Information for Students

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<th>A. University</th>
<th>Brandeis University</th>
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| B. Location         | Waltham, Massachusetts, USA |

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<th>C. Academics</th>
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<td>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</td>
<td>Please ensure your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home School or Faculty before the exchange. Modules approved in the past may not be offered by the host university or approved by your Faculty when it is time for your SEP. Please check the latest course offerings at the host university while you develop your Study Plan.</td>
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<td>ii) Academic Calendar</td>
<td>Semester 1 (Fall): August to December Semester 2 (Spring): January to May</td>
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<td>*Please note: NUS only sends students for SEP to Brandeis in Semester 2 (Spring)</td>
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<td>iii) Exchange Duration</td>
<td>One semester</td>
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<td>iv) Examination</td>
<td>Students should check the exam timetable at their host university, and ensure they can stay at their host university until after the end of the official exam period.</td>
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<td>v) Curriculum Structure</td>
<td>Workload: 128 Brandeis credit hours for 4 year Bachelor's degree at Brandeis. Students normally take 16 Brandeis credit hours per semester.</td>
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<td>vi) Entry Requirements</td>
<td>Brandeis requires a 3.0 Grade Point Average (GPA) on the 4.0 scale, which would be 3.75 on NUS 5.0 scale.</td>
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<td>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</td>
<td>English</td>
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<td>viii) Modules Compatibility</td>
<td>NUS students at Brandeis are eligible to only take undergraduate courses within the College of Arts and Sciences: <a href="http://www.brandeis.edu/learning/undergraduate/majors.html">http://www.brandeis.edu/learning/undergraduate/majors.html</a></td>
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Brandeis tends to be a good fit for **FASS**, **FoS** and **SoC** students. To view upcoming course offerings (subject to change) please refer to the following webpage: [http://www.brandeis.edu/registrar/registration/schedule.html](http://www.brandeis.edu/registrar/registration/schedule.html)

While the above search engine will pull graduate classes, please refer to the undergraduate classes to see what courses are on offer at Brandeis. Typically the full year schedule appears around April 1 for the coming year:

Once available, courses will appear at: [http://www.brandeis.edu/registrar/registration/schedule.html](http://www.brandeis.edu/registrar/registration/schedule.html)

### ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

It can be difficult to register for courses in the Business department due to high demand.

Graduate-level courses are not available to exchange students.

### D. Application

#### i) Procedures

All NUS students have to be nominated by NUS before they can apply for a fee-waiver exchange at the host university.

The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in the SharePoint.

Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean’s Office for the link to the SharePoint.

#### 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 have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university by the stipulated deadline, may result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

### E. Accommodation

#### i) University Accommodation

More information on housing will be provided by Brandeis university following acceptance to the programme.

[https://www.brandeis.edu/abroad/approved-programs/exchanges/incoming-exchange/housing.html](https://www.brandeis.edu/abroad/approved-programs/exchanges/incoming-exchange/housing.html)

### F. Visa

**Consular/Visa Regulation**

All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they receive the official offer letter/email from their host university.
Some visa application processes can take up to 2 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

It is necessary for international students and exchange visitors to make appointments with the U.S. embassy or consulate in their country in a timely fashion in order to receive a visa.

Students are expected to obtain a J-1 Student Entry Visa.

Students must present the required documents to the consular section of the U.S. Embassy, as instructed by Brandeis closer to the time of application. Please note that there will be a SEVIS Fee which must be paid before you go to the embassy for your visa interview.

### 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 blanket travel insurance, please refer to the following link:

https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/

Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their exchange semester.

In addition, students will be required to enrol in the compulsory health insurance policy or scheme at their SEP host university.

*For Brandeis, all international students will automatically be enrolled in the qualifying School Health Plan through Blue Cross Blue Shield Massachusetts as mandated by state and federal regulations to cover students for the duration of their studies at Brandeis.*

https://www.universityhealthplans.com/letters/letter.cgi?school_id=299

*All incoming students are required to complete a medical examination form showing proof of vaccinations.*

#### ii) Emergency Number at host university

For emergency contact information, please refer to the following link:

http://www.brandeis.edu/publicsafety/

### H. Cost of Living

#### i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

More information on cost estimates can be seen at:

https://www.brandeis.edu/abroad/approved-programs/exchanges/incoming-exchange/financial.html