

# Student Exchange Program



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# NUS VISION

**A leading Global University, shaping the future.**

**NUS will be a **globally-oriented** university, in the distinguished league of the world's leading universities. A key node in **global** knowledge networks, NUS will have distinctive expertise and insights relating to Asia.**



# WHAT IS SEP?

**OPPORTUNITIES** for undergraduates to spend **ONE** semester at overseas universities to:

- Widen their global perspective;
- Enrich their academic experience;
- Appreciate another country's culture & history;
- Make new friends.



# What SEP students say



**“You have got to live out SEP for yourself to appreciate one of the best programs that NUS has to offer.”**

**Tang Li Min  
University of Auckland  
Fall 2010**

# What SEP students say

**“The semester spent at the University of Illinois, Urbana-Champaign, was an enjoyable and rewarding experience for me. I consider this exchange semester to be the most fun and fruitful experience ever.”**

**Chen Qing Mei Jean**  
**University of Illinois, Fall 2011**



# What SEP students say

**“Spending six months abroad has shown me that there is a bigger world out there, and it really opened up my perspectives about the world, my career aspirations, and most importantly myself.”**

**Tai Wai Kit  
University of Queensland, Fall 2012**



# What SEP students say

**“I am grateful to have been granted the opportunity to embark on the Student Exchange Program. It has been a memorable and meaningful once-in-a-lifetime experience, and I would definitely recommend it to all interested students.”**

**Loh Jun Hong  
KTH, Fall 2012**





# What SEP students say

“No doubt the six months near the north pole is one of the best parts of my university life! It is an excellent experience in every way. Please do not hesitate to join SEP!”

Wu Yue

University of Guelph, Winter 2014



# What SEP students say

**“The Student Exchange Program to UBC made a deep impression on me.”**

**Hong Hsiang Wei Caleb  
University of British Columbia 2015**



# What SEP students say

**“My time in Sweden, Lund and around Europe was truly the BEST time of my life. It was an enriching and fulfilling experience all at once.”**

**Tan Yan Mei Sandra  
Lund University 2016**



# What SEP students say



**“I greatly enjoyed my stint in Turkey; for the relationships forged as well as for the various learning opportunities.”**

**Ibnu Abbas Bin Abdul Ghani  
Bilkent University 2016**

# What SEP students say

**“My exchange in Canada was really memorable. It was also eye-opening to learn in a completely different context and see how similar concepts still apply.”**

**Tan Jun Hui**

**University of Waterloo 2016**



# What SEP students say



**“Exchange is a once in a lifetime experience that will make you grow a lot as a person, widen your horizon of the world, and you will have a lot of fun doing it”!**

**Hans Owen Sebastian Husodo  
University of California – San Diego 2017**

# What SEP students say

**“My entire SEP experience in New Zealand has been life-changing. Living overseas has broadened my horizons, made me more independent and provided me fresh perspectives on life.”**

**Muhammad Izzat Afiq B Othman  
University of Auckland 2017**



# What SEP students say

The best part of SEP was being able to immerse myself into the Swedish society on more than just a superficial level and discovering the new culture with other exchangers!

