



WELCOME ABOARD





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Welcome Aboard

is dedicated to all new students who are about to embark on a new chapter at The University of Hong Kong

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Welcome from the Dean of Student Affairs

It is my greatest pleasure to welcome you to join the family of The University of Hong Kong (HKU)! This will be a transformative and life-changing chapter in your life, but rest assured the Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS), along with other units in the University, will be here to support you to cope with challenges ahead.

This booklet showcases the support and services provided by the University for you to adapt to the new environment better. Make good use of this one-stop information hub to understand and take advantage of the available resources in order to achieve your personal and academic goals. Adjustment to university life may not be easy but I am certain you will find this journey rewarding.

We look forward to going on this voyage of discovery with you and creating a vibrant and inclusive campus. Have fun in the new academic year at HKU!

Professor Samson Tse

Dean of Student Affairs August 2021



Basic Curriculum Structure

All HKU undergraduate curricula have certain common learning experiences: the common core, the language component and the capstone experience. Students of professional curricula concentrates a significant portion of their remaining studies on the "professional core", while students of non-professional curricula are given large flexibility to design their own combination of majors, minors and electives within and outside their home Faculties.

Below are the general components of a typical four-year undergraduate curriculum:

Component	Courses	No. of Credits*
	Common Core	36 credits
Compulsory Courses	English	12 credits
	Chinese	6 credits
	Professional Core	108 – 186 credits
Specialisation	Major	72 – 96 credits (144 to 150 for BSc intensive majors)
	Minor	36 - 48 credits
Electives	Courses within or Remainder to outside home Faculties complete 240 cred	
Total no. of required credits	240 credits	

^{*} There are considerable new UG programmes with different curriculum designs and structures, such as the BASc 4-year programmes, double degree 5-year programmes and joint-university dual degree 4-year programmes. Check Faculty websites for details.

For more information on the curriculum structure, regulations and selection of major(s) and minor(s), please refer to the website of the Academic Advising Office (AAO) (aao.hku.hk).

Towards the end or after your first year at the University, you may consider going abroad for exchange studies and/or engage in experiential learning required by your course(s). You are therefore encouraged to visit the International Affairs Office (aal. hku.hk/studyabroad) to learn more about the support services to HKU's incoming and outgoing exchange students, the exchange opportunities, partner institutions, eligibility and application procedures etc. so that you can plan ahead for your studies. You can also find useful information on non-academic support such as visa from studentvisa.hku.hk and financial resources from CEDARS (cedars.hku.hk/cedars-financial-resources).

You are welcome to visit the Gallant Ho Experiential Learning Centre (*ghelc.hku.hk*) to find out more about the interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary learning projects.

If you wish to apply for a testimonial/transcript, you should submit an online application via HKU Portal by following the path: SIS Main Menu -> Online Applications -> Application for Testimonial/Transcript. The relevant instructions and user guides are available on the website of the Academic Services Office (ase.hku.hk/asoffice).

Study Plan and Course Selection

Formulate your study plan as soon as possible. You can do so by logging into HKU Portal, reviewing the course and timetable in the Student Information System (SIS), and devising a course selection plan for the coming academic year and a tentative study plan for the whole study period. Identify some backup courses (especially for elective courses and Common Core courses) just in case your preferred courses become full due to quota limitation. An E-academic planner for making a study plan is available on AAO's website (aao.hku.hk/eplanner). You can also visit aao.hku.hk/new-students/ for the Welcome Package for New Students, which includes useful information and resources on academic planning and course enrolment.

While you might not be required to declare your major/minor right away, if you are considering a particular major/minor programme, please make sure that you do not miss any pre-requisites that should be taken in your first year.

Pay attention to the dates of the course selection period and add/drop period and enroll your courses in SIS accordingly. Seek advice from your Faculty Office or AAO as necessary.

Please visit the website of AAO (aao.hku.hk/important-academic-dates) for the important academic dates.

Academic Advising

At HKU, academic advising helps you understand the aims of university education, the culture and ethos of learning, the available educational options and the paths that can be taken so that you can draw your own roadmaps to achieve your goals and monitor your own progress. Academic advising enables you to have greater satisfaction with your academic experience, better self-understanding and a sense of success in the achievement of personal and academic goals.

If you have any academic questions, one-on-one advising is available at AAO (booking.aao.hku.hk).

All first-year undergraduates will sign up/be allocated a Faculty Academic Adviser. You are encouraged to meet with your Faculty Academic Adviser to seek advice on different academic issues throughout your studies. Check who your adviser is in the "Student Centre" of HKU Portal and reach out to her/him.

Language Requirement and Pre-requisites

You are advised to pay attention in completing the language and pre-requisite course(s) required by your Faculty in your first year of study.

Some Faculties require students to complete certain introductory course(s) in the first year to facilitate smooth progression to senior years and better understanding of the subject in question. At the programme level, majors and minors may also require students to complete certain pre-requisite(s) in the first year. The failing of which may affect your taking of senior courses and declaration of the relevant major or minor. Please check with your Faculty for the details of the courses.

CAES1000 Core University English (CUE)

The Core University English (CUE) is a very important course for all first-year undergraduate students. It aims to help you develop the academic English language skills you will need to complete your university degree. The course develops your ability to understand and produce spoken and written academic texts, express academic ideas and concepts clearly and in a well-structured manner, and search for and use academic sources of information in your writing and speaking.

Learn more: youtu.be/sSA6oqQXYsY and learning.hku.hk/caes1000

Common Core Curriculum

The HKU Common Core Curriculum is the centerpiece of the undergraduate curriculum. It stimulates students' intellectual curiosity to explore issues of profound significance to humankind through four Areas of Inquiry (AoIs): Scientific and Technological Literacy, Arts and Humanities, Global Issues, and China: Culture, State and Society. Common Core courses are interdisciplinary in nature and are taught by professoriate staff from all Faculties.

Students of four-year curriculum are required to complete 36 credits of courses in the Common Core Curriculum, comprising at least one and not more than two courses from each AoI with not more than 24 credits of courses being selected within one academic year except where students are required to make up for failed credits. However, the number of courses required and the year and semester in which they are taken vary from programme to programme. You are advised to check with your home Faculty on your programme requirements for taking Common Core courses before choosing the courses.

