

# DiscoverNUS

## About the program:

### **Part I**

This is a two-part programme comprising an undergraduate semester at NUS called “Discover NUS”, and a scholarship opportunity for an NUS master’s degree.

This programme brings students from partner universities in Southeast Asia to study for one semester at NUS. Each academic year NUS will accept up to 10 students from each universities to be part of DiscoverNUS. These students will receive a full tuition fee waiver. They may also be eligible for financial support to cover on-campus housing costs, which will be awarded based on demonstrated need.

After their semester at NUS, students will return to their home institution to complete their undergraduate degrees.

### **Part II**

Student who participated in DiscoverNUS may, during their final undergraduate year, apply for a one-year master’s degree at NUS. Of those who apply, NUS will award up to 5 students from each university full tuition scholarships.

For both parts of the program, accepted students will have priority for subsidized on-campus students housing. Students are financially responsible for getting themselves in Singapore and for other academic and personal expenses while at NUS.

Please note that nomination for the undergraduate semester and subsequent application to a master’s programme do not come with guarantees of admission. NUS reserves the right to evaluate nominees/applicants and determine whether to admit, based on both the strength of the nominee/applicant’s record and the availability of space in the specific programme.

## Timeline:

- Document submission deadline: 29 August 2023
- Successful nominees announcement: 8 September 2023
- Application deadline: 22 September 2023
- Program running: January – May 2024

## Eligibility:

1. A student with active status
2. Students should be in their 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> semester by the time of applying
3. Have not registered 144 credits at UI (including credits of the last semester at UI before departing for exchange) by the time of application
4. Mandatory to transfer credits from exchange period to UI
5. Will not graduate from UI until the exchange period is complete
6. GPA  $\geq$  3.2 (all major)
7. English proficiency standard:
  - a. TOEFL PBT  $\geq$  550
  - b. TOEFL ITP  $\geq$  550

- c. TOEFL iBT  $\geq 80$
- d. IELTS  $\geq 6.5$
- 8. Mandatory to purchase international insurance that cover Covid-19 Treatment
- 9. Students who have previously participated/enrolled in any International Program from International Office UI or any other opportunities including IISMA are NOT eligible
- 10. Not currently applying for another exchange or study abroad with fee paying program, e.g. IISMA

### **Document Requirements**

1. \*Faculty recommendation letter signed by Dean or Vice Dean with particular information needs to be included:
  - a. The Outbound Exchange Scheme that your faculty support and acknowledge, (only online or only offline or both online and offline schemes are supported and acknowledged)
  - b. The student will not graduate from UI until the exchange program is completed
  - c. Academic credits earned from exchange programs abroad can be converted/transferred to UI
2. \*\*Legalized latest transcripts (GPA  $\geq 3.2$ )
3. Latest course plan (IRS)
4. English Proficiency Certificate
5. CV, with particular information needs to be included:
  - a. Education, including name of high school and high school GPA, as well as current university GPA
  - b. Work, leadership, and volunteer experience
  - c. Extracurricular activities (club, sports, etc.)
  - d. Academic awards or scholarships from high school and university
  - e. Demonstration of English proficiency (e.g. TOEFL/IELTS)
  - f. Additional useful information, if available, fore example languages (both foreign languages spoken or proficiency in any programming languages), or special talents or interests.
6. Motivation Letter
7. Study Plan (Students should select two Areas of Study. These areas of study are not guaranteed due to limited capacity. NUS will try best to assign the student to the Faculty or School that most closely matches their selected Area of Study. List of Areas of Study could be seen below).
8. Statement letter of willingness to leave the country if the faculty does not give permission
9. Written approval letter of departure from parents

\* Due to limited time, we understand if students could not obtain recommendation letter immediately. In the meantime, please submit the statement letter signed by your Academic Advisor, acknowledging your capabilities to participate in the programme.

\*\* If students could not obtain the legalized academic transcript before the deadline, they are allowed to submit the screenshot of their SIAK-NG showing their academic history and GPA.

## **Areas of Study**

- Architecture
- Biochemistry
- Biological Sciences
- Biomedical Engineering
- Built Environment
- Business Accountancy
- Business Administration
- Language Studies
- Chemical & Biomolecular Eng.
- Chemistry
- Chinese Studies
- Civil & Environmental Eng.
- Communications & New Media
- Computer Science
- Computing & Eng. Programme
- Economics
- Electrical & Computer Eng.
- Engineering Science Programme
- English Language & Literature
- Food Science & Technology
- Geography
- History
- Industrial Design
- Industrial System Eng. & Management
- Info Systems and Analytics
- Japanese Studies
- Malay Studies
- Materials Science & Eng.
- Mathematics
- Mechanical Engineering
- Microbiology and Immunology
- Music
- Pharmacology
- Pharmacy
- Philosophy
- Physics
- Physiology
- Political Science
- Psychology
- Public Health
- Real Estate
- Social Work
- Sociology
- South Asian Studies
- Southeast Asian Studies
- Statistics and Data Science
- Strategy and Policy