

FASS OPAS Internal Offer Briefing

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- Documents to complete the SEP application after acceptance of Internal Offer
- Please adhere to the deadline so that processing is not delayed (21 Nov/ 17 Dec)
- <u>Items required</u> to complete your SEP application





University of California Education Abroad Program Application Process

http://eap.ucop.edu/ReciprocalExchanges/Pag es/Undergraduates/ApplyUndergraduates.aspx



- Acceptance of internal offer
- PLEASE GO INTO <u>OPAS</u> TO ACCEPT OR REJECT THE OFFER. PLEASE DO NOT DO NOTHING.
- Caution: Think long and hard before you accept the internal offer; admin fee of \$300 applies if you withdraw after internal offer acceptance.
 - Lack of modules and inability to map modules
 - Lack of financial ability





- Some of your common questions
 - I tried to search on the PU website but cannot find the application form, what should I do?
 - If PU asked for 2 recommendation letters on their application form, do I need to provide 4 letters?
 - How should I go about getting the bank letter? Is it the same as bank statement? Do I have to pay? Why do I need to provide this letter?





- Some of your common questions
 - If my sponsoring organisation is already sponsoring me, do I still need the bank letter?
 - What if I do not have sufficient funds at this point to produce the bank letter?
 - What is a certification of enrolment?
 - How shall I get my transcript?
 - What does a copy of passport page mean?





- Some of your common questions
 - The partner university's application form required signature from my exchange coordinator, what should I do?
 - The partner university ask for a study plan/ course selection/ registration form. Do I need to get module mapping from the SEP coordinators at this point?
 - If the PU asked me to send the documents to them directly on their website, should I do so?





- Some of your common questions
 - Do I need to produce proficiency of English for the partner university?
 - If the partner university requires a medical report or Xray, do I have to include this in my application materials?



- Faculty then send your SEP documents to RO
- RO process and forward to PU
- PU will then send an acceptance package either directly to you or through Registrar' Office
- <u>It may take months for PU to complete the</u> process.
- Please only check with us if you still have not heard from the PU (2 months prior to the start of your semester at the PU)



Withdrawal Process

- Write formally to Assistant Dean c/o <u>Study</u>
 <u>Abroad Query</u>
- Please <u>do not assume</u> that withdrawal is automatic because you did not submit the relevant SEP documents
- Come start of semester, you will not be able to participate in CORS to register module as your status is "On Student Exchange"



What type of modules can you read on SEP? Major modules*, UE, Breadths, GEMS and modules towards your minor

Criteria for credit recognition:

- a. Must pass module and credits earned from PU
- b. Must be of certain academic rigor
- Must be approved by the SEP coordinator from the relevant discipline
- Must achieve a pass grade in the partner university's grading system
- e. Minor only 8 MC overseas credit





Module Mapping

- How does module mapping work?
- When do you do this?
- How does equivalency of MC/ credit exchange work?
- What happens if there are changes to the modules when I get to the partner university?
- Are there restrictions on module mapping?
- How long does it take for approval?



How does module mapping work?

- Module mapping/Study Plan Form
- For FASS related modules
 - 1 form per module
 - Fill in details and send it to <u>SEP coordinators</u>
 - based on discipline
 - For language module mapping: <u>CLS Language</u>
 <u>Module Mapping</u>
 - Will take up to one month



How does module mapping work?

- Module mapping/Study Plan Form
- For non-FASS related modules
 - 1 form per module
 - Fill in details and send it to <u>FAS Study Abroad</u> <u>Enquiry</u>
 - Forwarded to the relevant Faculty administrator
 - Make sure that you have an equivalent NUS module code for the mapping on the form
 - Will take at least 1 month before approval



How does module mapping work?

- For Business-related modules, you can first check this <u>website</u> for pre-approved modules
- If it is already pre-approved, no need for additional approval.
- Just print the page and use it as a record.

When do you do module mapping?

- When your modules are confirmed by the partner university
- Before you leave for exchange



How does equivalency of MC/ credit exchange work?

- Equivalency of credits btw Partner Universities and NUS
- Normal semester load at partner university*=
 normal semester load at NUS ie 20 MC
- MC Exchange Ratios
- * for their students which may be different for exchange students



How does equivalency of MC/ credit exchange work?

Example

For Peking University, 15 credits= 20 MC so therefore if you read 17 credits= 23 MCs.

You can read more credits if you want, you get to bring back more MCs.

If you read less, you will also bring back less MC. Please be aware of the implication of this.



University of Copenhagen

Module A, B and C and D= 30 ECTS

	NUS MC	Dummy codes
Module A- 10 ECTS- major	(7 MC) 8 MC	EC3741, EC3742
Module B- 6 ECTS- major 1MC	(4 MC)	EC2741
Module C- 4 ECTS- UE	(3 MC) 4 MC	EC3743
Module D- 8 ECTS- major 4 MC	(5 MC) 1 MC	SC3741
Module E- 2 ECTS- major	(1 Me)	EC2711

Major= 16 MC, UE= 4 MC



Boston University

Module A, B and C and D= 16 credits

	NUS MC	Dummy codes
Module A- 4 credits- major	(5 MC)	EC3741, EC3711
Module B- 4 credits- major	(5 MC)	EC2741, EC2711
Module C- 4 credits- UE	(5 MC)	SC2741, SC3711
Module D- 4 credits- UE	(5 MC)	SC3741, SC3712

Major- 10 MC, UE- 10 MC



Boston University

Module A, B and C and D= 16 credits

16 MC	NUS MC	Dummy codes
10116	(5 MC)	EC3741
Module B- 4 credits- major	(5 MC)	EC2741
Module C- 4 credits- major	(5 MC)	EC2742, EC2743
Module D- 4 credits- UE	(5 MC) 1 M	SC3741, SC3712

4 MC

Major= 16 MC, UE= 4 MC



Key Factors to Consider

- Almost all departments do not map level- 4000 modules
- If any do, limited to 2 modules only
- CNM do not do mapping after the exchange semester.
- Econ do not map essential modules
- Biz will only map courses perfectly into the specific NUS module codes--- to be used for 2nd major
- All other business approved modules cannot be used towards biz major

NB: Best to check with your major departments



What happens if there are changes to the modules when I get to the partner university?

- Module mapping via email
 - SEP coordinators
 - FAS Study Abroad Enquiry

Other Issues



Visa application?

Flight booking?







Questions?

