



University Mobility in Asia and the Pacific

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

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# Challenges & Opportunities

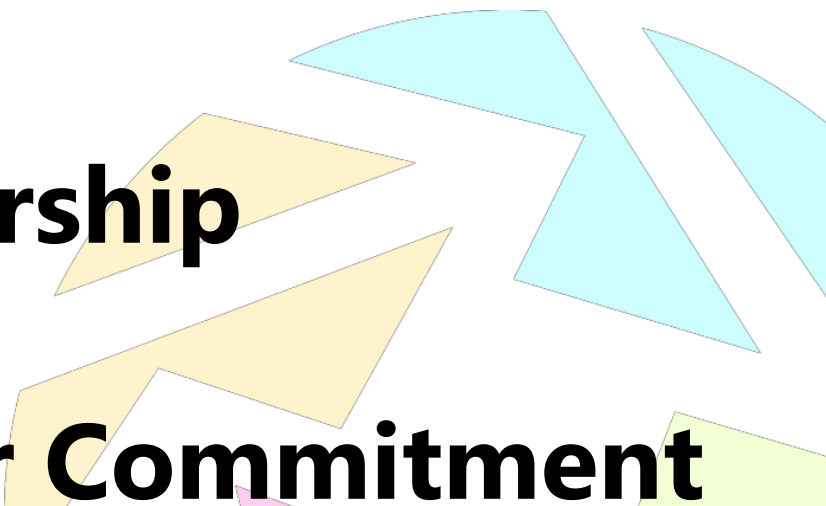
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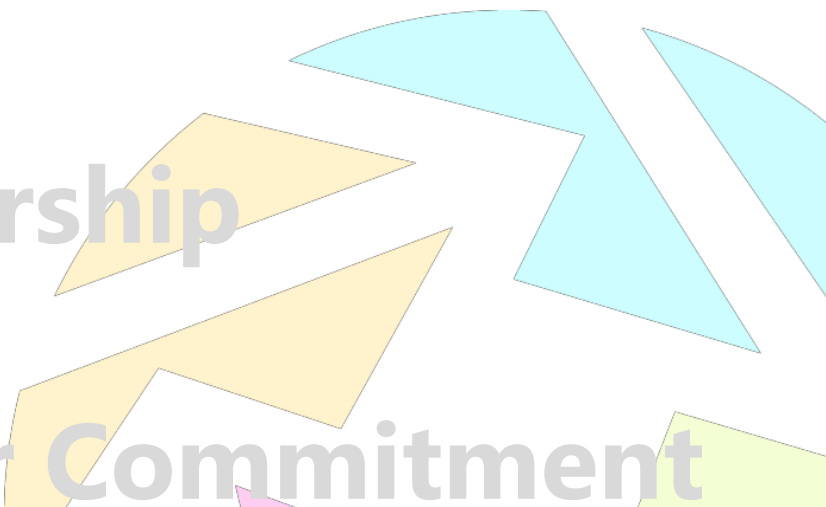


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# What is UMAP?



- **UMAP** is an acronym for the “**U**niversity **M**obility in **A**sia and **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)

