

Information for Students on Exchange

A. University	The Chinese University of Hong Kong	
	http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/english/index.html	
	As the second oldest university in Hong Kong, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) is a leading comprehensive research university with a global vision and a mission to combine tradition with modernity, and to bring together China and the West. Overlooking the scenic Tolo Harbour, the University has 61 departments under the Faculties of Arts, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science and Social Science with over 19,000 students undertaking undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral programmes.	
	CUHK is the only university in Hong Kong with a college system. The University's nine Colleges include Chung Chi, New Asia, United, Shaw, Morningside, S.H. Ho, Lee Woo Sing, C.W. Chu and Wu Yee Sun. Each undergraduate student is affiliated with one of the Colleges, which offer accommodation, informal learning and academic and cultural immersion to students.	
B. Country	Hong Kong	
C. Academics		
i) Module Mapping & Credits Transfer	Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange.	
	Modules approved in the past might not be offered by the host university or approved by your faculty when it is time for your exchange. Please check the latest course offerings at the host universities while you are preparing your Study Plan.	
ii) Academic	Semester 1: September to December	
Calendar	Semester 2: January to May	
	http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/index.php/study-abroad-a-exchanges-for-	
	visiting-students/term-time-exchangestudy-abroad/study-at-	
	cuhk/programme-information#tentative programme dates	
iii) Exchange Duration	One semester or full-year exchange, depending on your home Faculty.	
iv) Examination	Students are expected to sit for the mandatory examinations at The Chinese University of Hong Kong before returning to NUS for the next semester.	



v) Curriculum Structure	All undergraduate students (exchange and study abroad students) must take a full load of courses i.e. a minimum of 9 units (3 courses) and a maximum of 18 units (6 courses) per term. The average course load for exchange students is 4 courses per term. At CUHK, one unit (credit) is roughly equivalent to one hour of instruction per week. Most 3-unit courses are composed of 3 hours of lectures, or 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of tutorial per week.		
vi) Entry Requirements	 be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student; have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme; have a sound academic record, i.e. minimum CAP of 3.0, and should not have any grade below grade 'C' (grade point of 2.0) in any module; have sufficient financial means to cover the necessary expenses for the duration of the SEP (ranging from \$\$5,000 to \$\$15,000 per semester, subject to the country and local conditions at the overseas Partner University during the period of exchange). When applying for your student visa, a number of countries may demand documentary proof of your financial status; obtain the Faculty's approval for the SEP; satisfy partner institution and host country entry requirements; and check with the issuer of any scholarship he or she is receiving to ensure there are no restrictions involving overseas study (e.g. Ministry of Foreign Affairs or Ministry of Education). 		
vii) Language Proficiency Requirements	CUHK is a bilingual university where English, Cantonese and Putonghua are used for instruction. Although Cantonese is the primary spoken language in Hong Kong, many courses at CUHK are conducted in English.		
viii) Modules Compatibility	Suitable for students from the following faculties: BIZ Accountancy Management Marketing Finance FASS Chinese Language and Literature History Japanese Studies Linguistics and Modern Languages Philosophy Psychology Economics Geography and Resource Management Government and Public Administration		



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	Journalism and Communication
	Social Work
	Sociology
FoE	Electronic Engineering
	Mechanical and Automation Engineering
	Systems Engineering and Engineering Management
FoL	• Law
FoS	Chemistry
	Life Sciences
	Mathematics
	• Physics
	• Statistics
SDE	Architecture
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SoC	Computer Science and Engineering
	Information Engineering

Please refer to the Schools & Departments at The Chinese University of Hong Kong for details :

http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/english/faculties/faculty-graduate-school.html

ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites

All English-taught courses at CUHK are open to exchange students, with the following exceptions:

Faculty of Medicine courses (except some public health courses)

- Faculty of Medicine and Education courses
- Faculty of Law courses (reserved for Law majors only)
- MBA courses (except for MBA specific exchange agreements)
- Architectural Design Studio courses (except for Architecture specific exchange agreements)
- Courses with prefix: PHED (except for those with an X after the course number)
- College General Education courses (except for New Asia students taking General Education courses offered within their own college) i.e. courses with prefixes GECC, GEJC, GEMC, GESH, GEUC, GESC)
- Student oriented teaching courses, i.e. courses with course number beginning with '0'
- FINA courses under MSc in Finance Programme offered by the Department of Finance



- MEDN courses offered by the School of Life Sciences
- Courses under MSc in Advanced Environmental Planning Technologies / MSc in Hospitality and Real Estate Management / MSc in Housing Studies Programme
- Any other courses deemed by the Department to be restricted

The Yale-China Chinese Language Centre (CLC) offers Cantonese and Putonghua courses at all levels. Most undergraduate exchange students can take a maximum of 6 units (2 courses) each term without paying additional tuition fees.

