### On-campus Accommodation

| **Is university accommodation guaranteed for exchange students?** (Must Read) | Due to shortage of on-campus accommodation at NUS, exchange students are **NOT guaranteed** on-campus accommodation. With increasing numbers of incoming exchange students, it is very likely that some students will need to source and secure their own private and off-campus accommodation.

NUS receives more exchange students in Semester 1 (August to December); therefore it is more difficult to secure on-campus accommodation in Semester 1.

Non-graduating research students should consider staying at private, off-campus accommodation. |
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<td><strong>How will I know if I am eligible to apply?</strong></td>
<td>All exchange students are eligible to apply for on-campus accommodation, although <strong>not guaranteed</strong> placement given the limited supply of housing at NUS. The offer email/letter from Registrar’s Office will include instructions on how and when to apply for accommodation along with the updated <strong>instructions</strong> and <strong>deadlines</strong>.</td>
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| **What are the on-campus accommodation options?** | NUS offers three **types of on-campus accommodation**: (1) Residential Colleges, (2) Residences, and (3) Halls of Residence. Each semester about 30% of exchange students are shortlisted for a particular Residential College (RC), and therefore some students will only see a particular RC on their housing application. The shortlisting helps to ensure that NUS is able to get as many exchange students allocated to on-campus accommodation as possible before arrival in Singapore.

The majority of exchange students will get to indicate their top three preferred on-campus accommodation. In the event the preferred accommodation is oversubscribed, we encourage students to consider on-campus accommodation with vacancy. Otherwise, students can source and secure private, off-campus accommodation. |
| **Administrative procedures to follow once students have been invited to apply for accommodation** | To apply for on-campus accommodation, students must pay the non-refundable application fee of S$26.75. Completed application will be reflected as ‘**pending**’ in the **University Hostel Management System (UHMS)**. Successful applicants will receive an accommodation offer via email. The student will then need to login to UHMS to **accept the offer** and **pay the full accommodation fee** by the deadline(s) in order to secure the room.

Students who fail to pay by the stipulated deadline, will automatically forfeit their allocated room and the room will be offered to the next student on waiting list immediately. Please read the **terms and conditions**. |
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<th>Is on-campus accommodation available over semester breaks?</th>
<th>Yes, subject to availability. Students who are on full-year exchange and have successfully secured on-campus accommodation, are eligible for vacation stay by paying the additional rates mentioned at <a href="http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/non-graduating/hostel-and-meal-plan-rates.html">http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/non-graduating/hostel-and-meal-plan-rates.html</a>.</th>
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| Compulsory meal plans for selected on-campus accommodation | Students staying at the [Residential Colleges](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/colleges) in University Town or in the [Hall of Residences](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/hostel) will have to subscribe to the compulsory meal plan.  

The food offered under the compulsory meal plan is Halal certified. Asian style vegetarian food is also available. However, it might not be suitable for strict Vegans or students who need Kosher food. For more information on compulsory meal plans, please visit [here](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/meal-plan).  

Students who do not want to have the compulsory meal plan can consider staying at other on-campus accommodation without the compulsory meal plan or source for a private, off-campus accommodation. |
| Check-in | Check-in to on-campus accommodation is available from Monday to Friday during office hours from 9am to 5pm. To request a check-in outside of the office hours, please refer to [http://nus.edu.sg/osa/has/contactus](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/has/contactus). |

### Private, off-campus Accommodation

| Private, off-campus accommodation options | Singapore is a city-state with affordable and reliable public transportation. It is convenient to travel to and from NUS from the private accommodation located near NUS.  

Some of these private, off-campus accommodation options include:  

- [Hwa Chong Institution Boarding School](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/hostel)  
- [Nanyang Girls Boarding School](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/hostel)  
- [Yo:HA Student Hostel Ulu Pandan and Henderson Outlets](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/hostel)  

For a complete list of off-campus accommodation options, please refer to the following [Guide](http://nus.edu.sg/osa/housing/hostel) prepared by NUS Office of Student Affairs (OSA). |