

Online Pre-arrival Information Session for Non-local Postgraduate Students

Programme Rundown

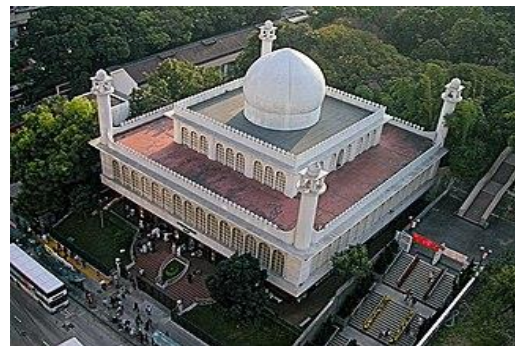
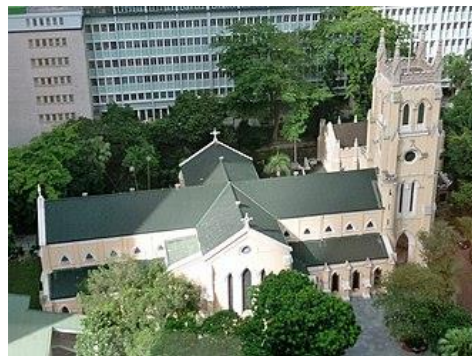
Welcome to CityUHK and congratulations!



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Overview of Hong Kong SAR

- **Total Land Area:** > 1,114 km²
- **Population:** 7.5 million (end 2025)
 - Chinese, Western/Caucasian, Filipino, Indonesian, Indian, Nepalese, and others
- **GDP:** ~ HKD 3,330 billion (~ USD 425 billion) (2025)
- **Religions:**
 - Buddhist, Christian, Muslim, Hindu, Sikh, and others



Introduction to CityUHK



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Colleges/Schools
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Departments

- Undergraduate Students (Bachelor's) ~ 12,000
- Research Students (PhD) ~ 3,300
- Master's Students ~ 11,000
- Academic Research and Administrative Staff ~ 4,500

World Rankings



Hong Kong

Times Higher Education (THE)

73 in the world

World University Rankings 2026

14 in Asia

Asia University Rankings 2026

1 in the world

Most International Universities
(2024, 2025 & 2026)

4 in the world

Young University Rankings (2024)

Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)

52 in the world

World University Rankings
2027

7 in Asia

Asia University Rankings 2026

Research Excellence

Citations per Faculty
(QS World University Rankings 2026 & 2027)

#2 in the world

#1 in Asia

32 Scholars Named Highly Cited Researchers 2025 by Clarivate



Welcome to Chow Yei Ching School of Graduate Studies (SGS)



SGS Main Services:

- Programme admissions
- Student record services
- Student wellbeing and engagement activities
- Research studentship and tuition grants management



Before You Travel

Visa and Documentation:

- Ensure you have your student visa, passport, and other necessary documents.

Immigration Matters

E-Visa Sample



Holder must enter HK using the e-Visa on or before the date specified to activate it. Otherwise the e-Visa will be expired. Immigration Department of HKSAR Government does not allow extension of the deadline.

Landing Slip Sample



Don't lose your landing slip during your stay in Hong Kong!

Opening a Local Bank Account:

- Chinese Mainland and overseas students can open local bank accounts **before** arriving in Hong Kong.

Before You Travel

Accommodation:

- Confirm your accommodation arrangements and ensure your check-in details are ready. For accommodation options, visit the **Student Residence Office** website:
<https://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/>
- **University Housing for New Master's Students**
 - Kowloon Tong Compound & Nam Shan Yuen: **Closed**
 - Shared units at Kowloon Tong Compound & Nam Shan Yuen: **28 July – 3 August 2026**
 - Ma On Shan Compound: **Closed**
- **University Housing for New Research Degree Students (PhD, MPhil)**
 - Ma On Shan Compound: **Closed**
- **Off-campus Accommodation** - Our student representative will share practical tips for finding non-university accommodation.

