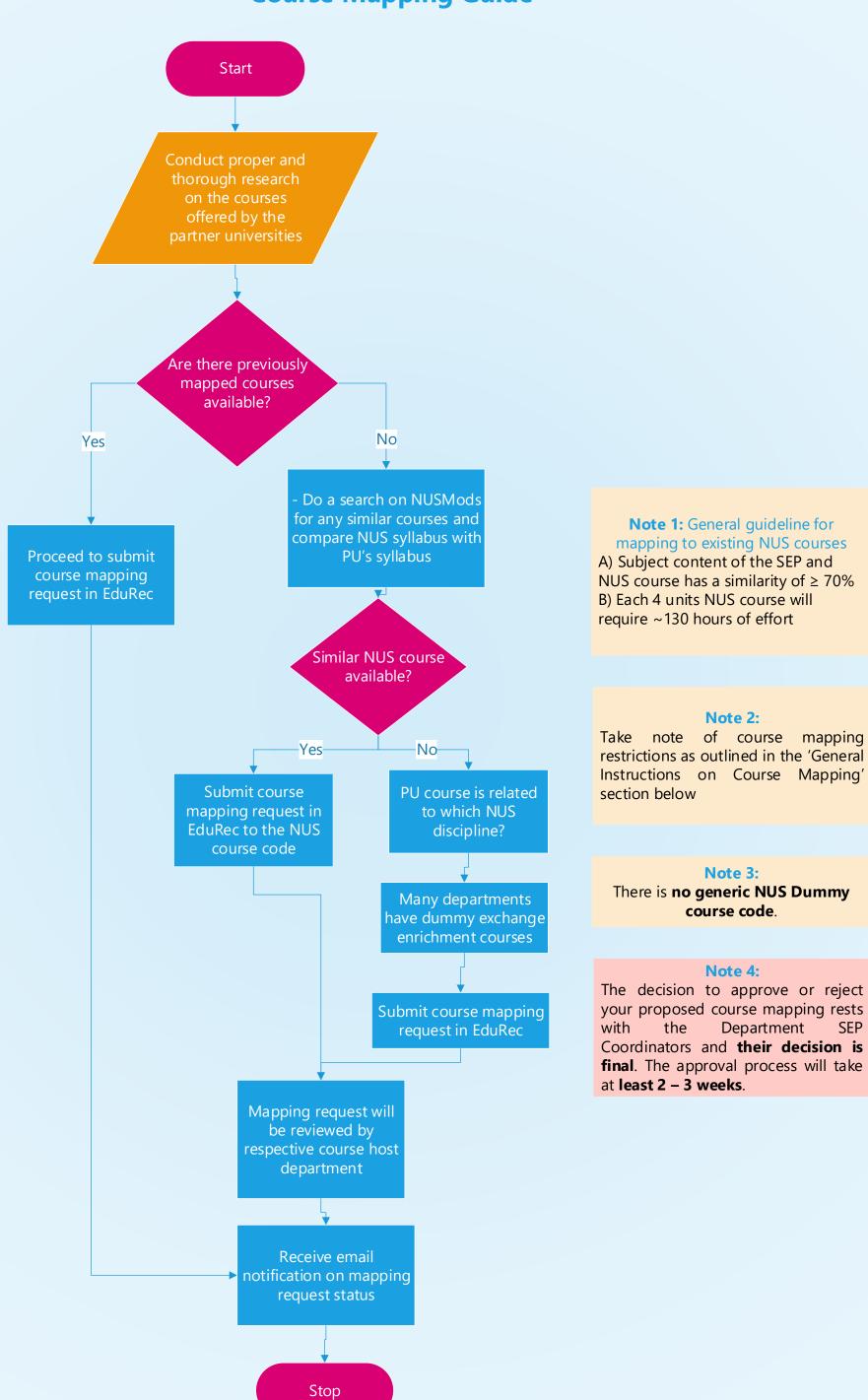
Course Mapping Guide



Department

SEP

General Instructions on Course Mapping

Cohort AY2020/2021 and before

- 1. Conduct proper and thorough research on the courses offered by the undergraduate student exchange partner universities (PUs).
 - A list of the partner universities' courses mapped successfully in the immediate past academic year is made available on NUS Science website. Students are to note that this list is **ONLY FOR REFERENCE** and does not constitute a blanket approval for all the courses on the list.
- 2. Do a search on NUSMods for any similar courses and compare NUS syllabus with PU's syllabus. Do take the advice of the Department SEP Coordinator and Course Coordinators constructively and likewise for faculties/committees/professors who have responded to your queries for course mapping. The decision to approve or reject your proposed course mapping rests with the Department SEP Coordinators and their decision is final.
- 3. All course mapping requests are to be submitted via EduRec. Please refer to the Course Mapping Guide for instructions. Please do not submit multiple request for the same course. If you do not know what to map to, request for the most desired first. Ensure that information such as topics covered, reading list, course objectives etc. are included in your mapping request in order for the departments to review. Please check the mapping worksheet for comments, even if it is approved as there might be conditions to it or it might be approved to another course level.
- 4. Academic workload while on SEP should be identical to a regular NUS semester i.e. students are expected to transfer a normal workload of 20 units per semester of 13 weeks (for information about the expected workload, refer to Unit Ratio). There is no restriction on the number of courses (or percentage) that should be taken to fulfil the programme (major and faculty) requirement. Students are however reminded of the NUS' residency requirement stipulated on the Registrar's Office website. In addition, students should note that there is a restriction to the number of units from SEP/SUSEP or summer/winter programmes which they can transfer to fulfil their primary major/2nd major/minor.
- 5. In general, course mapping will be approved when the following conditions are met:
 - a) Subject content of the PU course and NUS course has a similarity of \geq 70%, and
 - b) As a general guide, each 4-unit NUS course will require ~130 hours of effort.
 - c) You have read and passed the pre-requisite to the NUS course you are mapping to.

The final decision will lie with the Department SEP Coordinators for department courses.

- 6. Assignment of units will be based on a combination of course content, official and informal contact hours, and average workload of students at the respective partner university.
- 7. Mapping of one partner university course to two NUS courses (and vice versa) is permitted. However, mapping of one partner university course to two NUS courses across two major programmes or vice versa is not allowed, e.g. mapping of course A from partner university X to LSM1301 and CM1401 is not allowed.

