# Information for Students

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| B. Location          | Washington, DC, 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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| ii) Academic Calendar | Semester 1: August to December  
                             Semester 2: January to May  
                             [https://registrar.georgetown.edu/academic-calendars/maincampus](https://registrar.georgetown.edu/academic-calendars/maincampus) |
| 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 | International exchange students must enrol fulltime by the GU course registration deadline and throughout the entire semester, as follows:  
                             - Undergraduate courses: 12-15 GU credits per semester. |
| vi) Entry Requirements | CAP of 3.75 out of 5.0 (equivalent to 3.0 out of 4.0 GPA), with no grade below C. |
| vii) Language Proficiency Requirements | English  
                             At this time, GU colleagues have advised they can accept a letter written by NUS that certifies students’ English proficiency. This letter has been submitted to GU by the NUS Global Relations Office. Proof of English Language proficiency is subject to change at any time. |
| viii) Modules Compatibility | All exchange students are admitted to GU’s College of Arts and Sciences, but may take classes in the School of Foreign Service and select programs in the College of Nursing and Health Studies, if required. Georgetown tends to be a good fit for FASS, FoS and SoC students. |
Students must take between 12-15 credits per semester, and may take courses in a variety of disciplines across the university. All courses must be taken for credit, and students are not eligible for research tutorials, internship courses or independent studies.

Exchange students may only take undergraduate courses (numbered 499 and below). Course numbers at Georgetown reflect the type of course and not what year they are normally taken; a first year student may take a 400 level class and a fourth year student may take a 100 level class. Courses numbered 001 - 99 are introductory courses; 100-299 are lecture classes that may require prerequisite knowledge; 300-499 are small to medium size departmental seminars that require prerequisite knowledge and prior coursework in the subject matter.

Please note that course numbers that end in -70, -71 or -62 are courses that are not taught in Washington DC. Courses that end in -70 or -71 are taught in Doha, Qatar and courses that end in -62 are taught in Fiesole, Italy. Please avoid choosing modules from these overseas campuses when selecting courses for your exchange.

In early April (fall or Sem 1 entry) or early November (spring or Sem 2 entry), exchange students will receive instructions from their GU exchange coordinator regarding registration for courses. Students may change their course selection at this time, as they are not bound to the courses they submitted in their initial application. Students may also change their schedules during the add/drop period at the beginning of each semester.

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<th>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</th>
<th>The exchange program is an undergraduate Main Campus exchange. The following departments are autonomous and do NOT accept exchange students: School for Continuing Studies (Liberal Studies), School of Medicine; School of Law; Masters of Business Administration (MBA); Master of Science in Foreign Service (MSFS); Communication, Culture, &amp; Technology (CCT); Public Policy (PBPO); and National Security Studies (NSST)</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.

Upon nomination by NUS, please follow Georgetown’s application instructions:
### Create a Georgetown University Account in myGUABROAD

1. Click "Apply Now" below
2. Fill in required introductory information

Upon completion of this information, the system will send an email with login instructions and a temporary password, which you will need to change to a permanent password when you initially log in (Your full email address serves as your username for this system, i.e. name@gmail.com).

### Submit Online Application

1. Follow Steps above
2. Select the term you wish to apply for
3. Complete Online Forms and Questionnaires

### 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.

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### E. Accommodation

#### i) University Accommodation

Georgetown is unable to guarantee housing for all exchange students as spaces are limited. However, Georgetown will try to try award on campus housing to as many students as possible, and the Office of Global Education will assist students with their housing search if on-campus housing is not available. For more information, please refer here: [Housing at Georgetown](#).

**Meal Plans:** Students living off campus are not required to purchase a meal plan but may do so if they wish. Students living on campus in a traditional residence hall (Reynolds, McCarthy, Kennedy, etc.) who do not have access to a kitchen must purchase a meal plan. Students living in a suite or student apartment with a shared kitchen (Alumni Square, Village A, Townhouses, etc) do not need to purchase a meal plan as residents have easy access to a kitchen.

If you are living off campus or if your chosen housing option has kitchen facilities, you can learn more about nearby grocery and dining options (and many other topics) on the [GU International Student & Scholar Services Office's "Living in DC" page](#).
### F. Visa

| **Consular/Visa Regualtion** | 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.

Once you are admitted to the university, Undergraduate Admissions will send you a Certificate of Eligibility (Form DS-2019). This document, together with your notification of admission, the financial guarantee and your passport, is used to obtain a J-1 visa at a U.S. consulate nearest to you. To apply for a visa in your home country, you must apply early and expect delays. Consult individual embassy Web sites for periodic updates on country-specific visa processing. |

### 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.

*Information on GU’s Health Insurance can be found here: [https://studenthealthinsurance.georgetown.edu/](https://studenthealthinsurance.georgetown.edu/). NUS students will be automatically enrolled in the Georgetown premier plan.* |

| ii) **Emergency Number at host university** | For emergency contact information, please refer to the following link: [https://police.georgetown.edu/](https://police.georgetown.edu/). |

### H. Cost of Living

| i) **Estimated Monthly Living Expenses** | [https://finaid.georgetown.edu/undergrad/aid-for-undergrads/#](https://finaid.georgetown.edu/undergrad/aid-for-undergrads/#) (tuition fees waived for exchange students) |

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