The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) is a comprehensive research university with a global vision. It was founded with a mission to combine tradition with modernity and to bring together China and the West. CUHK's firmly rooted Chinese culture, multiculturalism and its unique college system sets it apart from other universities in Hong Kong and in the region.

CUHK has always been at the forefront of teaching and research, nurturing the next generation of leaders in all fields and advancing the frontiers of knowledge and technology. The galaxy of distinguished scholars and researchers at CUHK include a Nobel Laureate, a Fields medallist, a Turing Award winner, and countless academics with international recognition.

Located in Shatin, a suburban area of Hong Kong, the CUHK campus overlooks the scenic Tolo Harbour and is nestled in greenery. Over the years, it has evolved into the largest, greenest and most sustainably designed campus in the city. A wide range of academic, residential, sports and leisure facilities provide an all-round campus experience for anyone studying at CUHK.
To better understand and immerse yourself in Chinese culture, local living arrangements are recommended. Living with local students will ease the transition to a new environment and promote Chinese culture immersion. No separate application for on-campus housing is required.

Hong Kong is not just an ordinary metropolitan city. It is the hub of Asia. A city that never sleeps with non-stop intensity. A perfect blend of fascinating contrasts where East meets West, where busy city pace meets natural countryside, and where endless skyscrapers meet traditional lifestyle. Here, you can find a variety of rich and diverse experiences packed in an easy and fast to get around city.

### Housing

Undergraduate exchange students are guaranteed 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. No separate application for on-campus housing is required.

### Cost of Living

Generally speaking, living in Hong Kong can be expensive, however living at CUHK is extremely affordable as on-campus hostels and meals at student canteens are heavily subsidised. The table below shows the approximate living costs at CUHK for an undergraduate in one term.

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<th>Item</th>
<th>HKD</th>
<th>USD*</th>
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<td>Accommodation</td>
<td>8,000</td>
<td>1,032</td>
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<td>Meals (includes eating out on weekends)</td>
<td>30,000</td>
<td>3,871</td>
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<td>3,100</td>
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<td>630</td>
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<td>129</td>
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<td>450</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>56,780</td>
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* Based on an exchange rate of 1 USD to 7.75HKD and 1 EUR to 9.15HKD.

# Applies to students assigned to Morningside, S.H. Hui & C.W. Chu Colleges only.

There are three dinners per week.

The above table is for reference only. Costs are based on on-campus living. Costs may change due to inflation and will vary depending on individual lifestyles and preferences.

*Miscellaneous Expenses (includes 1 trip to an Asian Country)*

![View of the Victoria Harbour from The Peak is one of the most spectacular sights of Hong Kong.](image)
Programme Dates (Tentative)

**Fall Term 2022**
- **Arrival**: 31 August 2022
- **Orientation**: Late August – early September 2022
- **First Class**: 5 September 2022
- **Last Class**: 3 December 2022
- **Exam Period**: 7 - 23 December 2022

**Spring Term 2023**
- **Arrival**: 3 January 2023
- **Orientation**: Late December 2022 – early January 2023
- **First Class**: 9 January 2023
- **Last Class**: 22 April 2023
- **Exam Period**: 26 April – 13 May 2023

**Orientation**

Orientation activities are organized to help students adapt to the new environment at CUHK. It covers information on the curriculum, study life, Chinese culture, Hong Kong society and support services available. In addition, it will be a great opportunity for students to get acquainted with each other.
COURSES

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

- Faculty of Medicine courses (except some biomedical sciences and public health courses)
- Faculty of Education courses (except some sports science and physical education (SPED) courses taught in English, and physical education (PHED) courses with an X after the course number)
- Faculty of Law courses (except Law major students)
- Architectural Design Studio courses (except for students from specific Architecture agreements)
- College General Education (GECC, GEJC, GEMC, GESH, GEUC, GESC) courses (except for New Asia College students taking General Education courses offered by New Asia College)
- Student-orientated teaching (STOT) courses
- MAcc/MBA/MSc courses offered by the Faculty of Business Administration (except for students from specific MAcc/MBA/MSc agreements)
- MSc in Advanced Environmental Planning Technologies (AEPT) and MSc in Housing Studies (HSGS) courses
- FNSEC courses under the Food and Nutritional Sciences programme in the School of Life Sciences
- Any other courses restricted by their offering Departments

Course Load

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<td>9 units</td>
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Note: Most CUHK courses are 3-unit each. The average course load for exchange students is 4-5 courses per term.

Course Offering

Courses offered in 2021-22 can be used as a reference to what will be offered in 2022-23 and are available at www.res.cuhk.edu.hk -> Teaching Timetable / Classroom Booking -> Teaching Timetable -> Full-time Undergraduate Teaching Timetable -> “Public Access”

Most 3-unit courses are composed of 3 hours of lecture or 2 hours of lecture and 1 hour of tutorial per week. Assessment may include any one or a combination of the following: attendance, class work, written work, laboratory work, field work, research papers, tests, examinations, and any other assessment.

Chinese Language Centre

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. Postgraduate exchange students are required to pay tuition for taking Chinese proficiency courses.
ADMISSION & APPLICATION

You can apply to CUHK either as an exchange or study abroad (fee-paying) student, and study for one term, one year (two terms) or one summer. Application is open to university students worldwide. Prior knowledge in Chinese is not required.

Exchange or study abroad?

You will be considered as an exchange student if your home institution has a formal bilateral student exchange agreement with CUHK. In other cases, you will be considered as a study abroad student. Check with the international office of your home institution to find out if you can come to CUHK on an exchange or study abroad basis.

Application procedures

Exchange students:

01 Apply through home institution

02 Be nominated by home institution

03 Complete CUHK online application

04 Submit hardcopy of supporting documents to home institution

Study abroad students:

01 Complete CUHK online application

02 Submit hardcopy of supporting documents to CUHK

Application deadlines

| First Term / Year (September) | 1 April |
| Second Term (January) | 2 October |
| Summer (July) | 30 April |
| Summer (August) | 31 May |

To whom should I pay the fees?

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* Exceptions apply to some institutions.

Student Visa

All admitted students are required to apply for a student visa (regardless of nationality, except for Hong Kong permanent residents) through the Office of Academic Links before coming to Hong Kong.

Health Insurance

The University Health Service at CUHK provides free primary outpatient and clinical services to all exchange students. Exchange students should arrange additional accidental and medical insurance at their own cost to cover their stay in Hong Kong and travelling around Asia.
Contact Persons

[For Exchange Partners]
Ms. Heidi O (Programme Coordination for Europe & South Africa)
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Mr. Jonas TO (Programme Coordination for Canada)
Mr. Louis WONG (Programme Coordination for Chile, Mexico and United States)

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