

## STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

### Information for Students on Exchange

<b>A. University</b>	<b>Chalmers University of Technology</b>  <a href="http://www.chalmers.se/en">http://www.chalmers.se/en</a>
<b>B. Country</b>	Sweden
<b>C. Academics</b>	
<b>i) Course Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>Courses 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.</p>
<b>ii) Academic Calendar</b>	<p><b>Semester 1:</b> September to January  <b>Semester 2:</b> January to June</p> <p><a href="https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/your-studies/plan-and-conduct-your-studies/the-academic-year/">https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/your-studies/plan-and-conduct-your-studies/the-academic-year/</a></p>
<b>iii) Exchange Duration</b>	<p>One semester.</p> <p>For more information about the exchange programme, please refer to <a href="https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/programmes-and-courses/exchange-studies/">https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/programmes-and-courses/exchange-studies/</a></p>
<b>iv) Examination</b>	Students are expected to attend the mandatory examination at the host university.
<b>v) Curriculum Structure</b>	<p>Sweden has a system of higher education credits (högskolepoäng). The normal workload for one semester amounts to 30 higher education credits; a normal 40-week academic year corresponds to 60 higher education credits. The system is compatible with ECTS credits.</p> <p>Chalmers does not award ECTS grading. 1 credit at Chalmers corresponds to 1 ECTS.</p> <p>In most courses, Chalmers uses the grading scale Fail, 3, 4 and 5. A higher figure signifies a better grade. For others, students can be awarded fail or pass. If students fail the course, they must either take a re-examination, or they must make up the credits in some other way in order to pass.</p> <p>For more course information, please refer to:  <a href="https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/programmes-and-courses/exchange-studies/#course-catalogue-for-exchange-students">https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/programmes-and-courses/exchange-studies/#course-catalogue-for-exchange-students</a> </p>

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<b>vi) Entry Requirements</b>	<p>Students must have completed at least 4 semesters of bachelor level programme before studying at Chalmers.</p> <p>A minimum GPA of 3.0 out of 5.0 with no grade below C.</p>
<b>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</b>	<p>The medium of instruction for classes is Swedish and English. There is a good number of English-taught courses for exchange students.</p>
<b>viii) Faculties &amp; Schools Accepting Exchange Students</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applied Information Technology</li> <li>• Applied Mechanics</li> <li>• Applied Physics</li> <li>• Architecture</li> <li>• Biology and Biological Engineering</li> <li>• Chemistry and Chemical Engineering</li> <li>• Civil and Environmental Engineering</li> <li>• Computer Science and Engineering</li> <li>• Earth and Space Sciences</li> <li>• Energy and Environment</li> <li>• Fundamental Physics</li> <li>• Materials and Manufacturing Technology</li> <li>• Mathematical Sciences</li> <li>• Microtechnology and Nanoscience</li> <li>• Product and Production Development</li> <li>• Shipping and Marine Technology</li> <li>• Signals and Systems</li> </ul>
<b>ix) Course restrictions and pre-requisites</b>	<p>Students are expected to take master level courses taught in English as most Bachelor level courses are taught in Swedish.</p> <p>Only students in 3rd year and above can participate in SEP to Chalmers University of Technology. 3rd year semester 2 students are preferred.</p> <p>Architecture students must be in their 4th year to participate in an exchange to Chalmers.</p> <p>NUS students cannot attend courses from Chalmers Department of Technology Management and Economics which includes Industrial Engineering and Business courses.</p> <p>For more information, please refer to:  <a href="https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/your-studies/find-course-and-programme-syllabi/programme-overview/">https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/your-studies/find-course-and-programme-syllabi/programme-overview/</a></p>

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**D. Application**

<b>i) Procedures</b>	<p>Students can apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS. Please look out for your faculty's announcement regarding the application period.</p> <p>Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.</p>
<b>ii) Deadlines</b>	<p>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 have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.</p> <p>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.</p>

