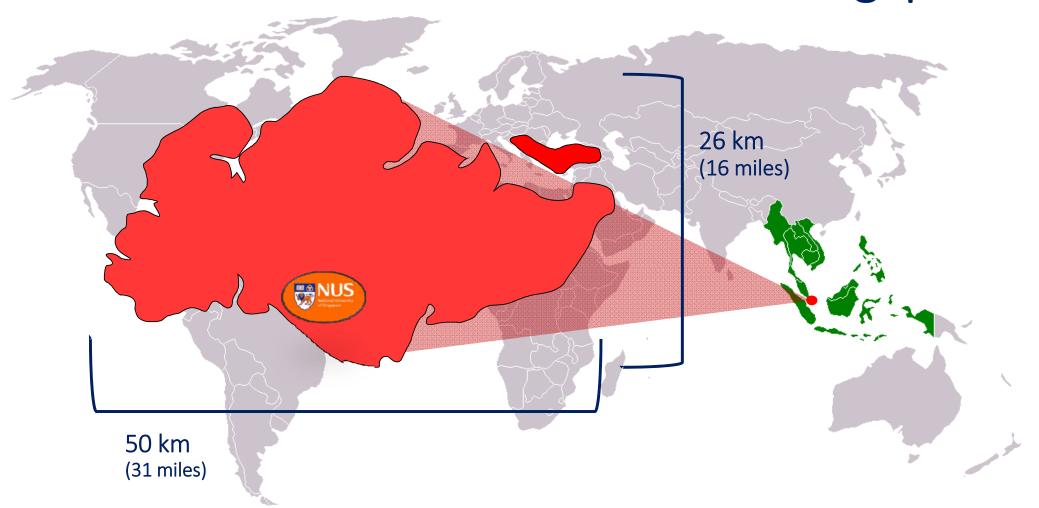
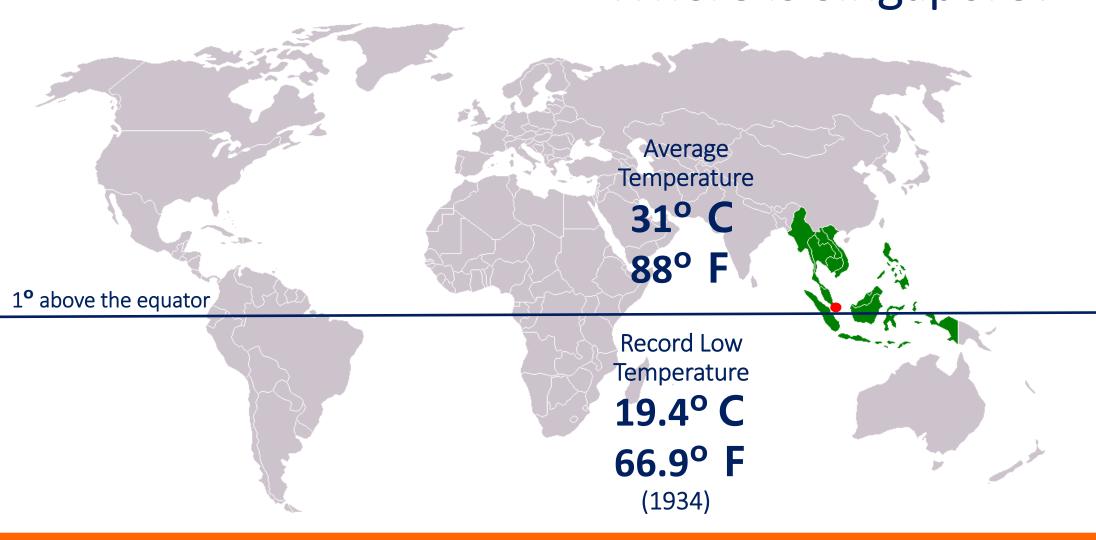


# Where is Singapore?



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## Singapore Quick Facts:

- Multi-racial, culturally diverse city state
- Population of approximately 5.5 million people (60% Singaporeans)
- Predominantly English speaking but four official languages!
- Reliable internet connectivity islandwide
- Leading financial centre, one of the top oil refining centres, busiest ports, logistics hubs etc.
- Extensive and efficient public transport and healthcare system
- Enviable variety of cuisine
- Renowned Garden City
- Quality sporting events, performing arts events and exhibitions

