## Information for Students

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<th><strong>A. University</strong></th>
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<td><a href="http://www.clarkson.edu/">http://www.clarkson.edu/</a></td>
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| **B. Location** | Potsdam, New York, USA |

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<td><strong>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</strong></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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| **ii) Academic Calendar** | **Semester 1 (Fall):** August to December  
**Semester 2 (Spring):** January to May |
|                   | [http://www.clarkson.edu/sas/calendar.html](http://www.clarkson.edu/sas/calendar.html) |
| **iii) Exchange Duration** | One semester |
| **iv) Examination** | 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. |
| **v) Curriculum Structure** | You must enrol in a minimum of 12 US credits or maximum of 18 US credits to maintain full-time status for your visa. |
| **vi) Entry Requirements** | CAP of 3.5 out of 5.0 with no grade below C |
| **vii) Language Proficiency Requirements** | English  
Regarding English Language Proficiency Clarkson have advised they can accept an official letter from NUS stating that the students are proficient in English. NUS Registrar’s Office will send this letter on each nominated student’s behalf. |
<p>| <strong>viii) Modules Compatibility</strong> | Clarkson is a comprehensive university and suitable for <strong>FASS</strong>, <strong>FoE</strong>, <strong>FoS</strong> and <strong>SoC</strong> students. For more information on academic units at Clarkson, please refer to the following link: <a href="https://www.clarkson.edu/international-center/inbound-exchange">https://www.clarkson.edu/international-center/inbound-exchange</a> (scroll down for academic information) |</p>
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<th>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</th>
<th>Undergraduate classes are numbered 100-499. You must meet pre-requisites to enrol in a class.</th>
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**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.

You may search for classes [here](#), but before you search it will be helpful to know:

- You must list 7 classes on your class request sheet from the link above that you are interested in taking while at Clarkson
- Undergraduate students may take courses in the 100-499 range. You cannot take classes in the 500-699 range
- Graduate classes are 500 and above. Graduate students may take undergraduate and graduate courses
- When selecting classes to request to take, please be sure you are in the "search for classes" tab! The "browse course catalog" tab is a compilation of all classes past and present taught at Clarkson. Classes listed in the browse tab may no longer be taught
- Most upper-level courses have prerequisite courses you have to have taken and passed in order to take that course. Be prepared to submit the course details from your home university you wish to submit as the prerequisite.
- Classes for the fall semester are not available online until the end of March and spring classes are not available online until the end of October. You may search the previous semester’s classes if these are not available yet. If they were offered in a previous semester, it does not guarantee they will be offered the next semester. Example, fall 2021 classes are not available until March 12, 2021. Search Fall 2020 classes.
- Make sure you are searching the Main Campus location only.
- The "browse course catalog" tab is where you will find class descriptions to provide to your home university
## 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

All exchange students are guaranteed housing and required to live on campus. Exchange students are assigned apartment-style housing in either Woodstock Village, Riverside Apartments, or Townhouse Apartments. Students will be housed with a mix of other international students and American students in order to provide the best cultural experience. Each apartment includes the basic furnishings: beds, desks, built-in wardrobes, dressers, refrigerator, stove, and living and dining room furniture. Students are responsible for providing their own kitchenware, cookware, bedding, and linens. Students will know who their roommates are prior to arrival. We encourage exchange students to organize what they will contribute to the apartment with their roommates before arrival. Students may shop online and/or ship items right to the International Center so they will be at Clarkson upon arrival. There are communal laundry facilities in Woodstock Village, Riverside Apartments, and Townhouse Apartments.

For more on housing options, please refer here: [https://www.clarkson.edu/residence-life](https://www.clarkson.edu/residence-life)

For more on meal plans, please refer here: [https://www.clarkson.edu/dining-services](https://www.clarkson.edu/dining-services)

## F. Visa

### Consular/Visa Regulation

Exchange students are eligible to apply for a J-1 or F-1 Visa. Clarkson will guide you through obtaining your visa, but you must know if you are applying for a J-1 or an F-1 visa when you fill out your application. Click on this website to learn more about US Visas. If you have specific questions about your visa, please email cuisso@clarkson.edu.

## 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/](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 Clarkson, health insurance coverage is compulsory. If you are coming as a J-1 there are specific coverage requirements. If you are coming in on an F-1 there are no specific requirements, but we recommend having the same or more coverage as a J-1. We encourage you to review different policies and pick one that is right for you. Some additional providers are listed on [NAFSA’s website](https://www.nafsa.org). TRAVEL INSURANCE IS NOT HEALTH INSURANCE.*

*Students entering the U.S. under the J-Exchange Visitor program to study are required to meet minimum health insurance coverage requirements. We highly advise F-1 visa holders to meet these minimum benefits as well. These include:*  
- **Medical Benefits of at least $100,000 per accident or illness**  
- **At least $25,000 for Repatriation of Remains**  
- **At least $50,000 for Medical Evacuation to your home country**  
- **A deductible of no more than $500 per accident or illness**

| ii) Emergency Number at host university | https://www.clarkson.edu/campus-safety |

**H. Cost of Living**

i) **Estimated Monthly Living Expenses**  
Exchange students do not pay tuition. You pay for your living expenses (housing and food) as well as other entertainment types (travel, books, incidental, and health insurance) of expenses. For an estimate of expenses from the 2019-2020 semesters click on this [link](https://www.clarkson.edu/campus-safety).

Information correct as of July 2021. Please refer to the Clarkson links for the most up-to-date information.