Learn more: commoncore.hku.hk

Registration Procedure and Student Card

Registration procedure is listed in the Undergraduate Handbook (handbook.hku.hk/ug).

Internships and Other Learning Opportunities

HKU promotes a total learning experience approach which combines inside and outside classroom learning. Various units in HKU such as the Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS), the Centre for Sports and Exercise (CSE), etc. provide non-credit bearing, outside classroom learning opportunities to enable you to achieve the HKU educational aims, such as fostering your abilities in intercultural understanding, enhancing your awareness and commitment to global citizenship, and preparing you to be leaders and advocates for improvement of the human condition.

Here are some of the diverse learning opportunities at HKU.

Department/Network	Learning Opportunities	
CEDARS-Campus Life Section cedars.hku.hk/cl	Student financial management and investment workshops, training for student leaders and volunteer work opportunities	
CEDARS-Careers and Placement Section cedars.hku.hk/cp	Career advising, co-curricular programmes, entrepreneuri support, industry talks, training workshops, internships ar work placements	
CEDARS-Counselling and Person Enrichment Section cedars.hku.hk/cope	Person Enrichment (PE) workshops (Cross-cultural Speed Dating, Mindfulness Exercises for Wellbeing, Effective Public Speaking and Creative Leather Workshop, etc.), Peer Language Tutoring, Mental Health First Aid (MHFA) courses, trainings and service opportunities to students in supporting people with Special Educational Needs (SEN) to fully participate in daily life through SEN Peer Impact Network (PIN)	
CEDARS-General Education Team cedars.hku.hk/ge	Non-credit bearing co-curricular programmes for all students in whole-person education/arts & culture/creative & interactive/green & mindful learning activities	
CEDARS and Faith & Global Engagement leadforlife.hku.hk	Lead for Life (L4L), the HKU Character Leadership Programme	

Centre for Applied English Studies caes.hku.hk	One-to-one language support services and summer programmes
Centre for Sports and Exercise cse.hku.hk	Sports, health and fitness programmes
Chinese Language Centre clc.hku.hk	Putonghua and Cantonese courses, Chinese language and cultural courses
Gallant Ho Experiential Learning Centre (GHELC) ghelc.hku.hk	Experiential Learning Fund, generic workshops on issues such as cultural adjustment, work ethics and interactional skills
HKU Mentorship mentorship.hku.hk	Mentees have the chance to look beyond the classroom and learn from HKU Mentors who are professionals and experts from different walks of life
HKU Summer Institute summerinstitute.hku.hk	Summer programmes
Horizons Office tl.hku.hk/horizons	Experiential learning programmes beyond Hong Kong and financial support to students
International Affairs Office aal.hku.hk/studyabroad	Exchange programmes, Worldwide Plus Visiting Programmes, Short-term Abroad Partnerships, Short-term Abroad Opportunities, and Globalink Research Internship
Mainland Affairs Office mainlandaffairs.hku.hk	China Vision programmes and collaborative degree programmes with renowned universities in Mainland China

School of Modern Languages and Cultures smlc.hku.hk	European and Asian language courses
University Health Service www.uhs.hku.hk	Health education
University Libraries lib.hku.hk/general/instruction	Library courses to enhance your information literacy skills



Students Under 18

You may still be under the age of 18 at the time of admission to HKU. In this case, your parent/guardian is required to sign a consent form, without which the University may have difficulty in arranging some of the teaching and learning activities and accommodation for you.

You will be generally treated as an adult and are expected to lead your academic and social lives in HKU as other students do. We will correspond directly with you, but not your parents/guardians, on things related to you such as course enrolment, payment status of fees, academic status, results and grades, etc. Your parent/guardian will only be contacted in emergency or other situations where potential risks are involved.



Support for Students with Disabilities or Special Educational Needs (SEN)

CEDARS is committed to supporting students with disabilities or Special Educational Needs (SEN) in overcoming barriers and achieving successful university education. We are the one-stop service unit for students with physical and sensory disabilities, learning and developmental disabilities, mental illnesses, chronic medical illnesses or multiple disabilities.

We provide comprehensive service and support to facilitate your university adjustment and learning:

- · Accessible routing
- Information on campus facilities
- · Support for application for special housing arrangements
- Special classroom and examination arrangements
- · On-loan learning aids/equipment
- Information on funding resources to procure learning aids/equipment/services
- Peer support
- · Employment preparation
- Counselling service
- And more...

For more details about SEN support, please contact CEDARS-SEN Support.

Enquiries:

Tel: 3917 8388

Email: cedars-SEN@hku.hk

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/cope/sen-support





Smoke-free Campus

HKU is a smoke-free campus. Smoking is not allowed on campus, both indoors and outdoors.

Campus Facilities

Amenities Centres

CEDARS manages three amenities centres (cedars.hku.hk/campuslife/student-amenities). The facilities are open for use by students and staff as individuals or groups. Some facilities can be booked online for exclusive use. Priority is given to students, student societies, and student organised activities.

Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre Room 201, Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre Tel: 2859 8006 Email: cymac@hku.hk Mon to Fri: 9am - 7pm; Sat: 9am - 1pm	Multi-purpose room, meeting rooms, music rooms, band room, baby care room, shower rooms, exhibition counters, banner sites, student society rooms, supermarket, cafeteria, restaurant
Fong Shu Chuen Amenities Centre Room 1A06, Swire Building Tel: 2548 0074 Email: fscac@hku.hk Mon to Fri: 9am - 7pm; Sat: 9am - 1pm	Multi-purpose rooms, meeting rooms, party room, music rooms, prayer room, coffee lounge, photo studio/darkroom, restaurant, student society rooms, banner site, vCave
Pokfulam Amenities Centre Room 207, Pauline Chan Building, 10 Sassoon Road Tel: 3917 7543 Email: pflac@hku.hk Mon to Fri: 9am – 7pm	Music room, games room, baby care room, assembly hall/lobby, photocopying corner

Chong Yuet Ming Cultural Centre

Chong Yuet Ming Cultural Centre (CYMCC), is located on the 3/F and 4/F above the Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre on the Main Campus.

