Information for Students on Exchange in AY2018/19

A.	**University**	**University of Alberta** http://www.ualberta.ca/ http://www.goabroad.ualberta.ca/en/IncomingExchange.aspx
B.	**Country**	**Canada**
C.	**Academics**	
	i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange. You can check with the SEP Coordinator in the Dean's Office of your home faculty. Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan.
	ii) Academic Calendar	**Semester 1:** September – December **Semester 2:** January – April http://www.registrarsoffice.ualberta.ca/en/Calendar.aspx
	iii) Exchange Duration	One semester
	iv) Examination	http://www.registrarsoffice.ualberta.ca/en/Assessment-and-Grading/Students/Grading-System-Explained.aspx
	v) Curriculum Structure	Full-time academic study at the University of Alberta is 3-5 courses per semester. Courses are generally 3 credits each. 3 credit courses are offered 3 hours/week over a 13 week term = 39 contact hours.

	vi) Entry Requirements	(a) be registered as a full-time undergraduate student of NUS
		 (b) have successfully completed at least two (2) semesters of study at NUS upon admission to the host university;
		 (c) not be eligible for exchange in the graduating year
		 (d) be a student of good standing at NUS with
		       a. a minimum upper division second class honours or;
		       b. a minimum B average grade or ;
		       c. a CAP of at least 3.5 (out of 5) for NUS students

	vii) Language Proficiency Requirements	English is the official language of instruction at the University of Alberta. All applicants must demonstrate English language proficiency to be considered for admission to the exchange programme.
	viii) Modules Compatibility	Suitable for students from the following Faculties/Disciplines: • FASS

		• FoS • FoE • LAW (limited spaces) Course listings and class schedules for the next academic year are updated on the **Bear Tracks System** in March of the previous academic year. Please note courses that begin with "AU" are offered at the Augustana Campus approximately 1.5 hours outside of Edmonton.
ix)	Module restrictions and pre-requisites	Students must be Engineering majors at NUS in order to take Engineering modules at University of Alberta. Engineering students can only apply for an exchange to UofA's Faculty of Engineering once they have completed two years of university level courses. One year of which must be specifically in an Engineering programme.

D. Application

i)	Procedures	For information on the application process, please refer to the following link. http://www.studyincanada.ualberta.ca/HowToApply/ExchangeStudentsIncoming.aspx
ii)	Deadlines	All NUS student 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 will result your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

E. Accommodations

i)	University Accommodation	The University of Alberta is not able to guarantee on-campus housing for exchange/study abroad students. Places in residence are offered on a first-come-first-serve basis, so we encourage you to apply as soon as possible. Once students have been issued an ID number and password they can apply for housing. Students do not need to wait for admission to apply for housing. https://www.residence.ualberta.ca/apply https://www.residence.ualberta.ca/incoming-residents/your-application
ii)	Private Accommodation	For more information on off-campus housing options, please refer to the following link. http://www.iss.ualberta.ca/PreparingForUAlberta/FindingPlacetoLive.aspx

F. Visa

Consular/Visa Regulation	**It is your responsibility to obtain the correct documents from Citizenship and Immigration Canada (CIC) prior to your exchange semester(s) in Canada.**
	Depending on nationality, students may need any other following documentation **before their arrival** in Canada:
	(a) **Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA)** - As of March 15, 2016, visa-exempt foreign nationals are expected to have an Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) to fly to or transit through Canada. Exceptions include U.S. citizens, and travellers with a valid Canadian visa. To find out if you need an eTA prior to your exchange, please refer to the following link. **http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/visas.asp**
	(b) **Visitor Visa** - If you do not qualify for an eTA, you will need to obtain a Visitor Visa prior to your arrival in Canada. Please contact the High Commission of Canada in Singapore to start the process of obtaining the appropriate visa. The High Commission Officer might advise you to obtain a Study Permit instead since your time in Canada is primarily for studying. To determine if you need a Visitor Visa, please refer to the following link, http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/visit/index.asp
	(c) **Study Permit** – Study Permits are usually reserved for students studying more than 6 months at a Canadian institution. To be eligible for a Study Permit, students must.
	• have been accepted by a designated learning institution in Canada.
	• prove that you have enough money to pay for your tuition fees (no applicable for SEP), living expenses for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada and return transportation for yourself and any family members who come with you to Canada.
	• be a law-abiding citizen with no criminal record and not be a risk to the security of Canada. You may have to provide a police certificate.
	• be in good health and willing to complete a medical examination, if necessary.
	• satisfy an immigration officer that you will leave Canada at the end of your authorized stay.
	For more information on Study Permits, please refer to the following website, http://www.cic.gc.ca/english/study/index.asp
	High Commission of Canada in Singapore One George Street, #11-01; Singapore 049145 Telephone: (65)-6854-5900 Email: Singapore-im-enquiry@international.gc.ca

	http://www.canadainternational.gc.ca/singapore-singapour/index.aspx?lang=eng

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 university health insurance coverage, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/docs/FAQs.pdf For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent. All International Exchange Students studying at the University of Alberta are required to subscribe to University of Alberta Health Insurance Plan. For more information on UAHIP, please refer to the following link. http://www.iss.ualberta.ca/PreparingForUAlberta/HealthCare.aspx
ii)	**Emergency Number at host university**	Emergency Contact Number: Canada's emergency number is **911**, call this number for any emergency service such as police, medical, fire, etc. For more emergency contact numbers specific to University of Alberta, please refer to the following link. http://www.rms.ualberta.ca/emergnumbers.aspx

H. Cost of Living

i)	**Estimated Monthly Living Expenses**	The amount you spend on daily necessities can vary widely, according to individual preferences and lifestyles. For more information regarding cost of living, please refer to the following UofA webpage. http://www.studyincanada.ualberta.ca/TuitionAndScholarships/TuitionAndCostofLiving.aspx
I.	**Other**	Useful Links: • http://www.iss.ualberta.ca/PreparingForUAlberta/TransitionsOrientation.aspx

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