HKU Visa Application

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Procedure for Overseas Students
Important Note

• All students without the right of abode/right to land in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) MUST apply for an HKSAR student visa for the purpose of education. It is the responsibility of individual students to make appropriate visa arrangements before they come to Hong Kong.
1. Receive your conditional/ confirmed offer

• You can apply for Student Visa with a conditional or firm offer.
• However, you will need your firm offer and upload it to the visa system to get your actual visa.
2. Prepare the required documents

1. A completed ID995A form
2. A copy of your complete set of the admission offer letter
3. A copy of your Passport (for international/Macao/Taiwan students)
4. A copy of your CV / resume
5. Copy of financial proof
6. A signed form of the nomination of the guardian with a copy of the parent's passport (under age 18 applicants)

For any documents that are not in Chinese or English, a CERTIFIED translation in Chinese OR English is required.
3. Upload and Pay your visa application fee

- Visa Application fee: **HKD 990**
- If you apply via the local Chinese Embassy: HKD 350 (applicants need to bear additional administration fees where applicable)

- If you decide to apply via the local Chinese embassy, you have to handle the visa application on your own with the embassy, HKU AO will only provide a supporting letter to facilitate such an application
4. Next steps of your Visa Application

1) Send the complete set of application documents to AO after confirmation of your softcopies are fine from AO
2) AO submits the application to ImmD
3) ImmD processes your application for 6 to 8 weeks
4) Upload additional documents if required
5) Link of the E-visa will be sent to the applicant’s email
6) Download your E-visa
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Procedure for Mainland Undergraduate Freshmen

学生签证申请指南——中国大陆篇
Student Visa / Permit of Entry for Study
学生签证

• Required students: All Mainland students without the right of abode/right to land in Hong Kong
• Time to apply: ASAP when conditional offer received
• Ultimate Goal:

Blank Exit-Entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao (EEP)
空白港澳通行证

+ Student e-Visa
学生签证

= Exit-Entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao (EEP) with Exit Endorsement
背面印有逗留（D）签注的港澳通行证

目标学生：所有没有香港入境&居住许可的中国大陆学生
申请时间：收到条件录取后尽快开始
最终目标：
Step 1: Submit an Application
第一步：提交学生签证申请

1. Apply for entry of study / Student Visa Permit
   • Place: HKU&U – Accept HKU Offer – Student Visa Application System
   • Materials needed (in scanned copy for online submission and hard copy to mail to AO):
     • ID 955A Form
     • Visa Sponsor Application
     • Guardian Nomination & Birth Certificate (for students under 18)
     • Conditional Offer / Firm Offer with signed receipt
     • Mainland ID card
     • Census Record
     • Financial Statement
     • Census Record of Financial Sponsor if have

2. Apply for a blank Exit-Entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao (EEP)
   • Time Taken: roughly 10 working days
   • Place: Entry and Exit Administration Bureau in your city

1. 申请学生签证+小白条
   • 地点：香港大学学生签证申请网站
     • 所需材料（扫描提交至系统+复印件打包邮寄至港大招生办）：
       • 香港入境事务处申请来港就读申请表 ID 955A
       • 学生签证协理者申请表-申请来港学习专用
       • 监护人提名书&出生证明（仅适用于未满18岁学生）
       • 条件录取通知/正式录取通知书+署名回执
       • 中华人民共和国身份证
       • 常住人口登记（户口本）
       • 财产证明
       • 财产担保人户口本（如有）

2. 申请空白港澳通行证
   • 需等待时间：大约10个工作日
   • 地点：当地出入境管理局
Step 2: Wait for Processing
第二步：等待受理

- Time taken: 6-8 weeks
- Processing Procedures:
  
  HKU Admission Office
  ↓
  Hong Kong Immigration Department (ImmD)
  ↓
  HKU Admission Office receive visa permit

- 所需时间：大约6-8周
- 受理流程：
  
  港大入學事務部
  ↓
  香港出入境事务管理处审核（ImmD）
  ↓
  港大入學事務部收到学生签证
Step 3: Submit copy of Firm Offer (only for Internationals)
第三步：提交签好名的正式录取通知（仅适于国际生）

Gaokao 高考生

International Qualifications (A Level, AP, IB etc.) 国际生
Step 4: Apply for Exit Endorsement

第四步：申请逗留(D)签注

- Place: Entry and Exit Administration Bureau in your city
- Time taken: normally 5 working days, can apply for urgent application and reduce to 1-3 working days depends on your location

- Materials needed:
  - Mainland ID card
  - Blank EEP
  - Firm Admission Offer
  - Student Visa Label

- 地点：当地出入境管理局
- 办理时长：一般需要5个工作日，可以办理加急，加急后一般需要1-3个工作日，各省市规定不同，需要查询当地分局网站/致电

- 所需材料：
  - 中国大陆身份证
  - 空白港澳通行证
  - 正式录取通知书
  - 学生签证

✓ With EEP containing exit endorsement, you are able to land in HK
  拥有逗留签注之后，大陆学生就可以在规定期间内多次往返

