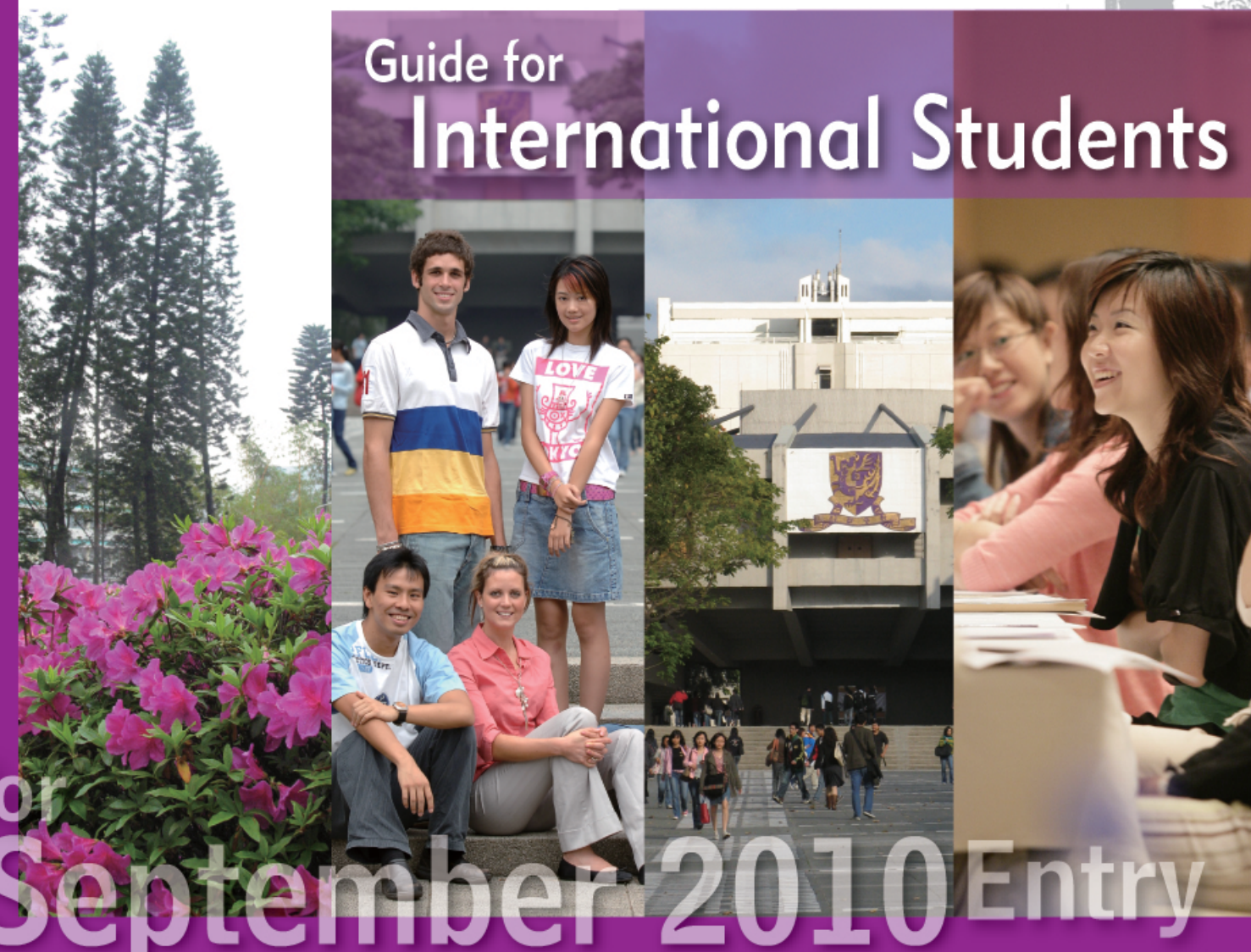




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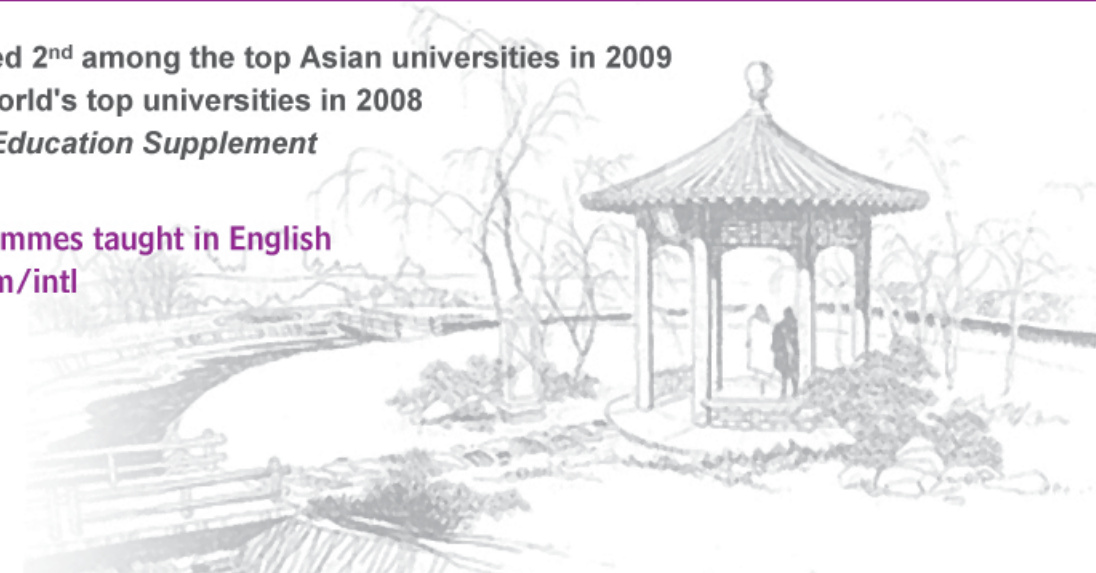
Guide for International Students



for
September 2010 Entry

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and 42th among the world's top universities in 2008
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Message from the President

I am most delighted that you are considering joining the 3,800 non-local undergraduate, postgraduate and exchange students at The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Every year the University attracts an increasing number of non-local undergraduates to its campus, thanks to not only a growing global interest in China – its history, culture, society and economic development, but also an enduring fascination with Hong Kong itself – a vibrant metropolis where East meets West. It is our University's mission "to combine tradition with modernity, and to bring together China and the West".

We at The Chinese University take great pride in the quality of education we offer. Here you will enjoy a comprehensive learning experience on the doorstep of one of the world's oldest civilizations and fastest growing economies. Here you will gain new insights into the language and culture of China, and the dynamism of Hong Kong as an international business and financial centre. Our University is fully committed to excellence in teaching, and is widely recognized for our many accomplishments in research. We have also forged academic links with institutions of higher learning around the world, and reached exchange agreements with some 200 universities, including Cornell, Harvard, Peking, Yale, the Copenhagen Business School and the University of California system.



'Education without borders' is what we believe in and dedicate ourselves to. If you are adventurous, intellectually curious, and eager to spread your wings in this part of the world, we welcome your application and will do all we can to offer you a whole new educational experience.

Lawrence J. Lau
President



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The University

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) was established in October 1963. It is the only tertiary institution with a collegiate system in Hong Kong and its four constituent colleges are: Chung Chi, New Asia, United and Shaw. To further strengthen the college system and cater for the future growth of student population, five new colleges, Morningside College, S.H. Ho College, C.W. Chu College, Wu Yee Sun College and Lee Woo Sing College were established recently.

The motto of the University – '博文約禮' (bo wen yue li) – is taken from the teachings of Confucius; 'bo wen' means to broaden one's intellectual horizon; 'yue li' is to keep within the bounds of propriety.

Professor Lawrence J. Lau, a world-renowned economist, is currently the President.

Over the years, the University has established strong academic links with some of the best universities in the world, especially British and Commonwealth universities, universities in Mainland China, American and Japanese universities.



