<u>Undergraduate Student Exchange Programme between</u> <u>Department of Chemistry of The University of Hong Kong and</u> <u>Department of Chemistry of National University of Singapore (NUS)</u>

The University strongly encourages students to travel overseas and supports exchange programmes which allow undergraduates to study at overseas universities for one year or one semester. Other than applying through the International Affairs Office under the HKU Worldwide Student Exchange Programme, the Department of Chemistry has established an agreement for undergraduate student exchange programme with Department of Chemistry of National University of Singapore (NUS) to provide students doing chemistry major or intensive chemistry major with opportunities to have exchange study for a semester or a year at Department of Chemistry at NUS.

Below are the details of the application timeline for Academic Year (AY) 2023-24 Semester 2 (Jan to May 2024), January 2024 intake.

Application timeline		AY 2023-24 Semester 2 (Jan to May 2024), January 2024		
		intake		
1.	Nomination deadline	Interested students* who plan to take the majority of modules from Chemistry in NUS please contact Emily Leung (emilyleung@hku.hk) to provide their information as stated below by 31 August, 2023: Name (full name as in passport or identity card) Year of study during exchange Exchange duration (Semester 1 or Full Academic Year) Finalized course selection/credit transfer plan, including seeking PRIOR advice from relevant HKU course teacher(s) if you wish to transfer the credits		
		taken abroad (if applicable)		
2.	Selection	The Department will nominate selected applicants to NUS for their considerations. The host university retains the right to accept or reject candidates.		
3.	Selected applicants	1 – 22 September, 2023		
	having online			
	application			
4.	Notification of application results	Early November 2023		
	application results			

^{*} Students please check the eligibility, modules for exchange students etc. carefully at NUS website at https://nus.edu.sg/registrar/prospective-students/non-graduating/coursework#Application.

For more information about this Student Exchange Programme with NUS, students may refer to NUS website (https://nus.edu.sg/gro/global-programmes/student-exchange/incoming-exchangers#before-applying) and some key information shared by NUS as appended in the following pages.

Timelines & Updates



Application due (to HKU): 31 August 2023, Thursday



Exchange application period (to NUS; selected students only): 1 - 22 September 2023

Selected students will receive an application link from HKU for submission of a **formal** exchange application to NUS in mid-March.

The formal exchange application to NUS has to be submitted from 1 - 22 September 2023.

Selected students please note:

- Students are to register a new user account using their university email address (instead of their personal email)
- Select "Non-graduating Programme" and "Faculty Level" or "Department Level" for your specialisation/level of study in your application
- Students need to prepare 8 courses for submission with your application. Please read the course selection column for more details
- Students who wish to be considered for oncampus housing have to indicate their interest in their application
- Useful links:
 <u>Application Guide</u>
 <u>Video Guide</u>



Modules Selection

List of Courses offered to Exchange students:

https://nus.edu.sg/registrar/docs/info/prospective-students---non-graduating/ng-courses.pdf

(Please note that NUS Semester 2, 2024 courses will be updated in end August 2023)

Please check to ensure that students **meet the <u>pre-requisites</u>** for the courses you apply for. To be considered for higher level courses, you need to upload syllabus of the courses which you have completed at your home university to the application portal to show that you have met the pre-requisites.

Undergraduate students should **select courses with course code starting from level 1000 to 4000**. The graduate-level courses starting from 5000 & above are not offered to undergraduate students.

Business and Law courses are limited and only offered to students nominated for Business and Law-specific exchanges. University-level or other Faculty-level exchange students will not be considered for Business and Law courses. Refer to the Restriction List for more details.

l l	Please note that course enrolment is subject to vacancies and student demands , there's no guaranteed enrolment into any courses.
	Please ensure to have more flexibility in your course selections for your exchange semester. We recommend that you prepare some back-up courses in the event of oversubscription or timetable clashes.
	Refer to this <u>link</u> for more info.



Immigration & Insurance

Travellers seeking to enter Singapore should comply with the prevailing Public Health as well as Entry Requirements listed on ICA's website to ensure a smooth journey.

