CUHK

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, there are 61 departments under the Faculties of Arts, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science, and Social Science. Currently, it has over 19,000 students undertaking undergraduate, postgraduate and doctoral programmes.

College System

CUHK is the only university in Hong Kong with a college system. They are: Chung Chi College, New Asia College, United College, Shaw College, Morningside College, S.H. Ho College, Lee Woo Sing College, C.W. Chu College and Wu Yee Sun College. Each undergraduate student is affiliated with one of the nine Colleges. The Colleges offer accommodation, informal learning, and academic and cultural immersion to students.

Courses

All CUHK courses (those taught in English) are open to exchange students with the exceptions of:

- 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. 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) in each term without paying additional tuition fees. Postgraduate exchange students need to pay tuition for taking Chinese proficiency courses.

Course Load

Minimum: 9 units (3 courses) per term
Maximum: 18 units (6 courses) per term

Note: Most CUHK courses are 3-unit each. The average course load for exchange students is 4 courses per term.

Courses offered in 2016-17 can be used as a reference to what will be offered in 2017-18 and are available at www.cuhk.edu.hk/rgs -> Teaching Timetable / Classroom Booking -> Full-time Undergraduate (2016-17) -> Teaching Timetable.

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.
Term Dates (Tentative)

Fall Term 2017
- Expected Arrival Date: 28 or 29 August 2017
- Orientation: 30 August to 2 September 2017
- Classes Begin: 4 September 2017
- Classes End: 2 December 2017
- Exam Period: 6 December to 23 December 2017

Spring Term 2018
- Expected Arrival Date: 2 or 3 January 2018
- Orientation: 4 to 6 January 2018
- Classes Begin: 8 January 2018
- Classes End: 21 April 2018
- Exam Period: 25 April to 12 May 2018

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 at CUHK. In addition, this will be a great opportunity for students to get acquainted with each other.

Housing

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 immersion into the Chinese culture. On-campus housing is automatically assigned to admitted students, additional application is not required.

Cost of Living

There is often the misconception that studying at CUHK is expensive. In fact, living on-campus at CUHK is extremely affordable as student accommodation is heavily subsidized. The following table shows approximate living costs at CUHK for one term.

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<th>Item</th>
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<td>Accommodation</td>
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<td>Books and Supplies</td>
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<td>Meals</td>
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<td>Mandatory meal plan (Morningside, S. H. Ho &amp; C. W. Chu College)</td>
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<td>Administration Fee</td>
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<td>TOTAL</td>
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Note: This table is for reference only. Costs provided correspond to on-campus living only. Costs are subject to change due to inflation and will vary depending on lifestyle and individual preferences.
Application Deadlines
Fall Term and Year (September): 01 April
Spring Term (January): 02 October
Summer School (July Session): 30 April
Summer School (August Session): 31 May

Application Procedures
Available at www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk.

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 health care and clinical services to all exchange students. Exchange students should arrange at their own cost, additional accidental and medical insurance during their stay in Hong Kong to cover their travelling around Asia.

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