Before You Travel

Pre-enrolment:

- New students are required to complete the pre-enrolment procedures at [Pre-enrolment Webpage](#) before *coming to CityUHK* for in-person enrolment.



Pre-enrolment

Welcome to CityUHK. Before coming to CityUHK to enrol as a student of the University, you need to complete the following pre-enrolment procedures:

- Step 1:** Activate EID
- Step 2:** Read and Accept the Declaration upon Enrolment
- Step 3:** Update Personal Data for Communication
- Step 4:** Indicate your Choice in the Use of Personal Data in Direct Marketing
- Step 5:** Complete the Declaration on Insurance Agreement (ONLY applicable to non-local students)
- Step 6:** Upload Photo for Student ID Card
- Step 7:** Submit identity documents for verification (ONLY applicable to **Master's students**)
- Step 8:** Complete the General Health Questionnaire

ATTENTION

Students under 18 have to download the [Parental Consent Form](#) to be signed by their parents/guardian, and submit it in person for new student enrolment.

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Before You Travel

Mandatory Insurance:

- Non-local students must have adequate insurance for the entire study period at CityUHK.

University-contracted Insurance Plan:

- Available to all non-local students and provides basic coverage.
- For comprehensive protection, students should purchase insurance policies on the market that meet their specific needs.
- Chinese Mainland students are required to enrol in the University-contracted insurance plan, as most insurance plans obtained in the Chinese Mainland are invalid in Hong Kong.
- For details, visit the **Admissions Office** website: <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/non-local-students/insurance>

Getting to CityUHK



- CityUHK is easily accessible from Hong Kong International Airport or Hong Kong West Kowloon Station (High Speed Rail).
- For detailed directions, find **"Getting to CityUHK"** at <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/about/campus/getting-to-cityu>

On Arrival

Hong Kong Identity Card:

- You must apply within 30 days of arrival if your study period in Hong Kong exceeds 180 days
- You can make a prior appointment online or by phone before going to the immigration offices.
- Immigration Department only accepts application forms submitted by electronic means. Please visit www.gov.hk/icbooking to make a prior appointment and fill out the application form in advance.
- Processing time: Typically 5 working days

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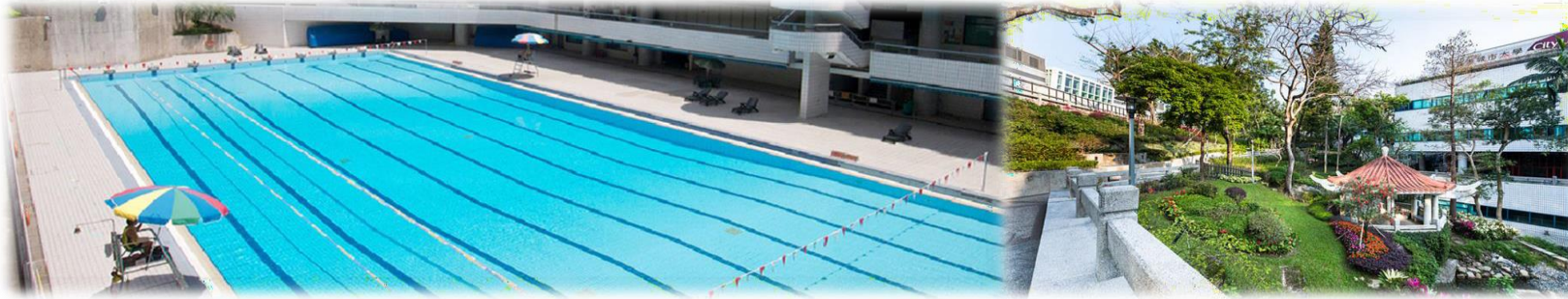
Campus Map:

- Explore our campus map to find out the points of interest:
<https://www.cityu.edu.hk/about/campus>

Orientation:

- Attend orientation sessions to learn about the campus and your programme, meet fellow students, and discover available resources.
 - SGS Orientation for **Master's Students**: 29 August 2026 (Saturday)
 - SGS Orientation for **Research Degree Students**: 12 September 2026 (Saturday)
- Please look out for the email from SGS for further details!

