



**University of
Nottingham**

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International Summer Schools 2023

Study Abroad team



- Summer schools range from 1 to 6 weeks
- Available to undergraduate students
- Different locations and subjects on offer
- Non-credit-bearing (cannot transfer credit)

Two formats

- In-person summer schools
- Online summer school





Why summer schools?

- Gain international experience or develop remote working skills across time-zones: impressive for employability
- Broaden academic experience
- Collaborate with students and academics from around the world
- Think about future study/working abroad
- Learn something new
- Explore a new culture and language
- Non-credit-bearing



In-person summer schools

Courses covering a wide range of subject areas

- The majority are open to students who have no previous experience in that subject
- Some courses require pre-knowledge

The majority offer cultural excursions as part of the programme:

- Some are included in the tuition fee waiver
- Some incur an additional cost

Check partner university profiles for details



In-person summer schools

Accommodation options vary:

- Some summer schools reserve and guarantee accommodation
- Some summer schools don't reserve accommodation but can assist summer school students with finding accommodation

The majority of summer schools will include assessment as part of the programme and offer a transcript for completion:

- Essays
- Presentations
- Projects
- Group work

Check partner university profiles and partner university websites for details



In-person summer schools

- UFMG Summer School, Belo Horizonte, Brazil
- Authentic Leadership and Entrepreneurial Creativity, **Burgundy School of Business**, Dijon, France
- International and European Studies, **Eberhard Karls Universität Tübingen**, Germany
- International Summer School, **University of Nottingham Malaysia**, Semenyih near Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia
- FASStrack Asia, National University of Singapore, Singapore
- International Summer Campus, **Korea University**, Seoul, South Korea
- International Summer School, **Yonsei University**, South Korea
- LIU Summer Academy, **Linköpings Universitet**, Sweden
- International Summer School, **Universität Zürich**, Switzerland



Online summer schools

- Fudan University International Summer Session is being offered online only to University of Nottingham students
- Courses offered across a wide-range of subject areas: some may require pre-knowledge, some no experience required
- Can participate from home
- Working remotely with students from around the world across multiple time-zones
- No international travel required
- Many partner universities offer online cultural activities alongside the academic programme
- Some assessment may be required and provide transcripts for completion

Check partner university profile for details



How to apply

- Online application form available through the international summer schools webpage
- Read partner university profiles, FAQs and Conditions for applying section
- Choose a maximum of three summer schools in order of preference. You can apply for both online and in-person summer schools
- Universität Zürich and UFMG are first choice only
- Some partners require you to select the subjects you wish to study, this will be indicated on the online application
- **Application deadline: 3pm, Wednesday 22 February 2023**



Priority is given to students who:

- have not previously studied abroad, or who are not due to study abroad within their degree programme at Nottingham;
- are not in their final year, due to examination clashes
- do not have resit examinations unless otherwise stated
- Students applying for a summer school hosted in a country, in which the applicant holds citizenship and permanent residence, will be de-prioritised.

Students not in these categories are still eligible to apply and their applications will be considered.

What's involved in the application?

- Students must achieve a minimum of 45% in academic average including autumn 2022 semester, visit the Eligibility section on the webpage for full eligibility criteria
- Some partner university summer schools require you to have prior knowledge of a subject area or a minimum number of years studying at undergraduate level. **Check before applying.**
- Students must research proposed partner university summer schools thoroughly and answer a personal statement question on the online application (max. 800 words)
- The full personal statement question can be viewed in advance on the FAQs and Conditions for applying page
- You can only submit one application.



Selection process

- Applications considered based on suitability, priority status, personal statement and academic performance (minimum 45% academic average to be considered)
- Universität Zürich and UFMG Summer School: Students with a low household income as classified by UoN Financial Support as well as the criteria above are prioritised. Visit the partner profile page and FAQs for full eligibility criteria.
- For some partners, students from certain academic schools/departments will be prioritised but all students can apply
- **The application is considered by the University of Nottingham selection committee only. Partner universities do not see internal applications.**



Allocation outcome

- Students will be informed of the application outcome no later than 5pm on Monday 13 March 2023
- You will need to confirm acceptance of your offer by email no later than Monday 20 March 2023
- Once you have accepted your offer, you will need to apply directly to the partner university.
- The University of Nottingham will nominate you to the partner university so they know to expect your application

