

## STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

## **Information for Students on Exchange**

A.	University	Victoria University of Wellington
В.	Country	New Zealand
C.	Academic Calendar	Semester 1: Mid February to Mid June Semester 2: Early July to Early November <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/dates">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/study/dates</a>
D.	Exchange Duration	One semester
	Course Information	Exchange students must enrol as a full-time student in a minimum workload of 45 points (equiv. to 3 courses) per semester. The maximum full-time workload is 60 points (equiv. to 4 courses) per semester.  Please note that you will not be permitted to enrol in more than 60 points or 4 courses per semester.  The regular semester workload for full-time undergraduate students as determined by the Office of the Provost is 60 points. Credits earned at the host university may not be directly equivalent to NUS credits and you can refer to the SEP Credit Transfer Calculator for information on units exchange ratio at the host university. Please note that the actual number of credits earned is subject to the units exchange ratio at the point of credit transfer.  Restricted courses: <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/international/applying/study-abroad-exchange-restrictions">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/international/applying/study-abroad-exchange-restrictions</a> Course Information: <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/explore/other-quals/study-abroad-and-">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/explore/other-quals/study-abroad-and-</a>
		exchange/study-details
F.	Accommodation	Exchange students are eligible to apply for on-campus accommodation at VUW. Exchange students are recommended to apply as soon as possible, as on-campus accommodation is limited and not guaranteed.
		Please refer to the information provided by VUW for latest updates regarding housing availability.
		Accommodation options: <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/accommodation">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/accommodation</a>
G.	Visa	Exchange students must apply to New Zealand Immigration for a student visa and obtain the visa before entering New Zealand. Please note that it is NOT possible for exchange students to travel to New Zealand on a visitor's visa and apply for a student permit upon arrival in New Zealand, even if you



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	are a citizen of a country with which New Zealand has a visa waiver agreement. It is imperative that all exchange students get their student visa BEFORE travelling to New Zealand, as you may be refused a student permit if you apply from within New Zealand.  Students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. This is to ensure that you can obtain your visa in time before the start of your exchange term. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.  For more information on visa applications, please refer to <a href="https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/explore-visa-options">https://www.immigration.govt.nz/new-zealand-visas/explore-visa-options</a>
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 Exchange students are required to purchase a compulsory medical and travel insurance when studying in New Zealand. Exchange students are signed up automatically for the Studentsafe Inbound University insurance. For more info, please refer to <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a> It is recommended that you purchase a comprehensive travel insurance for the full duration of your stay abroad, including your personal travel within/outside New Zealand. Please review your insurance coverages to ensure that they meet your needs.  Students are strongly encouraged to assess the risk of their intended activities and purchase supplemental insurance plans to ensure they are adequately covered during their time abroad.
I. Useful Links	Student Exchange Information: <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/explore/other-quals/study-abroad-and-exchange">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/explore/other-quals/study-abroad-and-exchange</a> Cost of Living: <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/data/assets/pdf">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/data/assets/pdf</a> file/0006/2049180/money-matters.pdf  Student Support: <a href="https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/support">https://www.wgtn.ac.nz/students/support</a>