Quick Facts

The University

Year founded	1963
Size of main campus	134 hectares
Faculties	Arts, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science, and Social Science.
Undergraduate programmes	55 full time programmes 2 part-time programmes
Post-graduate programmes	41 doctoral programmes 28 MPhil-PhD programmes 160 Master's programmes 27 Postgraduate Diploma programmes

Ranking

Rank among the world's top 500 universities according to Times Higher-QS in 2008	42nd
Rank among the top Asian universities according to Times Higher-QS in 2009	2nd
One of top 3 universities in Greater China as ranked by Shanghai Jiao Tong University in 2008	1st-3rd
Rank of CUHK's EMBA programme in 2008 according to Financial Times. The programme is the highest ranked independent programme in Asia-Pacific	11th
Rank among the world's top 182 institutions in mathematics in 2008 according to ISI Essential Science Indicators	31st

Faculty Members

Teaching staff	1,431
Nobel Laureates	2
Fields Medalist	1
Turing Award Winner	1

Enrolment

Undergraduate students	11,490
Postgraduate students	10,485
Non-local students	
Non-local students	3,800
Countries represented	45
Alumni	117,505

Student Exchange

Percentage of CUHK students who go on exchange and internships during their course of studies	90%+
Universities worldwide where CUHK has formal student exchange agreements	200+

Scholarships

Scholarships granted to students in 2008-09	4,615
Total amount of scholarships in 2008-09 (in Hong Kong dollars)	\$95 million
CUHK students awarded the Rhodes Scholarship to study at the University of Oxford from 1996 to 2008 (one award for Hong Kong each year)	9

Student Hostels

Student hostels	22
Postgraduate residences	6
Hostel places	6,135

Libraries

Libraries	7
Books	2,097,500
Electronic journals	75,000

Quality Education

Studying abroad expands your view of the world, introduces you to fresh ways of thinking and sharpens your career edge.

Enrol as an international student at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, and you will enjoy a wide and flexible choice of undergraduate programmes taught in English - plus the advantages of a varied and stimulating cultural environment.

The degree qualifications we offer are internationally-recognized and we enjoy a strong reputation worldwide for excellence in teaching and research. Cultural diversity is the cornerstone on which our University was built and it remains a key to our success.

The programme for international students is managed by a dedicated team, who will work with you and your faculty to help shape the study programme that will best nurture your academic growth, enhance your career prospects, and support your exploration of new cultures and surroundings.



Gabriel Boa
USA
Chinese Studies

Thanks to the scholarship, I can come to Hong Kong and study in CUHK. I love living in Hong Kong and feel like I can learn so much here. Here I spend much of my time learning the Chinese language, something I would obviously not have been able to do anywhere near as efficiently in my home country. As a student in Chinese Studies, I am taking classes in Chinese history, culture, society, art etc., which I enjoyed tremendously. I am interested in working in China in the future. The Chinese Studies programme and the language courses will definitely help me in pursuing that goal.

In the years you spend with us, you will benefit from the following features and resources:

- A prestigious, publicly-funded university that is rigorously evaluated and independently assessed on a continuing basis
- Regionally and globally acclaimed programmes taught by local and overseas faculty of international standing
- A flexible undergraduate programme of studies based on the credit unit system, with over 50 major disciplines for you to choose from, plus a strong offering in general education
- Opportunities to learn Putonghua courses at Yale-China Chinese Language Centre (CLC)
- On-campus hostel accommodation with modern facilities including broadband connectivity
- A culturally-diverse student body (including 13,000 undergraduates) from more than 45 countries including Mainland China
- A superbly scenic campus with an active social, extra-curricular and sporting life
- Tuition fees at HK\$100,000* for 2010 intake# with reasonable cost of living - hostel fees: around HK\$8,500*, other expenses: around HK\$35,000* per academic year
- Scholarship schemes for non-local students with outstanding academic record and demonstrable financial need
- Non-local full-time students may take up internship and part time on campus work as well as summer job subject to certain conditions
- International students holding a valid student visa are entitled to local rates for public health services and are exempt from surgical and hospital insurance during their study in Hong Kong
- Hong Kong is one of the safest cities in the world. Its low crime-rate makes it a particularly attractive option for young people living abroad for the first time.