Studio 303 with a capacity of 148 seats, is an ideal performing venue for experimental performances in a variety of art forms, such as drama, dance, musical performance and theatrical workshop.

Busking area at 4/F is available for the use by student societies and groups. They are welcome to present activities such as band show, dance battle or orchestral performance during lunch time. Booking is free of charge. Please contact CYMCC for details.

Enquiries:

Room 201, Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre

Tel: 2859 8006

Email: cymcc@hku.hk

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/CYMCC



Food Map

Main Campus and Centennial Campus



1. Robert Black College Dining Hall

- Robert Black College, University Drive
- Chinese or Western set meal (table-serviced)

2. Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre Restaurant

- 4/F, Chong Yuet Ming Cultural Centre
- ★ Local fast food and Cha Chaan Teng
- 3. Café 330
- 2/F, Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre
- Hot meal, salads, sandwiches and coffee

4. Fong Shu Chuen Amenities Centre Restaurant

- 2/F, Fong Shu Chuen Amenities Centre
- ★ Local fast food and Asian food

5. Ebeneezer's Kebabs & Pizzeria

HKU Halal Food Corner

- 1/F, Fong Shu Chuen Amenities Centre
- ★ Halal food and beverages

6 SUBWAY

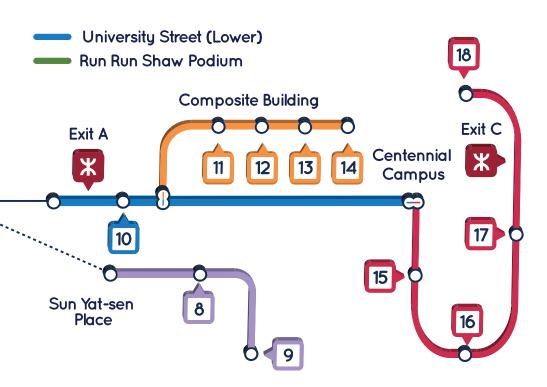
- Run Run Shaw Podium
- ★ Submarine sandwiches and beverages

7. Kiosk by The Sandwich Club

- Run Run Shaw Podium
- Bento boxes, pastries, sandwiches and salads

8. The Coffee Academics

- S/F, Library Building (Old Wing)
- Specialty coffee, sandwiches and salads



- 9. Big Pizza
- Main Library Covered Podium
- Halal Food Pizza and drinks

10. Union Restaurant

- 4/F, Haking Wong Building
- Local fast food and Asian food

11. Sweet Bandott

- G/F, Composite Building
- Japanese rice-ball, Japanese style meal box

12. Starbucks Coffee

- G/F, Composite Building
- ★ Coffee, pastries, sandwiches and salads

13. U Deli

- G/F, Composite Building
- Lunch boxes and beverages

14. Cafeteria by Favilla

- G/F, Composite Building
- Pour over coffee, Chinese and Western-style meals

Oliver's Super Sandwiches

- Q LG/F, The Jockey Club Tower, Centennial Campus
- Sandwiches, baked potato, pasta, salad and coffee

16. alfafa café

- 🤶 G/F, The Jockey Club Tower, Centennial Campus
- Pasta, sandwiches, salads, pastries and specialty coffee

17. Gourmet Asia

- 9 G/F, Run Run Shaw Tower, Centennial Campus
- Southeast Asia cuisine

18. BIJAS Vegetarian

- G/F, Run Run Shaw Tower, Centennial Campus
- Vegetarian food (Chinese cuisine)



Food Map

Sassoon Road Campus and Other Locations



Sassoon Road Campus



17. Bay View Restaurant

- LG/F, 6 Sassoon Road
- Local and western dishes

18. SUBWAY

- A Fan Pui Garden, LG/F, William M.W. Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road
- ★ Submarine sandwiches and beverages

19. 1887

- 2 7/F, William M.W. Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road
- ★ Western cuisines (table-serviced)

20. Cupping Room Coffee Roaster

- 9 G/F, William M.W. Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road
- ★ Specialty Coffee, pastries and hot food

21. Energy Café

- Pitch 3, Stanley Ho Sports Centre, Sandy Bay
- Rice, noodle, sandwiches, toast, sports drinks, beverages and snacks



Libraries

The HKU Libraries consists of the Main Library and six specialist branch libraries. The Main Library comprises an all-round collection of materials in arts, humanities, architecture, social sciences, and science and technology. The Libraries also has a rich collection of audio-visual materials and reserve materials, as well as the Special Collections which houses a unique collection of Hong Kong materials, rare books, pamphlets, and microforms. The other six specialist libraries are: Dental Library, Fung Ping Shan Library, Lui Che Woo Law Library, Music Library, Tin Ka Ping Education Library and Yu Chun Keung Medical Library. The Libraries provides photocopiers and laser printers for users to make a copy of documents for the purposes of research, private study, criticism or review. Located on the 3/F of the Main Library, Level 3 is a learning commons style facility providing a variety of spaces suitable for different learning styles including reflective self-study as well as collaborative study.

Learn more: lib.hku.hk



Learning Spaces

A variety of spaces are provided for individual and self-paced learning in the Learning Commons. These include quiet study areas, reading and lounging areas and individual workstations. Collaborative learning spaces are provided in the form of group study rooms, more traditionally styled work tables as well as diner booth style places that are well suited to group interactivity.

The Chi Wah Learning Commons, located at the podium levels of the Centennial Campus, offers modern learning facilities that encourages and facilitates individual and group study.

Learn more: www.les.hku.hk/teaching-learning/learning-space

Sports Facilities

Apart from offering a wide range of sports and fitness programmes, the Centre for Sports and Exercise (CSE) also manages the following sports facilities:

- · Flora Ho Sports Centre on Pokfulam Road
- Henry Fok Swimming Pool, Stanley Ho Sports Centre at Sandy Bay
- 4 Fitness Centres in Flora Ho Sports Centre, Henry Fok Health and Fitness Complex, the ACTIVE (Centennial Campus) and the HKU B-Active (Shek Tong Tsui)
- · 6 Tennis courts at Stanley Ho Sports Centre

Learn more: cse.hku.hk

Computing and Network Facilities

Information Technology Services (ITS) provides comprehensive information technology services such as HKU Portal, procedures on connecting to HKU Campus Network and email service etc.