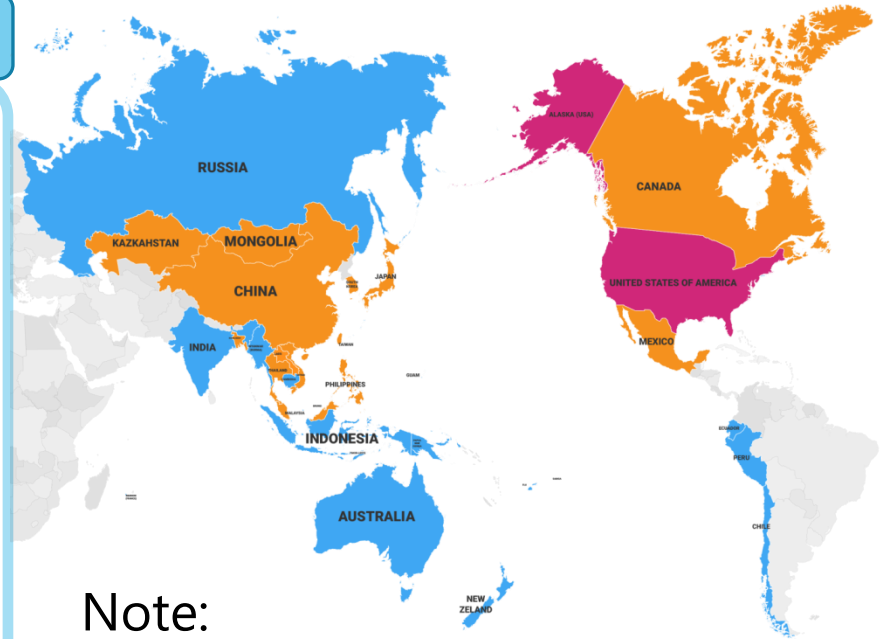


# Members

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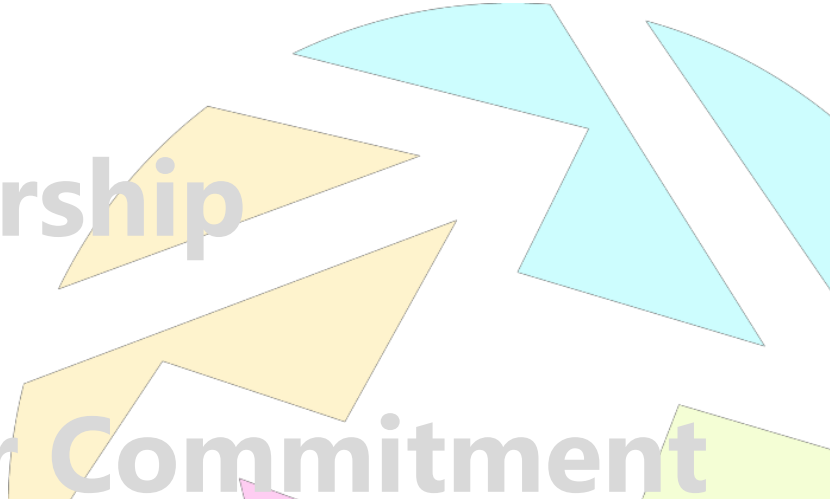
## Member Countries/Territories

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Kazakhstan / Republic of Korea /  
Laos / Macao / Malaysia / Mexico /  
Mongolia / Myanmar / New  
Zealand / Papua New Guinea / Peru  
/ Philippines / Reunion Island /  
Russia / Samoa / Singapore /  
Taiwan / Thailand / Timor-Leste /  
USA (NY state) / Vietnam



Note:  
Currently 17 states shown in orange among 35 eligible states are FULL members which participate in student exchanges by paying the membership fees (\$500-\$4,000/year).

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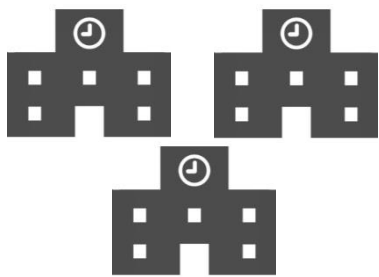
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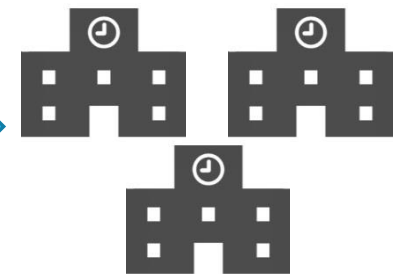
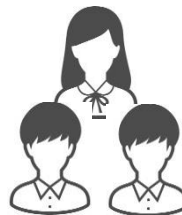
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Short-Term  
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Research  
Collaboration  
Program



Your University



More than **250** universities

# UMAP Programs

## Multilateral Student Exchange (Program A)

- Universities send and receive **2 students per semester**.
- Universities may accept more inbound students than 2 in return for extra 'quotas' to send more outbound students in the following semesters without any expiration date.
- The host university **waives tuition fees**, and assist students in securing appropriate accommodations at a reasonable costs.
- Programs can last one or two semesters, beginning in the fall or spring semester.

# UMAP Programs

## Short-term Student Exchange (Program C)

- Programs are generally offered between July and September.
- Programs are available in a wide range of disciplines: cultural studies, language proficiency courses, vocational training, entrepreneurship, and more.
- Universities offering Program C may **charge tuition fees**.
- Host universities decide whether or not to offer credits for Program C.

# 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**.
- Students can join **“UMAP Discovery Camp”** organized by member country/territory each year



