AGSM @ UNSW Business School
Incoming Exchange Guidelines 2022-2023

Studying at AGSM@UNSW Business School

Introduction

The International Exchange Program is an important component of the MBA Programs of the Australian Graduate School of Management (AGSM) at the UNSW Business School. Various procedures and processes govern and coordinate incoming exchange students prior to and during their study at the AGSM. This document aims to ensure incoming exchange students are aware of all policies relevant to their studies while at AGSM. Students are required to read this document before applying to ensure they have a complete understanding of the procedures governing the exchange program.

Exchange Agreements

Exchange partnerships between AGSM Programs and individual exchange schools overseas are governed by agreements devised by both parties. As part of our overall incoming & outgoing exchange process, AGSM Programs honours these agreements. In this regard, the balance of trade between schools will be maintained while ensuring a positive relationship with our exchange partners.

Application and Selection

To apply to study on exchange at the AGSM, students must go through the application and selection process employed by their home institutions. Under the agreements existing between AGSM and our exchange partner schools, the responsibility for selection of all incoming students is at the discretion of their home institutions.

Once nominated to us, we require the completion of an AGSM incoming exchange application survey for which a link will be emailed out. Please note the following:

- Applicants must have a minimum of 2 years professional or managerial work experience post completion of an undergraduate degree. A copy of a CV (indicating this experience) must be included with the application. In lieu of this, equivalent relevant experience may also be considered.

- English language requirements –
  - Proof of previous study completed in English and/or
  - UNSW accepts English language test scores to meet our English language requirements provided:
    - You completed the test no more than two years before your intended start date, and
    - You achieved the minimum scores (see below)
We recommend that prospective students complete their own research about the AGSM MBA Program. This can be accomplished as follows:

- Consulting the Exchange Coordinator at your home institution, as they will be able to provide various resources
- Visiting the AGSM Programs website
- Contacting the Student Experience Team at AGSM Programs via studentexperience@agsm.edu.au.

**Research**

Once selected to study on the AGSM MBA Exchange Program, students should start their own research in regards to visiting Australia both as a student and as an overseas visitor. The AGSM MBA Programs office can assist with information on accommodation, transportation, university facilities, etc. It is important for incoming exchange students to commence their research at least three to four months prior to their arrival. Students should allow ample time to secure health insurance, student or other visas, accommodation, etc. and to handle any other possible issues that may arise prior to the corresponding exchange session. All incoming exchange students will be allocated exchange buddies to assist with their queries.

**Visa**

Incoming Exchange students will need to obtain a visa (either Tourist visa, Student visa or Working Holiday visa) in order to study on the AGSM MBA Program. We recommend contacting nearest Australian embassy/consulate or searching the Department of Home Affairs: Immigration and Citizenship website to determine which visa is required and what steps must be taken in order to complete the visa application.

**Student Visa**

Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) is a student visa condition as required by the Australian Government and is compulsory. Exchange students are required to purchase their own overseas student health cover prior to obtaining their student visa and must purchase and maintain OSHC for the entire time that they are in Australia.

The UNSW preferred OSHC provider is: Medibank Private.

Further information about other OSHC providers is available from Department of Health and Ageing Care.

**Tourist Visa**

Please note that students on tourist visas will not be required to purchase the compulsory Overseas Student Health Cover (OSHC) as it is only required for those on student visas (described above). However, we strongly recommend that students obtain appropriate travel insurance.
Working Holiday Visa
For students under the age of 30 and a specific passport holder (noted on the site) the Working Holiday visa may be an option.

Entry Point
Our Full-time MBA program underwent a significant review in 2021 including changes in duration and commencement date. As a result electives in the Full-time MBA program may not coincide with established exchange periods. Incoming exchange students can also choose electives from our Part-time MBA programs in Term 3 2022 and Term 1 2023, dates are in the table below. Please note that Term 1 2023 has a later start and finish date than the Full-time program’s Term 4 previously offered and may not fit with some programs.

Incoming exchange students should consult with their home institutions to determine during which terms they are eligible to undertake study at AGSM. Exchange students must ensure they are able to remain in Australia for the entire duration of their term of study, including the examination/final assessment period. Please refer to the term dates following to determine which term/s are suitable for exchange under your program requirements.

