HKUST BUSINESS SCHOOL 香港科大商學院 WORLD CLASS IN ASIA | Undergraduate

EXCHANGE FACT SHEET • ACADEMIC YEAR 2027-28

HKUST Business School (SBM)

World's	#1	Young University *Times Higher Education*	2018-2020
World's	#1	Kellogg-HKUST EMBA Program *Financial Times*	2007, 2009-13, 2016-18, 2020, 2022-23
Asia Pacific's	#1	Best Business School *Bloomberg Businessweek*	2023-2024
Asia Pacific's	#1	MBA Program *Bloomberg Businessweek*	2023-2025
Asia Pacific's	#1	Masters in Finance *QS rankings*	2018-2022
Asia Pacific's	#1	Business School Research *University of Texas at Dallas*	2005-2023
Hong Kong's	#1	In Business & Management Studies *QS rankings*	2026
Hong Kong's	#1	In Statistics and Operational Research *QS rankings*	2026
Hong Kong's	#1	Best Business Schools in the World *CEOWORLD magazine*	2025
Hong Kong's	#1	Best Business School in Hong Kong *Eduniversal Rankings*	2025
Hong Kong's	#1	Global University Employability Ranking *Times Higher Education*	2025
Hong Kong's	#1	MBA Program *Financial Times*	2008-2022, 2024-26

Campus & Exchange Videos

Campus Drone Tour

Campus VR Tour

Check out Ariel View 1 for the Business School
Check out Ariel View 2 for seafront halls

SBM Exchange Video

Campus Address & Website

Room 1037, UG Programs Office, Lee Shau Kee Business Building, School of Business & Management,
The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, Clearwater Bay, KLN, Hong Kong

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Important Dates 2027 – 2028

Application Deadline

Fall & Yr-Long: 12 Apr 2027
Spring: 30 Sep 2027

Online Applications

https://mystudyabroad.hkust.edu.hk
**Students can access this system only after they have been nominated.*

Academic Year

Fall: 01 Sep – 18 Dec 2027
Spring: 01 Feb – 27 May 2028
Yr-Long: 01 Sep 2027 – 27 May 2028

Note: HKUST has 13 weeks of teaching per semester

Academic Calendar *(2026-2027 for reference)*

HKUST 2026-27 Academic Year **with holidays and study breaks*

Expected Arrival Date (TBC)
**Depends on earliest dorm check-in dates*

Fall and Yr-long: 26 Aug 2027
Spring: 27 Jan 2028

Orientation Dates (TBC)

Fall & Yr-long: 27 Aug 2027
Spring: 28 Jan 2028

Note: It is usually held on the last working day before semester start.

Orientation Program

Orientation is compulsory. Students will be briefed on the Student Center System, add/drop procedures, student ID card registration, etc.

The Office of Global Learning Experience will often organize various activities during orientation week.

Exchange Student Fee

Exchange Student Fee HKD (TBC)
(2026-2027 for reference)

Semester: $ 17,000
Year-long: $ 34,000
Payment: Online, Credit Card

Office of Global Learning Experience will charge an *Exchange Student fee* that includes these items (in HKD):

	Student Visa	Insurance	Accommodations
Semester	$700	$1,000	$15,300
Year-long		$1,500	$31,800

Details provided in the online 'Welcome Notes' on the system.

Student Visa

Student Visa Fee HKD (TBC)
(2026-2027 for reference)
** Part of the Exchange Student Fee*

Visa Fee: $700
Fall Deadline: May 2026
Spring Deadline: Nov 2026

All foreign students without the right of abode, right to land in HK or dependent's visa need a student visa to study in HK. Applications are handled by the Office of Global Learning Experience, which will submit them to the Immigration Department. Students will receive the visa by email once ready.

Student visa documents must be submitted TIMELY or will be withdrawn.

Details provided in the online 'Welcome Notes' on the system.

