

Information for Students applying for Exchange

A. University		University of Manchester		
		https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad- programmes/non-eu/		
B. Co	ountry	United Kingdom		
C. A	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. 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: Mid-September to late January Semester 2: Late January to early June http://www.manchester.ac.uk/international/studyabroadandexchanges/exchange/keydates/		
iii) Exchange Duration	Semester 2 exchange is recommended due to overlapping academic calendar. NUS students who wish to go to Manchester for exchange in semester 1 should seek permission from their Dean's office for late return to NUS before they apply for the exchange. Students also have to refer to Manchester's website for information on whether their major is open to alternative assessment at Manchester in semester 1.		
iv) Examination	Alternative assessments at Manchester are <u>not guaranteed</u> . A list of these subject areas that allow alternative assessments can be found through the Course Information link <u>here</u> . If the module requires the taking of an examination in late January, then students must take the examination at Manchester before returning back to <u>NUS</u> .		



v) Curriculum Structure	Students are informed to have 50 to 60 Manchester credits per semester and check on the latest credit equivalence found here. NO overloading or underloading on credits is allowed.
	The majority of course units at The University of Manchester are worth either 10 or 20 credits. As a general rule, one UK credit equates to 10 hours of work; a 10-credit course unit therefore requires 100 hours of study on average.
vi) Entry Requirements	 You should: (i) have completed a minimum of one year's undergraduate study at NUS; (ii) be a student of good standing at NUS and have an overall CAP score of 3.5 (or an average grade B for Law students); (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 Proficiency Requirements	If English is not your first language, but you are currently studying for a degree which is being taught entirely in English, you need to supply a language certificate if you are applying for a Student Visa. https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-programmes/non-eu/entry-requirements/ For the purposes of NUS students' applications to the University of Manchester's Study Abroad programme, if their degree is taught entirely in English, they will not be required to provide an English language certificate in support of their application to our programme. However, different subject areas may request further information/proof of English Language Proficiency. You'll see in the link above that in addition to Manchester's minimum English language entry requirements, their subject areas have their own English language requirements (which are higher than the minimum requirements in most cases). Manchester ask that students provide a letter/document in support of their application, signed by an NUS member of staff, that proves that their current degree programme is taught in English. Subject to change, and Manchester visa team can provide more information
viii) Faculties &	 as and when required. Faculty of Engineering & Physical Sciences (excluding School of Electrical
Schools	and Electronic Engineering)



	accepting exchange students	 Faculty of Humanities School of Biological Sciences (within the Faculty of Biology, Medicine and Health) Division of Psychology and Mental Health (within the School of Health Sciences)
ix)	Modules Compatibility	Please note that in the UK Level 3 course units are intended primarily for students who have specialized in that subject area for at least two years. Exchange students will need to demonstrate an equivalent background to be eligible to study Level 3 course units. Please refer to the module catalogue and course restrictions at Manchester:



		Please read Manchester's application information found online at http://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-programmes/non-eu/how-to-apply/ and also in SharePoint. Please look for the SEP coordinator at your Dean's Office for the link to the SharePoint.
ii)	Deadlines	All NUS students 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 in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.
		Please note that for January entry you should apply as early as possible, particularly if you wish to study any of Manchester's high-demand-course units.
E. Accommodations		
i)	University Accommodation	Study Abroad/Exchange students who go to Manchester for a year as part of their degree are guaranteed a room in University-owned accommodation for their time in Manchester.
		Study Abroad/Exchange students on single semester exchange at Manchester are <u>not</u> guaranteed accommodation but are almost always allocated University accommodation under normal circumstances.
		More information about university accommodation can be found at http://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad-programmes/non-eu/accommodation/
		Please note that the choice of housing in Semester 2 (January to June) is often very restricted. Please understand that it is common for Semester 2 students to be offered a place not in their preferred hall but in an alternative hall.
ii)	Private Accommodation	Private accommodation can be more expensive than University accommodation. However, students can still find some very good deals in Manchester.
		If you choose to stay in private accommodation, Manchester has its own service, <u>Manchester Student Homes</u> , based on campus to help and advise students on finding private accommodation.

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

For latest information on border control please see:

https://www.gov.uk/uk-border-control

Standard Visitor 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 will request entry to the UK as a Standard Visitor when you arrive.

Singapore citizens do not normally need to meet with a Border Force agent, and will be able to enter the UK through E-gates. The E-gates will automatically grant you permission to stay in the UK for up to 6 months.

You will not receive a stamp on your passport thus it is important that you retain evidence of when you entered the UK. Hence, please keep your boarding pass or evidence of your flight itinerary.

Please refer here for more details on the Standard Visitor Visa.

Student Visa for Full-Year Exchange

You need a Student Visa for a full-year exchange in Manchester.

For more details on visa application, read the information available <u>here</u>.

All students are advised to apply for the necessary visa immediately after they received the official offer letter/email from their host university. Some visa application processes can take up to 2 months to process. Your exchange at the host university depends on the clearance by the immigration of the host country.

Manchester's information on Visa and Immigration can be found here:

https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/admissions/visaguidance/

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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 group personal accident and medical insurance as well as the student travel insurance. For more	
	information on the insurance coverage, please refer to https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/ . If the insurance coverage is not enough, students are advised to purchase additional health and/or travel insurance from their preferred agent.	
ii) Emergency Numbers	Tel: +44 161 306 9966	
H. Cost of Living		
Estimated Monthly Living Expenses	Detailed breakdown of living costs is available at http://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/finance/living-costs/	
I. Useful Links		
Pre-arrival Information	http://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/arrival/	
COVID-19 Updates	https://www.manchester.ac.uk/study/international/study-abroad- programmes/coronavirus/	

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