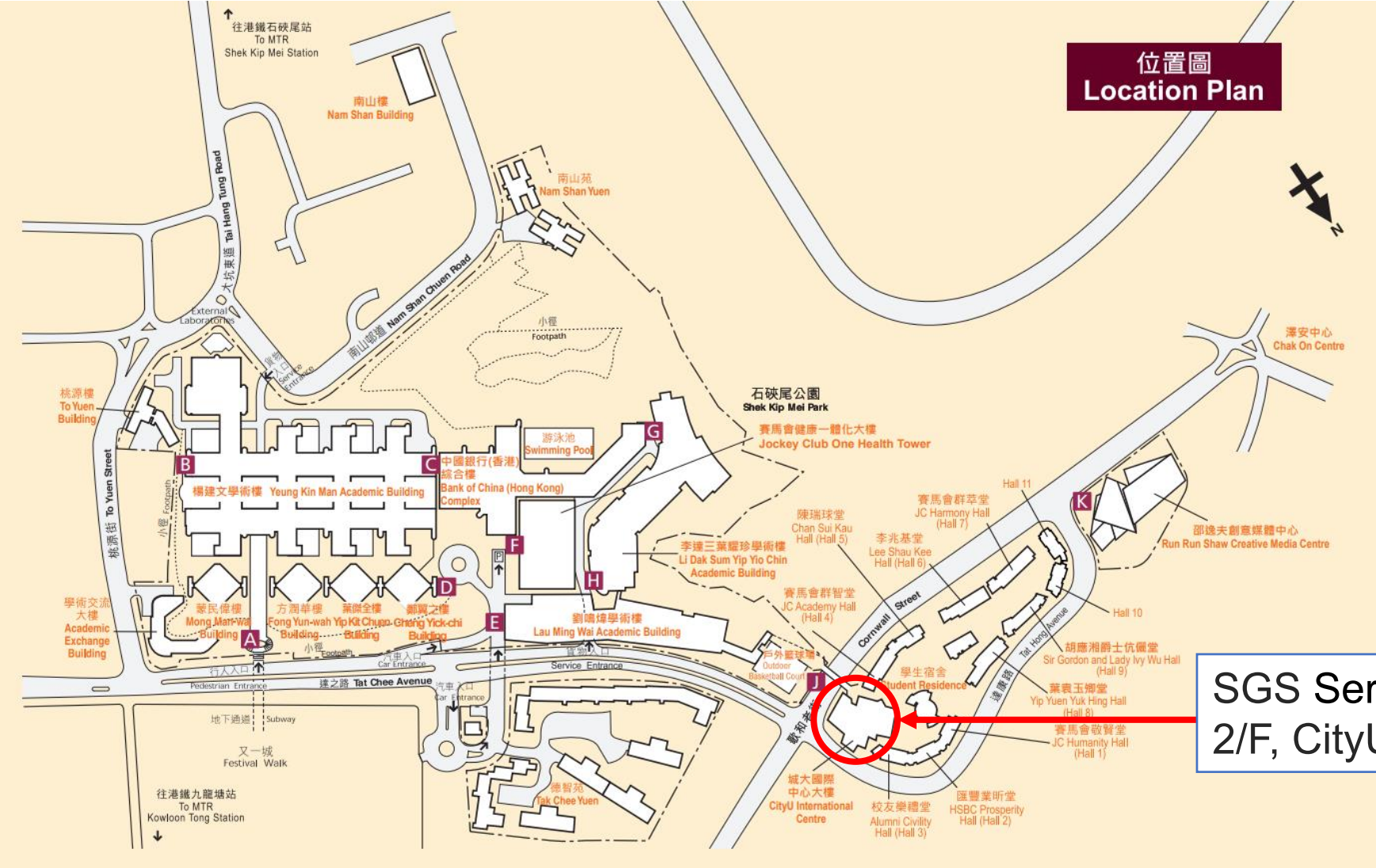




Campus Facilities



Campus Directory



SGS Service Counter
2/F, CityUHK International Centre

University Concourse

SGS Welcome Desk (opening period: 24 – 28 Aug)
4/F, Purple Zone, Yeung Kin Man Academic Building



Catering Outlets

- Over 10 catering outlets offering diverse dining options
- Explore more about our catering options at <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/directories/catering>



City Express
(YEUNG-5/F)



Lodge Bistro
(CityUHK Lodge-G/F)



Coffee Cart
(YEUNG-4/F)



5380 Café
(Kebab Station)
(BOC-5/F)



City Chinese Restaurant
(BOC-8/F)



CMCAFE
(CMC-3/F)

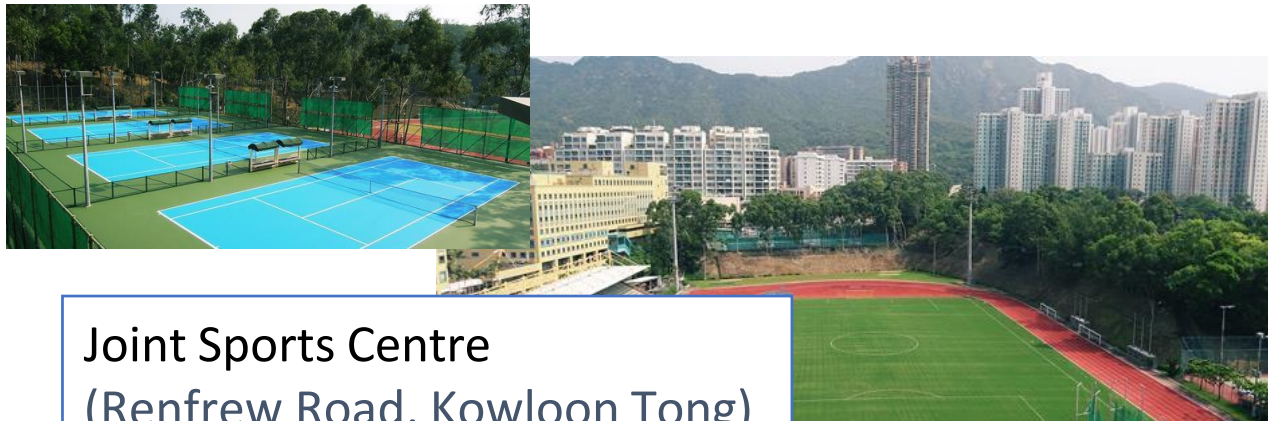
Campus Facilities



Run Run Shaw Library
(YEUNG-3/F)



Hu Fa Kuang Sports Centre,
(Jockey Club One Health Tower)



Joint Sports Centre
(Renfrew Road, Kowloon Tong)
(jointly owned by CityUHK, HKBU & PolyU)

Daily Living Facilities



Medical Clinic
(BOC-4/F)



Banks
(YEUNG-3/F)



Dental Clinic
(BOC-4/F)



Book Shop
(YEUNG-3/F)

Cultural & Language Adjustment

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Cantonese Classes

- **Learn Basic Cantonese:**
 - Designed for beginners
 - Basic knowledge of Chinese is required
- **Course Structure:**
 - Nine lessons in total: 8 classes + 1 practical session
- **Registration:**
 - Registration opens in mid-August.
 - Further registration details will be announced in due course
- **Important Note:**
 - Participation is voluntary



Home Hospitality Programme (HHP)



