

EXCHANGE

For CUHK Students



香港中文大學
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

學術交流處
Office of
Academic Links

DISCOVER

A NOT-TO-BE-MISSED EXPERIENCE



Pay CUHK tuition and study at renowned institutions worldwide



Receive subsidies to live in/travel to a new environment



Explore opportunities for development in different aspects of life



Build overseas connections for future studies and career





Around

1,100

CUHK students go on
exchange each year



Why should I go on **EXCHANGE?**

Pick up a second language

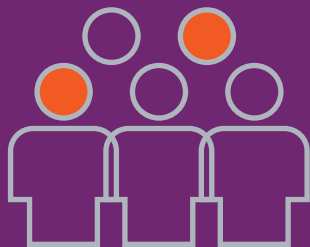
- Learn and develop a language in and out of the classroom with native speakers
- Return with the ability to read text in quantity and communicate effectively in written and verbal presentations

Expose yourself to a new environment

- Study your major or minor subjects from new cultural perspectives
- Take courses not offered at CUHK

Prepare for career and future studies

- Gear up for your career and explore postgraduate study options
- Enhance international experience to add value to your resume





Explore the world and make new friends

- Experience the wealth of culture of your host country and surrounding regions
- Make lifelong friendships and build valuable career networks

Build confidence and develop yourself

- Increase self-confidence and independence in a new environment
- Gain life lessons that will shape your future

Become a global citizen

- Enrich yourself with enhanced language, social and working skills
- Bridge across cultural and national boundaries

What are my OPTIONS?

Programme types

Three types of exchange programmes are offered at CUHK:

UNIVERSITY- WIDE (U-WIDE) PROGRAMMES

For students from
all colleges
and faculties

COLLEGE PROGRAMMES

For students of
specific colleges
only

FACULTY AND DEPARTMENTAL PROGRAMMES

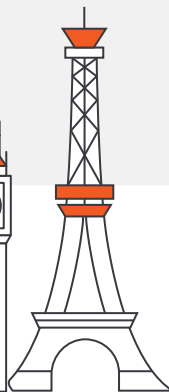
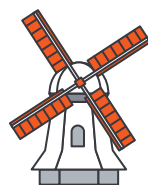
For students of
specific faculties or
departments only

Duration

Exchange programmes are available in various durations:

- One Term (First or Second Term)
- One Year (First and Second Terms)
- One Summer

Visit www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/destinations for a comprehensive list of available programmes.





You can choose
from more than
280
programmes in over
35
destinations

- Australia
- Brunei
- Canada
- Chile
- China
- France
- Germany
- Japan
- Mexico
- South Korea
- Sweden
- United Arab Emirates
- UK
- USA
- and many more!

What should I DO?

01

Start early. Begin planning during your first year at CUHK.

02

Identify programmes that provide the academic and cultural experiences you are looking for.

03

Decide when and how long you wish to go on exchange.

04

Check the requirements of programmes you are interested in.

05

Seek advice if you have questions on the exchange programmes.



When should I go?

- Recommended to go in third year of undergraduate study
- Go before earning all credits for graduation



What are the requirements?

- Full-time CUHK student
- Have unfulfilled graduation requirement credits during the exchange
- Meet programme specific academic standards
- Meet minimum language proficiency requirements
- Have good disciplinary standing at CUHK



Do I need to delay my graduation?

- May not need to delay graduation if well planned
- Discuss with academic advisor or department about your exchange and graduation plans



Can I transfer my credits back to CUHK?

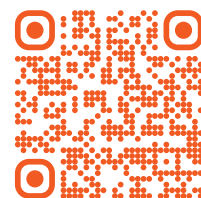
- Credits earned on exchange may be transferrable
- Discuss with department about potential credit transfer
- Must meet minimum course load and academic performance requirements while on exchange



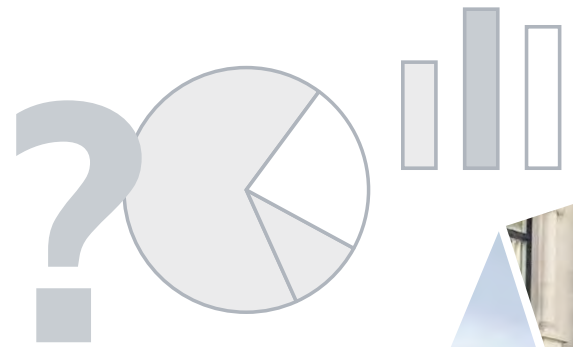
Who can I talk to if I have a question?

