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Student Exchange

Student Exchange Programmes



Students from our partner institutions are welcome to join us at EdUHK for one semester or one academic year through the Student Exchange Programmes (SEP). Exchange students are allowed to select courses across the University's faculties and beyond their own major discipline.

Academic Information

Subject Areas

- Chinese History
- Chinese Language
- Creative Arts and Culture
- Early Childhood Education
- Education
- English Language

- Environmental Studies
- Geography
- Global Studies
- Hong Kong Studies
- Humanities
- Information and Communication Technology

- Language Studies
- Mathematics
- Physical Education
- Psychology
- Science
- Social Sciences
- Special Education





Most but not all courses at EdUHK are taught in English. Exchange students are strongly advised to pay attention to the medium of instruction.



Upon completion of exchange study at EdUHK, official
transcripts will be posted to students' home institutionsExchange students must take a minimum of 12 credits (four
courses) but not exceed 15 credits (five courses) per semester.
At EdUHK:

EdUHK may withhold a student's transcript if there are outstanding charges.



Exchange students can select any courses from the course offering list available in GAO website as long as the pre-requisite requirements are fulfilled.



- Each course is worth three credits (unless otherwise specified)
- One credit normally equates to one hour of teaching per week, over 13 teaching weeks in a semester
- Each course is equivalent to 39 contact hours

Housing

Exchange students are guaranteed to be placed in one of the on-campus residential hostels.

Academic Calendar



Eligibility and Application Procedures

Momination

Applicants must be nominated by their home institutions and they should have completed at least two semesters at their home institution.

Grade Point Average

Applicants must be in good academic standing at their home institution with minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale or equivalent.

English Proficiency

Applicants who are not native English speakers will need to fulfil one of the language requirements and provide documentary evidence when submitting their applications.

Application Procedures



Application Deadline

| Semester 1 (Fall) | Semester 2 (Spring |
|-------------------|--------------------|
| Late April | Mid-October |



| | Language Requirements |
|------------------|---|
| TOEFL iBT® | Minimum: 80 |
| IELTS Academic | Minimum: Overall band of 6 |
| Home Institution | A letter / signed declaration from the home institution's International Office certifying English proficiency |





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International Teacher Training Programme

EdUHK provides a great opportunity for students from overseas partner institutions to gain classroom experience in another cultural setting through its International Teacher Training Programme (ITTP).

Build Your Practical Knowledge

Participants will become teaching assistants (student-teachers) at one of EdUHK's affiliated schools on a training attachment lasting for at least five weeks within the semester.



Host Schools on Campus

Student-teachers can put theories and initiatives into practice and discover differences and similarities with students in their own country.

EdUHK Early Childhood Learning Centre (ECLC)

This on-campus learning centre is a pre-school education centre for around 160 children aged from one to six. The centre is a proponent of family-school-community collaboration and strives to bring out the potential of each individual child in a fun and inspirational learning and teaching environment. The centre is an active contributor to pre-school teacher education in Hong Kong, with strong support from EdUHK's Department of Early Childhood Education.

EdUHK Hong Kong Jockey Club Primary School (JCPS)

This lively school provides quality education for all-round development of students and it has a child-centred curriculum which caters for individual differences. The school adopts small-class teaching, cooperative learning and co-teaching in some lessons to inspire students to learn and strive for excellence. Students are also encouraged to participate in extended learning activities to foster their interests in non-academic areas and strengthen their abilities.

Scope of Training

Student-teachers will work alongside experienced local teachers and the ITTP includes but is not limited to the following areas:

- class observation
- classroom teaching and management
- day-to-day management of school operations
- planning and organising extra-curricular activities
- curriculum planning
- event management

Fraining Visa

Each of the student-teachers will apply for a training visa, Student-teachers joining the ITTP are counted towards the balance under the Student Exchange Agreement. In other words, student-teachers CANNOT take any courses.



Supervision and Assessment

Participants' home institutions are responsible for specifying supervision and assessment requirements. All assessment forms should be provided by the home institutions in advance.

University Community

Like other exchange students, on-campus accommodation is guaranteed for student-teachers. They are also welcome to take part in excursions and activities organised by the University.

Exchange Quota

Visa Application **and**

Eligibility and Application Procedures

Momination and Selection

Applicants must be nominated by their home institutions and they should be studying education-related disciplines with good academic performance.