D. Application

i) Procedures

Students can apply for SEP one year in advance through their home faculty in NUS between September and June. Please look out for your faculty's announcement regarding the application period.

Once you have been selected by your home faculty for SEP, your faculty will contact you and provide information regarding application with your host university. Please prepare the necessary documents before the start of the application period at your host university.

ii) Deadlines

All NUS student must abide by the internal application deadline set by their home faculty for exchange participation in the following academic year. After clearing the internal application and selection process, students have to take note of the application deadline set by the host university.

Failure to submit a formal application to the host university will result in your exchange being forfeited even if you have been selected by NUS for the exchange.

E. Accommodations

i) University Accommodation

Undergraduate exchange students will live in on-campus housing and are assigned to double or triple-occupancy rooms. Living with local students will ease the transition to a new environment and promote Chinese culture immersion. On-campus housing is assigned to admitted students automatically; application is not required.

For more information on accommodation, please refer to

http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/index.php/study-abroad-a-exchanges-for-visiting-students/term-time-exchangestudy-abroad/study-at-cuhk/campus-life#top

F. Visa



Consular/Visa Regulation

All non-local students* admitted as exchange or study abroad students at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) must apply for a student visa at the Hong Kong Immigration Department through the Office of Academic Links (OAL), the local sponsor, before coming to Hong Kong.

(*Those who have a <u>Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card</u> do not need to apply for a student visa for their studies at CUHK.)

It usually takes 5 to 7 weeks for the Hong Kong Immigration Department to process a student visa/entry permit application. Students should submit their visa application to OAL two months prior to the commencement of the orientation programme.

http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/index.php/study-abroad-a-exchanges-for-visiting-students/term-time-exchangestudy-abroad/preparing-to-come-to-cuhk/student-visa

G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance

i) Health/Medical Insurance

All registered NUS students are covered under the university health insurance and the blanket travel insurance. For more information on the university health insurance coverage, please refer to http://www.nus.edu.sg/uhc/services/billing-insurance/insurance-matters.html

For more information on the blanket travel insurance, please refer to 'Insurance Cover for Official NUS Trips' through http://www.nus.edu.sg/finance/students/student-travel.html

International students in Hong Kong holding a valid student visa are entitled to fees and charges for 'Eligible Persons' in Hospital Authority institutions within their duration of stay in Hong Kong. It means that exchange and study abroad students could enjoy discounted rates for public health services and are exempt from surgical and hospital insurance. The eligible students are entitled to stay in the general ward of a Hong Kong public hospital and receive medical treatment at HK\$100 per day with an admission fee of HK\$50.

Students should arrange, at their own cost, accident and sickness insurance coverage with provisions for emergency evacuation/rescuer's expenses and repatriation for the duration of their studies in Hong Kong. If students plan to travel outside Hong Kong, they should make sure that their insurance policy covers those regions as well.

Students should bring along with them a copy of their insurance policy(s) to Hong Kong. When they report at the Office of Academic Links, they will be asked to submit the copy(s) for emergency use.



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	visiting-students/term-time-exchangestudy-abroad/preparing-to-come-to-			
	cuhk/health-and-insurance			
ii) Emergency Number at host university	(852) 3943 7999			
H. Cost of Living				
i) Estimated Monthly Living Expenses	Breakdown of Costs	Cost		
	Accommodation	HK\$1,146- HK\$1,362		
	Food	HK\$4,620 – HK\$4,950		
	Transport	HK\$500 – HK\$550		
	Others (Entertainment, clothes, etc)	HK\$2,520 – HK\$2,625		
	Monthly Estimate	HK\$8,786 – HK\$9,487		
	http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/index.php/study-abroad-a-exchanges-for-visiting-students/term-time-exchangestudy-abroad/study-at-cuhk/cost			
I. Useful Links				
Office of Academic Links	http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/index.php/study-abroad-a-exchanges-for- visiting-students/term-time-exchangestudy-abroad/study-at-cuhk			