Sia Xin Rang Sophronia

KTH Royal Institute of Technology 2018

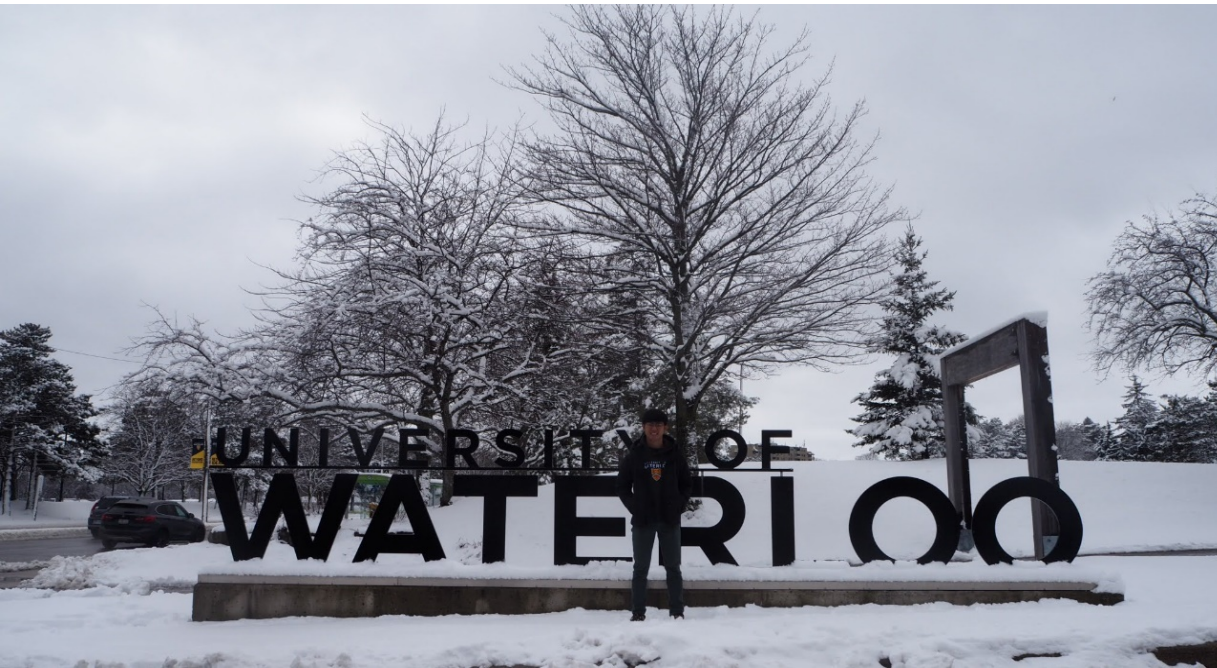




# What SEP students say

SEP has been a truly amazing experience. Studying in a different academic environment helped me to gain new perspectives.

Charles Teo Jia Ler  
University of Waterloo 2018



# SEMESTER AT SEA

Semester at Sea voyages offer a truly global experience each fall and spring. All of our voyages on the MV *World Odyssey* are 100+ days, explore at least 10 countries and 4 continents, and allow students to earn 12-15 academic credits from Colorado State University.

Explore the transformative upcoming fall and spring voyages below, and check out some of past itineraries dating back to 2012!



## Fall 2019: Canals and The Atlantic

*Next Voyage*

106 Days, 11 Countries, 12 Cities, 4 Continents

Exploring countries in Europe, Africa, South & Central America, and transiting the Kiel Canal and the Panama Canal, this voyage gives participants a truly global study abroad experience on our floating campus!

Learn More!

STUDENTS

LIFELONG LEARNERS



## Spring 2020: A Voyage of Discovery

106 Days, 11 Countries, 13 Cities, 4 Continents

Visiting North America, Asia, Africa, and Europe, this voyage gives participants a truly global comparative experience as the ship journeys through various cultures around the world.

Learn more!

STUDENTS

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<https://www.semesteratsea.org/voyages/>

# WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY?

BSc. (Real Estate) students who succeed in application will go on SEP during their **Year 3 Semester 1 or 2.**

**Students on fast-track** (completing degree in 3.5 years) are advised to go on SEP in **Year 3 Semester 1.**

**A minimum CAP score (as at point of application) of 3.00 with at least a C in any module** is required.

Priority will be given to students who have not participated in any other enrichment programs, e.g., NOC (Singapore), Summer or Winter Programs (organized by GRO), in previous semesters.

Ability to be a good ambassador for NUS is an essential pre-requisite.

# HOW MUCH DOES SEP COST?

The estimated cost serves as a point of reference. The actual amount varies across countries due to differences in cost of living.

Students should budget (excluding return airfare) between **S\$5,000 to S\$15,000** for living expenses:

- Food & Accommodation;
- Books;
- Transport.

Before applying for SEP, students should ensure that they have sufficient financial resources as withdrawals due to financial difficulties will not be acceded to.

A penalty fee of **\$300** is applicable should any student withdraw from SEP after accepting the internal offer.

# FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE SCHEMES

- **NASA (NUS Awards for Study Abroad)**
- **Loans**
- **Awards/Scholarships**

<http://www.nus.edu.sg/gro/#>

# SEP Application

- SEP applications will **open in Sept or Oct 2021**.
  - (Students will be notified in advance of the exact date by Ms Vidya.)
- Must submit SEP applications **on-line via [EduRec](#)**.
- Applications will **close within 2 weeks** from opening date.
- Successful applicants will be **offered by end Oct/Nov 2021**.
- **Do accept or reject the offer** (by prescribed deadline).

# SEP APPLICATION TIMELINE

EduRec opens for 2 weeks from **Sept/Oct'2021**.