# Why the National University of Singapore?

#### **VISION**

A leading global university centred in Asia, influencing the future

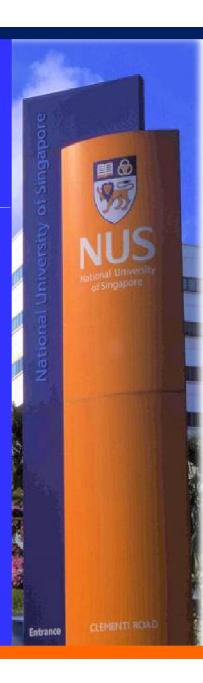
#### **MISSION**

To transform the way people think and do things through education, research



#### NUS at a Glance...

- Established in 1905 as a medical school
- English-speaking, comprehensive university with 16 Schools and Faculties
- Highly Ranked University in Asia
  - QS Ranking 2015/16: 12th in the World; First in Asia!
  - Times Higher Education (THE) Ranking 2015/16: **26<sup>th</sup> in the World**; 2<sup>nd</sup> in Asia



#### SUBJECT RANKINGS

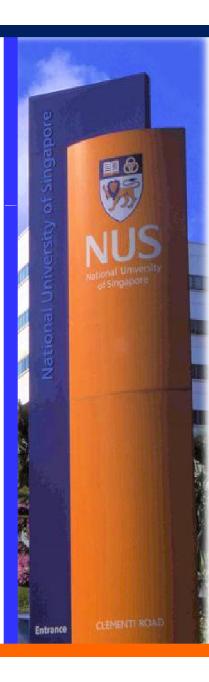
# The 2015 QS World University Rankings by Subject places NUS among the world's 10 best universities for 11 subjects

| SUBJECTS   | WORLD RANKING |
|--|---------------|
| ENGINEERING - CIVIL & STRUCTURAL                       | 3             |
| ENGINEERING – CHEMICAL                                 | 5             |
| ENGINEERING - ELECTRICAL & ELECTRONIC                  | 6             |
| MATERIALS SCIENCE                                      | 6*            |
| ARCHITECTURE/BUILT ENVIRONMENT (NEW)                   | 6             |
| CHEMISTRY  | 7             |
| BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES                                    | 8             |
| ENGINEERING - MECHANICAL, AERONAUTICAL & MANUFACTURING | 8             |
| LINGUISTICS  | 8             |
| GEOGRAPHY  | 9             |
| ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES                                 | 10            |

<sup>\*</sup> In joint position with another university

#### NUS at a Glance...

- Approximately 37,000 students
   (27,000 Undergraduates and 10,000 Graduates)
- Three Campuses Kent Ridge Campus, Bukit Timah Campus and Outram Campus (Duke-NUS Medical School)
- Academic Calendar
  - Semester 1: Early August to Early December
  - Semester 2: Early January to Early May
  - Special Term: Mid-May to Late-July

