# **Information for Students on Exchange**

A. University		The University of York		
		http://www.york.ac.uk/study/international/visiting-students/		
B. Country		United Kingdom		
C. A	cademics			
i)	Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange.		
	Halistei	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 Semester 1 (Autumn): Late September to mid-January (includi examination)		Semester 1 (Autumn): Late September to mid-January (including examination)		
		Semester 2 (Spring & Summer): Mid-January to mid-June (including examination)		
		http://www.york.ac.uk/about/term-dates/		
iii	<b>Duration</b> Full-year or semester 2 exchange is strongly recommodules.  Full-year or semester 2 exchange is strongly recommodules and the design of curricum modules.			
		In order to earn sufficient credits to map back to NUS, NUS students should complete the Semester 2 (Spring and Summer term at York) before returning to NUS.		
iv	) Examination	Examination dates are found here: <a href="https://www.york.ac.uk/students/studying/assessment-and-examination/">https://www.york.ac.uk/students/studying/assessment-and-examination/</a>		
v)	Curriculum Structure	Most of the degree programmes at York are designed based on a full-year curriculum. Therefore students have more module restrictions if they are going for only a semester.		
		During the time spent at York, students are assigned to a supervisor who is responsible for their academic progress and personal welfare. The supervisor helps to draw up a programme of modules on arrival which suits students' academic interests, needs and capabilities and which represents a full workload.		

	Semester workload for exchange students:			
	Autumn term: 40/60 credits			
	Spring/Summer terms: 60/80 credits			
	Full academic year: 120 credits			
	Each module has a different number of contact hours this will depend upon			
	the discipline and methods of teaching, this will include lectures, seminars, tutorials, laboratory sessions, assignments, and independent or group study.			
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vi) Entry You should:				
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	(i) have completed a minimum of one year's undergraduate study at NUS;			
	(ii) Have a minimum 'B' average grade or 60% to 65% average marks; and			
	no single grade below 'C' in the current/intended discipline/major			
	(iii) not be in the graduating semester of studies while on exchange;			
	(iv) propose an appropriate programme of study at the host university; (v) show the aptitude, motivation and maturity, to thrive in the			
	environment at the host university; and			
	(vi) have sufficient funds for all fees, personal and living expenses for the			
	duration of the study abroad at the host university.			
vii) Language	Students are expected to provide evidence of English language proficiency			
Proficiency	based on UK Visa and Immigration requirements. Students nominated by			
Requirements	NUS for exchange at University of York have to submit at least one of the			
	following documents through NUS Registrar's Office:			
	Singapore Cambridge O-Levels certificate with English language of			
	grade C or better			
	International Baccalaureate (IB) with the respective grades			
	IELTS Academic - score of 6.5 and above			
	If none of the above supporting documents is available, please apply for the			
	relevant English certificates before you submit an online application to York.			
	More information about English proficiency can be found on <a href="http://www.york.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applying/entry/english-">http://www.york.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/applying/entry/english-</a>			
	language/			
viii) Modules	In order to avoid clashing timetable, students should take same level			
Compatibility	courses offer by the same department while on exchange at York.			
	For module catalogue, please refer			
	to https://www.york.ac.uk/study/international/applying/visiting-			
	students/courses/			

Suitable for students from the following faculties:				
	FASS  • History • Philosophy • English Literature			
	<ul> <li>Biology –No alternative assessment is available</li> <li>Chemistry – More suitable for full-year exchange.</li> <li>Physics – No alternative assessment is available</li> <li>Mathematics – Mostly level 2 modules are available for exchange students. No alternative assessment is available</li> </ul>			
	SoC • Computer Science – No alternative assessment is available			
ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites	Postgraduate modules are not open to undergraduate exchange students.  Modules from the following faculties/departments are NOT available to NUS students:  • York's Department of Law • Hull York Medical School • Department of Health Sciences • Department of Theatre Film and Television • Department of Economics and Related Studies • Department of Management			
	<ul> <li>Sociology – Most modules are for full-year. Limited modules available in semester 1 and 2</li> <li>Psychology – Full-year only. Very restricted range of modules available</li> </ul>			
D. Application				
i) Procedures	NUS Registrar's Office will consolidate the nominations from NUS Faculties and Schools before submitting to York. Nominated students must apply for exchange via York's online application system before the stipulated deadlines.			
	Student will require the following supporting documentation:			

•	Academic transcript –	provided by	NUS Reg	istrar's Office
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- Name and e-mail address of a referee or a letter of recommendation from your home university
- English language certificate
- List of modules complete with module numbers referred to NUS transcript which will be provided by NUS Registrar's Office

York. If you have been selected by NUS for the exchange, you may click <a href="here">here</a> to look at York's application procedures.