**E. Accommodations**

<b>i) University Accommodation</b>	<p>Gothenburg is a popular city to study in and there is a very high demand for student housing. Finding appropriate accommodation may be difficult, especially in the central parts of the city. Chalmers cannot guarantee accommodation for exchange students but will try their best to provide accommodation to the incoming exchange students. Incoming exchange students from NUS will receive an email from Chalmers with instructions about how to apply for housing in Gothenburg.</p> <p>Students are expected to search actively for housing, which means that you may have to put yourself in the queue systems for the housing agencies. It is important that you don't wait until the last minute, as soon as you receive your admissions letter you should start looking for accommodation.</p> <p>Chalmers has agreements with the housing agencies SGS Studentbostäder and Chalmers studentbostäder. Make sure to apply directly to each of these agencies.</p> <p>For more information on accommodation, please refer to:  <a href="https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/study-at-chalmers/living-in-sweden/housing/">https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/study-at-chalmers/living-in-sweden/housing/</a></p>
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**F. Visa**

**Consular/Visa  
Regulation**

Students from non-EU/EEA countries need to apply for a residence permit for studies before entering Sweden. Further information and application forms regarding residence permit may be obtained from the Swedish Embassy or Consulate in the home country of the student, or from [Migrationsverket \(the Migration Board\)](#). Students are strongly advised to apply as soon as they receive their Letter of Acceptance, since it may take up to three months to get the documentation finalised. In order to apply for a residence permit for studies, students must:

- Have a valid passport
- Be admitted to full time studies
- Be able to support herself or himself for the planned study period (ie a bank statement in your name); the applicable minimum amount per month of stay is stipulated at the [Swedish Migration Board website](#)
- Have a comprehensive health insurance that covers the whole period of stay in Sweden if admitted for less than a year

All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they receive the official offer letter/email from their host university.

Visa application process could take up to 3 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

For more information about visa, please refer to:

<https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals.html>

*\*From **1 November 2022**, applicants for a permit to study or conduct research in Sweden must personally show their passport before the Swedish Migration Agency can make a decision. Please visit*

*<https://www.migrationsverket.se/English/Private-individuals/Studying-in-Sweden/Nyhetsarkiv/2022-10-10-The-Swedish-Migration-Agency-is-introducing-new-rules-for-better-passport-check.html> for more information.*

For further visa or residence permit assistance, please contact the [Swedish Migration Agency](#).

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**G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance**

<b>i) Health/Medical Insurance</b>	<p>All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to <a href="https://nus.edu.sg/uhc/general-health/billing-insurance/matters#student">https://nus.edu.sg/uhc/general-health/billing-insurance/matters#student</a></p> <p>For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to 'Insurance Cover for Official NUS Trips' here: <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a></p> <p>All incoming exchange students are covered by the Kammarkollegiet Student IN insurance policy. The insurance is valid 24 hours a day in Sweden and includes limited accident cover, entitlement to reimbursement for health care costs in the event of acute illness or emergency dental care, home transport cover, liability cover and legal protection. For a complete overview of what Student IN covers, including limitations, please visit Kammarkollegiet's <a href="#">website</a>.</p> <p>Please review the insurance coverage to ensure that they meet your needs. Students may purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.</p>
<b>ii) Emergency Number at host university</b>	<p>Tel: +46 31 772 4488</p>

**H. Cost of Living**
**i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses**

Breakdown of Costs	Cost
Accommodation	SEK 3,500 – SEK 7,000
Food	SEK 2,500
Transport	SEK 580 – SEK 1,060
Telephone/Internet	SEK 400
Insurance	SEK 1,000
Others (Entertainment, clothes etc.)	SEK 1,800
<b>Monthly Estimate</b>	<b>SEK 10,845 – SEK 13,145</b>

For more information, please refer to: <https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/study-at-chalmers/living-in-sweden/cost-of-living/>

International exchange students may need to open a Swedish bank account during their time in Sweden.

**I. Useful reference**

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Students**<https://www.chalmers.se/en/education/programmes-and-courses/exchange-studies/>

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Note: All information is subjected to change.