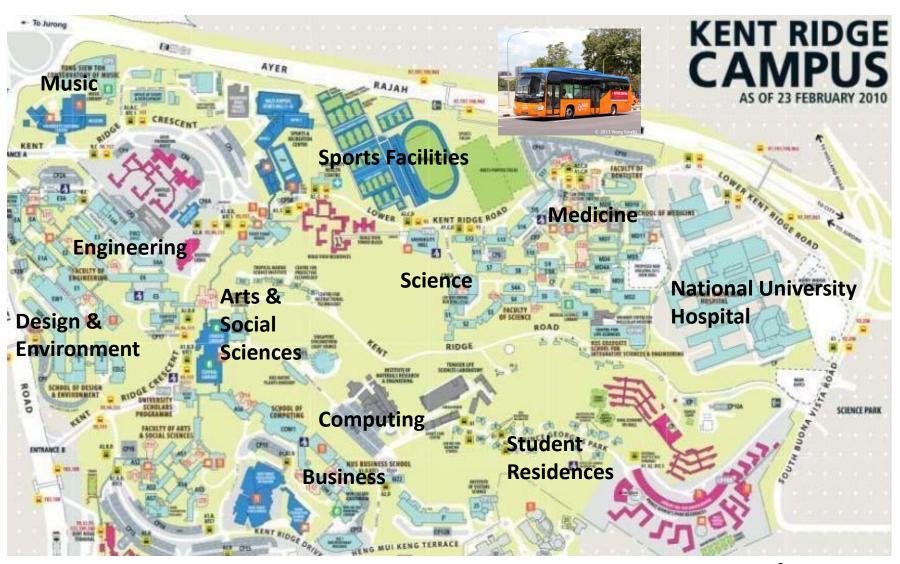


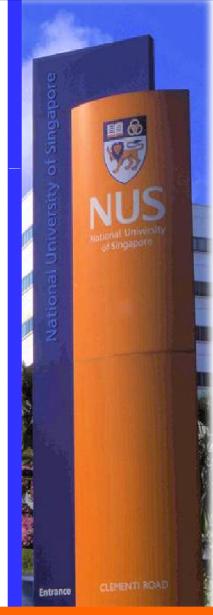
#### NUS at a Glance...

#### **University Town**

- Located on Kent Ridge Campus, first phase completed in August 2011.
- Represents a new initiative by NUS for integrated living, learning and discovery! Includes four Residential Colleges (RCs) and the newly founded Yale-NUS College!







area of approximately 1.83 km<sup>2</sup> (0.71 sq mi)





# Student Exchange Programme (SEP)



# SEP @ NUS

- SEP is the flagship and largest student mobility programme at NUS with nearly 2,000 incoming and 2,000 outgoing exchange students each Academic Year (AY)!
- NUS has over 300 exchange partner universities in 50 countries!



# Student Exchange Programme (SEP)

Why SEP?

In collaboration with partner universities, NUS develops outstanding international exchange opportunities through its Student Exchange Programme (SEP), equipping students to become effective global citizens and future-ready graduates.



#### What is SEP?

#### SEP is an **opportunity** to...

- 1 Spend **one or two semesters** studying at NUS
- Earn **modular credits** toward your major in a new academic setting
- 3 Immerse yourself in a **new place and culture**
- Enjoy **tuition-fee waiver** from NUS, and pay your home institution fees for the exchange semester(s)

## **Incoming Student Satisfaction Survey**

SEP SURVEY AY2013/14

81.9%

selected NUS as their first choice for exchange

90.3%

were either satisfied or extremely satisfied with their exchange at NUS

95.0%

would recommend NUS as an exchange destination to their peers



# SEP @ NUS (Academics)

Eight participating NUS Schools & Faculties:

Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences\* (FASS)

NUS Business School\*

School of Computing (SoC)

School of Design & Environment (SDE)

Faculty of Engineering (FoE)

Faculty of Law\* (FoL)

Faculty of Science (FoS)

University Scholars Programme (USP)\*\*



<sup>\*</sup>Students must be Economics (under FASS), Business or Law majors to take the respective modules at NUS.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Equivalent to Honours (not applicable to all partners)

#### Offices Involved with SEP @ NUS

- Manages Uni-wide SEP Partnerships
- Compiles
   nominations from
   SEP partners and
   advises partner
   universities on
   application processes
   and deadlines.
- Provide International Student Services (Orientation, Welcome Events, etc.)
- Housing Services



- Processes incoming exchange applications
- Works with Immigration & Checkpoints Authority to facilitate Student Pass (Student Visa) applications

- Manages Faculty-level SEP Partnerships
- Works with RO to help allocate a minimum of three
   (3) modules to incoming exchange applicants

## NUS SEP Structure – Supporting Offices

#### **IRO – Global Education**

#### **Team**

- Identify partner universities and secure exchange agreements
- Negotiate for exchange places annually
- Involve in the operations and the administrations of the exchange programme
- Overseas the IRO Peer Advising Programme
- We can be your first stop for enquiries on student exchange matters

#### **Office of Student Affairs**

- International Student Orientation Briefing
- Welcome Fest
- Cross-cultural Events and Festival Celebrations
- Host Family Programme/Student Buddy Programme
- Heritage Programme
- Housing Matters
- Career Services
- Disability support services

#### Registrar's Office

- Process SEP applications
- Send notice on module registration
- Process Student Pass
- Manage students academic records
- Conduct examination
- Print transcripts

#### **Faculties and Schools**

- Decide on modules and quotas
- Approval of modules
- Provide module descriptions
- Set examination and class schedules

