EXCHANGE FACT SHEET • ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24

HKUST Business School

World’s #1 Young University Times Higher Education 2018-2020
World’s #1 Kellogg-HKUST Joint EMBA Program QS rankings 2017 & 2019
Asia’s #1 Best Business Schools in the World CEOWORLD magazine 2023
Asia Pacific’s #1 Business School Research University of Texas at Dallas 2005-2022
Asia Pacific’s #1 Masters in Finance QS rankings 2018-2022
Greater China’s #1 In Business & Management Studies QS rankings 2022
Greater China’s #1 In Accounting & Finance / Econ & Econometrics Studies QS rankings 2022
Greater China’s #1 Global University Employability Ranking Times Higher Education 2013-2019
Hong Kong’s #1 MBA Program Financial Times 2008-2021

Campus & Exchange Videos

Campus Drone Tour
Check out Ariel (South) for the Business School
Check out Ariel (West) for seafront halls

Campus VR Tour

SBM Exchange Video

Address & Website

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Administrative Support
## Important Dates 2023 – 2024 (TBC)

### Application Deadline
- **Fall & Yr-Long:** 16 Apr 2023
- **Spring:** 30 Sep 2023

### Online Applications
- [https://mystudyabroad.hkust.edu.hk](https://mystudyabroad.hkust.edu.hk)

*Students can access this system only after they have been nominated.

### Academic Year
- **Fall:** 01 Sep – 19 Dec 2023
- **Spring:** 31 Jan – 29 May 2024
- **Yr-Long:** 01 Sep 23 – 29 May 2024

### Note:
- HKUST has 13 weeks of teaching

### Academic Calendar
- **HKUST 2023-24 Academic Year (Provisional)**

*with holidays and study breaks

### Expected Arrival Date
*Depends on earliest dorm check-in date*
- **Fall and Yr-long:** 29 Aug 2023 (TBC)
- **Spring:** 29 Jan 2024 (TBC)

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### Orientation Dates (TBC)
- **Fall & Yr-long:** 31 Aug 2023
- **Spring:** 30 Jan 2024

### Orientation Program
Orientation is compulsory and held on the last or second last working day before the start of each semester. Students will be briefed on the Student Center System, add/drop procedures, student ID card registration, and etc.

The Office of Global Learning (OGL) will often organized various activities during orientation week.

### Exchange Buddy Programs

#### SBM Buddy Program Activity (TBC)
- **Fall & Yr-long:** 2 Sep 2023
- **Spring:** 3 Feb 2024

This event includes tours of Stanley and Victoria Peak. It is normally held on the first Saturday after the Orientation.

#### SBM Buddy Program
Exchange students are assigned a Business (SBM) buddy. This buddy is a local business school student who has gone and/or will go on exchange. The buddy will assist the exchange student with airport reception, settling in on-campus, and various other matters to help students adapt to their new environment during the semester.

#### OGL Buddy Program
Besides the SBM buddy, exchange students can opt to also join a secondary Buddy Program offered by the Office of Global Learning (OGL).

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### Exchange Student Fee

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<th>Exchange Student Fee HKD</th>
<th>Office of Global Learning (OGL) will charge an Exchange Student fee that includes these items (in HKD):</th>
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<td>Semester: $15,000</td>
<td>- Student Visa Fee - $800</td>
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<td>Year-long: $30,000</td>
<td>- Insurance Fee - $1,200 semester/$2,400 year-long</td>
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<td>Payment: Online, Credit Card</td>
<td>- Accommodations - $13,000 semester/$26,800 year-long</td>
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Details provided in the online ‘Welcome Notes’ on the system.
Vaccination and Compulsory Health Insurance

Insurance Fees HKD
*Part of the Exchange Student Fee

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All exchange students are required to be fully VACCINATED. Refer to the HK COVID webpage of recognized vaccines.

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Student Visa

Student Visa Fee HKD (TBC)
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<th>Visa Fee</th>
<th>Fall Deadline</th>
<th>Spring Deadline</th>
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<td>$800</td>
<td>May 2023</td>
<td>Oct 2024</td>
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All foreign students need a student visa to study in HK. Student visa applications are routed to the Office of Global Learning (OGL) for handling. OGL will submit all visa applications to HK Immigrations. The student visa will be emailed to students when ready.

Student visa documents must be submitted in a TIMELY manner or will be withdrawn.

Details provided in the online ‘Welcome Notes’ on the system.

University-Provided Accommodations

Housing Application
Students can indicate if they opt for university-provided housing in the exchange application.

Residential Period (TBC)
*2022-23 dates for reference

Fall 2022: 22-Aug 22 to 03-Jan 2023
Spring 2023: 30-Jan 23 to 26-Jun 2023
Year-long: 22-Aug 22 to 26-Jun 2023

Housing Charges HKD
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All exchange students are accommodated in university-provided double occupancy student halls. There are 9 on-campus halls and 1 off-campus hall for UG students.

Hall assignments are all decided by the housing office. Except for the off-campus Jockey Club Hall, all other on-campus hall preferences will not be entertained. Roommate preferences are also not entertained.

No bed linen/pillows/blankets are provided due to sanitary reasons. Students are recommended to purchase a bed protector for the duration of their stay.

Types of Student Halls:
https://shrl.ust.hk/student-housing/undergraduate-housing

Housing Office Inquiry Email: ughousing@ust.hk.

Details provided in the online ‘Welcome Notes’ on the system.