Admission to the programme is subject to the host schools. Applicants may be invited for interview when necessary.

English Proficiency

Applicants who are not native English speakers will need to fulfil one of the language requirements and provide documentary evidence when submitting their applications.

| | Language Requirements |
|------------------|---|
| TOEFL iBT® | Minimum: 80 |
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| Home Institution | A letter / signed declaration from the home institution's International Office certifying English proficiency |

No Criminal/Sexual Convictions

Prospective student-teachers will need to provide an English certificate of no criminal/sexual convictions from their home country.

Application Procedures



Application Deadline

| Semester 1 (Fall) | Semester 2 (Spring) |
|-------------------|---------------------|
| Late March | Late September |



Visa Application

Prospective students must apply for a valid study visa or training visa through the Global Affairs Office (GAO) after being admitted to the programmes. There is a non-refundable and non-transferrable fee for visa application. Payment should be settled by credit card.

It normally takes at least six weeks to process a visa application. Once a visa is issued, it will be delivered to the applicant's correspondence address or home institution by courier. The visa label should be attached to the passport immediately.

and Insurance





Students must arrange travel and health insurance covering the entire period of stay in Hong Kong. Insurance should cover (but is not limited to) travel, personal accident, medical expenses (accident and non-accident), hospitalisation and emergency evacuation/repatriation.

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Accommodation and **Cost of Living**

Accommodation

EdUHK has four on-campus residential hostels offering two types of living quarters. They can opt for a twin or triple bedroom in one of the student residential halls or a 9-person or 12-person shared flat in the Jockey Club Student Quarters.

| Hostels | Room Type | Facilities | Inside the Bedroom |
|--|-------------------------------|--|--------------------------------------|
| Northcote Hall Grantham Hall Robert Black Hall | Twin/Triple Bedroom | Activity rooms, laundry rooms, bathroom/pantries with refrigerators, stoves and microwaves, etc | Computer ports, wardrobe and desk |
| The Jockey Club Student Quarters | 9-person or 12-person flat | Double/triple bedrooms inside each flat with sitting/dining areas, terrace, kitchen, laundry room, bathrooms and individual computer ports | |

Wi-Fi services are also available

Hall fees and a one-off Hall Life Education fee must be settled on arrival. Other expenses such as air-conditioning and utilities are charged on actual use. For student-teachers whose training period is less than 1 semester are still required to pay for the 1-semester accommodation fee since the housing contract is on a semester basis.

Estimated Living Costs in One Semester

| Items | Hong Kong Dollar (HKD) | USD (1USD = 7.8HKD) | EUR (1EUR = 9.0HKD) |
|--|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Accommodation and Hall Life Education Fee | 6,000 - 7,600 | 700 - 980 | 670 - 850 |
| Meals* | 18,000 | 2,300 | 2,000 |
| Local Transportation* | 3,500 | 450 | 390 |
| Books and Supplies* | 2,500 | 320 | 280 |
| Total | 30,000 - 31,600 | 3,840 - 4,050 | 3,340 - 3,520 |

For reference only. Costs would vary depending on individual lifestyle

Caution Money

All students are required to sign a credit card payment authorisation form to cover any additional expenses incurred, such as library fines or hostel damage repairs. Charges will only be made if bills remain unpaid after the student has left EdUHK.

Activity fee

Various activities are organised by GAO for helping non-local students to integrate into the campus life and understand more on the culture and social development of Hong Kong. Students can opt to join those activities and participation fees may be required.

Preparing for Arrival



Airport Pick-up

Airport pick-up service is provided to exchange students on a specific date near the start of semester. Detailed information will be sent to students before arrival.



Orientation



Student Buddy



Registration

Exchange students need to report to GAO and complete the registration once they arrive at EdUHK. Welcome pack as well as Student Card/ Campus User Card will then be distributed.

During Exchange at EdUHK

Support Services

Counselling Service

While GAO supports exchange students, the counselling service provided by the Student Affairs Office (SAO) is also available to students in need.

Cultural Activities and Excursions

Apart from orientation, GAO organises a wide range of indoor and outdoor activities throughout the year to promote cultural exchange and integration of students from different countries with diverse backgrounds.

IT Support

Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) is responsible for the support of IT at the University and offers a wide range of services to all students. Students can seek help from IT Help Desk by OCIO when they have IT problems.

