University of Hong Kong Hong Kong China



The University

The University of Hong Kong (HKU) is the oldest tertiary education institution in Hong Kong and is one of the top universities in the world. The main campus stretches along the north-western slopes of Hong Kong Island between 50 and 150 metres above sea level. The University has a student population of 23,000.

University website: http://www3.hku.hk/oise/eng/incoming_studying.php





Location

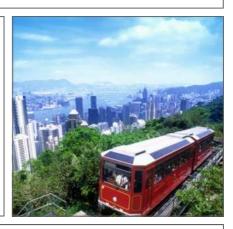
Hong Kong has a population of over seven million and is a haven for culture, shopping and sight-seeing. Hong Kong has a subtropical climate with distinct seasons. Typhoon season is May to November. Chinese and English are the official languages of Hong Kong.

Travel

The fastest way to the downtown is to take the Airport Express train. Cost is approximately HK\$100 and it takes 23 minutes to Hong Kong Station. You should then take a taxi to your hall of residence (approximately HK\$50-70). HKU will provide you with the name and address of your hall written in Chinese, so you can show it to the taxi driver.

http://www3.hku.hk/oise/eng/incoming_pre.php

The University offers a Buddy Programme for incoming students and your appointed Buddy will meet you at the airport, assist with settling in and be on hand to help out while you are in Hong Kong.





Immigration

A student visa is required. Forms and documents will be provided in the admission package distributed by HKU.

Housing

Halls of residence accommodation is not guaranteed so students should apply as early as possible. Cost of housing ranges from \$8,700-\$16,560 per academic year. Food at campus catering outlets cost approximately \$24,000 per year.

Further details can be found at:

http://www.hku.hk/osa/student_residences/res-halls.htm





Health Insurance

Students must ensure that they have adequate medical insurance. HKU provides primary health care to students at the University's out-patient clinic.

Term Dates Dates for 2010/2011 to be confirmed

Semester 1 2009		Semester 2 2010	
Orientation	Date tbc	Classes begin	11 January
Classes begin	1 September	Reading week	1-6 March
Reading week	12-17 October	Exam period	3-22 May
Exam period	7-19 December		





Services

Office of International Student Exchange (OISE) http://www.hku.hk/exchange

Course Requirements

You are expected to study 30 credits per semester. Most courses are six credits, so students will be taking five courses per semester.

Module descriptions: http://www.hku.hk/pubunit/dr.html





Application

1 February 2010 Deadline for submitting internal application form accompanied

by personal statement, transcript of studies to date and 2

academic references.

8 February 2010 Allocation of host institution made (in liaison with Study

Abroad Co-ordinators). Students notified and provided with

relevant host institution application form.

1 March 2010 Deadline for submitting host institution application form and

any additional supporting documentation required (e.g. transcript, photographs, financial statements, housing

applications etc).

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All information is subject to change and is given here to assist students in finding out about the host institution for themselves. Quoted costs should be taken as guidelines until confirmed by the host institution. It is the responsibility of the student to research, confirm and add to the details listed above.

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