

# Faculty of Arts Exchange Programme 2015-2016 Information Sheet

The Faculty encourages Arts students to participate in student exchange programmes during their course of study, with a view to widening their horizons and enriching their learning experience. The Faculty of Arts Exchange Programme (FAEP) aims at providing such opportunities for undergraduate students. Successful candidates will have the opportunity to study abroad in one of the partner institutions for one semester or one academic year (two semesters) in the academic year 2015-2016.

#### **Application procedures**

Applications will commence on <u>October 24, 2014</u>. Interested students, regardless of whether they have applied for the HKU Worldwide Undergraduate Student Exchange Programme 2015-16 or the Department of Japanese Studies Programme 2015-2016, should submit the application form for the FAEP 2014-15 online by <u>5:00 pm on December 29, 2014 (Monday)</u>. Late or incomplete applications will **NOT** be accepted.

Suitable candidates will be shortlisted and invited to attend an interview to be held in late January 2014 with individual notification by email in due course.

#### Notes to applicants

1. <u>Student eligibility</u>

All non-final year undergraduate students of BA programmes (4-year Curriculum) in the year 2014-15 are eligible to apply for the exchange programme.

Application from students who have previously been or are going to be on exchange under the HKU Worldwide Undergraduate Student Exchange Programme or any other student exchange programmes organized by other faculties or departments will **NOT** be considered.

Students who apply for both HKU Worldwide Student Exchange Programme and Faculty of Arts Exchange Programme 2015-16 will only receive one offer. The result will be coordinated between the OISE and the Faculty.

2. <u>Host institution and duration of exchange study</u>

The Faculty of Arts is offering exchange places at the following institutions:

#### **Canadian universities**

Name of Exchange University	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
McGill University http://www.mcgill.ca/	One semester	-	3 semester
The University of British Columbia http://www.ubc.ca/	One semester	-	3 semester

Name of Exchange University	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
Université de Montréal <u>http://www.umontreal.ca/english/</u> (Faculty-level exchange partner)	One semester	French proficiency of B1 is required	4 semester
University of Alberta http://www.ualberta.ca/	One semester	-	3 semester

# U.S. universities

Name of Exchange University	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
Ithaca College <u>http://www.ithaca.edu/</u> *Liberal arts college (Faculty-level exchange partner)	One semester	-	2 semester
Mount Holyoke College https://www.mtholyoke.edu/ *Liberal arts college	Full year ONLY	Female ONLY	1 full year
University of Arizona http://www.arizona.edu/	Full year or one semester	-	1 full year / 3 semester
University of Oregon http://uoregon.edu/	Full year or one semester	-	1 full year / 3 semester

# U.K. universities

Name of Exchange University	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
University of Cardiff <u>http://www.cardiff.ac.uk</u>	Full year or one semester	-	1 full year / 3 semester
University of East Anglia https://www.uea.ac.uk/	Full year or one semester	-	1 full year / 3 semester
University of Kent <u>http://www.kent.ac.uk/</u> (Faculty-level exchange partner)	Full year or one semester	-	5 full year / 10 semester
University of Sheffield http://www.sheffield.ac.uk/	Full year or one semester	_	1 full year / 3 semester

# **Dutch universities**

Name of Exchange University	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
Leiden University <u>https://studiegids.leidenuniv.nl/en/</u> (Faculty-level exchange partner)	Full year or 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester ONLY	-	2 full year / 4 semester
University College Utrecht <u>www.uu.nl/ucu</u> (Faculty-level exchange partner)	Full year or 2 <sup>nd</sup> semester ONLY	IELTS (minimum 7 in writing & speaking)	5 full year / 10 semester

