Exchange Scheme with the City University of Hong Kong

Where is City University of Hong Kong? City University of Hong Kong is a public research university in Kowloon Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong. It was founded in 1984 as City Polytechnic of Hong Kong and became a fully accredited university in 1994. It is one of eight government-funded degree-granting tertiary institutions and is globally recognised as a top centre of higher learning and research.

Who can go?

● Two places will be made available to York undergraduate students in 2017/18.
● This will replace your 2nd year of study at York for integrated programmes (or the 2nd/3rd year of study if you’re on a 4 year programme). Please speak to your department about the availability of extended degrees that allow you to take an additional year to study abroad.
● Please consult the opportunities by department webpage to see if your subject is eligible for exchange. https://www.york.ac.uk/students/study-abroad/opportunities/

Courses

● Students will be expected to take 12 credits per semester (24 a year) for a normal full-time course load during their year at CityU. All credits should be taken in the student’s degree subject in order to achieve the equivalent of 120 York credits.
● All City U courses are taught in English and all departments accept exchange students. However, some classes are more popular than others so they cannot be guaranteed. These courses include Mandarin and Cantonese classed for non-Chinese speaking students, Economic & Finance and Marketing.
● The course catalogue serves as a general guide to the courses available. However, not all courses may be available in each semester and some may be restricted.
● The course catalogue can be accessed via http://www.admo.cityu.edu.hk/exchange_visiting/exchange/.

Course codes starting with 1, 2, 3 or 4 (e.g., GE 1111, CS2114, AIS2012, MA4152) are undergraduate courses (indicating year of study).

How will my marks be assessed/converted?

● Grade Conversion Tables for each institution will be made available to successful applicants.
● Please ensure that you are fully aware of how your grades will be converted on your return to York. Students on additional years will have different arrangements to those on integrated study.
Costs

1) **Tuition Fees:** Students will pay no tuition fees to Denver and in 2016/17 their University of York fees were reduced to 15% of the full academic fee.

2) **Visas:** A payment of HK$500 (approx.) will be charged for the visa.

3) **Insurance:** Exchange students may enrol in the CityU-contracted insurance plan. The CityU-contracted insurance plan is available to all non-local students, and it provides relatively basic coverage such as personal accident and medical benefits. The premium of the 2016-17 CityU-contracted insurance plans for non-local students is HK$254. For more information visit [http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso) (Click on ' Incoming Exchange Students' -> ' Health & Insurance') for details. Note that the CityU-contracted insurance plan does not include general medical consultation. If you wish to secure all-round protection, you should purchase an insurance policy on the market that will meet your personal needs.

4) **Additional costs to consider:** The average cost of living in Hong Kong (excluding tuition and accommodation fees) is estimated to be around HK$45,000 (approx. £4500) per student for 10 months of study to pay for meals, transport, education expenses such as books and stationery, laundry and other personal items, etc. (2016/17).

Visa

- Students are encouraged to apply for student visa to Hong Kong via CityU who will act as local sponsor of exchange students who are accepted for admission and meet Hong Kong visa application requirements.
- Applications should be made at least two months in advance at a Chinese Embassy in the student's country of residence.
- Full details regarding applying for the visa including the paperwork required can be found at [http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_stdvisa.htm](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_stdvisa.htm).
- Completed application form and other necessary documents should be sent to the Global Services Office, Room 3210, 3/F, Cheng Yick-chi Building, City University of Hong Kong, Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon, Hong Kong SAR at least 6-8 weeks before the semester starts.

Where will I live?

**On-Campus Housing:** Exchange students may apply for on-campus accommodation, although it is not guaranteed due to limited capacity. Applications should be made online when students apply for the exchange. An undergraduate hall, double room fee is HK$5,600 a semester (2016/17). More information can be found at: [http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/htm/e_apply3_fee_ug.htm](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/htm/e_apply3_fee_ug.htm)

**Off-Campus Housing:**

If on-campus accommodation is not available, exchange students should be prepared to arrange their own off-campus accommodation. City U has an [on-line portal](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/htm/e_apply3_fee_ug.htm) which gives help and information on on-campus housing options, peer support and searching for a flatmate/roommate, along with legal advice and other useful resources.

Contact details at CityU

Your principal source of general advice at CityU will be Program Coordinator – Ms Pancy Lo, Email: pancylo@cityu.edu.hk
Address: City University Hong Kong, 88 Tat Chee Ave, Kowloon Tong, Hong Kong
Useful web links:

Main CityU site - [http://www.cityu.edu.hk/](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/)
CityU pre-arrival checklist - [http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_preparriv.htm](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_preparriv.htm)
Visa information - [http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_stdvvisa.htm](http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_stdvvisa.htm)
Third Year Abroad - [http://www.thirdyearabroad.com/](http://www.thirdyearabroad.com/)
Foreign Commonwealth Office - [https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/usa](https://www.gov.uk/foreign-travel-advice/usa)

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