✓ However, don’t forget to bring your permit and landing slip, it will still be useful in multiple situations
  電子簽證+小白条不能扔！过关时等多种情境下仍会用到！
1. 拿到条件录取通知书
2. 提交学生签证网上申请材料，等待受理
3. 到当地出入境管理局办理空白港澳通行证
4. 提交大考成绩，拿到正式录取，提交录取通知书至学生签证申请平台
5. 拿到学生签证+小白条后到当地出入境管理局办理逗留（D）签注
6. 赴港开启大学生活！
Important Notes
重点提示

• Start your visa application **ASAP** once you received conditional/firm offer
  ✓ 拿到条件录取/正式录取后需**立刻开始**学生签证申请

• For students with International Qualifications, submit the copy of signed firm offer letter **ASAP**
  ✓ 国际生收到正式录取后应马上签字并上传至申请签证的网址

• For copy of offer letter, screenshots are allowed
  ✓ 提交录取通知书是可以将申请系统截屏

• For students with multiple offers, choose your most desired major in visa application
  ✓ 同时拿到多个专业录取通知书的同学应选择自己最想去的专业作为签证申请所填专业
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Frequently Asked Questions
Question 1

• Q: When do I submit the application hard copies to Admission Office?

• A: AFTER your softcopies are checked, we will send you an email with our postal address to ask you to post the hard copies to HKU Admissions Office.
Question 2

• Q: If I have 2 conditional offers from 2 different universities in HK, how can I apply for a student visa?

• A: Apply through HKU Visa Application System. HK ImmD would ask you to declare which programme you would take before approving the visa.
Question 3

• Q: If I were to nominate HKU as my guardian, whose signature should I put on the consent letter?

• A: Leave it blank at the signature of guardian part while HKU Admissions office will handle.
Question 4

• Q: I am still 17 years old, do I need a guardian if I submit the application now?

• A: Please just follow the registration process to answer the age question. You won’t be asked to submit a guardian nomination letter if you would select “18 or above”.
Question 5

• Q: I am renewing my passport during the visa application process, is it fine?

• A: HK ImmD will approve your visa based on the passport copy you have submitted to them. The approved duration will then be shorter than your normal study period.

• You need to bring both your old and new passports, together with the e-Visa, when entering HK. After you entered HK, you will have to apply for a visa extension about 6 weeks before your visa expiry.
Question 6

• Q: How much deposit should I have in my bank account? Do you accept foreign currency?

• A: Suggested amount: HK$100,000-$150,000 for one full-year study (for reference only)
  • Foreign currency equivalent to the above is OK.
  • HK ImmD will do the final assessment.
Question 7

• Q: Can I receive my visa before meeting the offer conditions?

• A: No. An “e-Visa” will be distributed through email (no need for sending visa labels through express courier).

• HKU will send out your e-Visa in 5 working days upon collection of your visa permit from HK ImmD.
Question 8

• Q: If I am not able to fulfil the conditions of offers from HKU, can I change the visa application to another university?

• A: No. Please submit another visa application with other universities, and please note that your visa application fee is non-refundable whether your visa application in HKU is successful or not.
Question 9

• Q: Do I need to provide bank statements of my parents when I apply for a visa?

• A: No. If you can provide your own bank statement within the last 3 months with the suggested amount in your account.
Question 10

• Q: Can I enter Hong Kong to wait for a visa permit?

• A: We do not suggest you come to Hong Kong first. You will be given a visitor permit and HK ImmD will ask you to leave and enter Hong Kong again to activate your student visa.
Question 11

• Q: Can I study at HKU with a dependent visa?

• A: Yes. But please pay attention to your visa expiry and apply for a visa extension directly at HK ImmD within 6 weeks before such expiry date.
Question 12

• Q: What is a firm offer letter?

OFFER OF ADMISSION

Dear ,

On behalf of the University of Hong Kong, we are most pleased to offer you admission to the University in the 2023-24 academic year which will commence on September 1, with details as set out below:

Study Programme: 6781 - Bachelor of Business Administration in Account Data Analytics/ Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and Finance
Programme Duration: 4 years
Year of Entry: Year 1
Mode of Study: Full-time
Category: Non-local student
Composition Fee: HK$182,000 per annum

This is a conditional offer of admission subject to your obtaining of the following on or before August 17, 2023:

(i) 3A*1B or 2A*2A or better in four GCE/International Advanced Level subjects\(^\text{^\textasciitilde}\), including A or better in Mathematics or Further Mathematics
\(^\text{^\textasciitilde}\)All language subjects, Critical Thinking, General Studies, Global Perspectives and Research, Knowledge and Enquiry, Project Work, Thinking Skills, and Extended Project Qualification are excluded.
Useful Resources

• Visa Application System:
  Overseas: [https://studentvisaoverseas.hku.hk/auth/login](https://studentvisaoverseas.hku.hk/auth/login)
  Mainland: [https://studentvisa-mainland.hku.hk/](https://studentvisa-mainland.hku.hk/)

• HKU Visa Website: [https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk](https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk)

• HKU and You Website: [https://www.hkunyou.hku.hk](https://www.hkunyou.hku.hk)

• Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact us by submitting the online enquiry form [https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/contact-us](https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/contact-us)