* 7.80 Hong Kong Dollars (HK\$) = 1.00 United States Dollar (US\$)

(1) Fees to remain the same during normative period of studies

(2) Subject to final approval by the University Council



The Colleges

While the academic departments of the University are responsible for all subject-oriented teaching, the colleges are concerned with student-oriented teaching, general education and extra-curricular activities.



Services and Facilities

Hostel Accommodation

Students will be affiliated to one of the colleges, all colleges provide residential places in student hostels or halls of residence on campus. On campus residence will be available to all international students.



Leisure

Leisure complements study, and adds another dimension to your education at CUHK. For fun and fitness, students can access to 2 outdoor stadiums, 3 indoor gymnasiums, an Olympic-sized swimming pool, tennis and squash courts, weight training rooms and a water sports centre. Cultural diversions are available at Sir Run Run Shaw Hall, which has a seating capacity of 1,438 and at the 269-seats Lee Hysan Concert Hall which boasts Asia's most advanced concert facilities.



International Student Services

The Office of Student Affairs manages the International House (I-House) and enhances the cosmopolitan nature of our campus through various cultural and recreational activities designed for a diversity of students from different backgrounds and origins. It also coordinates student care services for incoming students, including communication sessions and student surveys to assist students in their adjustment to campus life.

The Learning Enhancement Service of the Office of Student Affairs provides proactive support for non-local undergraduates through individual guidance, workshops and sharing sessions on effective learning, mutual support activities with local students and orientation programmes.



Khoo May Yee
Malaysia
B.A. (English Studies) and B.Ed. (English Language Education)

I know I have made the right choice to study at CUHK. Apart from being a top university in the world, CUHK offers a comprehensive education which aims to produce all-round individuals who not only excel academically but also are concerned with world issues and communities around them.

In addition, CUHK offers general education and Putonghua courses which enable me to develop in fields outside my major. As a Malaysian student who comes to seek knowledge and Chinese culture, I believe by the time I graduate from CUHK, I will leave with more than what I have asked and aimed for.

Asia's World City

When you study at The Chinese University of Hong Kong you will discover that Hong Kong - widely celebrated as Asia's world city - is truly exceptional in the way it combines intellectual challenge with material comfort.

A stimulating mix of East and West, it is a melting pot of cultures, environments and social and religious rituals. As a modern, cosmopolitan city Hong Kong is rare in that it is also a safe and stable society. Indeed our law and order is the envy of many world cities; our crime rate is low and public security is not only very good but unobtrusive.

English is widely spoken and our population enjoys a high standard of living. Our world-class transport links criss-cross the territory making travel easy, convenient and inexpensive.

Along with invigorating opportunities for personal growth, Hong Kong offers unmatched insights into fast-track global business, rapid urban and social development, and an energetic civil society. As the gateway to China it is also the perfect location from which to study the world's fastest-growing economy.

Our medical care is world-class and our public hospitals are inexpensive; the great majority of our doctors speak very good English, especially those on campus who care for the international student body.

Alongside these positive features Hong Kong offers a rich cultural life where the indigenous cultures of Southern China intermingle with the best of the West; ancient Chinese festivals, traditional dishes and cultural events are enjoyed alongside the religious rituals of the Christian calendar, western food and music, resulting in a lively fusion that inspires vigorous creative output. The city is particularly well-served in terms of performance

venues and arts festivals and is on the cultural calendar of many world class artists and performers.

Hong Kong boasts eight tertiary institutions in a city of seven million people and this, in itself, speaks volumes for the rich social and cultural life you can enjoy in our thriving academic community. CUHK recognizes no educational borders and has developed strong research and exchange links with academic institutions worldwide.