A Non-residential Programme

- **Facilitate** wider exposure of non-local students to local communities and enhance their understanding of Hong Kong.
- **Foster** easier adjustment of non-local students to life in Hong Kong.
- **Enhance** cross-cultural interaction and integration among non-local and local participants, ultimately promoting student well-being.
- **1,300 students matched with 170 host units last year.**

Home Hospitality Programme (HHP)

Past events

Greet-and-Meet Lunch Gathering



BBQ Gathering



Student Gatherings

Past events

Welcome Tea Reception for new RPG students



International Postgraduate Students Lunch Gathering



SGS Student Engagement Activities

Past events

“Explore City with U in HK” series – Kowloon City Tour



Relaxation Workshop – Coffee Latte Art



“Explore City with U in HK” series – Central Tour



Relaxation Workshop – Cocktail Making



Counselling Service

- Overcome personal difficulties
- Improve emotional management skills
- Enhance self-understanding, leading to a more fulfilling and rewarding life



Hong Kong

Past Postgraduate Monthly Mental Wellness Events



Organised by Counselling Service (CS)
Student Development Services

Career Services

Events and Resources

Your One-stop Career Planning & Employment Support Service Point

1. Career Preparation Workshops
2. One-on-One Career Consultations
3. Company Visits
4. Career Expo and Recruitment Talks
5. Career E-Resources

No Objection Letter (NOL) **for non-local students only*

- **Full-time non-local postgraduate students** will be **temporarily exempted** from the restrictions on working part-time jobs.
- With the updated NOL issued by the Hong Kong Immigration Department, non-local students studying in a full-time locally-accredited local programme at postgraduate level can **take up employment without the restriction on location or number of work hours** during their study of the approved programmes.
- **Statutory Minimum Wage (i.e. HK\$43.1 per hour as of 1 May 2026)** applies

SOS

Unit	Contact
Hong Kong Police, Fire Services, and Ambulance Services	999
24-hour Campus Security Emergency Hotline	3442 8888

Sexual Harassment Awareness

- The University is committed to providing a harmonious environment for staff and students, and adopts a zero-tolerance policy towards all forms of sexual harassment.
- All new students are required to complete the Sexual Harassment Online Training by **30 September 2026**.
- **Committee Against Sexual Harassment (CASH)**
 - Provide guidance to staff and students
 - Promote awareness of related issues
 - Investigate sexual harassment complaints
 - Enquiry Hotline: 3442 9000 (Monday to Friday: 09:00 – 17:00)
 - Email: cash@cityu.edu.hk Website: www.cityu.edu.hk/cash



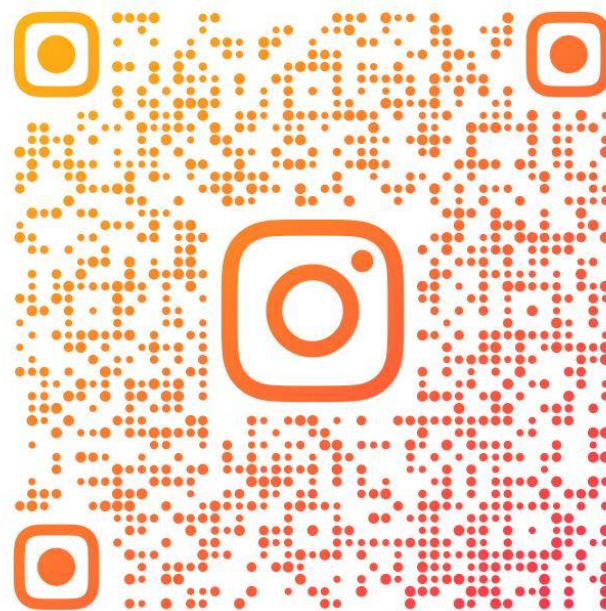
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Thank You!

We look forward to welcoming you to CityUHK soon!