Estimated Living Expenses

Estimated Break-Down of Costs a Semester for reference:

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<th>Item</th>
<th>HKD</th>
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<td>Food (no meal plan, roughly HK$35/meal on-campus)</td>
<td>$14,000</td>
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<td>Exchange Student Fee (Insurance, Visa, Housing)</td>
<td>$15,000</td>
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<td>Books and Supplies</td>
<td>$1,500</td>
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<td>Local Transportation, Personal and Incidental Expenses*</td>
<td>$12,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong>:</td>
<td><strong>$42,500</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Approximately</strong>:</td>
<td><strong>US$5,463</strong></td>
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* This category of expenses includes entertainment and shopping at a reasonable level on weekends. It does not include travel outside Hong Kong for holiday.
# Learning Expectations

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<th>Language of Instruction:</th>
<th>English is the medium of instruction for the Business School</th>
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<tr>
<td>Class Format:</td>
<td>Lectures, Case Analysis/Presentations, Papers, and Projects</td>
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<td>Class Attendance:</td>
<td>Class attendance is mandatory until the last day of classes</td>
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<td>Class Participation:</td>
<td>Class participation is part of the student’s final grade in most courses</td>
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<td>Course Grading:</td>
<td>4.3 grading scale, letter graded, with grade D as marginal pass; final course grade often based on class participation, projects, case analysis, mid-term and final exams. Some courses are graded on a curve.</td>
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<td>Class Size:</td>
<td>Normally 30 – 40 students per a class for 2000 - 4000 level courses</td>
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<td>Course Load:</td>
<td>A maximum total of 5 courses within 17 credits in total.</td>
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<td>Course Choices:</td>
<td>Exchange students can select as long as they meet the prerequisite requirements and subject to space availabilities. Some courses may require professor approval for enrollment.</td>
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<td>Examinations:</td>
<td>Format of exams varies. Final exams are written in the last 2 weeks of the school. Students are responsible to stay in HK until the last day of finals. Requests for early leave of exams are normally not considered.</td>
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<td>Transcripts:</td>
<td>Students receive 2 free e-transcripts around 6-8 weeks after the semester. One copy will be sent to students’ personal emails and the other to students’ home institutions.</td>
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### Available Subjects & Course Outlines

#### Course Descriptions
Course descriptions of ALL university-wide subjects:
- **2022-23 Course Catalog**

#### Course Timetable and Outlines
Past timetable with course outlines:
- **Spring 2023 Course Offerings**
- **Past Fall 2022 Course Offerings**
- **Past Timetables**

#### Putonghua Language Courses
- **CORE1411 – CORE1415**
- Putonghua for Non-Chinese Background Students

**NOTE:**
CORE Putonghua courses were previously coded LANG with new course outlines.

#### Business Subjects (PG courses not permitted)
- **Accounting**
- **Finance**
- **Information Systems**
- **Operations Management**
- **Marketing**

#### Economics
- **Global Business**
- **Business Statistics**
- **Management of Organizations**

*Popular courses. Students selecting these subjects must have alternatives.*

Non-business courses can be selected in Sciences, Engineering, Language, and other subjects such as:

#### Others Subjects
- **CORE** – Common Core
- **ENTR** – Entrepreneurship
- **ENVR / ENV S / SUST** – Environment or Sustainability
- **GNED** – General Education
- **HUMA / SOSC** – Humanities & Social Sciences
- **LIFS** – Life Sciences
- **OCES** – Ocean Science
- **RMBI** – Risk Management & Business Intelligence

**IMPORTANT**
No guarantee for required courses. Students must be flexible with course options.

**ISOM2010**
Not available for exchange.
**Student Services**

**Student Academic Advising**
Academic advising is available from the Business School's Exchange Programs Coordinator.

**Student Counseling and Wellness Center**
Wellness counseling is available from a Student Counselor through the Student Affairs Office. The counselor can assist students with special cases. Refer to the SAO website for details: [https://counsel.ust.hk/](https://counsel.ust.hk/)

**Student Housing & Residential Life Office (SHRLO)**
Housing applications and other related issues are managed by our Student Housing & Residential Life Office. Refer to the SHRLO website for details on Student Halls, Hall Life: [https://shrl.ust.hk/student-housing/undergraduate-housing](https://shrl.ust.hk/student-housing/undergraduate-housing)

**Student Medical and Dental Clinics**
There is a medical and dental clinic located on-campus. Students can visit these clinics for general consultations with their student ID cards free of charge: [https://hseo.ust.hk/clinics](https://hseo.ust.hk/clinics)

**Special Educational Needs (SEN)**
HKUST has taken a proactive role in ensuring and cultivating a positive learning environment for all students, including those with disabilities and Special Educational Needs. Refer to the SEN website for details: [http://sen.ust.hk/index.php](http://sen.ust.hk/index.php)

**Office of Global Learning (OGL)**
OGL supports the University’s incoming and outgoing study abroad programs. They also handle student visa and arrange activities for international students. Refer to the OGL website for more details: [http://studyabroad.ust.hk/](http://studyabroad.ust.hk/)

**Computer Services (ITSC)**
Each exchange student is given access to the online University’s Student Information System (SIS) and an e-mail account after official registration. Refer to the ITSC website for an overview of the SIS system and Information Technology Services Center: [http://itsc.ust.hk/](http://itsc.ust.hk/)

**On-Campus Sports & Recreation Facilities**
Exchange students will be given a student identity card. They can gain access to all kinds of sports and amenities facilities on campus. Refer to these links for a listing:

**COVID-19 Impact**
Our university has resumed normal operations post COVID-19. However if sudden changes occur, HKUST’s mobility programs may be subject to changes based on prevailing global/local health and travel advisories. HKUST will try to keep partners and nominated students updated on University decisions regarding exchanges while taking into account the health and safety of the campus community. For details, students may also refer to the campus COVID-19 information [website](https://www.ust.hk/COVID-19/).