



A Potential Platform for Promoting Outbound Canadian Student Mobility in the Asia-Pacific Region



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Challenges & Opportunities

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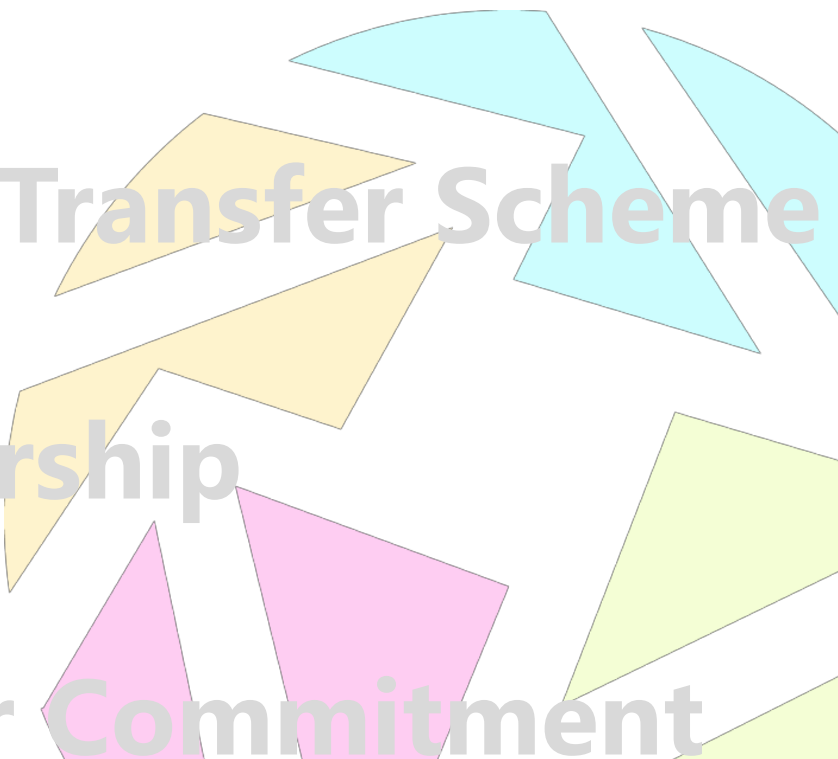
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University Mobility in Asia and the Pacific

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What is UMAP?



- **UMAP** is an acronym for the “**U**niversity **M**obility in **A**sia and the **P**acific”.
- Initiated in 1991, it is a voluntary association of **government and non-government representatives** of the higher education (mainly university) sector.
- Its aim is to enhance international understanding by **facilitating mobility of university students and faculty members** within the Asia-Pacific region.

Conference to Discuss Higher Education Co-operation in Asia/Pacific Region (Canberra, Australia, 17-19 September 1991)

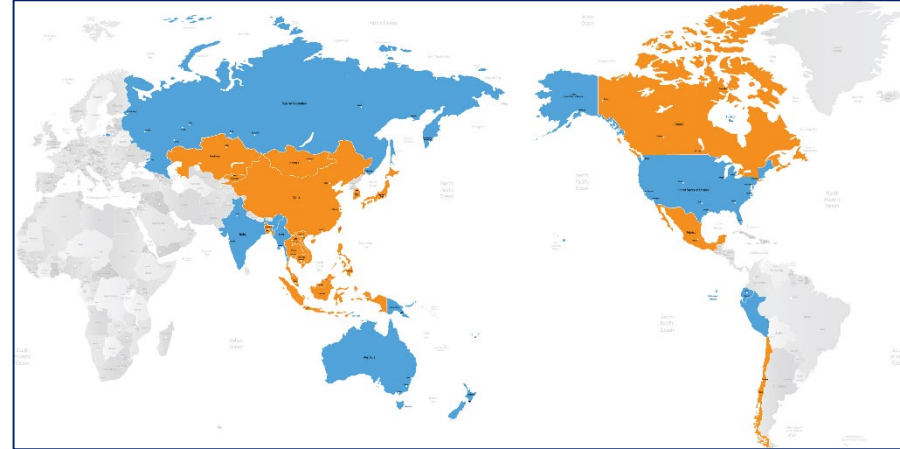


Members

UMAP comprises **36 eligible countries/territories**.
Currently **230 universities** in **21 full member states** are active.

