

## Information for Students on Exchange

<b>A. University</b>	<b>The University of Bath (UoB)</b>  <a href="http://www.bath.ac.uk/campaigns/studying-at-bath-as-an-erasmus-exchange-or-visiting-student/">http://www.bath.ac.uk/campaigns/studying-at-bath-as-an-erasmus-exchange-or-visiting-student/</a>
<b>B. Country</b>	United Kingdom
<b>C. Academics</b>	
<b>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>ii) Academic Calendar</b>	<p><b>Semester 1:</b> Late September to late January  <b>Semester 2:</b> Early February to early June</p> <p><a href="http://www.bath.ac.uk/about/organisation/semester-dates/2017-18/index.html">http://www.bath.ac.uk/about/organisation/semester-dates/2017-18/index.html</a></p>
<b>iii) Exchange Duration</b>	NUS students should go for a full year or semester 2 exchange.
<b>iv) Examination</b>	<p><b>NO alternative assessment might be provided for students who wish to go in semester 1.</b> Students who wish to go on exchange in semester 1 has to stay until the end of January for the examination at UoB before returning back to NUS.</p> <p>UoB modules which run for the full year are assessed at the end of the academic year only.</p>
<b>v) Curriculum Structure</b>	<p>ECTS (European Credit Transfer System) credits are used to illustrate how units fit together within a programme of study. The workload for a typical undergraduate year comprises 60 credits (usually split equally into 30 credits for each semester). See the <a href="#">Programme Structures</a> page for further information.</p> <p><b>Strictly no overloading on credits at UoB.</b></p>
<b>vi) Minimum Requirements to Apply</b>	<p>You should:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) have completed a minimum of one year's undergraduate study at NUS;</li> </ul>

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	ii) have a minimum 'B' average grade or 65% - 70% average marks or ranking in the top one-third of the class; and no single grade below 'C' in the current/intended discipline/major; iii) not be in the graduating semester when they go for exchange at UoB						
<b>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</b>	<p>All exchange students nominated to study at UoB are required to demonstrate that they have an appropriate level of spoken and written English for full academic and social participation.</p> <p>Students have to submit photocopies of GCE "O" level certificate with English language of grade C or better, IB English with 5 or better, or certificate for Singapore Integrated Programme Cambridge "A" Levels (SIPCAL) with General Paper of Grade C or better. If none of the above supporting documents is available, students have to apply for IELTS test in advance and submit IELTS results together with the other supporting documents. More information on the English proficiency is found <a href="#">here</a>.</p> <p>UoB reserves the right, in individual circumstances, to specify an additional language requirement for an applicant if it is felt to be necessary.</p>						
<b>viii) Modules Compatibility</b>	<p>Exchange students can avoid timetable clashes by selecting the majority of their courses from a single year of a single department at UoB. Students who choose modules from different year of studies of various departments will need to take account of the increased likelihood of timetable incompatibility. Access to specific courses at the host university is subject to availability and cannot be guaranteed</p> <p>Please refer to the course catalogue found here: <a href="http://www.bath.ac.uk/catalogues/">http://www.bath.ac.uk/catalogues/</a>.</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FASS</b></li> </ul> </td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Economics - semester 2 only</li> <li>• Political Science</li> <li>• Global Studies</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FoE</b></li> </ul> </td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil Engineering – Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Chemical Engineering - Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Electrical and Electronics Engineering - Full Year or semester 2</li> </ul> </td></tr> <tr> <td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FoS</b></li> </ul> </td><td> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemistry</li> <li>• Physics - Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Mathematics - Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Biology/ Biochemistry - Full Year or semester 2</li> </ul> </td></tr> </table>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FASS</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Economics - semester 2 only</li> <li>• Political Science</li> <li>• Global Studies</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FoE</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil Engineering – Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Chemical Engineering - Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Electrical and Electronics Engineering - Full Year or semester 2</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>FoS</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chemistry</li> <li>• Physics - Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Mathematics - Full Year or semester 2</li> <li>• Biology/ Biochemistry - Full Year or semester 2</li> </ul>
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<b>ix) Module restrictions</b>  <b>Please read!</b>	<p>Postgraduate modules are not open to undergraduate exchange students.</p> <p>Students are reminded to <b>review the online course list carefully</b> as it contains important information which is often ignored. Please read so that you will save time, effort and have less stress in your application process.</p>
<b>D. Application</b>	
<b>i) Procedures</b>	<p>Students should be nominated by NUS to UoB before UoB invites nominated students to complete the application form.</p> <p>The entry requirements, required documents and the application procedure can be found <a href="#">here</a>. Students are advised to follow UoB's application instructions and submit all relevant documents punctually in order to avoid delays in receiving their application results.</p>
<b>ii) Deadlines</b>	<p>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</p> <p>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.</p> <p>Application deadline for exchange in semester 1 is <b>1 April</b> and for semester 2 is <b>15 October</b>.</p>
<b>E. Accommodations</b>	
<b>i) University Accommodation</b>	<p>UoB offers limited number of university owned accommodation to exchange students. Where university accommodation is offered it will normally be in off-campus halls of residence in the city centre and the rental contracts usually start in mid-September.</p> <p>Student will be informed of whether there is a place in the halls of residence or university-managed accommodation in the offer of admission letter from UoB. The deadline for exchange and visiting students to apply for accommodation in semester 1 is 1 July.</p> <p>Range of university's accommodation is featured <a href="#">here</a>. Accommodation application information can be found at <a href="http://www.bath.ac.uk/guides/applying-for-student-accommodation/">http://www.bath.ac.uk/guides/applying-for-student-accommodation/</a>.</p>

## 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, Bath 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

	<p>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.</p> <p><b>Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.</b></p>
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### G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

<b>i) Health/Medical Insurance</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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>.</p> <p>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></p> <p>If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.</p>
<b>ii) Emergency Number</b>	666 from an internal phone or 01225 383999

### H. Cost of Living

<b>i) Estimated Living Expenses per semester</b>	<p>Information on cost of living can be found at <a href="http://www.bath.ac.uk/study/ug/funding/living-costs/">http://www.bath.ac.uk/study/ug/funding/living-costs/</a></p> <table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Breakdown of Costs</th><th>Cost</th></tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>Accommodation (self-catered/catered, en suite, non-en suite)</td><td>GB£488 - GB£620</td></tr> <tr> <td>Food</td><td>GB£200</td></tr> <tr> <td>Transport</td><td>GB£56</td></tr> <tr> <td>Insurance</td><td>GB£12</td></tr> <tr> <td>Entertainment, books, telecommunication, clothes, utilities</td><td>GB£244</td></tr> <tr> <td><b>Monthly Estimate</b></td><td><b>GB£1,000 - GB£1,132</b></td></tr> </tbody> </table>	Breakdown of Costs	Cost	Accommodation (self-catered/catered, en suite, non-en suite)	GB£488 - GB£620	Food	GB£200	Transport	GB£56	Insurance	GB£12	Entertainment, books, telecommunication, clothes, utilities	GB£244	<b>Monthly Estimate</b>	<b>GB£1,000 - GB£1,132</b>
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**I. Useful Links****Pre-arrival guide**

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