Notes for Applicants

I. General Information

HKUST offers Visiting Program and Visiting Internship Program to students enrolled in tertiary institutions outside Hong Kong. Depending on study purposes and the preferred length of study, you may study at the HKUST on a short-term basis as a Visiting Student or a Visiting Internship Student.

If your home institution has a formal exchange agreement with HKUST, you may apply to study at HKUST as an Exchange Student. Please refer to this link for further information.

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<th>Visiting Students</th>
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<td><strong>Course of Study</strong></td>
<td>Credit-bearing courses</td>
<td>A special one-credit project course, typically to fulfill directed research or internship assignments from their home institutions</td>
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<td><strong>Length of Study</strong></td>
<td>One term</td>
<td>One to six months</td>
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<td><strong>Mode of Study</strong></td>
<td>Full-time</td>
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<td><strong>Program Completion</strong></td>
<td>By coursework only</td>
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<td><strong>Remarks</strong></td>
<td>These students may take courses, but are not enrolled on any specific program of studies.</td>
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The University reserves the right to alter or change the syllabus of any courses at any time without prior notice.

II. Application Submission

Each applicant can submit **ONE** application for admissions in any one academic term, through each of the admissions schemes via the Online Application System. Duplicate applications submitted through the same admissions scheme in the same academic term will not be considered.

An application is academic term specific and cannot be transferred/deferred to another academic term. As such, applicants should submit a separate application for an admissions scheme in a different academic term.

Any incorrect or misrepresented information given in the application will lead to disqualification and any offer(s) made by the University will be withdrawn.

III. Eligibility for Application

To be considered for admissions, applicants must be a student enrolled in tertiary institutions outside Hong Kong and satisfy the General Admissions Requirement and English Language Admissions Requirement set by the University for Visiting Students and Visiting Internship Students respectively.

To facilitate the application review process, applicants should complete all relevant sections of the application form and upload supporting documents as appropriate.
IV. Application Fee

The online application fee is HK$450 per application. The application fee, once paid, is not refundable and not transferable irrespective of whether the application is successful or not.

The University accepts online payment of application fee by either VISA or MasterCard through the Online Application System at the time of application submission. Please refer to the "Guide to HKUST Visiting Students Application" or "Guide to HKUST Visiting Internship Students Application" if you have any problem.

An application will not be processed until the application fee is fully paid and the status of the application is changed to “Submitted”. The payment status of the application fee is shown in the “Payments and Submission” section of each online application profile.

V. Points to Note After Submission of Application

If the submission is successful, the status of the application will be changed to “Submitted” on the “My Applications” page of Online Application System and the applicant will receive an acknowledgment email through the email account in the application. Subsequent changes to the application status will be reflected in the “My Applications” page.

Other than the “My Applications” page, the University will contact applicants only through the email account quoted in their applications for any updates, including further documents request, offer issuance, and visa application status. Applicants should regularly check their emails for updates from the University, and ensure their contact information are correct and valid at all times. For data privacy reasons, the University will address the enquiries from the applicants directly.

Applicants should provide all necessary documentary evidence promptly, especially in cases of new transcripts or certificates being obtained or at the request of the University. Delays in providing such additional information may affect the processing of the application and therefore also the application results.

Applicants should quote their full name and application number in all enquiries and correspondences.

VI. Admissions and Registration

Undergraduate students admitted to HKUST should observe the University’s Academic Regulation and make reference to the Undergraduate Student Guide as necessary. Successful applicants receiving an offer of admissions should also follow the instruction provided in the offer letter and the University’s website, including but not limited to subscribing to the HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan, before they can register with the HKUST. In addition, a previous student of HKUST who is seeking admissions/ re-admissions to the University should have settled all outstanding payment from previous studies in order to proceed to new program registration.

VII. Tuition Fee

The tuition fee for 2022/23 intakes and 2023/24 Fall term is HK$4,700* per credit for Visiting students and HK$1,754* for Visiting Internship students. Such fee needs to be settled upon registration.

*Fees may be subject to changes after annual review.

VIII. Collection of Information and Data Privacy

The University shall observe the Personal Information Collection Statement and the University’s Data Privacy Policy Statement in handling the data collected in the application.

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