# Information for Students on Exchange

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| B. Country    | Canada |

| 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. 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:** September – December  
  **Semester 2/Winter:** January – April  
  [http://ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html](http://ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/academic-schedule.html)

  iii) **Exchange Duration**  
  One semester

  iv) **Examination**  
  [https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams](https://www.ucalgary.ca/registrar/exams)

  v) **Curriculum Structure**  
  One regular course at the University of Calgary is three credits. You must register in at least three courses (nine credits) per semester to be considered full-time. Five courses (15 credits) is a full course load and is the maximum number of courses in which a student can take. Most exchange students take four courses per semester. Courses average 3-4 in-class hours per week, although science courses may average 5 in-class/lab hours per week.

  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 year  
  (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
vii) **Language Proficiency Requirements**  
English is the official language of instruction at the University of Calgary. All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency to be considered for admission to the exchange programme.

viii) **Modules Compatibility**  
Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines:

- FASS
- FoS
- SoC (under Faculty of Science)
- FoE (limited places)

Please refer to [https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/course-desc-main.html](https://www.ucalgary.ca/pubs/calendar/current/course-desc-main.html) for the course description; more detailed course descriptions can usually be found on departmental websites.

You can also refer to the Class Search to find courses taught in specific semesters: [https://csprd.my.ucalgary.ca/psp/csprd/EMPLOYEE/SA/c/COMMUNITY_ACCESS.CLASS_SEARCH.GBL](https://csprd.my.ucalgary.ca/psp/csprd/EMPLOYEE/SA/c/COMMUNITY_ACCESS.CLASS_SEARCH.GBL)

ix) **Module restrictions and pre-requisites**  
Closed programmes:

- Education
- Haskayne School of Business MBA Programme
- Medicine
- Nursing
- Veterinary Medicine

For the full list of module restrictions, please refer to the following link: [https://live-ucalgary.ucalgary.ca/international/study-abroad/incoming-exchange/courses/restrictions](https://live-ucalgary.ucalgary.ca/international/study-abroad/incoming-exchange/courses/restrictions)

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**D. Application**

i) **Procedures**  
Students will be emailed an individual link to the online application upon receipt of the completed nomination form.

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): 15 March  
Semester 2 (Winter term): 30 September

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.

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## E. Accommodations

### i) University Accommodation

On-campus housing is not guaranteed for exchange students. Because it is in high demand and fills quickly, we encourage students to apply as early as possible.

The online housing application for students starting in September opens in December. The online application for students starting in January opens in May.

Students are advised to apply for housing as soon as you have been selected for exchange. Students do not need an acceptance letter from UCalgary or a UCalgary ID number to apply for housing.

http://www.ucalgary.ca/residence

### ii) Private Accommodation

For more information on off-campus housing options, please refer to the following links:

- [http://www.ucalgary.ca/iss/resources/housing](http://www.ucalgary.ca/iss/resources/housing)

## F. Visa

### Consular/Visa Regulation

It is your responsibility to obtain the correct documents from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) prior to your exchange semester(s) in Canada.

Depending on nationality, students may need any other following documentation before their arrival in Canada:

(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)

**High Commission of Canada in Singapore**
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 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.

Exchange students at UCalgary must bring their own comprehensive travel and medical insurance with them from their home country. UCalgary doesn’t sell insurance plans for exchange students, but International Student Services can give some advice if you choose to buy insurance in Canada.

[https://www.ucalgary.ca/international/study-abroad/incoming-exchange/arrival](https://www.ucalgary.ca/international/study-abroad/incoming-exchange/arrival)

#### 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

Updated as of 20/8/2020
i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. The table below is only a guide:

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<td>Books and supplies</td>
<td>$100 - $175 per course</td>
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<td>Food</td>
<td>$275 - $375 per month</td>
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<td>Phone</td>
<td>$30 - $70 per month</td>
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<td>Transportation</td>
<td>$140 per semester (mandatory Transit Pass fee)</td>
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<td>Campus Recreation Pass</td>
<td>$35 per semester mandatory fee</td>
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