- 8. Dummy course codes may be used when there are no similar courses but related to a discipline in NUS. The first digit indicates the course level. Dummy courses will not be eligible as pre-requisite for NUS courses. There is **no generic NUS Dummy course code**. Students should try to map the course to the closest matching NUS department dummy course code. **FASS**: There are dummy codes in every FASS major, which can be identified by a 7 in the second digit e.g. PS2741. **FOS**: There are dummy codes in every Science major, except for Data Science & Analytics major and Data Science & Economics Cross-Disciplinary Programme. Dummy codes are in the format x99x e.g. FST1991, PR2991.
- 9. Onus is on students to initiate credit transfer upon return from overseas programmes. The Faculty will not be responsible for any failure to transfer the credits that you have earned at partner university.

10. Dummy Courses to Fulfil Major Requirements

Except for students majoring in Pharmacy, Computational Biology, and Data Science and Analytics, all Science undergraduate students are allowed to map <u>ONE</u> 4-unit major-coded dummy course (i.e. xx3991 or xx4991) to fulfil major requirements. This dummy course must be an elective course, not an essential (compulsory) course, within the major requirements.

For example, CM major can map only ONE CM3991 or ONE CM4991 to fulfil his/her Level 3000 or Level 4000 major requirements. Appeal to map more than one major-coded dummy course to fulfil major requirements will not be considered.

| Programme | Exchange Enrichment Course | |
|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Biological Sciences | LSM3991 | |
| Chemistry | CM3991 or CM4991 | |
| Environmental Studies (Biology) | To check with BES Administrator. | |
| Food Science and Technology | FST3991 or FST4991 | |
| Mathematics | MA3991 or MA4991 | |
| Pharmaceutical Sciences | PHS3991 | |
| Physics | PC3991 or PC4991 | |
| Quantitative Finance | QF3991 or QF4991 | |
| Statistics | ST3991 or ST4991 | |

When two (2) of the above major-coded dummy courses are mapped, the second course onwards will be counted towards Unrestricted Electives (UEs). Mapping of all other major-coded dummy courses not listed above will be counted towards Unrestricted Electives (UEs).

11. Life Sciences Courses

It is not required to have read and pass the pre-requisite NUS course to map the higher-level course. However, students should note that if they intend to read the higher-level NUS course after returning from the study abroad programme, without having read and pass the pre-requisite NUS course, they will face problems during CourseReg as they have not fulfilled the pre-requisite.

12. Data Science Courses

- DSA2101 and DSA3101 are not mappable on all study abroad programmes
- DSA1101 may not be mapped to winter or summer school overseas courses

13. Chemistry Courses

 The mapping requirement for NUS level-3000 chemistry "essential" courses (including CM3111, CM3121, CM3131, CM3141, CM3191 and CM3192) will be more demanding (> 80% similarity in syllabus with the same standard) than the chemistry electives courses offered in NUS level-3000 and above

14. Mathematics Courses

- MA4291 and MA4292 are not mappable on study abroad programmes
- **15. Special Programme in Science (SPS) courses**: Mapping is not allowed.