SEP offers are made by **end Oct/Nov 2021**.  
Students **accept or reject** SEP offer by deadline.



DRE will contact successful SEP students in 2022 about registration in partner universities and module mapping.

# On the integration of RE to BIZ

- There is no change in application process at this stage of integration to NUS Business School.
- Students cannot choose Universities offered by other departments of Business School
- **The list of Universities offered to RE students will be emailed when the application opens. The list will also be posted on DRE's SEP website:**
  - <https://bschool.nus.edu.sg/real-estate/bsc/beyond-the-classroom/>
- Students may indicate an order of preference for **up to 5 SEP universities** in their applications.



# STUDENTS IN LPP PROGRAM

**Language Preparation Programs (LPP) [e.g. French, German, Korean] are administered by GRO.**

**LPP students will proceed to the French, Korean, or German universities, etc., **designated by GRO** in which case, DRE will not assign them English-speaking universities.**

**Students should check with GRO on their LPP obligations and comply accordingly.**

# When you consider: Module mapping matters!

- Students should have a look at the pre-approved mapping list to have a rough idea regarding the modules that could be mapped. The list will be shared when the application opens.
- Please note that the **pre-approved modules list is only an indication and may change** depending on the actual modules offered by the SEP universities during the semester that you are away.
- After the actual SEP allocation, successful students can **accept or decline** the offer within the stipulated period.

# MODULAR CREDITS EARNED ON SEP

Students could transfer modular credits earned on SEP back to NUS, provided that the students obtain:

- **Modules' mapping approval** from DRE or other NUS departments before departing for SEP;
- **Pass the modules during the SEP study.**

Only the modular credits are transferred back, not the letter grades.

Academic performance during SEP **will not be reflected in CAP.**

# MODULE MAPPING

During the semester that you are on SEP you will miss taking:

- Prescribed essential modules;
- Restricted and unrestricted electives.

You should search modules (check out syllabuses) of the partner university that are similar and equivalent to the NUS modules you wish to map.

Students should seek module mapping approvals only **after they have been allocated** a SEP place.

SEP students should not take more than the equivalent of **5 modules (20 MCs)**, which is the average workload per semester in NUS.

# PROCEDURE FOR MAPPING DRE MODULES

1. Ms Vidya will email the soft copy of the module mapping work sheet when supporting documents are due for submission.
2. Provide required information:
  - **SEP module** code, year level, syllabus description, prerequisites, contact hours, modular credits, etc.
  - **NUS equivalent module** code, syllabus description, prerequisites, modular credits, etc.
3. Email soft copies of completed forms to Ms. Vidya who will forward them to B.Sc. (Real Estate) Program Director for approval.

# **PROCEDURE FOR MAPPING NON-DRE MODULES**

- 1. Students can apply for module mapping online in the EduRec for modules offered by other departments (Eg: Unrestricted Elective modules offered by other departments).**
- 2. The respective department will process the module mapping and inform the status of the mapping via EduRec.**

# REAL ESTATE MODULE MAPPING

As only a handful of overseas universities offer undergraduate real estate modules, it is **unlikely that you will be able to map ALL** the Real Estate core or PE modules in the semester you are away. **Fast track students** should be willing to extend a semester should they not be able to map to core and PE modules while on SEP.

Students **cannot map to core and elective modules without fulfilling the pre-requisites** for the module.

The SEP modules offered to you remains the prerogative of the overseas universities. DRE cannot dictate them to offer to you what is on your wish list. Therefore, please be **flexible** in your study plan.

# OTHER ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES:

## WINTER & SUMMER PROGRAMS ORGANIZED BY GRO

**Winter Programs:** In **Dec** each year.

**Summer Programs:** From **May to July**.

As and when these programs are available, DRE will email students to apply for these programs through DRE.





# Other Enrichment Programmes

- Besides **Student Exchange Program (SEP)** and **Winter/Summer Programs** organized by **GRO**
- There are other enrichment programs (all have a capacity limit)
  - **NOC Singapore;**
  - **NUS Overseas Colleges (NOC);**
  - **Real Estate Internship Program (REIP)** organized by **DRE (RE4801);**
  - **Summer Program** organized by **DRE (RE4802).**
    - **Students who have not participated in the other enrichment programs will be accorded higher priority for RE4802 if the module is oversubscribed.**

**Thank you.**

**Q & A**