You may visit ITS Service Desk on the 1/F of Library Building (Old Wing) or send email to *ithelp@hku.hk* for assistance in using the central computing and network services.

Learn more: its.hku.hk

Daily Life Necessities

Lockers

All HKU students with a valid HKU Portal account are eligible to use e-lockers. E-lockers are for temporary storage up to a maximum of 7 consecutive calendar days with the rental fee of HK\$1 per hour. Renting of the e-locker is on a first-come-first-served basis, supported by the mobile app called "uLock@hku". A number of existing traditional lockers will be available for application by full-time undergraduate students for longer term use of up to one academic year. Students can apply for the traditional lockers by a central application system by random ballot.

Learn more: handbook.hku.hk/ug/full-time-2021-22/student-services/lockers

Shuttle Bus Service

The Estates Office operates shuttle bus service for students to travel among various campuses and offices. The service is restricted to HKU students and staff only, thus passengers are required to present their student/staff cards for identification purpose.

Learn more: www.estates.hku.hk/our-services/facility-management/transportation-services/shuttle-bus-service#App

KMB Fare Saver Kiosk

KMB Fare Saver Kiosk is located at the bridge linking K.K. Leung Building and Knowles Building. By swiping your Adult/Student Octopus card, you can enjoy a HK\$4 fare discount for taking two bus trips.

Banking

The majority of banks are closed on Saturday afternoon and public holidays. There are two banks on the Main Campus, with details as follows:

HSBC

G/F, Run Run Shaw Building, Main Campus Tel: 2233 3000 Mon – Thu: 9am - 4:30pm

Fri: 9am - 5pm Sat and Sun: Closed

Bank of East Asia

Shop P0030, G/F, Centennial Campus Tel: 3609 1812

Mon – Fri: 9am - 5pm Sat and Sun: Closed There are a few ATM machines on campus, respectively located at the Haking Wong Podium, Run Run Shaw Podium and on the Centennial Campus.

Supermarket

The nearest wet market is the Shek Tong Tsui Market (about 10-minute walk from Hill Road).

There is one mini PARKnSHOP located on the 2/F of the Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre. A larger International by PARKnSHOP can be found on 37-47 Bonham Road (about 10-minute walk from the Main Campus). Nearby a Wellcome can be found on 62 Bonham Road. Another larger Wellcome Superstore is at the Westwood (8 Belcher's Street).

Bookstore and Stationery

The Hong Kong University Press Bookshop (Tel: 3917 7815) is located on the G/F of Run Run Shaw Heritage House (next to the Visitor and Information Centre), Centennial Campus.

A co-op store selling stationery and souvenirs is located on the 1/F of Composite Building.

Photocopying

In addition to the facilities in your Faculty, there are a few areas, with photocopying machines available for general use:

- 1/F and 2/F (CPD-1 and CPD-2) of the Chi Wah Learning Commons
- The Main Library and branch libraries (Octopus-card operated photocopying machines are available in each library. Library patrons should observe the copyright ordinance when making photocopies for research or teaching purposes.)
- Room 420, 4/F, Knowles Building (Knowles Digital Centre Ltd.)
- Printing Shop, 1/F, Composite Building
- Shops along Bonham Road and Pokfulam Road (They provide reliable services at reasonable price. Some of them even offer binding services.)

Postal Services

There is a posting box on the Main Campus situated on the LG 2/F of Knowles Building. The nearest Post Office is Sai Ying Pun Post Office (27 Pokfulam Road, Tel: 2921 2222), 5-minute walk from the east gate of the Main Campus.

Postage varies with weight and destination. Visit *hongkongpost.hk* for details.

Baby Care Rooms

Facilities such as washrooms with baby-changing table at the amenities centres, and baby care rooms at the Chong Yuet Ming Amenities Centre, The Jockey Club Tower and William M.W. Mong Block are available to parent students, staff and visitors during their time on campus.

Newspapers

Local newspapers and magazines are available at the Dental Library, the Yu Chun Keung Medical Library and the Lui Che Woo Law Library.

Selected overseas newspapers for the latest two months are kept on the 1/F New Wing of the Main Library. You may also view the e-newspapers at the two E-newspaper Stations in the Breakout Zone, Level 3 of the Main Library or access online news collections subscribed by the Libraries through the Library website at lib.hku.hk.

Fax

The Amenities Centres offer local fax services to all students, though charges may be levied. Some stationery shops and printing companies around campus also provide fax services.

University Health Service

All entitled students may use the University Health Service (UHS).

Students with disability affecting their university life should report to the UHS and CEDARS so that arrangement could be made for the need of special assistance during their time at the University.

The following services are provided by or arranged through the UHS:

- Primary medical care on 2/F, Meng Wah Complex. Preventive, elective and expensive items are provided at a charge
- Specialist care and hospital care at the public specialist clinic or public ward of Government hospitals by referral (for full-time students only and excluding any maternity care)
- Dental service on 3/F, Meng Wah Complex at a charge
- Preventive measures including Travel Health Service, Wellness Check-up, Well Woman Check-up and vaccinations at a charge
- Physiotherapy on the referral of UHS physicians at a charge
- Health education in the form of individual advice, classes/workshops, exhibitions, web information, posters and pamphlets
- · Medical aids, equipment and appliances may be provided at a charge

Students who are unable to attend any scheduled appointment should notify the relevant receptionist as soon as possible. In the case of Dental, Physiotherapy, medical checkup, Travel Health Service and long consultation appointments, at least 24 hours' notice must be given for any cancellation, or else a penalty fee would be charged.

All non-local students are advised to purchase medical insurance to cover the cost of specialist consultation and hospitalisation.

Students' family members are not entitled to the UHS services.