Member Countries/Territories

Australia / Bangladesh / Brunei /
Cambodia / **Canada** / **Chile** /
People's Republic of China /
Ecuador / Fiji / Guam / Hong Kong
/ India / **Indonesia** / Japan /
Kazakhstan / Republic of Korea /
Kyrgyz / Laos / **Macao** / Malaysia /
Mexico / Mongolia / Myanmar /
New Zealand / Papua New Guinea
/ Peru / **Philippines** / Reunion
Island / Russia / Samoa / Singapore
/ **Chinese Taipei** / **Thailand** / Timor-
Leste / USA (N.Y.) / **Vietnam**



Note:

Currently 21 countries/territories shown in **orange** among 36 eligible countries/territories are FULL members which participate in student exchanges by paying the membership fees (\$500-\$4,000/year).

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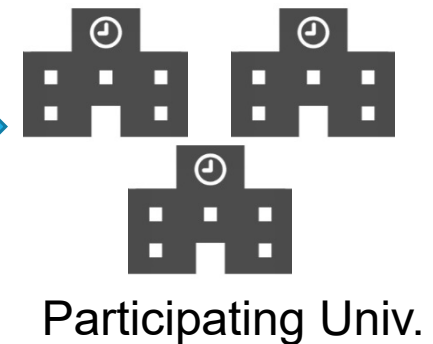
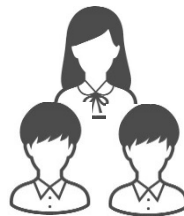
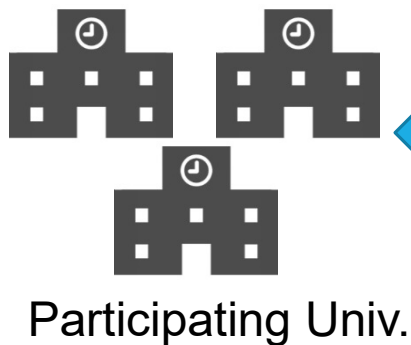
UMAP Programs

**Multilateral
Student
Exchange**

**Bilateral
Student
Exchange**

**Short-Term
Student
Exchange**

**Research
Collaboration
Program**

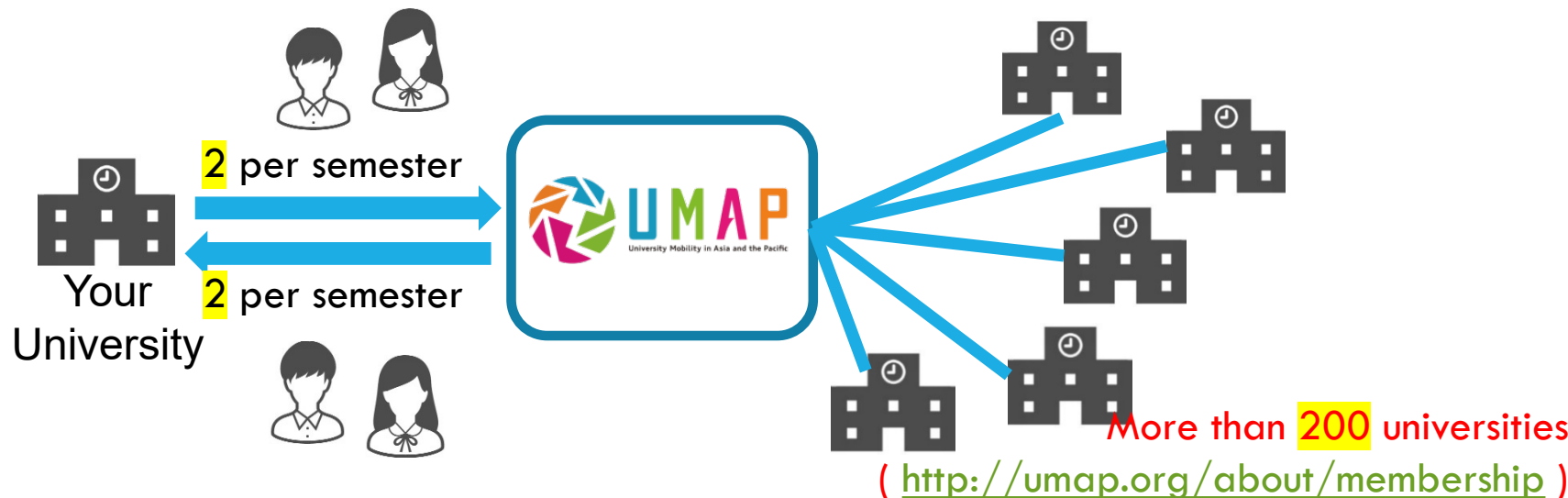


Merits of UMAP

- **Broadening universities' network** in the Asia-Pacific region without separately signing bilateral agreements.
- Providing students with **hundreds of choices to study abroad.**
- **Allowing you to multilaterally balance** the outbounds and the inbounds.

