (pain and infection relief, provisional filling of cavities and ensuring a functional biting area).
- Disability and death benefits.
- Home transport in case of serious illness, extensive personal injury or death.
- Property damage or loss (only in Sweden), i.e. compensation is paid for any damage to, or loss of, personal property up to SEK 20 000. The insurance deductible* for property claims is SEK 1 500.
- Liability and legal expenses.

For a complete overview of what Student IN covers, including limitations, please visit Kammarkollegiet’s [website](#).

Student IN applies:

- 24 hours a day during your study period in Sweden as well as two weeks prior to the start and two weeks after the end of that study period.
- During direct travel between the home country and Sweden.
- During the summer, provided that your studies in Sweden continue after the summer.
- In the Schengen region, provided that you hold a Schengen visa issued by a Swedish mission abroad.

Please note that this insurance does not apply if you are entitled to compensation from another insurance policy. For instance, Student IN does not apply:

- For an accident that is covered by the Personal injury insurance.

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• For students covered by the EHIC.

For more information on health and medical insurance, please refer to
http://utbildning.gu.se/education/incoming-student/insurance

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.

ii) Emergency
Number at host
university

H. Cost of Living

i) Estimated
Monthly Living
Expenses

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<td>SEK2,600</td>
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<td>SEK580</td>
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<td>SEK300</td>
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<td>Others (Entertainment, clothes)</td>
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<td><strong>Monthly Estimate</strong></td>
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