

Pre-Departure and VISA Information

Will I get to meet the other participants going for the same programme?

Yes, a pre-departure briefing will be held for all accepted participants. Details of the session will be advised via email.

Do I need to buy insurance? What insurance should I buy?

Travel insurance* is **compulsory** for all Summer & Winter Abroad participants. It is your responsibility to ensure that you have comprehensive travel insurance for the duration of program dates and for stay outside of program dates.

**Insurance must minimally include health insurance and outpatient expenses.*

All SIM students will be able to purchase travel insurance (UOI-Travelsure) at a special rate. Please email our department at globallearning@sim.edu.sg for the exclusive link. Students will not be allowed to proceed with the summer program if they do not purchase insurance.

Can I source for my own accommodation?

It is **compulsory** for all Summer & Winter Abroad participants to reside in housing provided by the universities, as the intra-cultural living environment is an important forum for the diversity and networking training that are fundamental aspects of all summer programs.

When can I book my air tickets?

Students who do not need visas are encouraged to book air tickets only after making full payment of tuition to confirm their place at our partner university. Students who require visas should only book air tickets **after** receiving their visa.

Where can I get the supporting letter for my VISA application?

Before applying for the VISA at the Embassy, you may request for a supporting letter from SIM to state your admission and participation in the program. Once you have been confirmed of a placement in the program, please proceed to apply for your visa as soon as possible. The embassy may take some time to process and the confirmation of your visa application might be delayed. In the event where the visa is not issued on time, you might not be able to go for the program.

My student pass will soon expire. How should I proceed?

Due to the expiry of your student pass, please note that you might have to apply for your visa and/or depart for the program from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information on how you should proceed.

Who should I notify before my departure?

MINDEF – All Singaporean males are required to notify MINDEF before departure. Please be reminded that failure to do so will result in serious consequences.

Ministry of Foreign Affairs – Please eRegister with MFA before departure.

<https://eregister.mfa.gov.sg/eregisterportal/common/preLoginEregisterView.action>

SIM Office of Global Learning – You are required to email proof of purchase of your insurance to globallearning@sim.edu.sg by May every year.

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Hong Kong – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

http://www.immd.gov.hk/ehhtml/hkvisas_4.htm

(B) Singapore nationals enjoy 90-day visa free entry to Hong Kong.

(C) CUHK would apply for visa on your behalf.

(D) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

China – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

https://www.visaforchina.org/SGP_EN/generalinformation/visaknowledge/258911.shtml

(B) Singapore nationals enjoy 30-day visa free entry to China.

(C) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

Japan – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

http://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/

(B) Singapore nationals enjoy 90-day visa free entry to Japan.

(C) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

Netherlands – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

<http://www.government.nl/issues/visa-for-the-netherlands-and-the-caribbean-parts-of-the-kingdom/short-stay-visas-for-the-netherlands/applying-for-a-schengen-visa>

(B) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

Norway – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

<http://www.udi.no/Norwegian-Directorate-of-Immigration/Central-topics/Visa/How-do-I-apply-for-a-visa/>

(B) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

South Korea – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

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http://www.studyinkorea.go.kr/en/sub/overseas_info/guide/guide_visa.do

(B) Singapore nationals travelling to Korea for a period of up to 90 days do not need a visa under the Visa Exemption Agreement between the Republic of Korea and the Republic of Singapore. Please note that you may not extend your stay in Korea beyond 90 days or change your status under the Visa Exemption Agreement while you are in Korea.

(C) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

(D) Documents required (All original documents): 1. Admission letter from the Summer School 2. Passport 3. Original Visa Letter (From Global Learning office) 4. Bank statement (Acquire from your bank) 5. Certificate of summer school's registered in Korea (Provided by Summer School).

(E) Please note that you may extend your stay in Korea for leisure purposes only within 1 month after completion of summer program with the D-2-8 Visa.

(F) Students MUST apply and make all payment online ASAP for VISA to be processed.

United Kingdom – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

<https://www.gov.uk/check-uk-visa>

<https://www.gov.uk/study-visit-visa>

(C) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

Italy – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

http://www.vfsglobal.com/italy/singapore/student_visa.html

(B) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

Spain – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

<http://www.schengenvisainfo.com/spain-visa/>

(B) Singapore nationals enjoy 90-day visa free entry to Spain.

(C) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

Canada – VISA Requirements

(A) Please refer for visa requirements, procedures and fees,

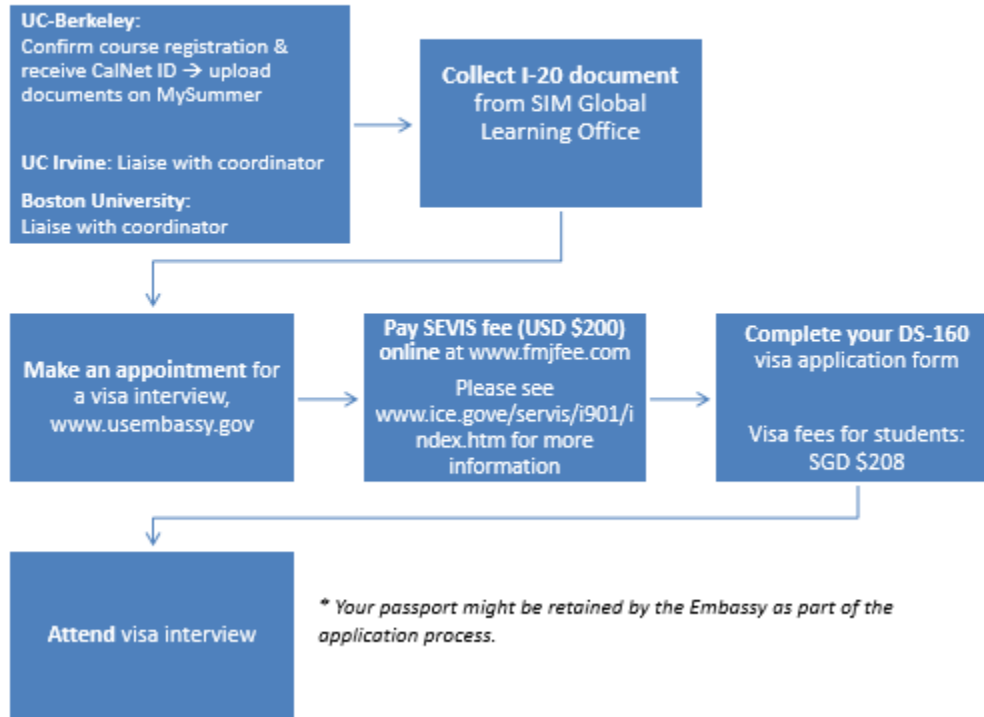
<http://www.vfsglobal.ca/canada/Singapore/>

(B) Final year international students: Due to the expiry of your students pass, you may be required to apply for visa and depart from your home country. Please enquire with the embassy for information.

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United States – VISA Requirements

3. Visa Requirements – F-1 Student Visa



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