Learn more: www.uhs.hku.hk

General Enquiries	3917 2501
Medical Appointments	2549 4686
Dental Appointments/Enquiries	2859 2511
Web Appointment Booking	www.uhs.hku.hk/appoint/appointment-m.php



CEDARS, your student service and resources centre, AND your co-curricular learning hub

The Centre of Development and Resources for Students, or more popularly known as CEDARS, provides comprehensive student services such as housing, financial support, career preparation, professional counselling, as well as a spectrum of co-curricular learning and serving opportunities.

Financial Management and Financial Assistance

Government Financial Assistance

Eligible students who need financial support to their university studies are encouraged to apply for the Tertiary Student Finance Scheme and the Non-means-tested Loan Scheme administered by the Student Finance Office.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/finance/govt.html

University Financial Assistance

University funds, available to local students, are in general used to supplement Government Grants and Loans. Applications are invited in early September each year. Emergency assistance is also available throughout the year.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/finance/ufa.html

HKUFresh\$3000 is a subsidy (HK\$3,000) provided to eligible local full-time undergraduates newly admitted to HKU to cover some of the immediate expenses. Applicants must be in receipt of the HKSAR Comprehensive Social Security Assistance prior to their entry into the University.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/finance/3000.php

The First-in-the-Family Education Fund (FIFE Fund) supports full-degree first year local undergraduate students who are the first generation of university students with financial needs

Learn more: www.fife.hku.hk

You will be introduced to all these financial options at CEDARS' orientation talk "Financing Your University Studies".

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/campuslife/talkonfinance

Residential Halls, Residential Colleges and Student Residences Halls (mainly for undergraduate students) and Residential Colleges (for undergraduate and postgraduate students in UGC-funded programmes)

At HKU, residential education forms part of the proud tradition of the University. They are part of the education system rather than a mere provision of accommodation. As members of halls and colleges have to learn to be independent and interact closely with students of various backgrounds under the same roof, halls are a community of students seeking social and intellectual enrichment.

Undergraduate students can apply to one of the undergraduate Halls and Residential Colleges. Amongst these 17 student residences, two of them are financially and administratively independent.

HKU halls are known for their strong hall spirit. Members identify strongly with their halls. Each hall has its own tradition, culture and unique characteristics. Hall members are expected to participate in various activities.

The four HKU Residential Colleges have 1,800 places for undergraduate and postgraduate students. They have strong representations of local, mainland and overseas students. There is a lot of in-depth cultural exchange. Students have very close engagement with the neighbourhood community.

All Halls and Residential Colleges have common rooms and recreational facilities and quiet study area. Toilet facilities are communal. Other accommodation options include university-administered non-hall housing and off-campus private accommodation.

Please refer to the website of CEDARS-Campus Life Section (cedars.hku.hk/cl) for applications and other information.

The table lists out the websites of the HKU Undergraduate Halls and Residential Colleges:

Lady Ho Tung Hall	91A Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/hotung
Lee Hysan Hall	6B Sassoon Road	hku.hk/leehysan

Lee Shau Kee Hall	109 Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/lskhall	
Morrison Hall	109 Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/morrison	
R.C. Lee Hall	6A Sassoon Road	hku.hk/rclhall	
Ricci Hall	93 Pokfulam Road hku.hk/ricci		
Simon K.Y. Lee Hall	On Main Campus (Pokfulam Road)	hku.hk/skylee	
St. John's College	82 Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/stjohns	
Starr Hall	91B Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/starr	
Suen Chi Sun Hall	109 Pokfulam Road hku.hk/scsweb		
Swire Hall	On Main Campus (90 Bonham Road)	hku.hk/swire	
University Hall	144 Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/uhall	
Wei Lun Hall	6D Sassoon Road	hku.hk/weilun	
Residential Colleges: Shun Hing College Chi Sun College Lap-Chee College New College	9 Lung Wah Street	www.jockeyv3.hku.hk www.shunhingcollege.hku.hk www.chisuncollege.hku.hk www.lapcheecollege.hku.hk www.newcollege.hku.hk	

Postgraduate Student Residences

Postgraduates can apply to the following Halls and Residential Colleges. Application procedure and other details can be found at *cedars.hku.hk/cl*.

The table lists out the websites of the HKU Postgraduate Student Residences:

Graduate House	All postgraduates	On Main Campus (University Drive)	gradhse.hku.hk
St. John's College (postgraduate wing)	All postgraduates	82 Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/stjohns
Morrison Hall	UGC-funded programmes only	109 Pokfulam Road	hku.hk/morrison
Residential Colleges: Shun Hing College Chi Sun College Lap-Chee College New College	UGC-funded programmes only	9 Lung Wah Street	www.jockeyv3.hku.hk www.shunhingcollege.hku.hk www.chisuncollege.hku.hk www.lapcheecollege.hku.hk www.newcollege.hku.hk

University-administered Non-hall Housing

Apart from Halls and Residential Colleges, the University also administers a number of flat-type residences for students.

Student Flats (Undergraduate students)

There are 12 Student Flats (72 bedspaces) at 6 Sassoon Road. Each flat accommodates eight students and is self-contained with its own air-conditioned living room, bedrooms, bathroom, kitchen, washing machine and separate main entrance. It is connected to the HKU Campus Network with data ports for internet access in all rooms.

Ching Lin Terrace Residence (Undergraduate and postgraduate students)

Ching Lin Terrace Residence is a nine-storey flat-type residence, most of which features single rooms, houses 126 students. It also features 21 double-bed rooms in some selected flats for postgraduate students bringing their spouses. It is within walking distance to the Main Campus.

Off-Campus Private Accommodation

Privately Rented Accommodation

If you do not want to reside in the university administered student residences, you can choose to find your own apartment or share a flat with your friends or other HKU students. Information on vacant flats and rooms can be found in local newspapers, real estate agencies or from the website of CEDARS. CEDARS gathers information on rooms and flats available for renting in the vicinity of the campus. The information is posted on an intranet database (intranet.hku.hk/osa/app/accom02.form) where all HKU members can get access to easily. CEDARS also compiles a monthly statistical report on rental information. Guidelines on signing a tenancy agreement are listed at cedars.hku.hk/housing.