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<td>10 June 2022 (or as agreed)</td>
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<td>26 June 2022</td>
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<td>13 September – 3 December 2021</td>
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Study Load
Exchange students are required to undertake what constitutes a full-time load whilst studying at the AGSM MBA Programs. A standard full-time load on the AGSM MBA is three elective courses or 18 units of credit (uoc). Each elective course is 6 units of credits and has 36 contact hours per term. Students may enrol in a maximum of four courses (24uoc).

Exchange students will only be permitted to enrol at less than a full-time load in the AGSM MBA Program if their home institution specifies this requirement.

Exchange students wishing to undertake more than a full-time load (overload) must make a formal submission outlining their reasons for this request prior to their arrival during the course selection process. AGSM is aware that in some cases students may be required to complete their studies in this format to meet requirements at their home institution. If this is the case, the home institution’s Exchange Coordinator should inform the AGSM MBA Exchange Coordinator in writing of such requirements prior to the start of the corresponding term.
**Course Offerings and Related Information**

Courses in the Part-time MBA Programs are offered in a variety of modes, both online and face to face. Face to face courses are run in intensive and fortnightly modes, and there are two online modes, synchronous (has a weekly virtual class), and asynchronous (no set class time and participation is via weekly online discussion forums). A full description of class modes can be found on [here](#).

**Course Selection**

Exchange students are not permitted to enrol in core courses. Elective courses are worth six units of credit (uoc). For selection of courses for Term 3 2022 please refer to the [2022 Annual Course Calendar](#). Term 1 2023 courses will be confirmed at a later date.

For course descriptions, please go to [Course Outlines Online](#) and enter the MBAX or MNGT6xxx codes noted in brackets on the calendar.

**Attendance Requirement**

Students are required to be punctual and regular in attendance at all classes for the courses in which they are enrolled. Students must attend at least 80% of classes for weekly courses but for intensive courses, 100% attendance is required.

**Examinations**

Students should note that final assessments and examinations are conducted during the final two weeks of each twelve week term. *All students are required to attend scheduled assessments and examinations during this period.* If for some reason a student is not able to attend the entire term, they must seek permission from the AGSM Programs Office to apply for alternative arrangements.

**Orientation**

Orientation Day usually takes place on the Friday before term start and is a compulsory component of exchange studies in the AGSM MBA Program. Students are also included in the online Orientation events for our Part-Time Program. Further information regarding orientation will be emailed to students prior to term commencement.

**Conditions of Exchange**

**Enrolment**

To confirm enrolment with the AGSM MBA Program, students must complete and submit the online application survey by the deadline.

**Accommodation**

Incoming Exchange students are responsible for researching and obtaining their own accommodation for the duration of their stay in Sydney. The Accommodation Services Office can assist students to find accommodation while they are at the University of New South Wales. In addition to managing the University’s accommodation they also keep a database of off-campus accommodation in the local area.
Further information can be found via the websites below:
https://www.housing.unsw.edu.au/

**Student’s Contact Information**

Students are responsible for updating their contact details with a local phone number and address within the first two weeks of the start of term in myUNSW.

**Student Activities**

Incoming Exchange students are encouraged and expected to participate in scheduled events and activities.

**Dress code**

There is no official dress code at AGSM but there will be events where you will need business attire.

**Final Results**

Transcripts will be available on the My eQuals platform after the release of final results.

**Note:** AGSM MBA Program transcripts confirm both the final mark and the grade obtained.

**Marketing Role**

As a condition of acceptance of their Exchange positions to AGSM Programs, Incoming Exchange students are expected to promote their home institution whenever and wherever possible.

The AGSM Programs Office may also request that Incoming Exchange students give a presentation to AGSM MBA students promoting their home institutions as an outgoing Exchange destination. The AGSM Program also expects each Incoming Exchange student to be available to advise AGSM MBA students on their home institutions.

**Contact Details**

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**Timetables & Key Dates:** has all AGSM Program schedules
**Exchange Page:** scroll down to the drop box Joining AGSM on Exchange
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