16. UROPS courses for Research Conducted at Partner University during SEP:

| Types of Research | Proposed actions | |
|--|---|--|
| Research <u>without</u> official course code | Not allowed to map back to any course in NUS. | |
| Research course in the Partner University (with course code and/or title and reflected in student's transcript upon successful completion) | Student may check with their department whether the research course can be mapped to the department's UROPS course code. Provide the department with: the project details, duration of project, and assessment components. If mapping to UROPS is approved, only credits will be transferred. If mapping to UROPS is not approved, mapping to a Science dummy course (SX code) may be considered. Mapping request will not be considered simply because the student has completed the research stint at the partner university. | |

Restrictions/Additional Instructions for Course Mapping

- 17. **General Education Courses (GEMs)**: Students admitted from AY15/16 onwards, are not allowed to map courses read at the partner university while on Student Exchange Programme/Summer/Winter Programme as GEMs to fulfil the GE requirement. Students admitted before AY15/16, please refer to the Registrar's Office website for details.
- 18. Mapping of College of Humanities and Sciences Common Curriculum courses (for unrestricted elective)
 - CHS courses are uniquely created in NUS and in general will be difficult to map

| Pillar | Courses | Remarks |
|--------------------------------|--|--|
| Writing | FAS1101, SP1541, SP2271 | Cannot map |
| Data Literacy | GEA1000, BT1101 | Possible to map |
| Digital Literacy | GEI1001, GEI1002, NM2207, CS1010x, CS1101S, COS1000, CM3267, LSM2302, SP2273 | Possible to map (Except for SP2273) |
| Design Thinking | DTK1234 | Cannot map |
| Artificial Intelligence | HS1501, IT1244, CS2109S | HS1501: Cannot map IT1244: Possible to map CS2109S: Check with SOC |
| Communities and Engagement | GEN | Possible to map |
| Integrated Asian Studies | HSA1000 | Cannot map |
| Integrated Social Sciences | HSS1000 | Cannot map |
| Integrated Humanities | HSH1000 | Cannot map |
| Scientific Inquiry 1 | HSI1000 | Cannot map |
| Scientific Inquiry 2 | HSI20xx | Cannot map |
| Interdisciplinary Course 1 & 2 | HS29xx | Cannot map |

- 19. FASS Courses: Refer to FASS for details on mapping restrictions
- 20. **Language Courses:** Refer to <u>CLS</u> for information.
- 21. **Business Courses:** NUS Business School does not assign dummy course codes. Students may only request for mapping of NUS equivalent courses offered by the NUS Business School. For mapping of BIZ courses not found on the Course Mapping list in EduRec, please refer to BIZ for more details and instructions.
- 22. **Music Courses:** Yong Siew Toh Conservatory does not assign dummy course codes. Students may only request for mapping of NUS equivalent courses offered by the Yong Siew Toh Conservatory.

Annex A

To search for a department's dummy exchange course in the course mapping worksheet in EduRec

1) Key in 'Course Subject Area'

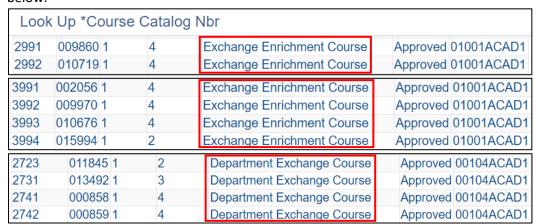


2) Click on the magnifying glass



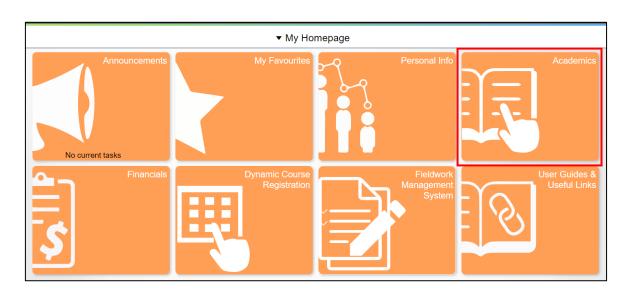
3) Select the course code based on the number of units that you would like to map to.

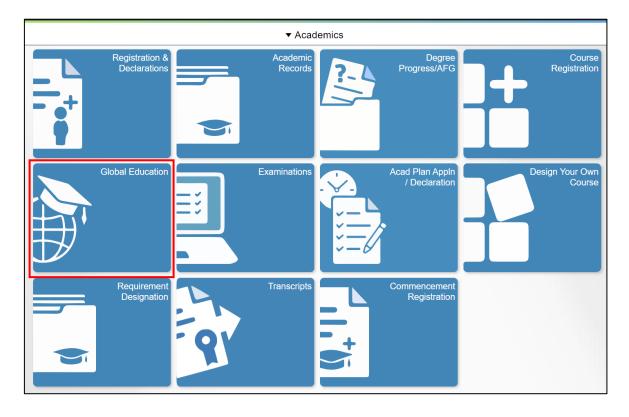
Different department has different course code, hence look at the course description as shown below.



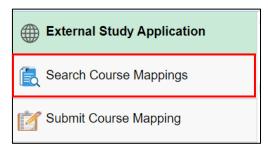
To Search Course Mappings in EduRec

1. Navigate to *My Homepage > Academics > Global Education*.





2. If you wish to search for suitable course mappings for reference, select 'Search Course Mappings' on the left-hand menu.



3. Select the Faculty and Partner University you would like to see the course mappings using the qubutton:

