

INTERNATIONAL SUMMER EXCHANGE PROGRAM

HKUST International Summer Exchange Program (ISP) 2024 Information Sheet for Exchange Partners

Program Features

Students will study at least 3 credits and up to 9 credits of regular undergraduate-level courses offered by HKUST. Local excursions and cultural activities will be organized exclusively for ISP students. A series of activities and events are also available for ISP students to interact with each other to encourage cultural exchange.

Program Period

ISP 2024 will take place over HKUST's Summer Term, i.e. from 17 June to 10 August 2024 with accommodation period from 13 June to 11 August 2024. Courses will commence and end on different dates within the Summer Term period.

Admissions

All summer exchange students must be nominated by their home institution and have the English language proficiency sufficient for English-taught university-level courses. Please also note that we may or may not consider students whose majors fall outside of HKUST's major disciplines, depending on the schools with which your institution has an exchange agreement:

	School of Science	School of Engineering	School of Business and Management	School of Humanities and Social Science	Academy of Interdisciplinary Studies
will consider majors outside of HKUST's major disciplines	✓	✓	×	✓	✓

Courses

Same as regular term, Summer Term courses are offered by School of Science, School of Engineering, School of Business and Management, School of Humanities and Social Science and Academy of Interdisciplinary Studies. Course offering varies from year to year. Tentative course list and course schedule for ISP 2024 are expected to be available in January and April 2024 respectively. Each school has the right to open some of their courses exclusively to students from their own exchange partners. Enrollment eligibility of each course varies.

Accommodation

All students will be provided University housing. Students will be assigned to a double room (or a triple room with double occupation) in a student hall for the whole program duration.



Student Visa

All international students (except holders of Hong Kong Identity Card who have the right to land and study in Hong Kong) are required to obtain a student visa to study in Hong Kong. The student visa processing time is normally 8 to 10 weeks. Incomplete application and missing documents will cause delays. Whether a student is granted a student visa is at the discretion of the Hong Kong Immigration Department. Students who fail to obtain the appropriate document for the right to study in Hong Kong will be declined participation in ISP.

Insurance

All students are required to subscribe to the HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan. The latest insurance coverage could be found at https://sfao.hkust.edu.hk/individual.php?l=71.

Program Fees

While students do not need to pay tuition fees to HKUST, each student will be charged HK\$10,500 which covers the following items:

- University housing fee
- HKUST compulsory travel insurance fee
- Student visa application and handling fee

The amount will be deducted accordingly for students who do not need a student visa to study in Hong Kong.

Exchange Quota & Ratio

We encourage you to discuss with us the number of students you plan to send us beforehand and we will try to reserve the quota. As there is a significant increase in demand for ISP places, we suggest you confirming your nominations with us as early as possible.

Exchange partners can normally send students to ISP on a <u>3 to 1 ratio</u> (i.e. 3 Summer-Term quotas would equal to 1 regular-term quota), or as specified in our exchange agreement. For enquiries, please contact the School or Office with which your institution has an exchange agreement.

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Application Procedures

As students must be nominated by your institution to participate in ISP, we are asking them to apply for the program through the study abroad office at your institution.

Step 1: Nomination by your institution

Students should seek the nomination from you. Please forward your nominations to <u>isp@ust.hk</u> from now until <u>26 February 2024</u>. The earlier you send your nominations, the sooner your students can begin their applications.

Nomination list template: https://isp.hkust.edu.hk/files/isp2024 nomination list.xlsx

Step 2: HKUST application

Nominees need to complete the HKUST online application on *MyStudyAbroad* system. Login instructions will be sent to you for onward forwarding to your students. Online applications will be accepted until <u>4 March 2024</u>.

Application guide: http://mystudyabroad.hkust.edu.hk/?go=ISPguide.

Step 3: Post-application procedures

HKUST will review students' applications, and may contact them if more information is required. If the student is admitted to the program, they will need to

- log back into the system to complete the post-application procedures (program payment, activity enrollment, etc.), and
- mail the student visa application and supporting documents to HKUST.

We strongly encourage you to collect the student visa applications and supporting documents for all your students and mail them to HKUST in one package. These documents must <u>physically reach HKUST</u> by <u>22 March 2024</u>.

Visa Application Mailing Address:

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Important Dates

Date	Events	
26 February 2024	Nomination due	
4 March 2024	Online application due	
22 March 2024	Student visa application due	
21 April 2024	Program payment due	
13 June 2024	Hall check-in	
17 June 2024	Start of Summer Term	
10 August 2024	End of Summer Term	
11 August 2024	Hall check-out	

Enquiry

HKUST International Summer Exchange Program (ISP) is organized by the Office of Global Learning. If you have any program enquiries, please contact us at <u>isp@ust.hk</u>. Alternatively, you can visit the program website at https://isp.hkust.edu.hk for more information.

Download program brochure and poster at https://isp.hkust.edu.hk/info partners.