Merits of UMAP

- **Allowing you to multilaterally balance** the outbounds and the inbounds.
- ◆ Only if you have 2 students who want to study somewhere among more than 200 Asia-Pacific universities, you can avoid imbalances.
- ◆ It is not mandatory to accept 2 students every semester. It depends on you.



- ◆ “Quota” will be given if you accept more than two students as Program A (=tuition waived) in a certain semester.
You can send additional number of students as Program A in the following semester.

● Basic functions for students

- a) Find suitable programs
- b) Submit applications and other related materials
- c) Trace and check application status

● Basic functions for home institutions

- a) Register institution's information and UMAP coordinators' information
- b) Nominate appropriate applicants
- c) Verify applicants' application status

● Basic functions for host institutions

- a) Register institution's information and UMAP coordinators' information
- b) Register programs
- c) Screen application forms of students
- d) Display applicants' preferred institutions
- e) Select and admit applicants



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UMAP Credit Transfer Scheme (UCTS)

- ◆ The workload and academic hours required for **one credit varies among countries/territories.**



- ◆ For promoting student exchange in the region, It is necessary to **accept a range of different workload and academic hours as equivalent**



**UMAP Credit Transfer Scheme
(UCTS)**

UMAP Credit Transfer Scheme (UCTS)

Definition of UCTS

1 UCTS = 38 – 48 hours of student workload.

(This includes 13-16 hours of instruction.)

(1 “academic” hour can be between 45-60 minutes.)

Conversion with the world

	UMAP	Asia	USA	Europe	UK
Credit Conversion	1 UCTS	1 credit	1 credit	1.5 ECTS	3 credit
Student Workload	38-48 hrs.	38-48 hrs.	45 hrs.	37.5-45 hrs.	Converted from ECTS
Teaching	13-16 hrs.	13-16 hrs.	15 hrs.	-----	-----

UMAP Credit Transfer Scheme (UCTS)

Merits for **Students**

- Making it **simple to know** the correct number of credits taken abroad to be transferred to their home university.

Merits for Faculty/Administrative **Staff**

- **Reducing time and effort** to calculate credits transferring between home and host universities.

Merits for **Universities**

- **Increasing chances** of student exchange with new partners around the world.

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UMAP Scholarships

Japanese Government Scholarship

(For short-term & semester-long)

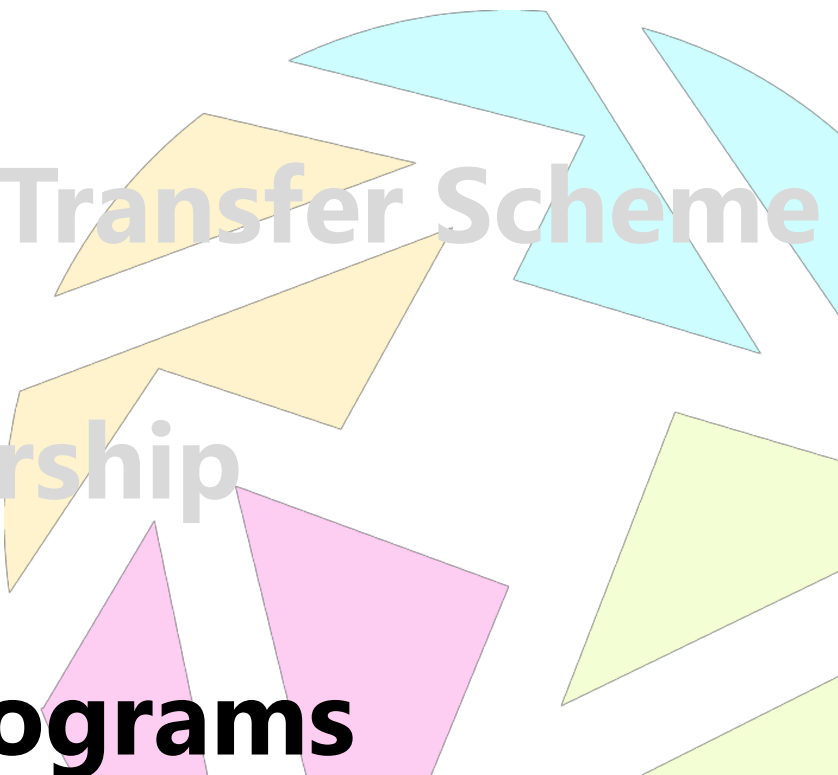
- Approx. **USD700/month** for international inbound students in Japan under UMAP programs.
- Approx. **USD500-USD900/month** for Japanese outbound students under UMAP programs.

Taiwanese Government Scholarship

(For semester-long only)

- Approx. **USD700/month** for international inbound selected students in Taiwan under UMAP programs.
- Approx. **USD700/month** for Taiwanese selected outbound students under UMAP programs.

