# Information for Students on Exchange

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| B. Country | Canada |

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<td>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</td>
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| ii) Academic Calendar | **Semester 1/Fall semester:** September – December  
**Semester 2/Winter semester:** January – April |
| iii) Exchange Duration | One semester |
| iv) Examination | [https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange-academics-guelph/academic-system](https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange-academics-guelph/academic-system) |
| v) Curriculum Structure | A full-time course load for undergraduate (Bachelor's) students at University of Guelph is 2.0 to 2.5 credits. Most UofG courses are 0.5 credits each, therefore, our students usually take 4 to 5 courses per semester. It is ultimately up to your home university to decide the credit equivalency for the courses you will be taking while on exchange. |
| 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 |
### Language Proficiency Requirements

English is the official language of instruction at the University of Guelph. All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency to be considered for admission to the exchange programme.

### Modules Compatibility

Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines:

- FASS
- FoS
- FoE

To see what courses University of Guelph offers, please click on the link below.

[https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c12/index.shtml](https://www.uoguelph.ca/registrar/calendars/undergraduate/current/c12/index.shtml)

### Module restrictions and pre-requisites

Exchange students cannot register for courses in the following faculties/campuses:

- Veterinary Medicine (VETM)
- Masters of Business Administration
- Masters of Hospitality and Tourism
- Masters of Leadership
- COOP – Co-op Education (internships that are part of UofG degree programs)
- DTM – Turf Management Diploma
- Diploma Courses at the Ridgetown campus of University of Guelph – course codes beginning with DAFL, DAGR, DENM, DEQN, DFN, DHTM.

- It is also not possible for exchange students to take courses at the **University of Guelph - Humber**. This a separate institution from the University of Guelph. Guelph-Humber course codes start with **AHSS, BADM, ECS, FCSS, JUST, KIN, MDST, SCMA**.

- In general, exchange students cannot take (SART) Studio Art courses unless it is related to their main area of study at their home university.

- Exchange students cannot take the following Human Anatomy courses at University of Guelph: HK*3401 Human Anatomy: Dissection, HK*3501 Human Anatomy: Prosection, HK*3502 Human Anatomy, HK*4441 Advanced Study in Human Anatomy, HK*4442 Advanced Study in Human Anatomy

For more information on course restrictions and prerequisites, please refer to the following page: [https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange/academics-guelph/course-selection/course-restrictions](https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange/academics-guelph/course-selection/course-restrictions)

### D. Application

Updated as of 20/8/2020
### i) Procedures
For information on the application process, please refer to the following link: https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange-exchange-guelph/applying-exchange-guelph

### ii) Deadlines
All NUS students 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 must note the application deadline set by the host university.

**Semester 1 (Fall semester): 15 April**  
**Semester 2 (Winter semester): 15 October**

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.

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### E. Accommodations

#### i) University 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 the University of Guelph, as this contains your UofGuelph username and password which are needed in order to log-in to the residence application. You will receive your exchange acceptance in plenty of time to apply for residence before the deadline.

For more information on the housing options at University of Guelph, as well as the application process, please refer to the following link: https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange-pre-arrival-exchange-information/applying-residence

#### ii) Private Accommodation
For more information on off-campus housing options, please refer to the following link: https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/incoming-exchange-pre-arrival-exchange-information/looking-campus-housing

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### 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)

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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 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.

For more information, please refer to the following links.

https://www.uoguelph.ca/cip/index-page/health-and-dental-insurance
http://uhip.ca/

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.

For more information on Campus Safety at University of Guelph, please refer to the following link.

https://www.uoguelph.ca/police/

H. Cost of Living

i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. University of Guelph has provided the following estimates to help you budget for your SEP to UofG, but keep in mind your living expenses will depend on your lifestyle, and be sure to set aside some money for unexpected costs.

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<td>On-Campus Residence</td>
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<td>CAD$450 - CAD$600 per month</td>
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| Mandatory student fees /semester (approximate) | • University Health Insurance Plan - $212 / semester  
|                                 | • Student Health & Dental Plan - $205.50 / semester  
|                                 | • Bus Pass - $157/ semester                   |

I. Other

Useful Link(s):
- www.studentlife.uoguelph.ca/oia