

Information for Students

A. University	Texas A&M University http://www.tamu.edu/ Webpage for Incoming Exchange Students
B. Location	College Station, Texas, USA
C. Academics	
i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	<p>Please ensure your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home School or Faculty before the exchange.</p> <p>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.</p>
ii) Academic Calendar	<p>Semester 1 (Fall): August to December Semester 2 (Spring): January to May</p> <p>http://registrar.tamu.edu/Catalogs,-Policies-Procedures/Academic-Calendar</p>
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	<p>ALL reciprocal exchange students are enrolled as “non-degree seeking” students. Because you will receive your degree from your home institution, at Texas A&M you are classified as non-degree seeking. Additionally, all exchange students must be enrolled as full-time students, defined below for undergraduate and graduate students. Whether you are classified as undergraduate or graduate student often depends on the actual terms of the exchange agreement, not always your actual academic level. If you are classified as an undergraduate, you may not take graduate level courses.</p> <p>Full-time requirements</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Undergraduate: minimum of 12 credit hours per semester. Undergraduate courses are all numbered 499 and below. • Graduate: minimum of 9 credit hours per semester. Graduate courses are numbered 600 and above.
vi) Entry Requirements	CAP of 3.5 out of 5.0 with no grade below C

<p>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</p>	<p>English</p>
<p>viii) Modules Compatibility</p>	<p>Texas A&M is a comprehensive university and is suitable for FASS, FoS, FoE and SoC students. For more information the academic units at Texas A&M, please refer to the following link:</p> <p>https://www.tamu.edu/about/departments.html</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To get syllabi for courses, follow the link here • To get course descriptions, follow the links <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ undergraduate course catalog <p>Academic differences between Texas A&M and partner universities:</p> <p>Texas A&M often hears that there is a significant difference between American and international universities. In the U.S., attendance is usually required and factored into your grade. Also, there is typically an increase in assignments, reading, and group projects that are often unfamiliar requirements to incoming international students.</p> <p>Hear from other Exchange students</p> <p>Videos & Testimonials</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Giulia from Italy: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SA3GloAQv8c • Nguyen from The Netherlands: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nT5PdbtagYM • Mikaere from New Zealand: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=JuAsa8WNWJg • Hang from Singapore: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HRhI5MfV_3Y • Charlotte from France: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LGJyzA9sqZk
<p>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</p>	<p>All academic colleges are open to exchange students except for Biomedical Sciences; Mays School of Business courses (limited); Industrial and Systems Engineering.</p>
<p>D. Application</p>	
<p>i) Procedures</p>	<p>All NUS students have to be nominated by NUS before they can apply for a fee-waiver exchange at the host university.</p> <p>The application procedures and list of supporting documents needed by the host university can be found in the SharePoint.</p>

	Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean’s Office for the link to the SharePoint.
<p>ii) Deadlines</p>	<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 by the stipulated deadline, may result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.</p>
<p>E. Accommodation</p>	
<p>i) University Accommodation</p>	<p>Housing/Accommodation https://reslife.tamu.edu/</p> <p>When can you apply for housing? You can begin to apply for housing after you have received your “next steps” email from Education Abroad that includes your UIN, which is needed for on-campus housing. If you wish to live off-campus, you can begin your search immediately, however, housing complexes generally require an Admissions letter before they will extend a contract to you. You will not receive an Admissions letter until after you are admitted.</p> <p>Where can you live? Incoming exchange students have the option to live on or off campus. Please note that most A&M students that live in the on-campus dorms are usually freshmen which are first year students. A&M students that live in on-campus apartments are generally sophomore classification and up.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ On campus apartments: White Creek and The Gardens https://reslife.tamu.edu/options/apartments/ ○ On campus dorms: https://reslife.tamu.edu/options/halls/ ○ Off-campus apartments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Recommended: Park West https://parkwestlife.com/ ▪ The Domain https://www.domainatnorthgate.com/ ▪ Northpointe Crossing https://www.northpointe-crossing.com/ <p>Please note that NUS nor Texas A&M have any affiliation with any one particular apartment complex. When applying for an off-campus apartment, you are signing a contract that states you will pay any rent, utilities and other fees for the duration of the lease. Do not sign a lease until you are certain you will be coming to Texas A&M for your exchange, as you will still be legally held responsible for the fees associated with the lease even if you have to cancel.</p>
<p>F. Visa</p>	

<p>Consular/Visa Regulation</p>	<p>When entering the United States, exchange students MUST have the following documentation with them and easily accessible while traveling:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Valid passport • J-1 or F-1 visa for the U.S. • DS-2019 or I-20 (Certificate of Eligibility which should be stamped upon your entry into the U.S.) <p>Once you receive the DS-2019 or I-20 Certificate of Eligibility from Texas A&M, you will need to make an appointment with the U.S. Embassy/Consulate in your country to get your student visa for the U.S. Students who participate on reciprocal exchanges are issued J-1 or F-1 visas for exchange visitors. Check with the U.S. Consulate or Embassy responsible for issuing your visa to find out the details about what you need to do and how. Currently all persons seeking student visas for the United States are required to have a personal interview with a U.S. consular agent. Advance planning can save you much time, travel, and money. If you experience problems with the visa issuance process (before you leave home), please e-mail both the Study Abroad Programs Office (SAPO) studyabroad@tamu.edu and International Student Services (ISS) iss@tamu.edu.</p>
<p>G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance</p>	
<p>i) Health/Medical Insurance</p>	<p>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/</p> <p>Students are strongly encouraged to purchase a supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their exchange semester.</p> <p>In addition, students will be required to enrol in the compulsory health insurance policy or scheme at their SEP host university.</p> <p><i>Texas A&M University and the U.S Department of State requires all incoming exchange students to be covered by health insurance for the duration of their enrollment. Insurance fees will be billed to your Howdy account at the beginning of the semester. Insurance costs vary each semester and year. The amount you should expect to pay will be listed in your ISS application.</i></p>
<p>ii) Emergency Number at host university</p>	<p>https://safety.tamu.edu/</p>
<p>H. Cost of Living</p>	

<p>i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</p>	<p>(Tuition is waived for exchange students): http://admissions.tamu.edu/freshman/cost</p>
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Information correct as of July 2021. Please refer to the Texas A&M links for the most up-to-date information.