We will nominate students in advance to partners with early application deadlines



Partner university early application deadlines

Some partner university application deadlines are early:

- UFMG Summer School, Brazil: Wednesday 15 March
- PolyU International Summer School: Wednesday 22 March
- Linköpings Universitet: Saturday 25 March
- NUS FASStrack Summer School: Saturday 1 April 2023





Partner university early application deadlines

- UFMG summer school requires a letter of recommendation, which should be from either your personal tutor or an academic member of staff. If you include this summer school in one of your choices, contact your chosen referee in advance to check if they will be able to provide you with a letter, ready to submit to UFMG, if you're successfully allocated.
- HK PolyU requires students to apply for a visa with hardcopy supporting documents. Should you select this partner on your application, we will email you prior to the selection to inform you of the application documents you would be required to prepare if you are selected. There is a very short window (22 March deadline) to apply for HK PolyU.

Application guidance

- We will provide you with information regarding the application documents you are required to submit.
- **Summer school offers are conditional:** Partner universities have the right to reject your application
- Allocation briefing is on Wednesday 15 March
- Pre-departure meeting for students allocated to an in-person summer school
- Students eligible to receive funding will have their funding paid by bank transfer to UK bank account



Costs and affordability

- Refer to partner summer school profiles and FAQs on the summer schools webpage and partner university websites
- Tuition waivers but most summer schools still require you to cover the costs of accommodation, meals, travel and some activities. **Check each summer school.**
- Exchange rates
- Cost of living in-country
- Source of income
- Bursary eligibility: **Check each summer school and FAQs**



University of Nottingham Malaysia International Summer School

- Automatic awards of £1,000 for allocated students
- Not means-tested, automatically awarded if allocated
- Not eligible for Turing funding





Partner university summer schools

In-person summer schools, except the Malaysia Campus, are eligible:

- Awards of £500 for summer schools in Europe. Students from low-income households and meet one or more of the University of Nottingham's widening participation criteria prioritised. A limited number of awards are available.
- Awards of £1,000 for summer schools outside of Europe (not including Malaysia Campus). Students from low-income households and meet one or more of the University of Nottingham's widening participation criteria prioritised. A limited number of awards are available.



Student eligibility for means-tested bursaries

- Annual household income of £42,875 or below as confirmed by University of Nottingham Financial Support
- If your household income has changed during the 2022/2023 academic year and you think you might be eligible, contact Financial Support
- Full eligibility criteria, including non-financial WP criteria can be viewed on the Summer schools FAQs webpage



Expenditure

- Visa
- Health checks/vaccinations
- Application fees
- Covid-19 tests required for international travel
- Insurance: individual travel/health insurance. **Check what is covered relating to Covid-19.**



Expenditure

- Flights and airport transfers to host university or city
 - Accommodation and meals
 - Cultural/social excursions and activities
 - Independent travel
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- **Have a reserve of funding in case of quarantine due to a positive Covid-19 test**
 - **Consider booking flexible travel tickets, if available, that allow one or two changes free of charge**



Personal funding

- Your own income:
 - Student loan
 - Bursaries e.g. University Core Bursary
 - Part-time employment
 - Personal savings
 - Financial support from parents/guardians/relatives
- Budget and make a plan
 - Think about your current expenditure
 - Making a weekly or monthly budget plan
 - If you can, start saving towards your study abroad
 - <https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/budgetplanner/>
- Budget during your study abroad
 - Make an estimate budget for whilst you're studying abroad



Study Abroad Terms and Conditions

- Please be aware the summer school opportunities for 2023 may change at any time for a number of reasons, including changes to arrangements with partner universities, travel restrictions or other circumstances outside of the university's control. Every effort will be made to update this information as quickly as possible should a change occur.
- Partner university summer schools will be offered either online or in-person, please see the individual partner university profiles for further information.
- In-person summer schools are subject to Covid-19 national and international travel, border and quarantine restrictions. Host universities may change the format of their summer school to online at a later date or cancel the programme.

Study Abroad Terms and Conditions

- Please be aware that some partner university countries still require a negative Covid-19 test for entry and any positive test results during the summer school may result in the student being required to quarantine during the summer school. Students will not be eligible for any refunds from the summer school if they are required to quarantine.
- Students' nominations are subject to change based on the national and international Covid-19 regulations, including the University of Nottingham's travel policy permitting travel to other countries at this time.



