University-wide Exchange
(Application: 12 Oct – 30 Oct)

Student Exchange @ CUHK

Global Explorer Briefing I
13 Oct 2020 (Tue)
15:30 – 16:30
via Zoom
Language: Chinese Cantonese

Global Explorer Briefing II
16 Oct 2020 (Fri)
15:30 – 16:30
via Zoom
Language: English

Ask Us Anything
19 - 30 Oct 2020 (Mon - Fri)
09:00 – 17:30
Call us if you have any questions

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2021-22 CUHK Outgoing Exchange Programmes
Application and Selection Schedule

< Application period: 12 - 30 October 2020>
Summer (2020-21): Going on exchange in the summer of 2021
Regular Term-Time (2021-22): Going on exchange in the 1st term and/or 2nd term of 2021-22

1st Placement Round

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2nd Placement Round

Details of the second placement round are to be announced.

Points to note:
1. CUHK full-time students are allowed to go on exchange for a maximum of one academic year (i.e., two regular terms plus one summer exchange).
2. Course Load Requirement During Exchange
   * For Undergraduates
     - Students must enroll in a minimum of 9 units and obtain passing grades in at least 6 units of courses per term (or equivalent, except summer term).
     - Failure to comply with the aforementioned requirements may cause complications to the graduation and/or 100% repayment of financial support under the CUHK Student Exchange Financial Aid and Scholarship Scheme (FASS).
   * For Postgraduates
     - Postgraduate students should enroll in a number of courses which meets the minimum course load requirement of their CUHK full-time postgraduate programme.
3. Latest information will be available on the OAL website at www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk
4. OAL reserves the right to amend the above schedules without prior notice.
Why should I go on exchange?

How to plan your exchange?

What to prepare before your exchange?

Issues you may face during your exchange?

What else you may consider after your exchange?
New Asia College
Exchange Programmes in 2021/22

① Introduction of college exchange programmes and application details

② Student Exchange Sharing

③ Questions & Answers
No U-wide (UW) programmes for 2021/22 would be allocated for colleges

Because:

• The decrease in incoming student numbers in 2019-20 and 2020-21 as a consequence of the social unrest and COVID-19

• Partner institutions’ responses on outgoing exchange quotas for 2021-22 have been slow and not encouraging due to uncertainties over travel restrictions, availability of courses and services for students, and

• Students nominated for this year’s (2020-21) UW outgoing exchanges will be provided an option to postpone their exchange to next year (2021-22) if partner institutions agree, quotas are available, and students’ leave of absence applications are approved.

As a result, only College-developed programmes would be available for 2021-22.
New Asia College Exchange Programmes in 2021/22:

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<th>Host Institution</th>
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<td>United Kingdom</td>
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*1 FTE = 2 semester places

The above quotas are still subject to change due to development of COVID19 and the postponement of exchange from 2020-21 to 2021-22.
Since the exchange programmes offered by the College are very limited for 2021-22, we strongly recommend students to apply for UW programmes offered by OAL.
Europe

UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

University of Leeds

Leeds, United Kingdom | 1904 |
One Year / One semester
No. of Students(s) selected: 3 - 6
Japan

Asia University

Tokyo | 1955 | One Year
No. of Students(s) selected: 2

Soka University

Tokyo | 1971 | One Year
No. of Students(s) selected: 1

Depart in April/early May 2021
Japan

Kyoto Sangyo University

Kyoto | 1965 |
One Year / One semester
No. of Students(s) selected: 1 - 2
Korea

Ewha Womans University
Seoul | 1886 | One year / One semester
No. of Students(s) selected: 2 - 4
Both male and female students are eligible
Taiwan

University System of Taiwan

- National Central University
- National Chiao Tung University
- National Tsing Hua University
- National Yang-Ming University

- Length of Exchange: One year/one semester
- No. of Students(s) selected: 1 – 2 for each university
China

Beijing Normal University

Beijing | 1902 | One Year/ one semester
No. of Students(s) selected: 2 - 4
## I. Important Date

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<td>13 Nov (Fri)</td>
<td>Deadline for online application and submission of supporting documents</td>
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<td>Late Nov</td>
<td>Selection interview (via Zoom)</td>
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<td>Deadline for submitting proofs of score for TOEFL/IELTS and non-English language requirements (NOTE: tests taken on or after 1 September 2019 are valid for applications)</td>
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<td>5 Feb 2021, 5:00pm</td>
<td>Announcement of selection results posted on college website. Also, individual emails will be sent to inform successful candidates.</td>
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II. Eligibility

