

STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMME (SEP)

Information for Students on Exchange

<p><b>A. University</b></p>	<p><b>The University of Hong Kong</b></p> <p><a href="https://www.hku.hk/">https://www.hku.hk/</a></p> <p>The University of Hong Kong (HKU), founded in 1911, is the oldest tertiary institution in Hong Kong and one of the best comprehensive universities in Asia. The campus is situated on the north-western slopes of Hong Kong Island between 50 to 150 metres above sea level and overlooks the wide sweep of Victoria Harbour.</p> <p>Since its establishment in 1911, it has undertaken the mission of providing a holistic education, developing the intellectual and personal strengths of its students.</p>
<p><b>B. Country/Region</b></p>	<p>Hong Kong, China SAR</p>
<p><b>C. Academics</b></p>	
<p><b>i) Module Mapping &amp; Credits Transfer</b></p>	<p>Please ensure that your Study Plan is approved by the academics at your home faculty before the exchange.</p> <p>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.</p>
<p><b>ii) Academic Calendar</b></p>	<p><b>Fall Semester / Semester 1:</b> September to December  <b>Spring Semester / Semester 2:</b> January to May</p> <p>Please refer to “Dates of Semester” section at <a href="http://www.ase.hku.hk/">http://www.ase.hku.hk/</a></p>
<p><b>iii) Exchange Duration</b></p>	<p>One semester or full-year exchange</p>
<p><b>iv) Examination</b></p>	<p>Students are expected to sit for the mandatory examinations at HKU before returning to NUS for the next semester.</p>
<p><b>v) Curriculum Structure</b></p>	<p>Students are required to take 24 to 30 credits in each semester subject to approval of Dean / Head of Department. A course at HKU usually has 6 HKU credits.</p> <p>50% of the course load must be chosen from ONE faculty with the remaining credits from other faculties.</p>

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	<p>Detailed information can be found through <a href="https://intlaffairs.hku.hk/avail_program.php?pid=5&amp;type=incoming">https://intlaffairs.hku.hk/avail_program.php?pid=5&amp;type=incoming</a></p> <p>All courses, except those offered by the Department of Chinese, are taught in English.</p>				
<p><b>vi) Entry Requirements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• be enrolled at the National University of Singapore (NUS) as a full-time student;</li> <li>• have completed at least two semesters of study before embarking on the exchange programme;</li> <li>• 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;</li> <li>• have sufficient financial means to cover the necessary expenses for the duration of the SEP (ranging from S\$5,000 to S\$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;</li> <li>• obtain the Faculty's approval for the SEP;</li> <li>• satisfy partner institution and host country entry requirements; and</li> <li>• 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).</li> </ul>				
<p><b>vii) Language Proficiency Requirements</b></p>	<p>The medium of instruction and assessment at HKU is English except for courses offered by the Department of Chinese. (course codes start with CHIN – e.g. CHIN2013)</p>				
<p><b>viii) Modules Compatibility</b></p>	<p>Suitable for students from the following faculties:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="472 1520 1453 2119"> <tr> <td data-bbox="472 1520 632 1641"> <p><b>BIZ</b></p> </td> <td data-bbox="632 1520 1453 1641"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business</li> <li>• Finance</li> </ul> </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="472 1641 632 2119"> <p><b>FASS</b></p> </td> <td data-bbox="632 1641 1453 2119"> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chinese</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Philosophy</li> <li>• Japanese Studies</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• Politics and Public Administration</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Social Work and Social Administration</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Media Studies Centre</li> </ul> </td> </tr> </table>	<p><b>BIZ</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Business</li> <li>• Finance</li> </ul>	<p><b>FASS</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chinese</li> <li>• English</li> <li>• History</li> <li>• Philosophy</li> <li>• Japanese Studies</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• Politics and Public Administration</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Social Work and Social Administration</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Media Studies Centre</li> </ul>
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<p><b>ix) Module restrictions and pre-requisites</b></p>	<p>Courses offered by the following Faculties/programmes are not open to exchange students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Faculty of Dentistry</li> <li>• Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine</li> <li>• BSc (Exercise and Health) Programme</li> <li>• Most Final year project courses provided by all faculties</li> </ul> <p>Courses offered by the Faculty of Business and Economics (FBE) are highly competitive. Students who are in their final year in particular, should note that course enrolment is NOT guaranteed.</p> <p>Students who apply to FBE should have a grade level of B average / CGPA 3.0 / Satisfactory level.</p> <p>Students should have already completed the course prerequisites before requesting to enrol in courses with pre- requirements Co-registration (e.g taking Microeconomics I and II together in a semester) is not allowed.</p> <p>Economics and Finances courses highly emphasize mathematics.</p>										