Compulsory Travel Insurance

Insurance Fees HKD
(2026-2027 for reference)
** Part of the Exchange Student Fee*

Semester: $1,000
Year-long: $1,500

All exchange students are required to subscribe to the University's Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan.

SFAO website for details: https://sfao.hkust.edu.hk/individual.php?l=17

Exchange Buddy Programs

SBM Buddy Program Activities (TBC)

There are 3 official activities a semester:
1) Hong Kong Island Tour
- Stanley & the Peak Tour

2) West Kowloon Cultural Day
- Xiqu Centre & M+/Palace Museum

3) HK Local Culture Tour
- Mahjong academy & culture tour

Fall: 28 Aug, 4 & 11 Sep 2027
Spring: 29 Jan, 5 & 12 Feb 2028

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 Experience.

University-Provided Accommodations

Housing Application
HKUST Housing is mandatory.

Residential Period *(2026-2027 for reference)*

Year-long: 27-Aug 2026 to 02-Jun 2027
Fall 2026: 27-Aug 2026 to 02-Jan 2027
Spring 2027: 27-Jan 2027 to 02-Jun 2027

Housing Charges HKD (TBC)
(2026-2027 for reference)
** Part of the Exchange Student Fee*

Semester: $15,300
Year-long: $31,800

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.

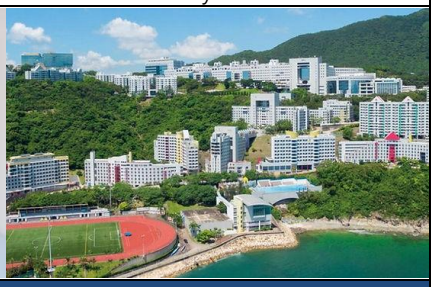
Hall assignments are all decided by the housing office. Except for the off-campus Jockey Club Hall, all other on-campus hall preferences will not be entertained. Roommate preferences are also not entertained.

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.hkust.edu.hk/residential-halls/ug

Housing Office Inquiry Email: ughousing@ust.hk.

Details provided in the online 'Welcome Notes' on the system.

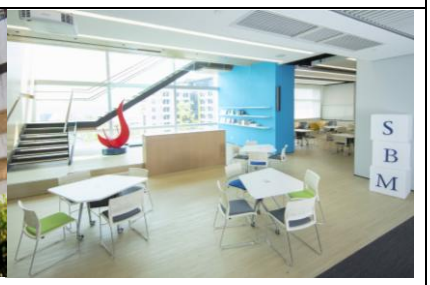


Estimated Living Expenses

Estimated Break-Down of Costs per Semester for reference (in HKD):

Food (no meal plan, roughly HK$35/meal on-campus)	$14,000
Exchange Student Fee (Insurance, Visa, Housing)	$16,000
Books and Supplies	$ 1,500
Local Transportation, Personal and Incidental Expenses*	$ 12,000
Total:	$43,500 *(≈US$5,600)*

* This category of expenses includes entertainment and shopping at a reasonable level on weekends. It does not include travel outside Hong Kong for holiday.



Lee Shau Kee Business Building

Available Subjects & Course Outlines

Course Descriptions
University-wide subjects:
- 2026-27 Course Catalog

Course Timetable and Outlines
Past timetable with course outlines:
- Fall 2026 Course Offerings
- Spring 2026 Couse Offerings
- Past Timetables

Putonghua Language Courses
LANG1511 – LANG1515
For non-Chinese background students

Business Subjects (PG courses not permitted)

Accounting	Economics	Finance*
Global Business*	Information Systems	Business Statistics
Operations Management	Management*	Marketing*

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

Students can select non-business courses in Sciences, Engineering, Languages, and other subjects such as:

Other Subjects
HAIC – Artificial Intelligence
ENTR – Entrepreneurship
ENVR / SUST – Environment or Sustainability
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.

ATTENDANCE
Students are expected to attend ALL courses in person. Early exam leave for personal reasons will not be entertained.