- New Asia College Student
- Good academic and disciplinary Standing

*CUHK full-time students are only allowed to go on exchange for a maximum of one academic year (ie. two regular terms plus one u-wide summer exchange)

Specific Language requirement:

For institutions in Japan:

- Japanese proficiency “New Practical Japanese I” or above, or equivalent level)
- Knowledge or interest in Japanese culture preferable
- Interview is required

Please refer to the admission requirements for other non-English language requirements
III. Estimated Expenses

**Fees paid to CUHK:**

- **HK$42,100** (CUHK Tuition)
- **HK$145** (Student Union Related Fee)
- ***$13,683** (Hostel Fee)
- **HK$55,928** (Estimated Total)

The above estimate is on a yearly basis for a local student.

*Some exchange programmes require students to pay CUHK hostel fees for on-campus accommodation instead of paying the host universities (eg. Soka University).

**Fees paid by student:**

- Airfare, visa application fee, books and supplies etc.

- Hostel Fee charged by the host institutions.

- **Asia University:** Prepayment of HK$23,500 for living allowance, in return for JYP70,000 per month during the exchange study period.

- For Japan exchange programmes, students may be required to purchase the **National Health Insurance.**
IV. Subsidy and Financial Aid

College Subsidy (for application of 2021-22 exchange only):

- **Asia**
  Semester: HK$4,000 / Year: HK$8,000

- **Non-Asia**
  Semester: HK$10,000 / Year: HK$20,000

- Selected students with financial difficulties may apply for various College exchange scholarships in January/February 2021. Please note that students should applied for the “College Exchange Scholarships” prior to the commencement of their exchange programmes.

- The College reserves the right to terminate and/or claim repayment of the subsidy, scholarship or any financial aid to students should the students withdraw from the exchange programmes, or have failed to complete the exchange programmes.

Other sources:
- Supported by the “Ministry of Education (MOE) Ten Thousand Student Interflow Programme”, Mainland exchange programmes would be subsidized including accommodation and/or living allowance.

- The Office of Academic Links (OAL) provides Student Exchange Financial Aid and Scholarship Scheme (FASS) and EDB Subsidy Schemes – SSE, SSEBR and NMT-SSEBR.

- The Office of Admissions and Financial Aid (OAFA) provides scholarship and financial Aid.

- HKSAR Government Scholarship Fund - Reaching Out Award.

- Scholarships provided by the host universities.
V. Accommodation

- Most partner universities provide on-campus accommodation to exchange students, depending on the hostel availability by the time or a *first-come-first-served* basis.

- Some programmes provide *ONLY* off-campus accommodation, and the host universities usually assist students in finding off-campus accommodation.

- Off-campus (*subjected to change*):
  - National Central University (Taiwan)
  - Beijing Normal University (China)
VI. Selection and Scoring System

1. Applicants are being **shortlisted based on academic performance**, i.e. cumulative GPA for yr2 or above students, public exam or transcript from other institutions for yr1 students.

2. Priority would be given to **senior students** who have neither been on term-time nor UW summer exchange.

3. Shortlisted students will be invited for an **interview**. The applications can be considered unsuccessful if applicants cannot receive any invitation for interviews **by late November**.

3. **Exempted from the interview.** If you have completed at least two semesters at CUHK and wish to be exempted from the interview, you have to ask **two referees** (full-time CUHK teaching staff to complete the recommendation form) to support his/her request. The form **MUST be submitted by the referees** by email to jackwong@cuhk.edu.hk or internal mail with a sealed envelope. College reserves the final right to require a student to attend the interview. (**NOTE:** Students who are in their 1st year of study at CUHK must be required to attend the interview if they are shortlisted)
VI. Selection and Scoring System

4. The choices of exchange programmes **CANNOT** be changed once the application is submitted. However, if the programme(s) is cancelled due to lack of quota or other reasons **BEFORE** the selection. We will contact the corresponding shortlisted students to alter their choices.

5. 2020-21 UW outgoing exchange students who have accepted a postponement of their exchange programmes to 2021-22 will not be provided an offer.

6. Students could apply for both U-wide and college exchange programmes at the same time, but **only ONE offer** regardless of the exchange period, will be provided to each student if he/she is eligible.
VII. Selection and Composite Score

- A final score will be calculated for each shortlisted applicant.

