

**Undergraduate Student Exchange Programme between
Department of Chemistry of The University of Hong Kong and
Department of Chemistry of National University of Singapore (NUS)**

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) 2024-25 Semester 1 (Aug to Dec 2024).

Application timeline	AY 2024-25 Semester 1 (Aug to Dec 2024)
1. Nomination deadline	Interested students* who plan to take the majority of modules from Chemistry in NUS please provide their information stated below via ugchem@hku.hk by 11 March, 2024: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Name (full name as in passport or identity card)• Year of study during exchange• Exchange duration (e.g. Semester 1)• 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 having online application	21 March – 10 April, 2024
4. Notification of application results	Late May 2024

* 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):
11 March 2024, Monday**



**Exchange application period (to
NUS; selected students only):
21 March – 10 April 2024**

Selected students will receive an application link from HKU for submission of a **formal** exchange application to NUS in mid-March 2024.

The formal exchange application to NUS has to be submitted from 21 March – 10 April 2024.

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 10 courses** for submission with your application. Please read the course selection column for more details.
- If you require **on-campus housing**, please **indicate your interest** in your application and your [preferred housing options](#) – Residential College (RC) or Other Student Residences (Non-RC).
- Useful links:
[Application Guide](#)
[Video Guide](#)



Course 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 1, 2024 courses will be updated closer to the start of Semester 1 exchange application)

Please check to ensure that you **meet the [pre-requisites](#)** 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.

Please note that course enrolment is **subject to vacancies and student demands**, there's no guaranteed enrolment into any specific 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 [link](#) for more info on course related matters.



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 [link](#) for more info.

Exchange students will be covered under the [NUS Medical Insurance Scheme](#). 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 (STP)** while studying at NUS.

The Office of the University Registrar will send STP application instructions to students who have accepted the NUS admission offer around one month before the semester starts.

You need to login to the STP application system with the information provided in the email to submit your STP application by preparing the [required documents](#).

Monitor the application status regularly as you will be required to upload documents and make payments at different junctures of the application process. Please adhere to all deadlines given as failure to do so will result in your STP application being withdrawn.

Once the STP application is approved, you will be issued an In-Principle Approval letter for entry to Singapore. For students from [visa-required countries](#), the IPA letter also serves as a single-entry visa to enter Singapore.

Upon arriving in Singapore, you will still need to have the STP issued. This is primarily done through Off-Site



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 your housing application after receiving NUS admission offer and completed Registration Part 1. It will take some time for you to complete the registration process so please start early so that you can meet the housing application deadlines.

When you login to the university housing application portal (UHMS), please select your preferred room type from the housing options available for your selection. Due to limited availability, you will not view the full list of on-campus housing. If you have any medical conditions which require special accommodations, please upload the relevant information with your housing application.

If you are successful in your housing application, we strongly encourage you to **accept the offer within the acceptance deadline**. Failing which your room will be automatically released by the system to another student on the waiting list. As we 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.

Enrolment Sessions (OSE) offered on campus organized by The Office of the University Registrar.

Some useful resources for off-campus accommodation*:

- [Off-campus accommodation](#)
- [Students' testimonials with off-campus housing](#)
- Other resources shared by inbound 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.*



NUS Exchange Information

Online resources:

- [Exchange@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 June.



Enquiries

NUS is look forward to welcoming you to NUS in August 2024.
For enquiries, please contact NUS at scilyz@nus.edu.sg.

Overview of NUS Exchange Application Process NUS Semester 1, August 2024 intake

21 March – 10 April

- NUS Online Application Portal opens for Semester 1 (Fall 2024) exchange applications on **21 March 2024**
- Nominated students to submit an exchange application by **10 April 2024 (2359hrs, Singapore Time)**

Late May

- Application outcome will be released in the last week of May.
- 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 your email regularly for updates on the next steps

Late May

- Accept the 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 promptly so that you can access the university housing application portal – UHMS using your NUSNET ID.

June

- Submit on-campus housing application within the application periods
- 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