

Student Exchange Programme Fact Sheet 2026/27

General Information	
About the University	<p>The Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK) is a publicly funded tertiary institution dedicated to the advancement of learning and teaching, through a diverse offering of academic and research programmes on teacher education and complementary social sciences and humanities disciplines.</p> <p>EdUHK aims to be a leading university on education, creating an impact and defining the education landscape not only for Hong Kong but also the Asia Pacific region. EdUHK is ranked 4th in Asia and 12th in the QS World University Rankings by Subject (Education and Training) 2025.</p>
About Global Affairs Office	<p>The Global Affairs Office (GAO) aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Foster close collaboration with the universities and institutions worldwide • Raise the EdUHK's profile globally and establish regional leadership • Enhance students' regional and international learning experience • Promote internationalization at home through recruitment of non-local students and on-campus student integration activities
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Academic Calendar		
	Start	End
Semester 1 (Fall)	Early September	Mid-December
Semester 2 (Spring)	Early January	End of May
Detailed academic calendar can be found from Registry's website .		

Academic Information		
Full-time Study Load per semester	Minimum: 12 credit units (approx. 4 courses) Maximum: 15 credit units (approx. 5 courses)	
Credit System	Each course is worth 3 credits (unless otherwise specified) Each course is equivalent to 39 contact hours One credit normally equates to one hour of teaching per week, over 13 teaching weeks in a semester	
Medium of Instruction	Most but not all classes are taught in English. Exchange students are strongly advised to pay attention to the medium of instruction.	
Attendance Requirements	All students, including exchange students, are expected to attend all scheduled classes and activities. Failure to attend a course does not automatically result in the course being dropped. Students who are reported for prolonged absence in a course without permission will be accorded a grade F (Fail) for the course.	
Course Offering List	Please click here for reference.	
Course Registration	Semester 1	July
	Semester 2	November
	Exchange students can register for courses online via EdUHK Portal (The Portal) prior to arrival. Exchange students can change their course selection during the Add/Drop period upon arrival.	
Transcript	Academic results are released in February and July respectively. The transcripts will be posted to your home institution following the respective meetings of the Board of Examiners. This means transcripts will not be available immediately after completion of programmes.	

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Eligibility & Application		
Academic Requirements	Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale OR equivalent. First-year students are normally NOT eligible.	
English Proficiency for Non-Native English Speakers	Non-native English speakers need to fulfill ONE of the following language requirements:	
	TOEFL	Internet-based: 80
	IELTS Academic	Overall Band: 6
	Home Institution	A letter/signed declaration from the home institution's International Office certifying proficiency
Nomination Deadline	Semester 1 / Full Year	Mid-March
	Semester 2	Late September
Nomination Process	Interested students must be nominated by the home institution. Completed nomination form should be sent to GAO at inbound@eduhk.hk by the nomination deadline. Student data will then be imported to the application platform named Global Engagement Management System (GEMS) after nomination.	
Application Deadline	Semester 1 / Full Year	Mid-April
	Semester 2	Early-October
Application Process	Applicants are REQUIRED to complete the application online and submit the following documents to EdUHK via GEMS or mailing as appropriate before the deadline stipulated. Documents Required – to be uploaded to GEMS: -A scanned copy of official transcript -A scanned copy of TOEFL/IELTS scoresheet or English Proficiency Endorsement Form Documents Required – to be mailed to EdUHK: - Visa application	
Student Visa Application	Applicants shall download the application form from the Hong Kong Immigration Department and submit the ORIGINAL visa application with photocopies of all necessary supporting documents to GAO before the application deadline stipulated.	

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	It normally takes around 6-8 weeks to process a visa application. Once a visa is issued, the e-visa will be sent to students' email. The visa should be saved in soft copy on a mobile device or printed on a piece of A4 white paper.
Insurance	<p>Exchange students must arrange travel and health insurance covering the entire period of stay in Hong Kong. Insurance should cover (but not be limited to) travel, personal accident, medical expenses (accident and non-accident), hospitalisation and emergency evacuation/repatriation.</p> <p>There is no requirement on the amount of insurance coverage. This will depend on individual needs. They will be required to show proof of coverage prior to arrival/registration.</p>

Accommodation		
On-campus accommodation	EdUHK has four on-campus residential hostels offering two types of living quarters, exchange students are guaranteed a place in these hostels. Wi-Fi services are available	
On-campus Accommodation website	https://www.eduhk.hk/sao/info/student_halls/student_halls_quarters/	
Date of Application	Semester 1	July
	Semester 2	November
	Students apply for the hostel through the iHostel online system	
Room Type	Twin/Triple Bedroom (Northcote Hall, Grantham Hall and Robert Black Hall)	Activity rooms, laundry rooms, bathroom/toilets, pantries with refrigerators, stoves and microwaves, etc.
	9-person or 12-person flat (The Jockey Club Student Quarters)	Double/triple bedrooms inside each flat with sitting/dining areas, terrace, kitchen, laundry room, bathrooms and individual computer ports.

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Estimated Cost of Living in One Semester	
Hall Fee (Lodging Charge and Hall Life Education Fee) – in 2023/24	HK\$4,520-8,680 (US\$578-1110) Please note that the housing contract period is only on a semester basis. Other expenses such as air-conditioning and utilities are charged on actual use.
Meals	HK\$14,000 - 20,000 (US\$1,784 -2,549)
Local Transportation	HK\$3,200 (US\$408)
Books and Supplies	HK\$2,000 (US\$62)
Visa Application and Administration Fee	HK\$630 (US\$80)
Caution Money (if necessary)	HK\$500 (US\$64)
Others	Various activities are organised by GAO and SAO for helping non-local students to integrate into EdUHK and understand the culture and social development of Hong Kong. Students can opt to join and fees are charged for some of the activities.
<i>The above information is for reference only. Costs would vary depending on individual lifestyle.</i>	

Arrival and Orientation		
Orientation Date	Semester 1	Last week of August
	Semester 2	Frist week of January
Orientation Programme	GAO offers customised orientation programme before the exchange period to allow students to learn more about EdUHK and Hong Kong. Exchange students are strongly recommended to join these activities and establish their new social circle before the term starts.	
Buddy Programme	Each exchange student is matched with one student buddy, who will contact the exchange student ahead of your departure. Student buddies provide care and support to exchange students as well as help them adjust to the new environment and culture during their stay in Hong Kong.	