Study Abroad Terms and conditions

- The University of Nottingham reserves the right to withdraw nominations of students allocated to in-person partner university summer schools if international travel, border and quarantine restrictions contradict the university's travel policy
- Students must read the university's travel policy in advance of submitting a summer schools application to understand the risks and potential consequences of international travel.

<https://www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices/documents/policy-for-ug-and-pgt-student-travel-for-2022-23.docx>

Study Abroad Terms and conditions

- Students should read the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office travel advice webpages for information about entry requirements, including Covid-19 entry requirements and Covid-19 laws and regulations within country.
- International travel requirements and border restrictions are subject to change at short notice
- Students must not arrange travel or make any non-refundable payments in relation to their allocated summer school until you have received your offer and visa (if required)

<https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice>

- Check **in advance** entry requirements for each country you are interested in applying to
- Check the host country's requirements if you are required to stop over in another country on the way to your destination
- Some countries will only allow entry or waive quarantine to visitors who can prove they are fully vaccinated, usually a minimum of two vaccinations but some countries may also require you to prove you have a booster vaccination
- Check what is accepted as proof of vaccination status

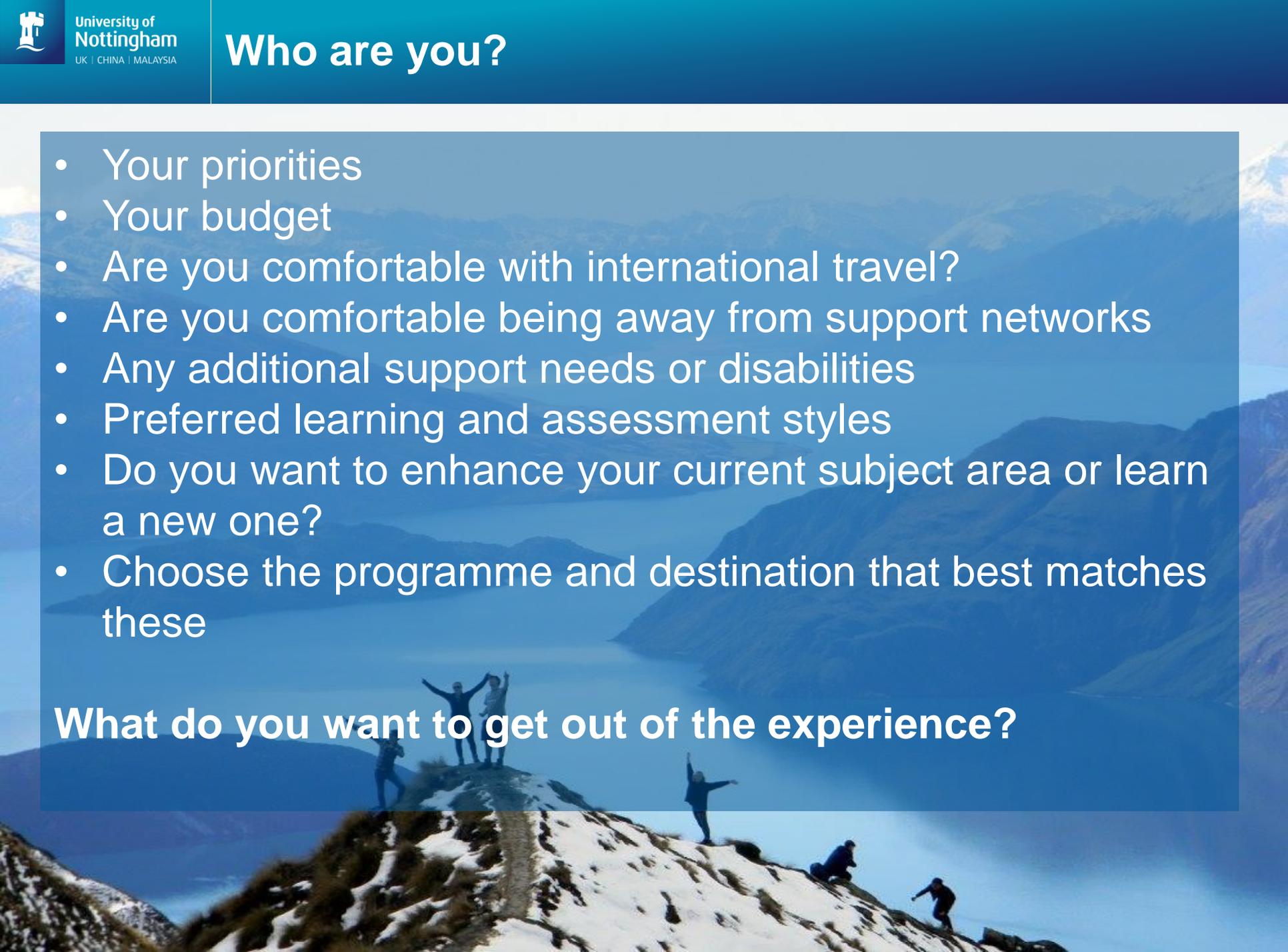
Covid-19 and international travel

- Countries may require Covid-19 tests prior to departure from your home country, upon arrival at the airport, periodically throughout your time in the host country and prior to departure
- Check the requirements of your home country in order to return to your host country
- Check what insurance providers cover in relation to Covid-19; some countries require proof of insurance
- Prepare an emergency budget in case you are required to quarantine and remain in your host country for longer than expected due to a positive Covid-19 test

Who are you?

- Your priorities
- Your budget
- Are you comfortable with international travel?
- Are you comfortable being away from support networks
- Any additional support needs or disabilities
- Preferred learning and assessment styles
- Do you want to enhance your current subject area or learn a new one?
- Choose the programme and destination that best matches these

What do you want to get out of the experience?

A scenic background image of a snowy mountain peak with several hikers. The hikers are silhouetted against the bright sky and the snow-covered terrain. The mountain is covered in patches of snow and some green vegetation. In the distance, a large body of water is visible, surrounded by more mountains under a clear blue sky.