### Australian universities

Name of exchange university	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
The University of Melbourne <u>http://www.unimelb.edu.au/</u>	Full year or one semester	1st Semester: Feb – Jun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester: Jul – Nov	1 full year / 3 semester
The University of Sydney http://sydney.edu.au/	Full year or one semester	1st Semester: Feb – Jun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester: Jul – Nov	1 full year / 3 semester
The University of Western Australia http://www.uwa.edu.au/	Full year or one semester	1st Semester: Feb – Jun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester: Jul – Nov	1 full year / 3 semester
The University of Queensland <u>http://www.uq.edu.au/</u>	Full year or one semester	1st Semester: Feb – Jun 2 <sup>nd</sup> Semester: Jul – Nov	1 full year / 3 semester

# **Korean universities**

Name of exchange university	Duration of Exchange	Remarks	Exchange Places
Underwood International College Yonsei University <u>http://uic.yonsei.ac.kr/</u>	Full year or one semester	Recommended for Korean Studies Major students	2 full year / 4 semester

Students interested in the exchange programme with other University-level exchange partners should apply for the HKU Worldwide Student Exchange Programme (HKUWW) 2015-2016, which includes over 200 exchange partners in 36 countries. For details of HKUWW, please visit: <a href="http://www.als.hku.hk/admission/exchange/outgoing-students/programmes/hkuww">http://www.als.hku.hk/admission/exchange/outgoing-students/programmes/hkuww</a>.

# 3. <u>Course Selection</u>

Students are required to visit the website of the host institution of their choice for more information, and proceed to choose the courses that they wish to study during their exchange. The course details and syllabuses are usually available at the website of the host institution.

The host institutions reserve the rights to accept or reject students from enrolling in certain courses, due to limited quota, pre-requisite conditions, course restrictions or other reasons. Students are advised to be prepared to add or drop courses when they pursue their study at the host institution.

# 4. <u>Credit transfer</u>

Before going on exchange, students should consult the relevant School(s)/Department(s) at HKU on which courses they can take in their host institution in order to transfer credits. Students need to submit a completed <u>credit transfer application form</u> to the Faculty Office with the relevant course information, including the course syllabus, total number of contact hours (in lectures, tutorials, etc.), coursework requirements, credit weighting at the host university, and any other information that may be requested by the School(s)/Department(s) concerned before their departure. The grades of courses for which students have transferred credits will neither be counted in the calculations of GPA nor honours classification.

A Faculty cap policy will be effective from 2014-15 onwards, which states that up to 50% of the transferred credits to HKU can be counted towards each of the Arts major/ minor requirements. In other words, students should complete at least 50% of each of the Arts major/ minor requirements at HKU.

#### 5. <u>Leave of Absence</u>

Students who are selected for participating in the exchange programme should apply for leave of absence by submitting the application form to the Faculty Office before leaving. The application form is available at: http://arts.hku.hk/BAprogramme/advising/forms/leave.pdf

## 6. <u>Tuition fee</u>

Students are required to pay full tuition fees to HKU, while exempted from paying tuition fees to the host institution.

### 7. Exchange Scholarship and Financial Aids

The details of the exchange scholarships for 2014-15 are available at the Office of International Student Exchange (OISE) website: <u>http://www.als.hku.hk/admission/exchange</u>

Faculty Exchange Programme Scholarship is eligible for students who apply for one academic year exchange programme under the Faculty of Arts Exchange Programme. The amount of the scholarship was HKD30,000 in the academic year 2013-14.

For financial aids, the Centre of the Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS) also provides financial assistance for students in need. Please go to <u>http://cedars.hku.hk/Cedars/Finances.aspx</u> for details.

### 8. <u>Selection Criteria</u>

- Academic standing (CGPA & IELTS / TOFEL result)
- Communication skills (in English for most institutions)
- Personality and outlook
- Statement of Purpose
- Extra-curricular activities
- Performance at the interview
- Capable of being a good ambassador of the Arts Faculty, the University and Hong Kong as a whole

#### 9. Application Result

The application result will be announced in February 2014.

#### 10. Application to the host institution

Successful applications will be notified to submit application documents as required by the host institution.

#### **Further information or enquiries**

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