No single experience has shaped my present more than my one year abroad.

~ Jonathan Teo, Cornell University, USA ~
Why go on exchange?

› Globalise your educational experience
› Enhance academic opportunities that may otherwise be limited or unavailable
› Facilitate networking for professional and career purposes
› Improve language skills and cultural understanding
› Personal growth
  - Self confidence and independence
  - Social and life skills

“I made friends at the most fun company (Apple) in the world. Now I live again in Santa Cruz and have joined their team, on their most exciting technologies. What more is left to be said?”

Simon Goldrei, University of California, Santa Cruz, USA
Bachelor of Computer Science and Technology (Advanced) Honours
How does the program work?

› Study overseas for one or two semesters at a partner university
› Study counts for credit towards Sydney degree – enrol in both places concurrently in faculty approved units of study
› No delay to graduation if pass all units
› English and non-English destinations available
› No overseas tuition fees
Costs and Expenses

› **What expenses are covered?**
  - Tuition through HECS or full-fees at Sydney

› **What expenses do I pay for?**
  - Flights, travel & insurance
  - Accommodation & food
  - Orientation &/or intensive language courses
  - All other general living expenses

› **How much does it cost?**
  - Approximately $10,000 - $12,000 per semester
  - Will vary depending on the exchange rate and destination
Financial Assistance

› Centrelink benefits (if eligible)

› **Scholarships – International Office** (No application required)
  - International Exchange Scholarship: $1,000
  - International Targeted New Zealand Exchange Scholarship: $2,000
    - University of Auckland
  - International Targeted Asia-Pacific Exchange Scholarships: $3,000
    - Malaysia, South Korea, Thailand (University-wide exchange partners only)

› **Other Scholarships** (applications may be required)
  - Faculty scholarships
  - Scholarships Office
  - External scholarships
  - Private organisations
› Overseas courses will not appear on your Sydney transcript.

› Sydney enrolment in Exchange Units of Study
  - Eg: CONS5001 Conservatorium Exchange
  - Eg: ECOF6001 Exchange 1 (Business)
  - Eg: EDUF5556 Education Exchange
  - Eg: MARC6601 Architecture Exchange Studio

› Sydney transcript will list generic Exchange Units of Study with results of “R” (Satisfied Requirements).

› Exchange results not counted towards average marks (WAM/ AAM)
Eligibility Criteria

Postgraduate coursework students must:

- Normally be enrolled in a minimum 72 credit point degree (some exceptions may apply)
- Be about to complete 18-24 credit points at Sydney at time of application submission
  - Exceptions apply to Bachelor of Music or Bachelor of Design (Architecture) students continuing from undergraduate level who may apply to go on exchange in 1st semester of Masters ie: apply during last year of Bachelors.
- Maintain a credit average (65%) throughout current degree
- Maintain a credit average (65%) in most recent semester
- Enrol in a full time load (24 credits) at Sydney and overseas taking approved units of study for credit whilst on exchange.
Postgraduate research students (Masters and PhD) must:

- Be about to complete at least one semester of full-time research at Sydney at time of application submission and include the following in their application:
  - A brief research proposal
  - Letter/s of support from your University of Sydney supervisor/s; and
  - Letter/s of support from your proposed host university supervisor/s.
- Enrol in a full time load at Sydney and overseas doing approved research whilst on exchange.
Eligibility Criteria (continued)

› **Language destinations**
  - Preferably 70% average required in language units of study
  - Demonstrate Advanced level of proficiency

› **Specific faculty requirements**
  - Eg: Architecture and Music must complete final semester of course in Sydney

› **Additional eligibility criteria may apply from partner universities**
  - Eg: International students to submit TOEFL results
  - Eg: Only undergraduate admission available
  - Eg: Higher average mark required for admission
  - Eg: Business/commerce closed or limited
  - Eg: Enrolment limited to one faculty (even if Sydney student is in a multidisciplinary course)
Past Postgraduate Participants

› **Architecture**
  - Master of Architecture

› **Arts**
  - Master of Arts
  - Master of Philosophy
  - Master of US Studies
  - Ph.D. (Arts)

