### C. Academics

#### i) Academic Calendar

- **Fall Semester / Term 1**: September to January
- **Spring Semester / Term 2**: February to June

[https://www.pku.edu.cn/detail/2686.html](https://www.pku.edu.cn/detail/2686.html)

#### ii) Curriculum Structure

Exchange students are required to take 6-20 credits (~2-10 courses) during their exchange semester at Peking University (normally 1 credit is equivalent to one or two hours of class attendance per week).

#### iii) Entry Requirements

- non-Chinese nationality (including Hong Kong, Taiwan and Macao passport holders);
- be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student;
- have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme;
- have a sound academic record, i.e. minimum CAP of 3.0, and should not have any grade below grade ‘C’ (grade point of 2.0) in any module;
- have sufficient financial means to cover the necessary expenses for the duration of the SEP (ranging from S$5,000 to S$15,000 per semester, subject to the country and local conditions at the overseas Partner University during the period of exchange). When applying for your student visa, a number of countries may demand documentary proof of your financial status;
- obtain the Faculty’s approval for the SEP;
- satisfy partner institution and host country entry requirements; and
- check with the issuer of any scholarship he or she is receiving to ensure there are no restrictions involving overseas study (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Ministry of Education).

#### iv) Language Proficiency Requirements

Mandarin is the medium of instruction for classes at the host university (limited English courses). NUS students with Chinese language background are exempted from the HSK Chinese language proficiency requirements to read Chinese-taught courses at the University.

#### v) Schools & Faculties

Please refer to the Schools & Departments at Peking University for details: [https://www.pku.edu.cn/department.html](https://www.pku.edu.cn/department.html)

For course information, please visit [http://www.dean.pku.edu.cn/service/web/courseSearch.php](http://www.dean.pku.edu.cn/service/web/courseSearch.php)
### vi) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

Most courses offered at Peking University are taught in Chinese. English courses are highlighted in the ‘Remarks’ column in the course information website. Modules may change, the school/department reserves the right to enrol a student to certain course. The course information of the next semester will be published at the course information website at the end of the previous semester.

Courses from the following faculties/programmes are not open to exchange students:
- Health Science Centre
- School of Software and Microelectronics
- Faculty with special pre-requisites
- Tailor-made programmes
- Double-degree courses
- Shenzhen Graduate School
- English-taught graduate courses of special Master programs (MBA, Master in International Relations, Master in Public Policy, LLM in Chinese Law, Yenching Academy, etc.)
- Chinese-taught Master-level courses are only available with the faculty’s permission

### D. Accommodation

**i) University Accommodation**

PKU offers many dormitory types to international students: the Global Village (Zhong Guan Xin Yuan). The monthly rent is around RMB3300 - RMB4500. There is no independent bathroom in the dorm, but there is bathroom on each floor.

Online dorm booking will start in mid-July/mid-January at http://www.studyatpku.com. Please check the latest notice at www.isd.pku.edu.cn

**ii) Private Accommodation**

Off-campus housing offers more choices in room type and the monthly rent range from RMB2,000 to RMB5,000.

Local agents offer more information, for example, the following agent provide English service: https://intl.ziroom.com/

### E. Visa

**Consular/Visa Regulation**

Exchange students in China are required to apply for student visa (X2 visa for those intending to study in China for a period of no more than 180 days and X1 visa for those intending to study in China for a period of more than 180 days).
You will receive the admission letter and visa application form (JW202) once you are accepted by the host university for the student exchange programme. Exchange students are required to apply for the student visa in person at the China Visa Application Service Centre in Singapore with the relevant documents before the start of the academic semester.

**China Visa Application Service Centre in Singapore:**
https://www.visaforchina.cn/SGP2_EN/index.shtml

Visa information at Peking University:
http://oldisd.pku.edu.cn/HOME/VISA_SERVICE/Visas_and_Residence_Permit.htm
https://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/procedures/detail/206.html

### F. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

**Health/Medical Insurance**

All NUS students travelling overseas for activities or purposes approved, endorsed, organized, sponsored or authorised by NUS will be covered by the NUS Student Travel Insurance Policy. Such trips shall be referred to as “Official NUS Student Trips”. For more information on the University health insurance coverage, please refer to [https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/](https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/)

The Ministry of Education of China requires that all international students must purchase the medical insurance designated by Chinese universities and be medically insured throughout their entire planned period of study. Students who do not have valid medical insurance will not be allowed to register.

Exchange students MUST purchase the designated medical insurance plan in China for a cost of RMB 400 per semester.

Please refer to [http://oldisd.pku.edu.cn/ORIENTATION/English/UPON_YOUR_ARRIVAL/Health_Insurance.htm](http://oldisd.pku.edu.cn/ORIENTATION/English/UPON_YOUR_ARRIVAL/Health_Insurance.htm) for more information.

### G. Useful Links

**Peking University Office of International Relations**

http://www.oir.pku.edu.cn/
http://www.isd.pku.edu.cn/exchange.html