## Module (Course) Information:

- Select up to 10 relevant modules from a <u>list of undergraduate</u> modules for exchange students
- Check module restrictions. Business, Economics and Law modules, Level 4000 and above modules are restricted.
- Approval for modules is decided by relevant academic coordinator based on
  - Pre-requisites,
  - Availability
  - Time table
- Secure at least three modules (or 12 modular credits) per semester
- Changes to the pre-registered modules should be made during "Add/Drop" period

#### Student Services (Incoming) - On-Campus Accommodation

- On-campus accommodation is NOT guaranteed at NUS.
- Student must indicate on their initial exchange application if they require housing. Students will then receive instructions on how and when to apply for housing in their Exchange Acceptance Letter.
- Students may indicate their top three preferences for housing, but may be allocated to a different residence due to space constraints.



#### Student Services (Incoming) - On-Campus Accommodation

There are several on-campus accommodation options for exchange students, collectively referred to as 'hostel options'. These include

- 1. Halls of Residences
- 2. Residences

University Town Residences Prince George's Park Residence

3. Residential Colleges (RCs)

College of Alice & Peter Tan (CAPT)

**Tembusu** 

Cinnamon (USP)

RC4



#### Student Services (Incoming) - Vibrant Campus Life

- Over 37,000 full time students from 100 countries and approximately another 2,000 exchange students from more than 300 partner universities
- 80 student clubs and 23 performing groups under the realm of the NUS Students Union and NUS Student Societies
- Get involved in over 100 community projects under the Community Engagement Programme Network



#### Student Services (Incoming) - Campus Services & Facilities

- 24/7 wireless connectivity
- 6 computer and multimedia labs
- 7 libraries
- 3 museums, 1 cultural centre
- 36 food venues and kiosks
- 2 sports & recreation centres (with pool, gym, tennis and basketball courts, running track, football field, rocking climbing wall)
- 6 cashpoints/ATMs
- 1 bank (Development Bank of Singapore)
- University Health Centre
- 24-hour security and 5 emergency call points
- Travel agency
- Bookstores and gifts shops
- Minimarts
- Internal shuttle bus



## Food on Campus

More than

20

eateries or food courts on campus!

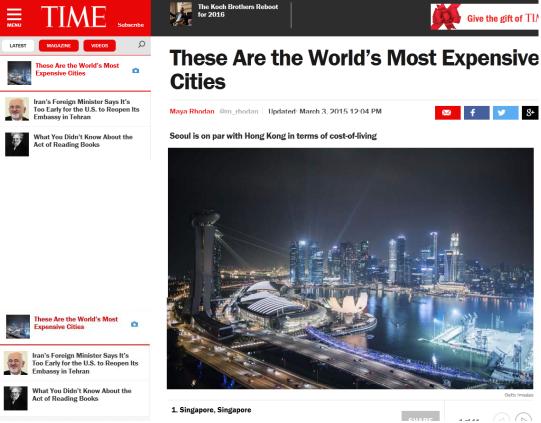


#### **Estimated Monthly Costs of Living**

Singapore still world's most expensive city, says

EIU





#### **Estimated Monthly Costs of Living**

| Item   | On campus           | Off campus          |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| Accommodation  | S\$280 - S\$720     | S\$500 - S\$1,000   |
| Food (3 meals a day)   | S\$400 - S\$800     | S\$400 - S\$800     |
| Public Transport   | S\$100 - S\$150     | S\$100 - S\$250     |
| Books & Stationery (depends on course of study)                  | S\$200 - S\$300     | S\$200 – S\$300     |
| Personal expenses (Telecommunication, toiletries, clothing etc.) | S\$200 - S\$350     | S\$250 - S\$450     |
| Total  | S\$1,180 - S\$2,320 | S\$1,450 - S\$2,800 |

Note: This is an estimated expenditure a student may likely incur during his or her stay in Singapore. The costs vary accordingly to student's personal needs and lifestyle.