Please read York application information found in SharePoint. Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean's Office for the link to the SharePoint.

## 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.

York's online application deadline for full-year exchange is **15 May** and for semester 2 is **30 October.** 

#### E. Accommodations

# i) University Accommodation

As a visiting student, you're guaranteed accommodation if you have applied for your course place with Centre for Global Programmes by 15 May 2016 and accepted your course place by 30 June 2016

You can either live in an en-suite single bedroom or in a room with a wash basin and share a common bathroom. You can cook in a shared kitchen or eat in the dining rooms or snack-bars on campus. At each of the six colleges, there are common rooms, a bar, a television room, laundry, telephone facilities and a reception service.

More information is available at

http://www.york.ac.uk/about/departments/support-and-admin/accommodation/

# ii) Private Accommodation

If students choose to live at private accommodation, York has a ready supply of good quality, competitively-priced private accommodation close to the University. The <u>Accommodation Office</u> website can provide assistance and advice on finding private accommodation.

Living off campus is usually more expensive than living on campus.

#### F. Visa

# Consular/Visa Regulation

UK Visa and Immigration updates their immigration policy regularly. It is the student's responsibility to check on the requirements via their website before they leave for the exchange.

https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration

#### **Short-term Study Visa for Semester Exchange**

If you are a Singapore citizen or a citizen of another country on the UK non-visa nationals list, and if your course of studies is less than 6 months, you can apply for:

- (1) single-entry Short Term Study Visa to the UK at the port of entry (free) or;
- (2) multiple-entry Short Term Study Visa prior to leaving your home country (£93).

The single-entry Short Term Study Visa is free but if you leave the UK during your home university registration period you will need to re-apply as a short-term student when you re-enter; for this reason you should always travel with your short-term study visa support letter.

Alternatively if you think you are likely to leave and re-enter the UK during your course you should apply for a multiple entry short-term study visa in advance of travelling to the UK.

Non-visa nationals who enter the UK on a short-term study visa are required to leave the UK after the course end date given on your Short-term Study visa support letter. If you wish to travel within the UK after your studies you will need to exit the UK and re-enter as a Standard Visitor which you can do at port of entry.

Citizens from a country that needs a visa to enter the UK should apply for the multiple-entry Short Term Study Visa prior to leaving for your overseas exchange. You can contact the external visa office approved by UK Visa and Immigration to apply for multiple-entry Short Term Study Visa.

Applying for a single-entry Short-Term Study Visa is usually an easier and cheaper process than applying for a Tier 4 Student Visa, if you do not need a Tier 4 Student Visa, please do not apply for it.

### Tier 4 Student Visa for Full-Year exchange

For students who need Tier 4 Student Visa, <u>York</u> will issue the necessary CAS statement for Tier 4 Student Visa application. Applicants should ensure that they are fully aware of what they will need to do in order to successfully apply for a Tier 4 Student Visa. The CAS statement will contain a number that allows student to apply for a Tier 4 Student Visa. The application for Tier 4 Student Visa can take up to three months and students are advised to apply for the visa in advance of their intended date of travel to the UK.

Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

### G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

## i) Health/Medical Insurance

Students who are on exchange in UK for less than six months are not entitled to subsidised NHS treatment. Therefore semester based exchange students are encouraged to purchase additional insurance to cover medical costs, hospitalisation expenses and emergency evacuation costs which might be incurred while they are on exchange.

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 <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/uhc/services/billing-insurance/insurance-matters.html">http://www.nus.edu.sg/uhc/services/billing-insurance/insurance-matters.html</a>

For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html">http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/InsuranceCoverforOfficialNUSTrips.html</a>

If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.

York's information about insurance can be found here:

https://www.york.ac.uk/students/support/international/living/insurance/

# ii) Emergency Numbers

Name: The University of York Security Services

Tel: 0190 432 3333

## H. Cost of Living

# Estimated Monthly Living Expenses

Ducal day of Casta	Cash
Breakdown of Costs	Cost
Accommodation (depends on whether it is shared	GB£340 -GB£670
room with shared bathroom or single room with	
bathroom, catered or non-catered)	
Food	GB£200
Transport	GB£120
Utilities and Telecommunication	GB£80
Others (Entertainment, clothes)	GB£180
Monthly Estimate	GB£920 - GB£1,250

Detailed breakdown of living costs is available at

https://www.york.ac.uk/students/housing-and-money/financial-support/budgeting/budgets/

#### I. Useful Links

### **Useful Links**

# Guide for visiting students

- https://www.york.ac.uk/students/support/international/
- <a href="https://www.york.ac.uk/students/support/international/orientation/">https://www.york.ac.uk/students/support/international/orientation/</a>