As a general rule, the landlord will request the tenant to pay a two-month rental deposit and demand a contract that will last for a year or more. Places advertised in the newspapers are generally arranged by real estate agencies and they will levy a commission fee.

Bursary Scheme

CEDARS introduces "Bursary Scheme for Outside Accommodation" to non-local undergraduate students to enrich their residential experience at HKU. Students can understand more about and be better integrated into the local community. If a few students come together to rent an apartment, they can also learn to take care of and collaborate with one another. For details, please contact the CEDARS-Campus Life Section (cedars.housing@hku.hk).

HKU Home - Housing Enquiry Sessions

If you are interested in renting a flat near the University or finding a classmate to share a flat with you, visit and meet CEDARS staff at the enquiry sessions. The sessions aim to provide you with private accommodation information, gather students who want to find housemates to rent a flat together and provide information of property agencies near HKU if needed. For enquiry, please contact the CEDARS-Campus Life Section (cedars.housing@hku.hk).

Careers and Placement

CEDARS-Careers and Placement Section is committed to nurturing students to

become global talent possessing professional competencies and entrepreneurial mindset. It also collaborates closely with employers and community partners to

identify and recruit high calibre graduates to create values for their organisations

and the community.

It offers a wide range of high quality programmes, services and resources which

support and empower students to explore and select suitable career options,

acquire essential skills for workplace success, pursue a personally rewarding

career and make positive impact on society.

Stay tuned to the daily emails and website for news, workshops and events.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/cp

Counselling and Person Enrichment

CEDARS-Counselling and Person Enrichment Section (CEDARS-CoPE) is committed

to empowering students to develop social capability and emotional resilience, to capitalise on their character strengths, and to live a fulfilling and psychologically

healthy life so that they are able to achieve personal success, overcome life challenges and contribute to the community by demonstrating integrity, sensitivity

and leadership.

You are welcome to try Psychometer, an online platform of psychological tests

on university adjustment, learning, social life, personality strengths, mental

health etc., to gain a better self-understanding and identify ways to achieve

a fruitful university life. Through these tests, you can have a more vivid selfreflection. You may use this for setting realistic goals for your university years

and make practical plans for self-improvement. Visit psyax.cedars.hku.hk to start

your journey of self-understanding.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/cope

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Language - Social Communication Enhancement

Striking up conversation with a stranger may be difficult. Pair up with your peers to brush up your language skills and enhance your confidence.

"Peer English Tutoring" connects you with a native or near-native English speaking Language Partner to practise conversational English in a stress-free environment. Spoken English is made easy by chatting about food, movies, travel and music.

"Survival Cantonese" provides practice sessions conducted by Cantonese Student Tutors to cover essential day-to-day "Survival Cantonese" phrases for non-Cantonese speakers. It is ideal for newly arrived non-Cantonese speakers.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/cope/peer

Support to Student Groups

CEDARS offers support to individual student societies and groups in various ways from time to time. Under the umbrella of Support to Student Groups, for a maximum of three years, supported student groups which are not bona fide student societies of the Students' Union are able to enjoy services including booking of rooms and facilities; advertising through posting on various CEDARS publicity channels; advice on financial management/strategies (not involving any financial transaction); and advice on event management.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/support-to-student-groups

Tips on Adjustment

You are about to begin your university education at HKU. This transition involves some stress, but it provides opportunities for personal growth.

Treasure any new experience as a learning opportunity and appreciate differences to enrich your university life.

Tips on Enjoying University Life

- 1. Make use of your freedom and autonomy wisely: explore and experiment with caution and self-discipline.
- 2. Improve yourself: set realistic goals at the beginning of each semester and monitor your progress regularly.
- **3.** Manage your time efficiently: use a daily planner to prioritise and schedule your tasks.
- **4.** Learn actively: participate in class and dialogue with professors, discuss with peers, read and reflect.
- **5.** Broaden your perspective: learn about local and world issues by reading news and participating in discussions and campaigns.
- **6.** Maintain good health: exercise and relax daily, eat properly and get enough sleep.
- 7. Expand your social support network: make friends from all backgrounds, join student societies, participate in social activities and keep in touch with friends and family.
- 8. Check how well adjusted you are to university life regularly through taking assessments at Psychometer (psyax.cedars.hku.hk) and contact CEDARS-Counselling and Person Enrichment Section (Tel: 3917 8388) when any need arises.
- **9.** Visit *cedars.hku.hk/fye* for upcoming activities specially designed for first-year students.
- 10. Bookmark *cedars.hku.hk* for student resources, career planning, adjustment advice, information on service opportunities, educational funds and programmes, leaders' resources, general education and other co-curricular programmes.

Student Groups and Networks

In HKU, there are around 130 student organisations and each with distinctive objectives and functions that cater to the diverse interest of the student population. Serving from Undergraduates to Postgraduates, we have various categories of student bodies in service: Faculty and Academic Societies, Hall Students' Associations, Sports Clubs, Cultural Clubs, Independent Clubs and Postgraduate Student Association (PGSA).

A list of student associations, clubs and societies is available at cedars.hku.hk/campuslife/societiesactivities/associations

More about PGSA: www.pgsa.hku.hk

iMAP

iMAP is an online social networking platform for the HKU community exclusively. Members can search for private accommodation nearby, look for flatmates and other fellow students by interest, talent, nationality, current location and overseas experience etc. They can also stay in touch with the rest of the HKU community and share their travel experience while abroad.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/imap

University Support Under COVID-19

To assist members of the HKU community during the challenges and fast-moving developments brought about by the outbreak in Hong Kong, the COVID-19 Info Hub is a resource centre that brings together updates, information and advice related to the University's activities.

Learn more: covid19.hku.hk

The COVID-19 pandemic has had a significant impact on many aspects of student life. Browse and share the GEARING UP website for the vital information and resources to gear up your psychological well-being, career skill sets, physical fitness and healthy living in times of COVID-19.

