## Information for Students on Exchange

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<td><a href="http://www.ualberta.ca/">http://www.ualberta.ca/</a></td>
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| B. Country | Canada |

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<td>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</td>
<td>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.</td>
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| ii) Academic Calendar | **Semester 1/Fall semester:** September – December  
**Semester 2/Winter semester:** January – April  
[https://www.ualberta.ca/registrar/calendar/index.html](https://www.ualberta.ca/registrar/calendar/index.html) |
| iii) Exchange Duration | One semester |
| v) Curriculum Structure | Full-time academic study at the University of Alberta is 3-5 courses per semester. Courses are generally 3 credits each. 3 credit courses are offered 3 hours/week over a 13 week term = 39 contact hours. Undergraduate students cannot take more than 15 credits worth of courses (typically 5 courses) per term. |
| vi) Entry Requirements | (a) be registered as a full-time undergraduate student of NUS  
(b) have successfully completed at least two (2) semesters of study at NUS upon admission to the host university;  
(c) not be eligible for exchange in the graduating semester  
(d) be a student of good standing at NUS with  
  a. a minimum upper division second class honours or;  
  b. a minimum B average grade or;  
  c. a CAP of at least 3.5 (out of 5) for NUS students; for FoE students, you would need a cap of at least 3.75 by the start of your exchange at UAlberta |
| vii) Language Proficiency Requirements | English is the official language of instruction at the University of Alberta. All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency to be considered for admission to the exchange programme. Students are required to submit proof of English proficiency upon application to UAlberta. |
| viii) Modules Compatibility | Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines:  
• FASS  
• FoS  
• FoE  
Course listings and class schedules for the next academic year are updated on the Bear Tracks System ([https://www.beartracks.ualberta.ca/](https://www.beartracks.ualberta.ca/)) in March of the previous academic year. Please note courses that begin with “AU” are offered at the Augustana Campus approximately 1.5 hours outside of Edmonton. |
| ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites | You can take any courses you wish with the following exceptions:  
• Undergraduate students cannot take courses at the graduate/postgraduate level (usually number 500 or higher)  
• Any course described on Bear Tracks ([https://www.beartracks.ualberta.ca/](https://www.beartracks.ualberta.ca/)) as being closed to exchange students  
• Courses with non-standard fees or in programs with non-standard fees  
• Alternate delivery sections of any UAlberta courses  
• Courses from the Faculties of Extension, Medicine & Dentistry (with the exception of courses in the Department of Biochemistry, Cell Biology and Physiology), Nursing, Pharmacy and Pharmaceutical Sciences, and Rehabilitation Medicine.  
• Courses in School of Library and Information Studies, Yukon College or the Bamfield Marine Sciences Centre  
• SOC 399 and SOC499  
• BUS 201, BUS 202, BUS 301, FIN 436, MGTSC 312, MIS 441, SMO 310, SMO 441, SMO 470 and SMO 471. In addition, independent research, internship, study tour, competition, work experience, Honours (numbered 480) and Special Topic (numbered 488) courses in the Alberta School of Business are not open to exchange students.  
• Many courses (if any at all) in our Departments of Computing Science, Drama, Economics, and (with the exception of History of Art, Design and Visual Culture –HADVC –courses and ART 134 and DES 135) Art and Design. Courses in these departments are in extremely high demand and often fill up quickly.  
The majority of courses you take should be in the same faculty. |
Students must be Engineering majors at NUS in order to take Engineering modules at University of Alberta. Engineering students can only apply for an exchange to UofA’s Faculty of Engineering once they have completed two years of university level courses. One year of which must be specifically in an Engineering programme.

You can only take courses in UAlberta’s Faculty of Engineering if you are enrolled there while on exchange. The same restriction is in place for UAlberta’s Faculty of Law.

D. Application

i) Procedures

For information on the application process, please refer to the following link: https://nus.edu.sg/gro/docs/default-source/prog/sep/pu/ca/sep_canada_university_alberta_application.pdf

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 semester): 1 Mar
Semester 2 (Winter semester): 1 Sep

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

Once students have been issued an ID number and password they can apply for housing. Students do not need to wait for admission to apply for housing. You must submit an application fee when applying for housing (which **will not be reimbursed** if you later discover that your application for exchange has been rejected).

Please apply here: https://www.residence.ualberta.ca/prospective-residents/exchange-student

On-campus accommodation is guaranteed to all exchange students who start in September and apply by the April 30 deadline. For students starting their exchanges in January, guaranteed housing is not available; however, there are usually less applications for housing at that time.

ii) Private Accommodation

If you wish to set up your own accommodation, one service you may choose to use to help you do so could be the Students’ Union housing registry: http://www.rentingspaces.ca/search.htm?area=Edmonton&ref=2&_search=S earch
# F. Visa

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<td>At time of this publication, entry requirements into Canada is quite fluid due to COVID-19. You are encouraged to check the following website for the latest updates on entry requirements into Canada: <a href="https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/coronavirus-covid19/students.html">https://www.canada.ca/en/immigration-refugees-citizenship/services/coronavirus-covid19/students.html</a></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 coverage, please refer to [https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/](https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/)

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

The University of Alberta requires all incoming exchange students to enroll in the University of Alberta Health Insurance Plan (UAHIP). UAHIP is a mandatory health insurance that is similar to the Alberta Health Care Insurance Plan (AHCIP) provided by the Government of Alberta.

[https://www.ualberta.ca/international-student-services/money-insurance-permits-guide/health-insurance](https://www.ualberta.ca/international-student-services/money-insurance-permits-guide/health-insurance)

## 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.

# H. Cost of Living

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Updated as of 31/8/2021
### i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. For more information regarding cost of living, please refer to the following UofA webpage:


### I. Others

Useful links:

- [https://www.ualberta.ca/covid-19/updates/index.html](https://www.ualberta.ca/covid-19/updates/index.html)