



### The Chinese University of Hong Kong School of Continuing and Professional Studies Student Counselling and Development Services

### SUMMER OVERSEAS PROGRAMME 2024-25

# **Programme Information**

#### About the Program

The Summer Overseas Program is designed to enrich your academic lives by providing a unique international summer learning experience. You are provided with opportunities to study language enhancement and career development related short-term study programmes in Australia, Canada, and the United Kingdom during summer. Partner Universities this year include University of Queensland, University of British Columbia, University of Toronto, and University of York.

#### **Objectives**

- 1. To enhance your independence, maturity, confidence, and self-awareness
- 2. To enhance your social competence, through confronting challenges beyond their familiar environment and comfort zone
- 3. To provide you opportunities to experience a new culture and a different learning environment
- 4. To increase your awareness of overseas study and career opportunities
- 5. To enhance your proficiency in the use of English

#### **Target Students**

Higher Diploma Students

#### Selection Criteria

Applicants are required to attend a group interview conducted by a panel consisted of student counsellors and/or lecturers. Interview not only is a process to ascertain the suitability of a potential participant, but also maximize the opportunity to explore the potential and capacity (such as one's level of independence, willingness to learn) of the students to ensure a meaningful overseas learning experience. Selection criteria include:

- 1. Demonstrate enduring commitment and ability to plan and prepare for overseas stay and study
- 2. Demonstrate high level of motivation to learn and to reach out
- 3. Demonstrate adequate level of independence
- 4. Demonstrate personal attributes to represent CUSCS

#### Program Schedule

Period	Key Activities
Nov – Dec 2024	1 <sup>st</sup> Round Recruitment.
	ROA Interview Application and Nomination
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Jan – Late Feb	2 <sup>nd</sup> Round Recruitment.
2025	Information Sessions & Interview Sessions
	Confirmation of Scholarship Offer
Feb 2025	Briefing Sessions
	Topics include: learning goals, planning of overseas study, health and safety
	issue, etc.
Mar - Jun 2025	Online Course Enrollment by student
	VISA Application (if applicable)
	Air Ticket & Insurance Purchase by student
	Arrangement on Accommodation by student
Jul – Aug 2025	Summer Programme Study Period
Aug 2025	Submission of Reflective Journals and photos
Nov 2025	Sharing session on overseas learning experiences (if applicable)

#### Scholarship Eligibility Requirements

- 1. Students are eligible to apply for CUSCS Outbound Learning Scholarship if he/she achieves minimum cGPA 2.3 or above. (\**cGPA will be considered at the time of program application. i.e., Exam results in semester 1 of academic year 2024-25*).
- 2. Students are eligible to apply for Reaching Out Award (ROA) offered by Education Bureau if he/she achieves reasonably good academic attainment (\**For Year-2 students, they should attain at least a cGPA 3.0 or above*) and/or interview result. The award is set at \$10,000 for each awardee. The student who has been awarded of ROA will not be nominated again in the same programme of study.
- 3. Each awardee can be awarded with both CUSCS Outbound Learning Scholarship and ROA.
- 4. Offer of scholarships is on competitive basis and it depends on both academic and interview performance. Applicants may not be granted with scholarship even he/she achieves minimum cGPA 2.3 or above, but they may still be admitted to the program.
- 5. Scholarship will be reimbursed upon completion of the summer programme, related learning activities and receipts of reflective journals. Reimbursement will be made in Hong Kong dollar and therefore the amount of each scholarship may subject to change due to fluctuation in exchange rate.
- **6.** At any time students indicate to withdraw the program or fail to complete the program, the eligibility to receive the scholarship will be lost at the same time.

#### NOTE TO APPLICANT

- 1. Applicant should note that program information provided below is for reference only, in particular the date and expenses on accommodation and airfare. Other expenses such as health insurance, admin fee and VISA application may incur. All prices are subject to changes.
- 2. Applicant should refer to the programme website and/or related website for more accurate and detailed information.
- 3. Applicant is responsible for the arrangement of his/her own overseas study, including online programme application, flight, accommodation, VISA, insurance, etc.