Learn more: covid19gearingup.hku.hk

Equal Opportunities

HKU is committed to creating, promoting and maintaining an environment for staff and students which provides equality of opportunity, and which is free of any discrimination and harassment. We support equal opportunity and strongly oppose discrimination/harassment. We will take whatever action which may be needed to prevent, and if necessary, discipline behaviour which violates the Equal Opportunity Policy.

Learn more: www.eounit.hku.hk

Handling Discrimination/Harassment Complaints

Our Equal Opportunity Policy forbids discrimination/harassment in activities carried out in the course of employment, education, provision of goods and services, or other activities organised by the offices of the University. Procedures for handling complaints of discrimination and harassment can be found on the website of the Equal Opportunity Unit.

Learn more: www.eounit.hku.hk/images/content/complaints-enquiries/Procedures-for-Handling-Discrimination-Harassment-Complaints.pdf

Parenting Needs

Facilities such as washrooms with baby-changing table at the amenities centres, and baby care rooms on the Main Campus, Centennial Campus and Sassoon Road Campus are available to parent students during their time on campus.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/campuslife/student-amenities/baby-care-rooms

Procedures for the Resolutions of Grievances of Students

We have a set of procedures for students who wish to make a complaint on an administrative or academic matter. To learn more, please visit *handbook. hku.hk/ug* and refer to Appendix K of the Undergraduate Handbook Section for information.

Religious Needs

The Halal Food Corner is not merely a catering space for the Muslim community on campus, it is also a platform for promotion of cultural diversity and interaction among university members. A multi-faith prayer room for students and staff members is also available on 1/F of Fong Shu Chuen Amenities Centre. It offers an option for those who are in need of special praying venue during the day.

Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT)

CEDARS is committed to fostering a diverse campus to enrich your learning experience at HKU. It takes an affirmative approach on gender diversity.

CEDARS-Counselling and Person Enrichment Section (CEDARS-CoPE) provides counselling service and welcomes anyone with struggles or questions on sexuality or gender identity, to speak with their psychologists or counsellors. It also advocates sexual diversity on campus through talks and activities.

Learn more about the counselling and psychological services: cedars.hku.hk/cope

Sustainability

The Sustainability Office works to collaboratively develop, strengthen and realise HKU's institutional vision, commitments, and goals to integrate principles of sustainability into all aspects of the University's facilities, operations, and activities.

With the implementation of the Disposable Plastic Free Campus Policy from September 2020, the sale of single-use plastic bottled beverages of one litre or less in volume were banned at all campus catering outlets, retail outlets and vending machines. Disposable plastic food service ware are not sold and distributed at campus catering outlets as well. The University will continue reducing the use of disposable single-use plastics across the campuses and events

Learn more: www.estates.hku.hk/eo-general/sustainability



HKU provides physical and mental health services and financial assistance to students who are in urgent need.

University Health Service (UHS)

Emergency Medical Services

2/F and 3/F, Meng Wah Complex

Mon to Fri: 8:40am – 5pm; Sat: 8:25am – 12:45pm

Emergency: 3917 1999*

Dental Emergencies: 2859 2511*

* Support is only available during office hours

When the clinic is closed, please go to the nearest Accident and Emergency Department at Queen Mary Hospital, 102 Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong

Learn more: www.uhs.hku.hk and www.safety.hku.hk/homepage/pdf/RfME.pdf

CEDARS-Counselling and Person Enrichment Section (CoPE)

Counselling Service

Room 301-323, 3/F, Main Building

Mon to Thu: 9am - 5:45pm; Fri: 9am - 6pm; Sat: 9am - 1pm

To make an appointment, please call 3917 8388, email cedars-cope@hku.hk or visit Room 301-323, 3/F, Main Building.

During after-office hours, please go to the nearest medical doctor or Accident and Emergency Department at the hospital for immediate support.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/cope

CEDARS-Campus Life Section

University Financial Assistance - Emergency Assistance

3/F, Meng Wah Complex

Call CEDARS at 3917 2305 for an appointment to meet a Student Advising Officer for assessment of your needs.

Estates Office

24-hour Security Control Centre

Room 310, 3/F, Pao Siu Loong Building

Tel: 3917 2882

Learn more: www.satetv.hku.hk/homepage/pdt/EP.pdt

You may also find the following useful:

Lost and Found Tel: 3917 2883

Public Health, Pandemic and Epidemic Diseases Preparedness and Response:

Insurance Coverage

The University has a standard insurance coverage for students. Information on the insurance coverage can be found in the undergraduate and postgraduate handbooks. For details on the insurance coverage, please contact the Finance and Enterprises Office through email at feo-insurance@hku.hk or login to your HKU Portal account to find out more information about HKU's Travel Insurance by following the path: SIS Menu -> Financial Services -> FEO Info and Hotlines -> Finance and Enterprises Office -> Insurance Information for Students.

You should note that the University would only provide standard travel insurance coverage, and would not insure any personal cash or property of students in any circumstances. If additional or special insurance coverage is required, it is entirely up to the student concerned to make personal arrangement at own expense.

Emergency Assistance When Travel Overseas

HKU has engaged the Inter Partner Assistance Hong Kong Ltd. ("IPA") to provide general assistance, local information such as nearby clinic/pharmacy, police station, translation services, etc., or travel advice to all HKU students. The IPA 24/7 Assistance Center hotline is +852 2861 9266, HKU membership number is "39379". Students are strongly advised to create an account using HKU email address at accounts.travel-eye-axa.com/en/registration/110621 before travelling out of Hong Kong. A quick access to the IPA assistance could be downloaded at cedars.hku.hk/IPAaccess. IPA is NOT an insurance company to provide compensations or financial support under the insurance terms.

Subject to the terms, conditions and exclusions of HKU's Group Travel Insurance Policy, for request of urgent/emergency assistance such as deposit guarantee for hospital admission, immediate medical care and/or hospitalisation for bodily injury or sickness, or emergency rescue (medical related), etc., students should contact Zurich (the insurer)'s 24-hour Emergency Assistance Service Hotline at +852 2886 3977 and quote HKU policy number (TTT0001673ZC) for assistance.