Working in Hong Kong

Non-local full-time students (excluding exchange students) may take up internship subject to the following conditions: i). the internships must be study/curriculum-related and be arranged or endorsed by the institutions they are studying in; ii). the duration of the internship is up to one academic year, or one-third of the normal duration of the relevant full-time academic programme, whichever is the shorter; and iii). there is no restriction on the nature of work, level of salary, location, number of working hours and employers.

Moreover, these students (excluding exchange students) may take up part-time on-campus employment for not more than 20 hours per week throughout the year; and employment during the summer months without any limit in relation to work hours and location.

Students may apply to stay/return and work in Hong Kong under the Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates after their graduation.

Please visit the website of the Immigration Department of the Hong Kong SAR Government at <http://www.immd.gov.hk> for further information.

The Credit Unit System

A flexible credit unit system is adopted for all undergraduate programmes, with the exception of the Medical and Nursing Programmes. Secondary 7 entrants must complete at least 99 units before graduation. These include:

Major courses	up to 72 units
Minor courses	at least 15 units
General Education courses	15 units
Physical Education courses	2 units

Students of four-year programmes, for example Chinese Medicine, LLB, and co-terminal double degree programmes, are required to complete more units of courses.

Secondary 6 entrants are required to complete at least 123 units before graduation. They are required to complete 24 units of Foundation Requirements including nine units of language courses, six units of General Education courses and nine units of Major/Faculty requirement.

The credit-unit system, however, has no provision for 'promotion'. For the sake of administrative convenience, students are categorized into year-levels based on their year of attendance at the University. Hence a student's 'year' does not indicate the actual stage of completion of his/her studies. Students may, based on individual circumstances and interest, tailor the progress of their studies. Those who complete the required number of course units, and satisfy the graduation requirements of the Major Programme and the University, will be considered for the award of a Bachelor's degree. Unless otherwise provided, a student's total period of attendance at the University must not be less than three years before graduation.

Bachelor's degrees are classified as follows:

- First Class Honours;
- Second Class Honours Upper Division;
- Second Class Honours Lower Division;
- Third Class Honours; and
- Pass

Degree classification is based on the students' grade point averages for Major courses, grade point averages for all other courses, and the result of the graduation thesis/project.

Double Degree

The University has been offering double degree programmes since 2006-07. Students will have the opportunity to earn the first Bachelor's degree plus, after one additional year (except as required by individual programmes) on self-financed basis, the second Bachelor's degree. Including the co-terminal double degree programmes newly introduced this year, there is now up to 10 options for choice.

Double Major

Students may take a second Major Programme, subject to the approval of the Departments concerned.



General Education Programme

To provide a balanced education, the University places emphasis on the 'depth' as well as the 'breadth' of the curriculum. While Major Programmes require students to pursue an in-depth inquiry into a specialised area of study so as to achieve a certain academic standard, the General Education Programme is designed to broaden the interests and widen the perspective of students. It also aims to cultivate the students' abstract and integrated thinking and increase their knowledge of different subjects, outside their Major Programme of study. This will equip them for dealing with the rapid changes so prevalent in modern-day society.

Apart from taking the General Education courses prescribed by his/her college, a student is also required to take at least one course (two to three units) from each of the four University General Education curriculum areas, viz.

- Our Own Heritage
- Nature, Technology and the Environment
- Society and Culture; and
- Self and Humanities.

A student may choose from the rest of the General Education courses in accordance with course selection requirements.

Students are required to complete 15 units in General Education courses. This requirement may be reduced, by three units, for students in professional programmes, as approved by the Senate.

Intensive Language Programme

The University has always maintained a policy of bilingualism and has spared no effort in boosting the language competence of its students. All students in their first year of study are required to complete an intensive programme in Putonghua, Cantonese, and English. The purpose of the programme is to teach students the basic skills of language-learning and to arouse their interests in further language studies.

Student IT Competence

All students are required to pass an IT Proficiency Test in their first year of study. A training and test package of basic IT skills including the use of application software in electronic communication and data management and information presentation is provided for all students to help them understand the importance of information security and literacy, and the social implications of IT developments.