[Study abroad for student with disabilities webpage](#)

Advice for students who have a physical disability, a long-term medical condition, a Specific Learning Difference (SpLD), a sensory impairment or mental health issues.

- Make an appointment to talk to the [Disability Support team](#)
- Look at the disability and welfare provision at the partner you are considering
- Think about the different attitudes towards disability across the world



IES Abroad: Diversity Resources (US perspective)

<https://www.iesabroad.org/identity-resources/country-specific>

- General resources
- Dietary concerns
- Race, ethnicity and national identity
- Gender and sexuality
- Religion and spirituality
- Disability resources and mental health support

Summer school countries included:

- China
- France
- Germany
- South Korea



OSIT: Study Abroad (US perspective)

<https://studyabroad.sit.edu/health-safety-and-well-being/social-identity/equity-diversity-and-inclusion-resources/>

- General resources
- Gender and sexuality
- Race and ethnicity
- Disability and mental health
- Socio-economic background
- Religion

Regions covered:

- Latin America
 - Africa South of the Sahara
 - Asia and the Pacific
 - Middle East and North Africa
 - Europe
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LGBTQ+

- Laws, legal rights/protections and social attitudes are not the same around the world
- Think about:
 - Laws and social attitudes in your destination country
 - Attitudes towards presenting a gender that is perceived as different to that on your passport
 - Customs laws with regards to bringing hormones into another country
 - Is it safe to be out in that country
 - Are there LGBTQ+ societies or support in your destination country/university?

This information is also important for students who **do not identify** as LGBTQ+

LGBTQ+ information and resources

Stonewall Global Workplace Briefings

- Comprehensive briefings of 36 overseas countries and regions to date
- <https://www.stonewall.org.uk/global-workplace-briefings>

FCO LGBTQ+ overseas travel advice

- <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/lesbian-gay-bisexual-and-transgender-foreign-travel-advice>

International LGBTI Association

- Comprehensive world maps and reports of laws, protections and recognition
- <https://ilga.org/>

Go Overseas: friendly LGBTQ+ study abroad destinations

- <https://www.gooverseas.com/blog/the-most-lgbt-friendly-study-abroad-destinations>

Study Abroad team

- Dedicated Moodle page for summer schools
- Nominate to partner university
- Application guidance to partner university
- Allocation briefing presentation and Pre-departure conference
- Partner university liaison
- Main home university contact during the summer school
- Post-programme support: transcripts and *Navigating your return to Nottingham after your study abroad experience* Moodle page





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Any questions?