Please note that COVID-19 vaccination is still required for Student's Pass holders.

You will need to be vaccinated against COVID-19 and achieve minimum protection before you can complete formalities for the issuance of your Student's Pass, unless you are medically exempted and certified by a Singapore doctor. Refer to this <u>link</u> for more info.

Exchange students are covered under the <u>NUS</u> <u>Medical Insurance Scheme</u>. Refer to the coverage for Non-graduating students.

Students are strongly encouraged to purchase supplemental travel insurance to ensure they are adequately covered during their time abroad.



Student's Pass

All international students **must hold a valid Student's Pass** while studying at NUS.

NUS Registrar's Office will send the Student's Pass application instructions to students who have accepted the NUS admission offer

You need to login to ICA e-Service portal with the information provided in the email to submit your Student's Pass application.

Please prepare the documents required in advance.

Monitor the application status regularly as you will be required to upload documents and make payments at different junctures of the application process on the portal within a 2-week timeline. Failure to do so will result in your Student's Pass application being withdrawn

Once the application is approved, you will be issued an IPA letter for entry to Singapore. For students from a <u>visa-required country</u>, the IPA letter also serves as a single-entry visa to enter Singapore



ACCOMMODATION

On-campus accommodation options:

https://nus.edu.sg/osa/student-services/hostel-admission/non-graduating/hostel-options

On-campus accommodation is **limited and not guaranteed**. You can submit an application after completion of Registration Part 1.

Please note that the accommodation options listed on the application portal are those that are available for your selection. Students may not see the full list of on-campus accommodation due to limited capability. If students have any medical conditions which require special accommodations, please upload it with their housing application.

If students are successful in their housing application. NUS strongly encourage them to accept the offer within the acceptance deadline. Failing which the room will be released to another student on the waiting list. As NUS are working on a very tight timeline, late applicants or appeals for extension of deadlines will not be considered.

Exchange students should also **seek off-campus accommodation options concurrently** as there is increasing demand from international students in Singapore.

Some useful resources for off-campus accommodation*:

Complete the Student's Pass formalities after your arrival to Singapore. Book early to secure an Offsite Enrolment Exercise (OSE) in NUS appointment slot.	Students' testimonials with off-campus housing List of Private Student Hostels Other resources shared by inhound students*: Flat and Flatmates in Singapore (Facebook group) West Coast Village Residences https://www.airbnb.com.sg/ https://www.metroresidences.com/ https://www.universityliving.com/singapore/city/singapore https://cove.sg/student-accommodation https://www.novenahall.com.sg/ *Please note that these external sites and providers are not affiliated with NUS and the list is meant to be a helpful resource for students as they plan their accommodation for their exchange.
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NUS Exchange Information

Online resources:

- NUS Info Sheet
- NUS Global Website



See you in NUS Webinar

NUS Global will be conducting pre-arrival webinars for incoming exchange students every semester. You will receive an invitation via email around early November.





Enquiries

NUS is look forward to welcoming you to NUS in January 2024. For enquiries, please send to scilyz@nus.edu.sg.

1 - 22 Sep

- NUS Online Application Portal opens for Semester 2 exchange applications on 1 Sep 2023
- Nominated students to submit an exchange application by 22 Sep 2023 (2359hrs, Singapore Time)

Early Nov

- Application outcome will be released in early November
- Students who have secured a min. of 3 courses will receive the acceptance offer
- Students who are not successful in securing 3 courses will be notified to participate in Course Reselection
- Check email regularly for updates on the next steps...

Early Nov

- Accept offer & upload a recent photo for your NUS Student Card
- Check out the photo requirements here
- Once your photo has been approved, complete Registration Part 1 in advance so that you can access the university housing application portal – UHMS using your NUSNET ID.

Nov - Dec

- Submit oncampus housing application
- Complete Student's Pass application process to receive IPA letter for entry to Singapore
- Follow instructions in the Registration Guide to complete the registration process and formalities for your Student's Pass