### COURSE/ PROGRAM INFORMATION

### AUSTRALIA - University of Queensland

University	THE UNIVERSITY OF QUEENSLAND AUSTRALIA		
City	Brisbane		
Course/Program	Integrated English		
Duration	5 weeks (21 Jul – 22 Aug 2025)		
Estimated Expenses#	Items	Estimated Amount	
	Tuition Fee	AUD \$2,475 **	
	Enrollment Fee	AUD \$250 **	
	Student Services & Materials Fee	AUD \$150	
	Accommodation:	Matching fee: AUD\$350 Homestay AUD\$ 1,250 – 1850 (AUD \$280 – 410/week)	
	#Airfare	HK \$7,000-10,000	
Website	Course information: https://uqcollege.uq.edu.au/study-options/english-courses/eap Accommodation information: https://www.homestaynetwork.org/brisbane-pricing/		
Remarks	<ol> <li>Electron Travel Authority (ETA) is necessary</li> <li>Course Online application by student</li> <li>Course Online Payment by student</li> <li>Accommodation arrangement by student</li> <li>Health insurance is not covered</li> <li>No Entry Requirement for English proficiency, but required to provide IELTS result or take an English language test before entry</li> </ol>		

# The amount of airfare is subject to change

\*\*CUSCS Students will have 10% discount on weekly tuition fee & 50% discount on enrolment fee

## Canada - University of British Columbia

University			
City	Vancouver		
Course/Program	ASPIRE On Campus		
Duration	4 weeks (30 Jun-25 Jul* or 5 Aug – 29 Aug 2025)		
Estimated Expenses#	<u>Items</u>	Estimated Amount	
	Tuition Fee	CAD \$1,950	
	Application Fee	CAD \$150	
	Accommodation	Homestay: CAD \$ 65/night + Homestay placement fee: CAD\$350	
	Health insurance	CAD \$100	
	#Airfare	HK\$8,000-12,000	
Website	Course information: <u>https://eli.ubc.ca/programs/global-citizenship/on-campus/</u> Accommodation: <u>Homestay - English Language Institute (ubc.ca)</u> Health Insurance: iMed (mandatory) <u>https://eli.ubc.ca/future-students/apply/medical/</u>		
Remarks	<ol> <li>Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) is necessary</li> <li>Course Online application by student</li> <li>Course Online Payment by student</li> <li>Accommodation arrangement by student</li> <li>Buying iMed (Health insurance) is mandatory</li> <li>No entry requirement for English proficiency</li> </ol>		

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### Canada - University of Toronto

University	UNIVERSITY OF TORONTO		
City	Toronto		
Course/Program	English for Effective Communication		
Duration	4 weeks (7 Jul – 31 Jul 2025* or 5 Aug – 29 Aug 2025)		
<b>Estimated Expenses</b>	Items	Estimated Amount	
	Tuition Fee	CAD \$2,130	
		(Included Health Insurance Fee)	
	Accommodation	CAD ~ around \$400/week	
	#Airfare	HK\$8,000-12,000	
Website	Course Information: <u>https://learn.utoronto.ca/english-language-</u> <u>program/programs/courses/2868-english-effective-communication</u> Accommodation Information: <u>https://learn.utoronto.ca/english-language-program-living-</u> <u>toronto/finding-place-live</u>		
Remarks	<ol> <li>Electronic Travel Authorization (eTA) is necessary</li> <li>Course Online application by student</li> <li>Course Online Payment by student</li> <li>Accommodation arrangement by student</li> <li>No entry requirement for English proficiency</li> <li>Bring a laptop computer to class</li> </ol>		

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### United Kingdom – University of York

University	UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY		
City	York		
Course/Program	Undergraduate Summer School – International open-access programme for university students (English Language, Academic & Intercultural Skills)		
Duration	2 weeks (TBC: 3 – 17 Jul 202	25* or 17 31 Jul 2025)	
Estimated Expenses#	Items	Estimated Amount	
	Tuition Fee Accommodation:	<ul> <li>GBP £1,500 (Price in 2024 for ref)</li> <li>GBP £550 (price in 2024 for ref)</li> <li>Individual accommodation on campus</li> <li>Breakfast included</li> <li>Secure campus and travel insurance</li> </ul>	
	#Airfare	HK \$7,000-10,000	
Website	Course information: https://www.york.ac.uk/global-summer/undergraduate/		
Remarks	<ol> <li>Course Online application by student</li> <li>Course Online Payment by student</li> <li>No entry requirement for English proficiency (IELTS 4.5 recommended)</li> </ol>		

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