› **Economics & Business**
  - Master of Commerce
  - Master of Commerce / Master of Logistics Management
  - Master of Economics

› **Economics & Business (continued)**
  - Master of International Business
  - Master of International Business / Master of Commerce
  - Master of International Business / Master of Logistics Management
  - Master of International Studies
  - Master of Management (CEMS)
  - Master of Public Policy
  - Ph.D (Economics)
Past Postgraduate Participants

› **Education**
  - Master of Education
  - Ph.D. (Education)

› **Engineering**
  - Master of Engineering
  - Ph.D. (Engineering)

› **Law**
  - Master of Laws

› **Pharmacy**
  - Ph.D. (Pharmacy)

› **Science**
  - Ph.D. (Science)

› **Sydney College of the Arts**
  - Master of Visual Arts
  - Ph.D. (Visual Arts)

› **Sydney Conservatorium of Music**
  - Master of Music (Composition)
  - Master of Music (Musicology)
  - Master of Music (Performance)
  - Master of Music Studies (Performance)
Where can you go?

› Opportunities in over 30 countries throughout Asia, Europe, Oceania and the Americas

› Sydney exchange partners include over 250 reputable universities worldwide

› Partnerships are either specific to a faculty or university-wide (though some restrictions may still apply)

› New programs regularly added
The Americas in English

› Brazil (E&B)
› Canada
› Mexico*
› USA

* Language study also available at this destination
Asia-Pacific in English

Most disciplines
› China (E&B)*
› Malaysia*
› New Zealand
› South Korea*
› Thailand*

Specific disciplines
› Philippines (E&B)

* Language study also available at this destination
Europe in English

Most disciplines
- Denmark
- Finland
- Norway
- The Netherlands
- Sweden
- United Kingdom - England & Scotland

Specific disciplines
- Belgium (Business and Law)
- France (Business)
- Germany (Business)
- Hungary (Business)
- Italy (Business)
- Portugal (Business)
- Spain (Business)
- Switzerland (Business)
Languages majors offered on exchange

› Chinese     (China & Singapore)
› French       (France, Switzerland, Canada - Ottawa)
› German     (Austria & Germany)
› Hebrew     (Israel)
› Indonesian (Indonesia & Malaysia)
› Italian     (Italy & Switzerland)
› Japanese
› Korean
› Spanish     (Chile, Mexico, Spain)
Selecting Destinations

› Choosing exchange preferences
  - Download specific partner list for current semester and take special conditions into account
  - Language destination priority for language majors
  - Research all potential destinations
    - Host university websites
    - Exchange Resource Library
    - Past student Progress Reports

› Be Flexible
  - High average mark (AAM) does not guarantee 1st preference
  - No guarantee regarding subjects and enrolment at host university
    - Focus on doing electives or minors on exchange rather than core units
› **Competition and restrictions**

- Academic restrictions still apply for many destinations listed as University-wide.

- Many destinations have limited exchange spaces. Available places subject to change depending on partner demand.

- High Sydney demand for many destinations.
  - MUST choose 5 preferences.

- Specific limits in Japan and USA due to excess demand.

- One semester limitation for some destinations.

- Degree competition high and/or conditions apply for certain disciplines including:
  - Architecture, Economics & Business, Law, Music, Psychology

Nomination is based on:

- Academic performance;
- Personal attributes and experiences (references & statement of purpose);
- How well you match against host university criteria and restrictions;
- Availability of exchange places at chosen destinations;
- Competition based on course restrictions and requirements.

Two stage selection process (Sydney nomination & partner selection)

- Initial assessment is based on first preference. Alternative preferences are then assessed as necessary.
- Formal nomination to the overseas university includes completing the exchange partner’s application requirements.
- Wait for acceptance/rejection.
Application Submission Deadlines

› Application deadlines for March semester 2012 exchanges:
  - *Friday 1 July 2011 (tentative)*

› Application deadlines for July semester 2012 exchanges:
  - *Friday 25th November 2011 (tentative)*
Study Abroad & Exchange – International Office

- Level 4, Jane Foss Russell Building (next to Wentworth Building)
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Give it a go!