City University of Hong Kong



Student Exchange Programme - Academic Year 2021-2022

Fact Sheet

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	General Information	
Academic calendar	Semester A (1 st semester):	Semester B (2 nd semester):
Teaching	30 Aug – 27 Nov 2021	10 Jan – 23 Apr 2022
Revision Period	39 Nov – 4 Dec 2021	25 Apr – 30 Apr 2022
Examinations	6 - 18 Dec 2021	3 May – 17 May 2022
Semester Break	20 Dec 2021 – 8 Jan 2022	18 May – 4 Jun 2022
Link to academic calendar	http://www.cityu.edu.hk/arro/ac	<u>calendar.asp</u>

Exchange-related Information			
Application Period	Semester A: 8 April - 1 May for Semester A enrolment (September Entry)	Semester B: 1 September - 1 October for Semester B enrolment (January Entry)	
Website for exchange-related information	 <u>https://www.cityu.edu.hk/ceng/student-life/student-exchange/inbound-exchange</u> <u>https://www.cityu.edu.hk/geo/</u> 		
Online application for admission	 Account registration (Select College of Engineering): <u>https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwieuserreg_cityu.P_Main_Dept</u> Application login: <u>https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwieapplacs_cityu.P_Login</u> 		
Application check list	 The following supporting documents should be provided at the time of application: Academic transcript in ENGLISH (online uploading) TOEFL/IELTS/CET result if English is not the medium of instruction at your institution (online uploading) Application for Student Residence of CityU (online application) Application form for Visa (ID995A: http://www.immd.gov.hk/pdforms/ID995A.pdf) Request for Visa Sponsorship & Student's Agreement https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwieapplacs cityu.P Login Declaration by Financial Sponsor (Sample) http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/doc/Financial Sponsor Declaration Eng.pdf Photocopies of financial documents under the name of applicant 		
Minimum language requirement	TOEFL 79 (internet-based test), IELTS 6.5 or Chinese Mainland's College English Test Band 6, if English is NOT the medium of instruction at your institution.		
Can students extend their exchange stint?	Yes, but subject to approval of the home and host institutions. Application for re-admission should be raised before 1 May for Semester A enrolment and 1 October for Semester B enrolment to allow enough time to process the application and apply for extension of visa.		
Activities or services available to exchange students (e.g. student activity group, student club, sports facilities, wellness centre etc.)	 the activities organised by the Students' Union at CityU Student residence hall activities 		

Course-related Information (for exchange students)		
Online course information	CENG/CSCI related courses (Click "Study Plan") : <u>https://www.cityu.edu.hk/ceng/student-life/student-exchange/inboun</u> <u>d-exchange/application</u> All courses : <u>https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwiecrselis_cityu.P_Main</u>	
Online course schedule/timetable	Once accepted, students can add courses by logging onto their student account via https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwieapplacs_cityu.P_Login	
Restricted programmes or courses (not open to exchange students)	Some courses with capacity limit do not accept exchange students. For pre-requisite required courses, students must have taken courses considered equivalent to the pre-requisite.	
Medium of instruction and assessment	The medium of instruction and assessment at CityU is English unless specified otherwise.	
Minimum and maximum number of credits to be taken for each semester	12-18 credit units per semester. Exchange students must take full-time credit-unit load, i.e. at least 12 credits per semester in order to meet the visa requirements set by the Hong Kong SAR Immigration.	
Are students allowed to take cross-faculty modules?	Yes, subject to approval by the course-offering department. However, exchange students attached to the College of Engineering (CENG) or the College of Science (CSCI) are required to take a minimum of 9 credit units from courses offered by departments of CENG or CSCI .	
Level of courses	Exchange students are allowed to take courses at undergraduate level only (course level: B1-B4) unless approved otherwise.	
	Normally, exchange students are not recommended to take postgraduate courses and the approval is case by case and subjected to course offering departments under CENG/CSCI. Postgraduate courses offered by other College/School will not be considered.	
Any special language courses for exchange students prior to the exchange programme stint?	No.	

Accommodation		
Is on-campus accommodation available for exchange students?	No, on-campus accommodation will not be available to inbound exchange students in the academic years 2020-21 and 2021-22.	
Online application for on-campus accommodation	-	
Is accommodation guaranteed?	-	
Is accommodation available over semester breaks?	No, accommodation at Student Residence is not available during term break between Semesters A and B.	
Link to information on off-campus accommodation	https://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/htm/e_off-campus.htm (Select "Short Term Accommodation")	
Website for information on accommodation	http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro	

Visa Requirements		
Are exchange students required to obtain a student visa?	 Yes. Details and procedures can be found at: <u>http://www.immd.gov.hk</u> <u>http://www.cityu.edu.hk/geo/ies_stdvisa.htm</u> Students are encouraged to apply for student visa to Hong Kong via CityU. CityU may act as local sponsor of exchange students who are accepted for admission and meet Hong Kong visa application requirements. 	
Are exchange students allowed to work?	No. Exchange students are not allowed to work, whether paid or unpaid.	

Arrival / Orientation Programme		
Recommended arrival dates	Semester A (tentative dates): Semester B (tentative dates	
	23 - 27 Aug 2021	3 Jan – 7 Jan 2022
Is airport pick-up service available?	Yes, scheduled shuttle bus service from Hong Kong International Airport to CityU Student Residence at Cornwall Street will normally be provided during the orientation week (Mon-Fri). Reservation is required.	
Orientation period	Semester A (tentative dates):	Semester B (tentative dates):
	It normally starts from the week before the semester commences.	It normally starts from the week before the semester commences.
Cost of orientation programme (if any)	Most of the activities are free of charge, except for city excursions that will charge a modest activity fee.	

Insurance		
Are exchange students required to purchase insurance?	Yes. It is mandatory for non-local students (including exchange students) to have insurance.	
	Students must purchase insurance for themselves before they come to Hong Kong. The insurance should include, but not limited to, medical and travel insurance that will cover the entire period of their study in Hong Kong. If they are unable to do so or wish to have additional insurance coverage, they may enroll in the 'Group Personal Accident Insurance & Medical Benefits Insurance Plan for Non-local Students' contracted by CityU. For more information, please see <u>http://www.cityu.edu.hk/geo/ies_healthninsur.htm</u>	

Estimated Expenses in Local Currency		
Private accommodation	Private accommodation is expensive and limited in Hong Kong. It may cost around HK\$10,000 to HK\$15,000 for a two-room flat in some of the residential areas. If students choose to live off campus, they need to look up for private residence on their own and act fast. Please see <u>http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/htm/e_off-campus.htm</u> for information.	
Cost of Living	Living costs will vary depending on individual lifestyle expectations. A basic student budget is estimated to be HKD 4,500 (per month) including meals, transport, laundry, and education expenses for books and stationery.	

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