Learn more: cedars.hku.hk/overseasemergencyassistance

Faculty Offices

Faculty of Architecture 4/F, Knowles Building

Tel: 3917 2149

Email: faculty@arch.hku.hk

Faculty of Arts Room 4.05, 4/F, Run Run Shaw Tower,

Centennial Campus Tel: 3917 8977 Email: arts@hku.hk

HKU Business School 4/F, K.K. Leung Building

Tel: 3917 5343

Email: fbeinfo@hku.hk

Faculty of Dentistry Prince Philip Dental Hospital,

34 Hospital Road, Sai Ying Pun

Room 501, 5/F, Haking Wong Building

Tel: 2859 0390

Email: dental@hku.hk

Faculty of Education Room 420, 4/F, Meng Wah Complex

Tel: 3917 6044

Email: edfac@hku.hk

Faculty of Engineering

Tel: 3917 2803

Email: enggfac@hku.hk

Faculty of Law 10/F, Cheng Yu Tung Tower,

Centennial Campus Tel: 3917 2951

Email: lawfac@hku.hk

Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine 6/F, William M.W. Mong Block,

21 Sassoon Road Tel: 3917 9175

Email: medfac@hku.hk

Faculty of Science G/F, Chong Yuet Ming Physics Building

Tel: 3917 2683

Email: science@hku.hk

Faculty of Social Sciences 11/F, The Jockey Club Tower,

Centennial Campus

Tel: 3917 1234 / 3917 1235 Email: socsc@hku.hk

University Offices

Academic Advising Office Room 212, 2/F, Knowles Building

Tel: 3917 0128

Email: aaoffice@hku.hk

Academic Services Office Room G-04, Run Run Shaw Building

Tel: 2859 2433

Email: asoffice@hku.hk

Common Core Office Room 136, 1/F, Main Building

Tel: 2219 4957

Email: commoncore@hku.hk

Equal Opportunity Unit Room 107, 1/F, Main Building

Tel: 3917 1768

Email: eounit@hku.hk

Finance and Enterprises Office 1/F, Knowles Building

Tel: 2859 2337 (Student Matters)

Email: feo_student@hku.hk

Graduate School Room P403, Graduate House

Tel: 2857 3470

Email: gradsch@hku.hk

Horizons Office Room 136, 1/F, Main Building

Tel: 2857 8539

Email: horizons@hku.hk

Information Technology Services General Enquiry Counter and Service

Desk: 1/F, Library Building (Old Wing)

Tel: 3917 0123

Email: ithelp@hku.hk

International Affairs Office 9/F, Knowles Building

Email: goabroad@hku.hk

(HKU Study Abroad Programmes) /

exchange@hku.hk
(Incoming Programmes)

Mainland Affairs Office 9/F, Knowles Building

Email: mainlandaffairs@hku.hk

Scholarships Office 9/F, Knowles Building

Tel: 2219 4422

Email: scholarships@hku.hk

Security Control Centre Room 310, 3/F, Pao Siu Loong Building

Tel: 3917 2882 (24-hour) Email: eosecure@hku.hk

University Health Service 2/F and 3/F, Meng Wah Complex

Tel: 2549 4686 (Medical Appointment) 2859 2511 (Dental Appointment)

Email: uhealth@hku.hk

Centre of Development and Resources for Students

Campus Life Section 3/F, Meng Wah Complex

Tel: 3917 2305

Email: cedars@hku.hk

Careers and Placement Section 3/F, Meng Wah Complex

Tel: 3917 2317

Email: careers@hku.hk

Counselling and Room 301-323, 3/F, Main Building

Person Enrichment Section Tel: 3917 8388

Email: cedars-cope@hku.hk

General Education Team Room 240, 2/F, Main Building

Tel: 3917 5044

Email: gened@hku.hk

Libraries

Main Library Main Library

Tel: 3917 2203 Email: libis@hku.hk

Dental Library 5/F and 6/F, Prince Philip Dental

Hospital, Sai Ying Pun

Tel: 2859 0402 Email: denlib@hku.hk

Fung Ping Shan Library 4/F – 6/F, Main Library

Tel: 3917 2203

Email: fpslib@hku.hk

Lui Che Woo Law Library 1/F and 2/F, Cheng Yu Tung Tower,

Centennial Campus Tel: 3917 2914 Email: lawlib@hku.hk

Music Library 11/F, Run Run Shaw Tower,

Centennial Campus Tel: 3917 2218

Email: muslib@hku.hk

Tin Ka Ping Education Library 8/F, Meng Wah Complex

Tel: 3917 2205 Email: edulib@hku.hk

Yu Chun Keung Medical Library LG1, William M.W. Mong Block,

21 Sassoon Road Tel: 3917 9215

Email: medlib@hku.hk

Main Campus Map



Hongkong Post

Sai Ying Pun Post Office, 27 Pokfulam Road







Bookstore





Photocopying



Supermarket / Convenience Store

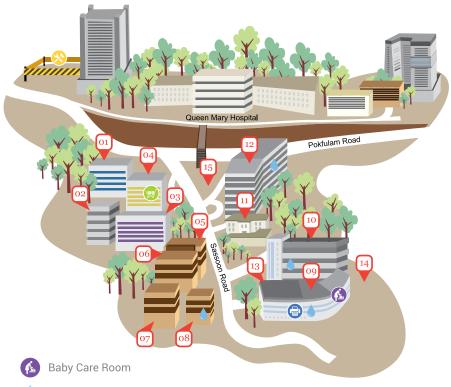
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KMB Fare Saver Kiosk





Sassoon Road Campus Map





Filtered Water



Photocopying



Supermarket / Convenience Store



Construction of New Block



Wei Lun Hall



Madam S.H. Ho Residence for Medical Students



Lee Hysan Hall



R.C. Lee Hall



Dexter H.C. Man Building



Laboratory Animal Unit



Estates Building



Pauline Chan Building



William M.W. Mong Block



Laboratory Block (Jockey Club Clinical Research Centre)



Patrick Manson Student Residence



HKJC Bldg. for Interdisciplinary Research



Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine



Annex Building (under construction)



Academic Building at No.3 Sassoon Road (under construction)

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High Table:

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