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- The recommendation score is calculated from the scores provided by the referees.

- GPA score includes the examination result of 1st semester 2020-21.

- The selection results sort students by composite scores. If multiple applicants apply for the same host institution, the ones with the highest composite scores will be successful.
VIII. Important Remarks

• **Final year students (expected to graduate 2nd Term 2021)** who are shortlisted in the selection of 2021-22 CUHK Student Exchange Programmes organized by New Asia College are required to apply for extension of study period. They are required to obtain the "Indication of Intention to Extend Study Period" form from College and OAL separately, and return the completed form to the respective office by **15 January 2021**.

• **Final year** students are **NOT** eligible to apply for **2nd term exchange**.

• If students’ expected graduation term is the **first term of the current academic year** (i.e. **2020-21, Term 1**), they are **INELIGIBLE** to apply for the exchange programmes.

• **Minimum units of course** taken during exchange **per semester**:

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<td>12 Units with passing grades in 9 units per term</td>
<td>9 Units with passing grades in 6 units per term</td>
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(**NOTE**: Failure to comply with the aforementioned requirements may cause complications to the graduation and/or 100% repayment of college subsidy, scholarship or any financial aid.)
IX. Supporting documents

• **Supporting documents** could be uploaded through the online application, except recommendation form, on or before the application deadline ie. **13 November 2020**.

• For students who apply for **Japan exchange programmes**, please submit the **transcripts/test reports** which shows the Japanese language or cultural courses taken at CUHK or other institutions, or JLPT test result via the online application on or before **13 November 2020**.

• For **TOEFL/IELTS** and non-English language requirements, students are expected to submit proofs of score on or before **25 January 2020** by email to jackwong@cuhk.edu.hk.

• For **year-one** students admitted through **non-jupas**, please submit public exam results or transcripts of other institutions through the online application on or before **13 November 2020**.

• For students admitted in the **senior year** (with **Associate Degree/Higher Diploma qualifications**), please submit previous transcripts through the online application on or before **13 November 2020**.
X. Announcement of results

- Selection results will be announced through the college website tentatively on 5 February 2020, 5:00pm.

- If you are given an offer and you accept it, you should submit the letter of undertaking together with the deposit payment to the College. For 2021-22, the deposit is HK$ 1,500.

- Successful applicants will receive an acceptance letter from their host university nearer the time of exchange study.

- Failure to report any misconduct/infringement of the University/College regulations charged by CUHK, including demerit, will result in disqualification of application for admission and cancellation of the exchange offer(s)/nomination(s).
XI. Tips and Advice

• **Pay attention** to all information and updates about the application exercise.

• Check the **important dates** and submit an online application form, recommendation form and supporting documents before deadline.

• **Research** your preferred exchange programmes, like admission requirements, available disciplines/courses, the academic time table etc.

• Only apply for the **institutions you’re interested**. If you receive an offer and then give it up, no second offer for you.

• More information and resources can be found in the Office of **Academic Links (OAL)** website.

• **Seek advice** from the officers of the college, your faculty, OAL and returned exchange students.

• **Be on time** for the interview (10 minutes prior to the interview). The interview could be conducted either in Chinese or English, and Japanese for Japan exchange programmes, be prepared. All interview will be **Zoom online**.

• Detailed extra-curricular activities and **college activities** in your application.

• **Be decisive** when the opportunity comes to you.

• If you receive exchange programme offers from OAL and College in the first placement round, you can only accept **ONE offer**, regardless of exchange period.

• Maintain **good academic and disciplinary standing** at CUHK before departure.
XI. Tips and Advice

- **COVID19** development is still uncertain. All exchange programmes are subject to change eg. Cancellation / Virtual online learning.

- **Safety** should be the most important factor to consider whether to participate in exchange programmes.

- **DO NOT** make any financial commitment until the situation of travel restriction and visa application are clear.

- **Extra expenses** may arise from COVID19 eg. quarantine fee, COVID test.

- Study the **CUHK group travel insurance** and see what expenses arising from COVID19 would be covered or excluded. If necessary, take out your own travel insurance that meet your personal needs.
XII. Enquiries

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Sharings from returned students

Amy Lam
1 year exchange, 2019-20
University of Leeds, UK

Wong Ka Long
1 year exchange, 2019-20
Soka University, Japan
Q&A

- Please feel free to open your microphone and speak.
  Or

- Type your questions in the chat box.
  Or

- Send emails directly to jackwong@cuhk.edu.hk later on.