#### Financial Aid for Incoming Exchange Students

#### **Special Programmes (for Incoming Students)**

Temasek Foundation Leadership Enrichment and Regional Networking (TF FLEaRN)



- The Temasek Foundation Leadership Enrichment and Regional Networking (TF LEaRN) Programme @ NUS
  nurtures the next generation of Asian leaders by providing opportunities for cultural exchange, networking,
  community engagement and leadership development.
- Students from Southeast Asia, China, India, Hong Kong, South Korea, Taiwan and Japan are eligible to apply.
- Selected students receive **<u>\$\$6,500</u>** during their exchange.
- Only available in Semester 1 (August December)
- <a href="http://www.nus.edu.sg/iro/opps/others/in/tflearn/index.html?newsID=101940">http://www.nus.edu.sg/iro/opps/others/in/tflearn/index.html?newsID=101940</a>

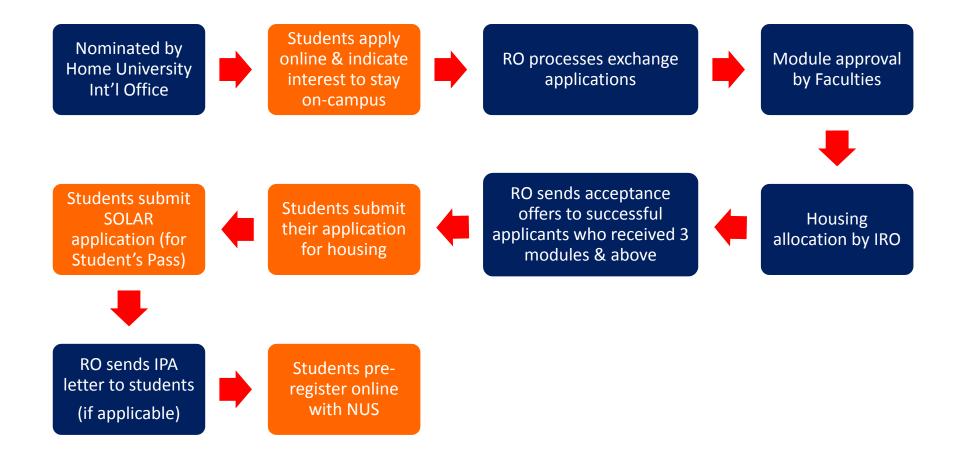
#### **Estimated Monthly Costs of Living**

| Miscellaneous Student Fees (MSFs) | Amount (per<br>semester)<br>in SGD |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Student Services Fee (SSF)        | S\$38.41                           |
| Health Service Fee (HSF)          | S\$62.85                           |

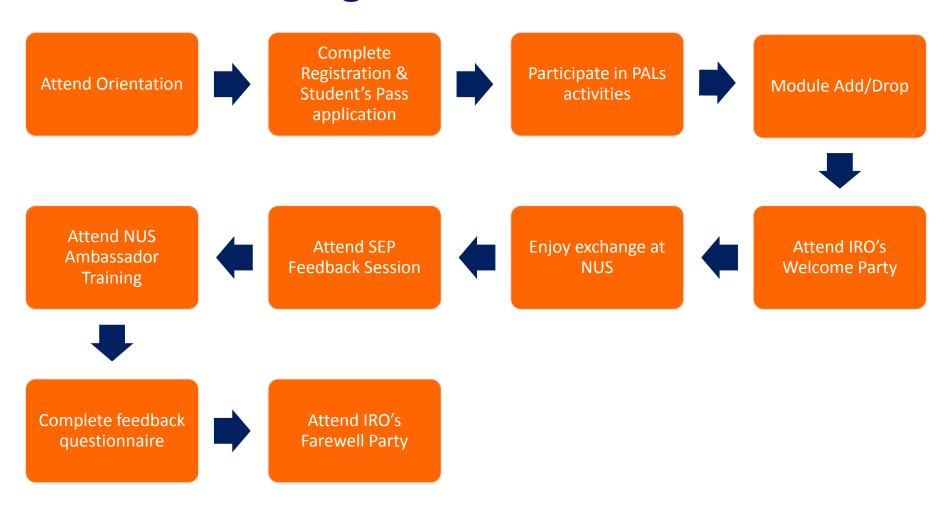
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### **Incoming Application Process**

(Orange Boxes are Actions by Students)



