National University of Singapore  
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Facts
- Language of instruction: English
- Number of students enrolled: 38,500
- Number of campuses: 3
- Academic year: August – May
- Autumn Semester Equivalent: August - December
- Spring Semester Equivalent: January – May

Things to do
Singapore is a small tropical island with over 63 surrounding islets. It offers world class shopping centres, entertainment and excellent nightlife in the popular Clarke Quay bar and restaurant area. Other highlights are the luxurious colonial-style Raffles Hotel which has a number of restaurants and bars open to non-guests and the award winning Singapore Zoo, which has the largest population of captive orangutans in the world. All of these are within easy reach of the university as there is an efficient transportation network of taxis, buses and an underground MRT rail system, which operates from 6am to midnight.

Top Attractions: NUS Centre for Arts, Little India markets, Singapore Sling from Raffles Hotel, Chinatown, Marina Bay Sands and the National Museum of Singapore

Travel opportunities
Situated in the heart of SE Asia, Singapore is a travellers’ haven offering easy access to Cambodia, Vietnam, Indonesia and the Philippines, as well as further afield to China, Hong Kong and Nepal. Adventurous students travel to the ruins of Angkor Wat, see the beauty of Ha Long Bay in Vietnam and party under the full moon at Koh Phangan in Thailand. Special air fares are available to students under 26. Travelling to the beautiful islands of Malaysia makes the perfect weekend trip.

Climate
Singapore weather is sunny and humid all year round. The temperature hovers around 25-33°C with 75% humidity. Rainfall is slightly higher during the monsoon season in the months of November to February.

Finance 2018/19
Bursaries available:
- GlobalTravel Bursay (means-tested): £750 dependent on household income for students beginning their studies in 2016. Students who started their studies before 2016 should see the finance webpage, as the award criteria will differ (available to students classed as Home Students for fees purposes and accepted to study abroad as part of the University-wide exchange programme).
- DUO-Singapore scholarship is an award from the Singaporean Ministry of Foreign Affairs for a select group of students each year. Successful students receive €4000. Further information: http://www.nus.edu.sg/iro/ia/sch/in/duo.html

Approximate living costs per semester:

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Approximate living costs compiled from external sources and the partner university website.

Further information is available from: http://www.nus.edu.sg/oam/apply/international/expenses/BYA-expenses.html

Accommodation
- University halls of residence are available but not guaranteed to exchange students. NUS has a number of halls of residence available on the Kent Ridge Campus and in University Town. NUS halls are known for their vibrancy in Co-Curricular Activities, rich history and culture.
- Private accommodation is available but quite limited and significantly more expensive. Most landlords tend to only consider a one-year lease.

Further accommodation information is available from: http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/living-campus-campus-living.html

Further information
The Office of Student Affairs provide lots of information for exchange students. http://nus.edu.sg/osa/

Application success rate
2016/17 = 20%
2017/18 = 22%
(percentage of students placed out of total applications to this partner)