- Seek guidance and advice on programme details and application from advisors at the i-Centre
- Consult your department for details on your graduation requirements and credit transfer
- Talk to returned exchange students for the experience abroad
- Network with students on exchange at CUHK for information on their home countries/regions and institutions
- Reach out to professors for advice for your exchange plan and study

**GETTING
STARTED**



How much will it **COST?**



The cost of living during exchange varies according to where you go and how long you go for.

What do I potentially need to pay for?



CUHK tuition



Airfare and transportation



Student visa



Accommodation



Health and travel insurance



Meals



Books and stationery



Cultural activities



Student union fees



Personal expenses



When do I pay?

You pay CUHK tuition and associated fees before departing for your exchange (August for Term 1 and year exchanges, December for Term 2 exchanges). Fees payable to your host institution is due either before or during your exchange, depending on the programme and the nature of the fees.

Are subsidies and scholarships available?

YES!

Scholarships, awards, grants and financial aids are available to support your exchange.



For local undergraduate students

- Everyone receives some form of exchange subsidy (amount varies depending on exchange destination)
- Scholarships and need-based subsidies are also available, if eligible



For non-local undergraduate students

- Everyone receives some form of airfare subsidy
- Scholarships are available, if eligible

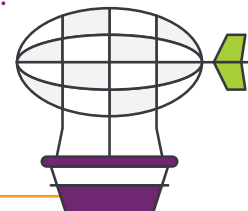
Students may also apply to Colleges, Faculties and Departments for additional subsidy/scholarship/award(s) for exchange.

Refer to www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk for details.



How do I APPLY?

Follow these steps to apply for exchange programmes administered by the Office of Academic Links. For other exchange programmes, please consult the offering college/faculty/department.



01

Read through programme requirements and identify preferred programmes

02

Research on cost of living and financial support

03

Take appropriate language proficiency tests (e.g. TOEFL, IELTS, etc.) if necessary

06

View composite score and finalise choice of programmes in CUSIS

05

Invite two CUHK teaching staff to provide online recommendations, or attend an interview

04

Complete and submit an online application through CUSIS

07

Receive and accept an offer

08

Apply for financial aid, subsidies, and scholarships

09

Apply to host institution

The above steps apply to the first selection round only and are subject to change without prior notice. Visit www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/applying for detailed instructions on applying for exchange programmes.

When do I APPLY?

Application for exchange in the following summer and academic year will take place in October for the first round and March for the second round. Both selection rounds are open to all full-time undergraduate and postgraduate students.



First round

Period	Activity
Early October	Online application opens
Late October	Online application closes
October to early December	Invite and obtain recommendations from two teaching staff (only if applicable)
Mid-November to early December	Interview (only if applicable)
Mid-January	Check composite score and finalize programme choices
Late January	Placement allocation (if applicable)
Early February	Deadline to accept exchange offer

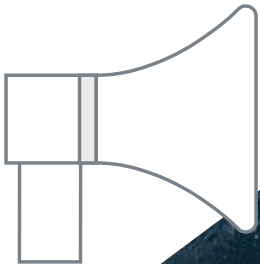


Second round

No interview opportunities will be arranged/offered. Fewer number of available programmes and quotas will be available.

Period	Activity
Mid-February	Online application opens
Early March	Online application closes
Mid-March	Invite and obtain recommendations from two teaching staff (only if applicable)
Late March	Placement allocation (if applicable)
Late March	Deadline to accept exchange offer

Visit www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk for details about the application procedures, timeline and restrictions. The above timelines are subject to change without prior notice.



A person wearing a blue jacket, a blue helmet with goggles, and a camera around their neck is looking up at a massive, glowing blue ice formation. The scene is set in a cave or under a glacier, with the ice walls and ceiling creating a dramatic, ethereal atmosphere. The lighting is a deep blue, highlighting the textures of the ice.

Life-changing *Experience!*



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