Recognition of Post-secondary Qualifications

Applicants who have successfully completed courses at undergraduate level and have been admitted to the University may apply for credit exemption after they have registered as a student of the University. Such applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Graduation is still subject to the fulfilment of relevant requirements.

For more detailed information about the undergraduate curriculum, please visit the Academic and Quality Section's homepage at <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/aqs>.

The information given below is accurate as of August 2009. Please refer to the website of the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid at www.cuhk.edu.hk/adm/intl for the latest information.

Faculty	Programme
Arts http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/arts/	Anthropology Chinese Language and Literature * Cultural Studies * English Fine Arts * History Japanese Studies ** Linguistics * Music Philosophy * Religious Studies * Theology * Translation *
Business Administration http://www.baf.cuhk.edu.hk/	Integrated Bachelor of Business Administration Global Business Studies BBA – JD Hotel and Tourism Management Insurance, Financial & Actuarial Analysis International Business and Chinese Enterprise Professional Accountancy Quantitative Finance Quantitative Finance and Risk Management Science (Interdisciplinary Major Programme)
Education http://www.fed.cuhk.edu.hk/	B.A. (Chinese Language and Literature) and B.Ed. (Chinese Language Education) # B.A. (English Studies) and B.Ed. (English Language Education) * Liberal Studies * Physical Education and Sports Science *
Engineering http://www.erg.cuhk.edu.hk/	Biomedical Engineering Computer Engineering Computer Science Electronic Engineering Information Engineering Mathematics and Information Engineering (Double Degree Programme) Mechanical and Automation Engineering Systems Engineering and Engineering Management
Law http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/law/	Legal Studies
Medicine http://www.med.cuhk.edu.hk/	Medicine # Nursing # Pharmacy *** Public Health
Science http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/sci/	Chemistry Chinese Medicine * Life Sciences (including Biochemistry, Biology, Cell and Molecular Biology, Environmental Science, Food and Nutritional Sciences, Molecular Biotechnology) Mathematics Mathematics and Information Engineering (Double Degree Programme) Physics Quantitative Finance and Risk Management Science (Interdisciplinary Major Programme) Risk Management Science Statistics
Social Science http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/ssc/	Architectural Studies Economics Geography and Resource Management Government and Public Administration Journalism and Communication Psychology Social Work Sociology
Centre for East Asian Studies http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/cea/	Chinese Studies

For programme details, please refer to the programme websites.

Programmes will not admit international students for 2010 entry.

* Knowledge of Chinese required.

** Knowledge of Chinese characters or Japanese "Kanji" required. Students are required to participate in the one-year exchange programme in Japan before graduation.

*** Students must be fluent in Cantonese and the School of Pharmacy is not responsible for their internship in Hong Kong.

The BA in Chinese Studies Programme offered by the Centre for East Asian Studies is specially designed for students whose first language is not Chinese. People who aspire to a China-related career in business, civil service, foreign affairs, academia, social services and other professions and who wish to acquire a broad and solid knowledge of China with an international perspective are encouraged to apply.

Students enrolled in this programme may opt for double majors combining Chinese Studies with History, Economics or the Integrated Bachelor of Business Administration Programme.



Katsande, Danai Rukudzo
Zimbabwe
Integrated Bachelor of Business Administration

I come from Zimbabwe and Hong Kong was a 'terra incognita' to me at first. However, since my arrival at CUHK, I have had great experience of the warmth and friendship of the CUHK community at large and, in particular, of my fellow freshmen as well as other students. CUHK is a diverse institution at all levels, and encompasses all facets of human development. Thus, besides simply interacting with other students, I have also been engaging in various social activities and meetings. With all the fun and excitement comes hard work on the academic front. The learning environment at CUHK is conducive to study.

I strongly recommend that any prospective students consider seriously the opportunity to study at CUHK, rather than let it fall by the wayside. It is crucial to select an institution that you believe can serve as your launch pad in achieving your dreams and soaring to greater heights. I have made my choice, how about YOU?



