### Information for Students on Exchange

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<th><strong>A. University</strong></th>
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<td><strong>B. Country</strong></td>
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| **C. Academic Calendar** | Semester 1/Fall semester: September – December  
Semester 2/Winter semester: January – April  
[https://calendar.uoguelph.ca/undergraduate-calendar/schedule-dates/](https://calendar.uoguelph.ca/undergraduate-calendar/schedule-dates/) |
| **D. Exchange Duration** | One semester |
| **E. Course Load** | Guelph courses are based on credit weight. Most courses are valued at 0.50, however, some have credit weighting of 0.25, 0.75 or 1.00. A full-time course load for students at Guelph is 2.00 (typically 4 courses) or 2.50 (typically 5 courses) per semester. |
| **F. Accommodation** | All exchange students who apply for residence by the deadline are guaranteed a spot in residence. You will not be able to apply for residence until you have received your exchange acceptance letter from Guelph which contains username and password for you to log-in to the residence application.  
Most of the incoming exchange students choose to live in the East Village Townhouses, East Residence or West Residences because these are the only residences where you are not required to purchase a meal plan - you can cook your own meals using the bigger kitchens, which is a much cheaper option. The East Village Townhouses and West Residence apartments have 4 - 6 bedrooms, while the East Residence has 8-12 bedrooms per apartment. All these residence apartments have a large shared kitchen and living room and have both exchange students and senior Canadian undergraduate students living in them.  
Please refer to the information provided by Guelph for latest updates regarding housing availability. |
| **G. Visa** | Exchange students who study for one semester only (less than 6 months) are not required to apply for a study permit. However, depending on your country of citizenship, you may have to apply for an eTA OR a visitor visa.  
For more information on visa applications, please refer to [https://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp](https://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp). |
| **H. 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 medical insurance, please refer to [https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/](https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/). |
The University Health Insurance Plan (UHIP) is mandatory for all exchange students. UHIP is the general health coverage for medical services such as visiting the doctor, visiting or staying in the hospital, medication while hospitalized, surgery, laboratory tests, x-rays, other diagnostic tests and other hospital services. [https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-students/pre-arrival-information/health-and-dental-insurance/uhip-university-health](https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-students/pre-arrival-information/health-and-dental-insurance/uhip-university-health)

It is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside Canada. Please review the insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs. Students are strongly encouraged to purchase supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their time abroad.

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<td><strong>University of Guelph Incoming Exchange Presentation:</strong> <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrL8IOAbjT4">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hrL8IOAbjT4</a></td>
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