**Discovery Camp 2018**  
**Bangkok, Thailand**  
22 July - 4 August, 2018



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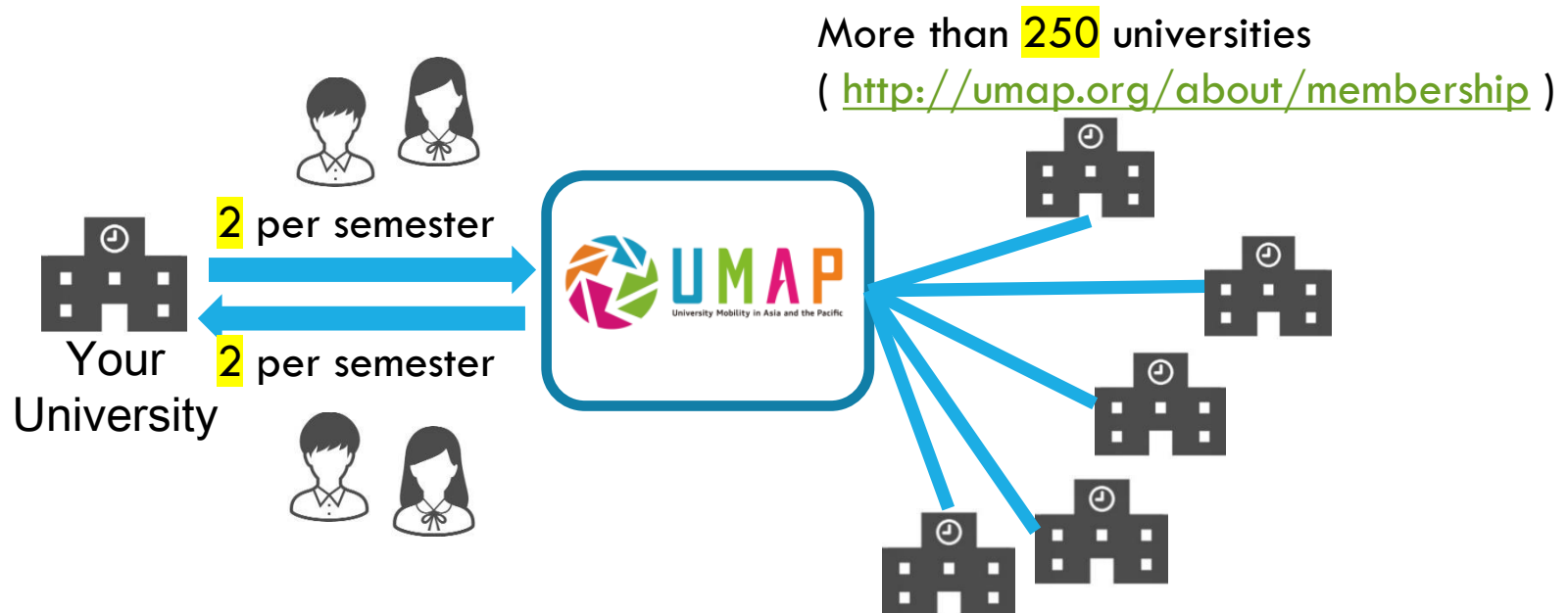
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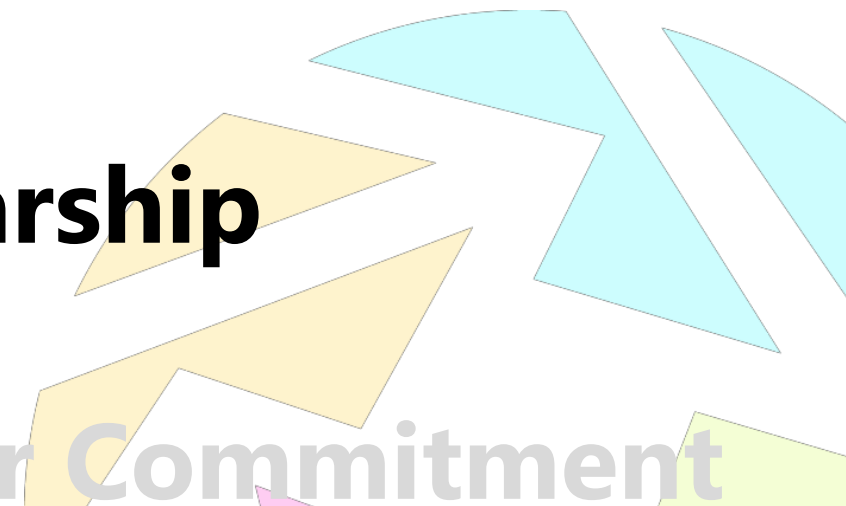
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# Merits of UMAP

- **Allowing you to multilaterally balance the outbounds and the inbounds.**
- ◆ Only if you have 2 students who want to study somewhere among more than 250 Asia-Pacific universities, you can avoid imbalances.
- ◆ It is not mandatory to accept 2 students every semester. It depends on you.



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- Balancing outbounds with inbounds in student exchanges
- Facilitating credit transfer among different countries/territories.
- **Providing more financial support** to students studying abroad.



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# UMAP Scholarships

## Japanese Government Scholarship

(For short-term & semester-long)


- Approx. \$700/month for international inbound students in Japan under UMAP programs.
- Approx. \$500-\$900/month for Japanese outbound students under UMAP programs.

## Taiwanese Government Scholarship

(For semester-long only)

- Approx. \$700/month for international inbound students in Taiwan under UMAP programs.
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# **Thank you very much!**

For more information, please visit our website.  
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# 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.

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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](mailto:umap@bccie.bc.ca)

### ● Step-2: Contract "Pledge of Agreement"

Please send the signed "**Pledge of Agreement**" to UMAP International Secretariat.

### ● Step-3: Participate in UMAP Programs

You can **start student exchanges** through UMAP.

**No membership fees from individual institutions!**

# How do you sign up?

- Role as a “Home University”  
(a university that sends students)
  1. **Check applications** that students submit through **Online System** (USCO).
  2. **Nominate selected students** through USCO.
  3. **Result of the placement is informed** through USCO.



# How do you sign up?

- Role as a “Host University”  
(a university that accepts students)
  1. **Submit your inbound program information** to UMAP through USCO.
  2. **Decide weather the applicants are acceptable.**  
(Applicants’ information will be informed through USCO. )
  3. **Accept applicants** just like bilateral exchange programs.

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