## While on Exchange at NUS!



# NUS Key Dates & Deadlines

| ACTIVITY            | WHEN  | HOW   |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Application         | Sem 1: 15 Apr<br>(deadline)<br>Sem 2: 1 Oct<br>(deadline) | Apply online @ <a href="https://aces01.nus.edu.sg/ngAdmForm/index.jsp">https://aces01.nus.edu.sg/ngAdmForm/index.jsp*</a> |
|                     |   |   |
| Housing application | Upon acceptance   | Apply online  |
| Acceptance outcome  | Sem1: June<br>Sem 2: Nov                                  | Email   |
| Transcript          | two months after<br>the completion of<br>the exchange     | Snail mail  |

# Special Term (Summer) Offerings

- Special Term is divided into two parts, and each Faculty will offer a very limited number of modules for students to take during the summer.
  - Special Term Part 1 mid-May to mid/late-June
  - Special Term Part 2 mid/late-June to late-July

We encourage exchange students to participate in various summer programmes currently offered by Faculties and Schools at NUS.

- <u>FASStrack</u>: The Summer School offered by Faculty of Arts & Social Sciences (FASS)
- Biodiversity Summer Programme offered by Faculty of Science
- Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme (<u>UROPs</u>) offered by Faculty of Science

## FASStrack: The Summer School

#### 22 June to 25 July 2015 (2016 dates have not been announced)

FASStrack Asia comprises courses from the Faculty's Asian Studies Division and the Social Sciences Division. Courses are focused on Asia, and some of these courses will feature a 7-10 days' field trip to the country of study. Our Centre for Language Studies will also offer relevant Asian language courses that will complement the field trips for a comprehensive learning experience and in-depth cultural immersion.

You can read up to 2 courses, including one that offers an extended overseas field trip. Other courses may also offer local day trips in Singapore or to nearby overseas location over the weekend in order to facilitate experiential learning outside the classroom.

#### Programme Highlights

- Local Singapore field trips
- Experiential learning outside classroom
- Language studies for in-depth field trip immersion
- On-campus residential college experience
- Study & live with NUS and international students from overseas partner universities
- Social Events Welcome Session, Heritage tours, Food trails, Fireside Chats & Farewell Dinner

# **Biodiversity Summer Programme**

#### Held over five weeks in June/July each year

#### **Programme Highlights**

- •Capstone module: Students would read the module 'Field Studies in Biodiversity' which would include a 1-week field trip to the luscious tropical island, Pulau Tioman, off East coast of Peninsular Malaysia where they would expect to experience unique tropical ecosystems such as rainforest, freshwater stream, mangroves and the coral reefs under the guidance of experienced field biologists.
- •Learn another language: Students would take introductory courses in either Chinese or Indonesian language (which are amongst the top 14 languages spoken in the world). To learn a new language in 5 weeks, students would need to be prepared to invest time and effort (3-4 hours of classes daily, 5 days a week).

Immerse in the culture of Singapore: Beyond studies, weekly trips and tours around our unique island "Singapore" would be organized for students to experience the fascinating culture, cuisine and sights of Singapore. By the end of the summer, you would be fully immersed in our multifaceted and multicultural city and as well as the Asian and Singaporean way of life.

# Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme

Mid-June to late-July 2016 (exacts dates have not been announced)

#### Aims of UROPS

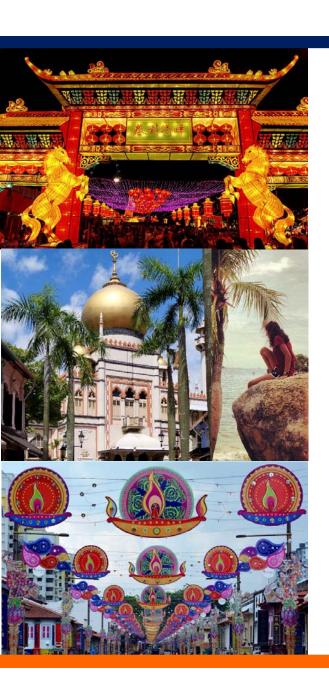
- To provide students with a unique opportunity to do research work with scientists in their field of expertise, hence fostering a relationship between them that could lead to mentoring or collaboration in the future
- To place students on the forefront of research
- To foster a relationship between students and established scientists in partner universities and create opportunities for future mentorship
- To enhance students' knowledge in the latest developments in science and technology
- To hone students' communication and presentation skills
- To prepare students for graduate studies and/or careers in research

## **Useful Resources!**

- 1. Journey Beyond Your Shores
- 2. Step-In
- 3. Information Sheet
- 4. Around NUS
- 5. Student Life Video
- 6. NUS Corporate Video