On Campus Healthcare Services

Exchange students can obtain medical services at the Health Centre on campus and enjoy the same rate as other full-time students.



Safety EdUHK has a 24-hour security control centre to provide immediate assistance on security issues and emergencies.



Shuttle Bus Service

Shuttle bus service between Tai Po Campus and the MTR University Station for staff and students is arranged for a reasonable fare.

Campus Facilities

Library

In addition to general books and serials, EdUHK's Mong Man Wai Library houses a Central Teaching Resources Collection, Reference Collection, Reserve Collection, Media Resources Collection and two Model Libraries. Students also have access to the 7x24 Learning Centre.

Food and Beverage

The campus has a variety of conveniently located eateries, providing meals, snacks and coffee.



Banking

There is a bank called Bank of East Asia on campus. Automated teller machines (ATM) are also available for money withdrawal.



Convenience Store

There is a convenience store on campus, operated by 7-Eleven. It is located in the Central Facilities Building. Opening hours are 07:30 - 23:30 daily.

Amenities & Sports Complex

You can enjoy a wide range of indoor and outdoor sports at the University. The Amenities and Sports Complex is air-conditioned and houses both indoor and outdoor facilities. Students can enjoy the facilities without any charges.

Quiet Room

The Quiet Room is specially designed for religious or spiritual activities. It can be used for reflection, meditation or prayer.



Hear from

Fellow Students

Inbound Exchange

Julia BRUCKNER

University of Augsburg ,Germany

My favourite activity organised by GAO is the "Global Geopark High Island Reservoir Tour". The Long Ke Beach was breathtaking since the water was turquoise and clear. The beach was surrounded by mountains. All of us had so much fun there.

I am also thankful that my student buddy spent so much time with me and we became good friends within the few months. With her help and support, my exchange life was so much easier.









Julia NYBERG

I really treasure the time with my flatmates and my new friends from all over the world. We shared our common experiences of learning about a new culture and also the differences between our home countries. For sure I will have these people in my heart for my whole life. As well, my experiences from EdUHK will make me both a wiser and funnier person in the future. Thank you!

Buddies are all fantastic and helpful! Many locals and buddies are willing to help if you ask them. The Cultural Exchange Showcase was also very successful and a great experience!

International Teacher Training

Leon HOMOLA

Masaryk University, Czech Republic









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ed being a teacher here in HK as I have met so many wonderful Is whom I was teaching for the amazing months :) All the rities that I took part in were interesting. However, Victoria was the best one because the view was magnificent.

Lauren MCEVOY

Masaryk University, Czech Republic

ok me a while, in the beginning, to settle down in the new ironment and my mentor helped me a lot. He assisted in understanding the school and education in Hong Kong. arned a lot from the way he planned the lessons and the purces he used. I was also able to take part in some school nts like sports day or the choral speaking festival.

home visit organised by the school was the most valuable erience of this cultural exchange. I visited homes of six erent families. A few of them took me on a hike or wed me around the local markets after my visit.

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Learning Putonghua@Home

Learning Putonghua@Home is a programme offered by the Faculty of Humanities and facilitated by the GAO. Through this short-term programme, our partner institutions host students from our Master of Arts in Teaching Chinese as an International Language Programme (MATCIL) to teach the university community Chinese.

The programme runs in spring when our students offer free Putonghua lessons to prospective learners such as undergraduates, postgraduates, academics, administrative staff or members of partners' affiliated institutions. Tuition caters to different levels of Putonghua ability.

The free programme lasts for six weeks from January to March. EdUHK students are responsible for their own travel costs while the partner institution will suggest or arrange accommodation.



| Instructor | MATCIL students |
|---------------------------|--|
| Programme Duration | 6 weeks |
| Programme Period | Any consecutive 6 weeks between late January to End of March |
| Target Groups | Undergraduate or Postgraduate students, staff, or members of your affiliations |
| Teacher: Learner Ratio | Between 1:5 to 1:20 |
| No. of Lessons Per Week | 6-12 lessons (with minimum 30 minutes per lesson) |
| Accommodation | Arranged or suggested by partner institution |
| Flight Tickets | Responsible by student instructor |
| Evaluation for Instructor | Required (assisted by partner institution) |
| Programme Fee | Free |

The deadline for applications is September the year before the programme begins.

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