Learning Expectations

Language of Instruction:	English is the medium of instruction for the Business School
Class Format:	Lectures, Case Analysis/Presentations, Papers, and Projects
Class Attendance:	Class attendance is mandatory until the last day of classes
Class Participation:	Class participation is part of the student's final grade in most courses
Course Grading:	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.
Class Size:	Normally 30 – 40 students per a class for 2000 - 4000 level courses.
Course Load:	A maximum total of 5 courses within 17 credits in total.
Course Choices:	Exchange students can select if the prerequisite requirements are met and space is available. Some courses may require professor approval to enroll.
Examinations:	Exam formats vary. Final exams are written in the last 2 weeks of the term. Students are responsible for remaining in HK until the last day of finals. Requests for early exams are normally not considered.
Transcripts:	Students receive 2 free e-transcripts around 6-8 weeks after the semester: one to their personal emails and one to their home institutions.

Student Services

Student Academic Advising

Academic advising is available from the SBM Exchange Programs Office.

Wellness and Student Counseling

Wellness counseling is available from a Wellness Manager in SBM Programs Office to assist students with special cases and can be reached at: bmugexch@ust.hk. Counselling and Wellness Center at HKUST also support students who need additional support. SAO website: https://counsel.hkust.edu.hk/

Student Housing & Residential Life Office (SHRLO)

Housing applications and other related issues are managed by SHRLO. SHRLO website: https://shrl.hkust.edu.hk/residential-halls/ug

Student Medical and Dental Clinics

Students can visit the on-campus medical and dental clinics with their student ID cards. Basic medical consultation services are free of charge while oral examination charges HK$10. Health, Safety and Environment Office website: https://hseo.hkust.edu.hk/clinic

Diversity & Inclusion

HKUST stands against all forms of discrimination, harassment, prejudice and bias. Proactive steps are taken to maintain a community of respect and equality. Website link: https://hkust.edu.hk/diversity-inclusion

Special Educational Needs (SEN)

HKUST takes a proactive role to ensure and cultivate a positive learning environment for all students, including those with disabilities and SEN. SEN website: https://sen.hkust.edu.hk/index.php

Office of Global Learning Experience (OGL)

OGL supports University's incoming and outgoing study abroad programs. They also handle student visa and arrange activities for international students. OGL website: https://studyabroad.hkust.edu.hk/

Information Technology Services Office (ITSO)

Each exchange student is given access to the online University's Student Information System (SIS) and an e-mail account after official registration. For overview, refer to ITSO website: https://itso.hkust.edu.hk/.

On-Campus Sports & Recreation Facilities

Exchange students will be given a student identity card to access to many sports and amenities facilities on campus. Website link: https://dst.hkust.edu.hk/support-%26-resources/sports-facilities

HKUST Summer School

HKUST offers a Summer School exchange with two 4-week or a full 8-week session. 1-2 courses can be enrolled in each session for a total of 3 courses:

2027	Session 1	Session 2
Arrival	10 Jun	8 Jul
Class	14 Jun – 9 Jul	12 Jul – 6 Aug

Website Link / Brochure Link / Email summer.school@ust.hk
Youtube Link / Instagram Link

For UG exchange students or UG fee-paying students. Partners can reserve quota and nominate students. SBM partners can email bmugexch@ust.hk for quota or inquiries.

Partner nomination Deadline	15 Feb 2027
Student application – Early Round	28 Feb 2027
Student application – Main Round	10 Mar 2027

More Summer Opportunities

Summer Exchange Research Opportunities

UG students from Exchange partners can take up placement for 8-weeks in the summer at HKUST. Partners can nominate students to the program. Acceptance decision rests on the research project Professor at HKUST.

Deadlines	2027
Partner Nominations	5 Feb 2027
Student Applications	15 Feb 2027

Details link / Brochure Link / Email summer.school@ust.hk