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UMAP Discovery Camp

10~14 days programs during Summer

with government sponsorship



2019 – Taiwan
2020 – Malaysia
2021 – China

2018 in Thailand
2017 in Japan
2016 in Philippine

- ◆ Ministry of Education work together with universities in their countries
- ◆ 20-30 international students plus 10-30 local students
- ◆ Certificate and UCTS provided



UMAP- COIL* joint project

*COIL: Collaborative Online International Learning

4 weeks program during Summer

with government sponsorship

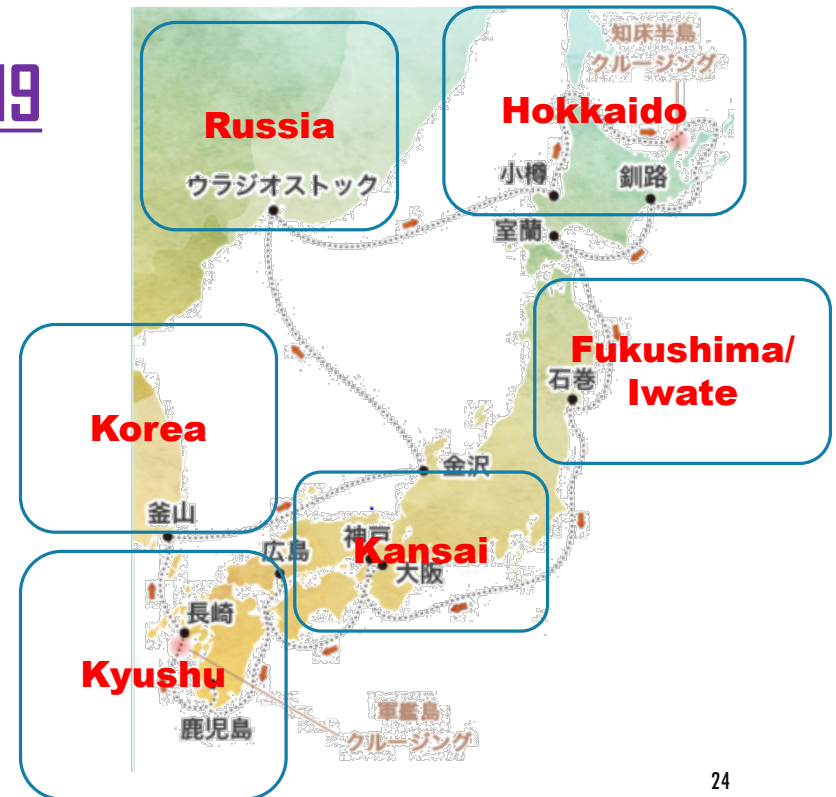
UMAP-COIL Joint Honors Program 2019

August 3-23 (21 days)



- ◆ Online pre-departure lectures
- ◆ 25 international students with 10 locals
- ◆ Certificate and UCTS provided

UMAP-COIL Advanced Program 2020
(Details will be announced in November 2019)



How do you sign up?

The logo for University Mobility in Asia and the Pacific (UMAP) consists of four large, bold, sans-serif letters: 'U' in blue, 'M' in green, 'A' in pink, and 'P' in orange. The letters are spaced out horizontally.

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How do you sign up?

3 Steps to Be an UMAP Member

● Step-1: Inform National Secretariat

Inform **BCCIE** (UMAP National Secretariat in Canada) of your intention to be a UMAP member. ✉ umap@bccie.bc.ca

● Step-2: Contract "Pledge of Agreement"

Sign the in order to participate in UMAP Programs. Please send the signed "Pledge of Agreement" to UMAP International Secretariat.

● Step-3: Participate in UMAP Programs

You can **start student exchange** through UMAP by participating UMAP Programs once you completed contract "Pledge of Agreement."

No membership fees from individual institutions!

How do you sign up?

● Role as a “Home University” (a university that sends students)

1. Coordinator at each university **check applications** if there are any students who would like to participate in UMAP’s programs through UMAP Student Connection Online System (USCO). Universities decide whether they would nominate students or not to UMAP International Secretariat (UMAP IS).
2. Coordinator will **nominate selected students through USCO**.
3. After result of the placement is informed by UMAP IS **through USCO System**, coordinator will proceed with the study abroad process just like normal outbound exchange programs in the university.

How do you sign up?

● Role as a “Host University”

(a university that accepts students)

1. Coordinator at each university submit program information to UMAP IS through **USCO System**.
2. If there are applicants, applicants' information will be informed by **USCO System**. Universities will decide weather they would **accept** the applicants or not.
3. If Universities accept the applicants, coordinator will proceed with the study abroad process just like normal inbound exchange programs.

Thank you very much!



For more information, please visit our website.

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