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<b>D. Application</b>	
<b>i) Procedures</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>ii) Deadlines</b>	<p>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.</p> <p>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.</p>
<b>E. Accommodations</b>	
<b>University Accommodation</b>	<p>On-campus accommodation for exchange students is on first-come-first-served basis and NOT guaranteed. Students are allowed to apply for accommodation before receiving the Notice of Admission. Students should make <a href="#">online application</a> through CEDARS Accommodation Office.</p> <p>Most of the rooms are double room. Only St. John’s College, Ricci Hall and HKU Residential Colleges provide very limited single rooms.</p> <p>Some halls have compulsory meal plans, others do not (see <a href="#">link</a> for details). For those residents whose halls do not provide compulsory meal plans, they can have meals on campus.</p> <p>For more information on accommodation, please refer to <a href="https://www.cedars.hku.hk/index.php?route=accommodation/accommodation">https://www.cedars.hku.hk/index.php?route=accommodation/accommodation</a>  <a href="http://www.cedars.hku.hk/sections/accommodation.php">http://www.cedars.hku.hk/sections/accommodation.php</a></p>
<b>F. Visa</b>	
<b>Consular/Visa Regulation</b>	<p>All non-local students are required to obtain a student visa to study in HKSAR.</p>

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	<p>Students must complete <b>online visa application</b> by the visa application deadline and <b>send hard copies of application documents</b> to designated visa office after receiving instructions.  <i>[Please do not mail the visa application to International Affairs Office]</i></p> <p>Please note that it will take <b>at least 10 weeks</b> to process student’s visa application and the visa application fee is non-refundable.</p> <p>For general visa application procedures, please refer to <a href="https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/">https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/</a></p>
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**G. Safety, Health & Medical Insurance**

<p><b>i) Health/Medical Insurance</b></p>	<p>All full-time NUS students are covered under the university’s Student Group Personal Accident &amp; Medical Insurance and the Student Travel Insurance. For more information on the university’s student insurance scheme, please refer to <a href="https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/">https://myportal.nus.edu.sg/studentportal/student-insurance/all/</a>.</p> <p><u>Requirements of HKU</u>  Health and travel insurance is <b>optional</b> but highly recommended.</p> <p>Students may arrange insurance at their own cost in order to meet their needs for the duration of their studies in Hong Kong.</p> <p>The coverage should include provisions for emergency evacuation, rescuer’s expenses and repatriation. If you plan to travel outside Hong Kong, you should make sure that your insurance policy covers those destinations as well.</p> <p>Registered students are entitled to <b>HKU Group Travel Insurance</b> for travelling overseas on activities which are officially arranged by the University.</p>
<p><b>ii) Emergency Number at host university</b></p>	<p>+852 3917 2882 (24-hour Security Control Centre)</p>

**H. Cost of Living**

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<b>Estimated Monthly Living Expenses</b>	<b>Breakdown of Costs</b>	<b>Cost</b>
	Accommodation	HK\$2,450 - HK\$7,500
	Food	HK\$5,000
	Transport	HK\$300
	Others (Entertainment, clothes, books, electricity etc)	HK\$1,000 - HK\$2,000
	<b>Monthly Estimate</b>	<b>HK\$8,750 - HK\$14,800</b>
<b>I. Useful Links</b>		
<b>Office of International Affairs</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <a href="https://intlaffairs.hku.hk/avail_program.php?pid=5&amp;type=incoming">https://intlaffairs.hku.hk/avail_program.php?pid=5&amp;type=incoming</a></li> </ul>	