Entrance Requirements

- Applicants shall be eligible to apply if they:
 - have obtained in one sitting of the GCE Advanced Level Examination pass grades in no less than 3 Advanced Level subjects (Applicants with pass grades in 2 Advanced Level and 2 Advanced Subsidiary Level subjects may also apply); OR
 - have acquired an International Baccalaureate Diploma; OR
 - possess a qualification obtained outside Hong Kong which qualifies them for university admission in the country/region where such qualification is obtained (e.g. high school diploma plus SAT in USA, UEC / STPM in Malaysia, HSC / TER in Australia, OSSD in Canada, etc); OR
 - have successfully completed:
 - at least one year of full-time undergraduate study at a recognized university; OR
 - a course of study leading to the qualification of an associate degree / higher diploma; OR
 - have other exceptional achievements which merit admission.

2. Language requirement

Applicants should have attained an acceptable level of proficiency in English.

Organisation	Examination held	CUHK Codes
College Board	SAT, AP	5690
ETS	TOEFL	0812

Additional Considerations

Applicants are:

- expected to possess keen interests, suitable talents or academic background to make a unique contribution to the cultural diversity on campus;
- recommended to take TOEFL, IELTS or other acceptable language test, if English is not their native language;
- expected to be able to financially support themselves during all periods of enrolment.

Selection Criteria

Applicants will be considered on the basis of their academic and other qualifications and on individual merits. If they are invited to attend an interview, their performance at the interview will also be taken into account.

Fees

	Hong Kong dollar*	US dollar
Tuition Fee	100,000 **	around \$12,850
Hostel Fee	8,500	around \$1,100
Living Expenses & Misc. Fees	35,000	around \$4,500
Total	Around \$143,500	around \$18,450

* Exchange rate: USD 1 ≈ HKD 7.8

** Subject to final approval by the University Council

Scholarships

Scholarships funded by the Hong Kong Government as well as private donations are available for international students commencing full-time undergraduate studies at The Chinese University of Hong Kong in September 2010.

The value of the scholarships may vary from HK\$30,000 to HK\$125,000 per year. Some awards are renewable on an annual basis and tenable for up to the duration of undergraduate studies undertaken by the awardees at CUHK, subject to continued satisfactory academic performance.

To qualify for such awards, the students should have outstanding academic records and demonstrable financial need.

All international applicants will automatically be considered for Scholarships once formal admission offers have been given. No separate application is required.



U.S. Federal Student Financial Aid Programs

U.S. students attending CUHK on a full-time undergraduate degree programme as approved by the U.S. Education Department may apply for Federal Family Education Loans (FFEL) to help pay their education expenses. The "Federal School Code" for CUHK is G22074.

For general information and application for the U.S. Federal Student Financial Aid Programs, please visit the following website: <http://www.federalstudentaid.ed.gov/>



Smieszek, Witold Michal
Poland
Sociology

My fascination with Sociology started around four years ago, when I moved from Poland to China. Back in Europe everything was so familiar and easy for me to understand. Asia was completely different in every aspect. Every day presented me with some surprise or small discovery. I have developed a huge interest in Asia both as a continent full of marvelous travel opportunities and as an interesting place to look at unique societies. This interest is one of my reasons for applying to The Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Besides the obvious academic value of the university, Hong Kong is a magnificent city that I want to spend part of my life in.

Application for Admission

Early Consideration

Applicants who wish to receive early consideration for admission should submit their applications on or before 15 December 2009.

Applications received on or before the stipulated date will receive early consideration and those with particularly outstanding academic results or other achievements will be short-listed for early decisions. Those who are selected and offered a place under Early Consideration will be notified from January to February 2010.

Applicants who are not offered a place under Early Consideration will compete on equal footing with all other applicants again in the regular selection exercise, of which the application deadline is 1 February 2010.

Application Deadlines

For Early Consideration : 15 December 2009

Regular Deadline : 1 February 2010

Thereafter, applications will be considered subject to availability of places.

Application Procedure

Please refer to the "Guide on Application for Admission" for application procedures. The Guide and the application form (both online and paper form) can be obtained from our website at <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/adm/intl/application.htm>



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