# 5,535,000+ Population

76.5% : Chinese

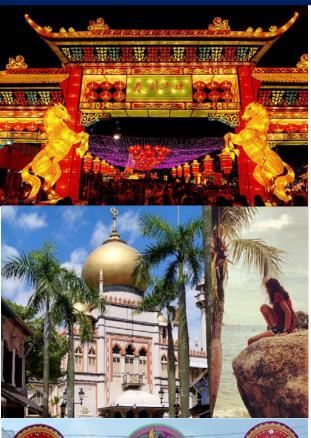
15.2%: Malay

7.2% : Indian

1.1% : Other

Source: Singapore Stat Board (2015)

(2015)





# Holidays!

New Year's Day (Jan)



Good Friday (Mar/Apr)



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Labour Day (May)

Vesak Day (May/Jun)





Hari Raya Puasa (Jul)







Deepavali (Oct/Nov) Christmas (Dec)



# FOOD!

A strong food culture - eating is a national pastime!

**Hawker Centres** offer a variety of foods at very affordable prices!





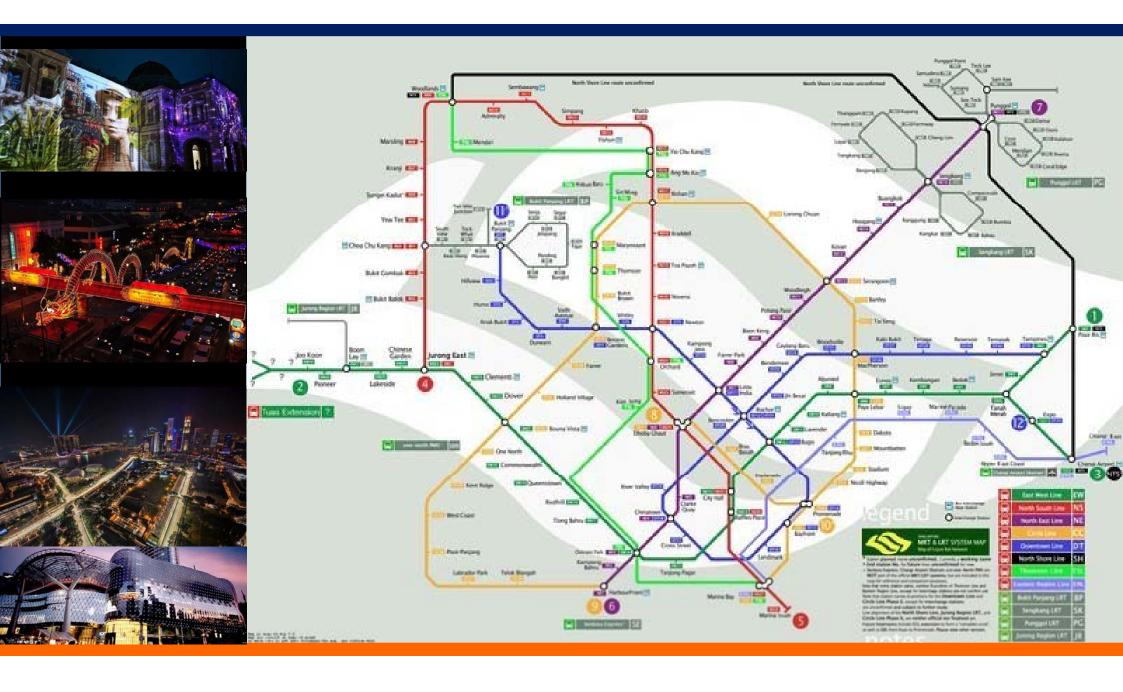
# FOOD!

Buzz Feed Article:
42 Reasons Why Studying
Abroad In Singapore Ruins
You For Life

Food is mentioned 15 times!

Check it out <u>here</u>.





# **Gateway to Southeast Asia**

(within 3 hours flight journey)

Malaysia (1-2 hr.)



Thailand (1.5-3 hr.)



Vietnam (2-3 hr.)



Cambodia (2.75hr.)



Indonesia (1-3 hr.)



Myanmar (3 hr.)



Thank you! 1560TM Go on **EXCHANGE** Terima Kasih! to NUS!