

## STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

## **Information for Students on Exchange**

University	Rice University
Country	Houston, Texas, USA
Academic Calendar	Semester 1 (Fall): August to December Semester 2 (Spring): January to May <a href="https://registrar.rice.edu/calendars/">https://registrar.rice.edu/calendars/</a>
Exchange Duration	One semester
Language Proficiency Requirement	English
Course Information	Undergraduate Minimum course load: 12 credits Maximum course load: 15 (-18) credits  The regular semester workload for full- time undergraduate students as determined by the Office of the Provost is 15 credits. Credits earned at the host
	university may not be directly equivalent to NUS credits and you can refer to the <u>SEP Credit Transfer Calculator</u> for information on units exchange ratio at the host university. Please note that the actual number of credits earned is subject to the units exchange ratio at the point of credit transfer.
Accommodation	On-campus housing: automatic placement for admitted students (no separate application needed). For more information on Rice's Residential Colleges,  Please refer here: <a href="https://housing.rice.edu/">https://dou.rice.edu/residential-</a>
	colleges
Visa	All exchange students will be in J-1 visa status. Related information will be provided by the Office of International Students and Scholars after admission. <a href="https://oiss.rice.edu/F-vs-J-comparison">https://oiss.rice.edu/F-vs-J-comparison</a>
	Note: All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they receive the official offer letter/email and instructions from their host university. Some visa applications can take up to 2 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.
Insurance	All full-time NUS students are covered under the university's Student Group Personal Accident & Medical Insurance and the Student Travel Insurance. For more information on the university's student insurance scheme, please refer to <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a> .



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	Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their exchange semester.
	In addition, students will be required to enrol in the compulsory health insurance policy or scheme at their SEP host university.
	Rice-sponsored F-1 and J-1 visa international students are subject to the Rice International Student Health Insurance Policy that requires F-1 and J-1 students to enroll in Aetna (Rice's Student Health Insurance Plan).
	Health and vaccination requirements: <a href="https://health.rice.edu/new-students/health-data-form">https://health.rice.edu/new-students/health-data-form</a>
Useful Links	Student Exchange Information:
	https://abroad.rice.edu/prospective-students
	https://abroad.rice.edu/sites/g/files/bxs3126/files/inline-
	files/Rice%20University%20Exchange%20Fact%20Sheet%2026-27.pdf
	Academic Matters and Course Matters:
	http://courses.rice.edu/admweb/swkscat.main?p action=cata
	http://courses.rice.edu/admweb/swkscat.main
	Heath Insurance:
	https://oiss.rice.edu/studenthealth
	https://health.rice.edu/new-students/health-data-form
	Emergency:
	http://www.rice.edu/safety/

**Note:** Please refer to the host university's website for the latest updates and information.