

The Education University of Hong Kong

Notes on Student Visa Application

Please submit the following documents for your student visa application.

- 1) An application form for “[Entry for Study in Hong Kong](#)” (ID995A), with relevant parts on pages 1-4 duly completed and **signed**. A passport-sized photo must be properly affixed to the form. Please read the “Guidebook for Entry for Study in Hong Kong” carefully before completing the application form. Both the form and the [guidebook](#) can be downloaded from the website of the Immigration Department of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) at www.immd.gov.hk/eng/forms/hk-visas/study.html. You may also refer to [the sample available on the GAO website](#). Please submit the **SIGNED application form with your signature** through the [VISA Management System for Admissions \(VMSA\) \(for Admission Term of Semester 1, 2026-27\)](#).
- 2) A copy of the admission offer letter (all pages) issued by the University;
- 3) A copy of your identity and travel documents:

	Identity and travel documents required	Remarks
Chinese Mainland	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mainland ID 	-
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Exit-entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macau (EEP) 	EEP is not required for the visa application process, but you must present it when entering Hong Kong. If you do not currently have an EEP, please submit the visa application first. You may apply for the EEP while your visa application is being processed. For those who already hold an EEP, please ensure its validity covers your entire study period. If it does not, please renew it before entering Hong Kong, and do not include your EEP information in the application form.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Household Registration Card 	If you have changed your name before, please provide proof of the previous name(s) used.
Taiwan, China	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taiwan ID 	-
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport 	Pages showing personal particulars, photo, passport validity (which should preferably cover the normative period of study for the admitted programme), signature, and details of any re-entry visa held (if applicable).
Macau, China	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Macau SAR ID 	-
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visit Permit for Residents of the Macao SAR to the Hong Kong SAR 	It is preferred that the passport validity covers the normative period of study for the admitted programme. If the validity of the Visit Permit for Residents of the Macao SAR to the Hong Kong SAR does not cover your graduation date, please renew it as soon as possible. <i>(Portuguese passport holders, please provide the information of your passport.)</i>
Other passport holders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Passport 	Pages showing personal particulars, photo, passport validity (it is preferred that the validity covers the normative period of study for the admitted programme), signature, and details of any re-entry visa held (if applicable). If the validity of your passport is insufficient to cover your graduation date, please renew it as soon as possible and include the renewed passport in your visa application.

- 4) A copy of the financial statement of the applicant*;
OR
Financial statement of the applicant's parents or guardians*; and
 - a) A [Letter of Undertaking](#) confirming his/her full financial support for the expenses of the applicant's study in Hong Kong.
 - b) A copy of the parents' or guardian's passport/ Mainland ID.
* *Financial standing (e.g., photocopies of bank statements, savings account passbooks, scholarship offer letter, tax receipts, and employment certificates) should cover 1 year of expenses for your study in Hong Kong (approximately HKD\$260,000).*
- 5) If the applicant is under the age of 18, one of the applicant's parents should authorise the sponsor (the University) or his/her relatives or friends in Hong Kong to act as the guardian.
 - a) Submit a consent letter duly signed by one of the applicant's parents ([Sample](#)).
 - b) Submit a copy of the passport of the consent letter signer.
- 6) If you currently hold another visa, please submit a copy of the visa, landing slip (if any), HKID (if any), and Letter of Undertaking for the current visa (as requested).
- 7) If your dependants wish to join you to reside in the HKSAR, please submit the application(s) directly to the Hong Kong Immigration Department on your own. For details, please visit [the Hong Kong Immigration Department website](#).

Please complete and submit the visa application form together with copies of your travel document, ID card, and proof of your financial status (e.g., bank book) to VISA Management System for Admission (VMSA) **by the stipulated deadline**.

Please note that once the visa application is being processed by the University, the visa processing fee, which is HK\$630, cannot be refunded. Students will receive the payment notice from the Finance Office upon registration.

We will send your visa application materials to the Immigration Department (hereafter "ImmD") for review. During the peak season from May to August, it takes at least 8-10 weeks or more to process a visa/entry permit application for study upon receipt of all the required documents. The ImmD will not be able to start processing the application unless all the required documents and information have been received. To avoid any delay in the visa process, please submit the application before the deadline stated in the admission letter.

Please refrain from making enquiries about the progress of the application, as this may delay its processing. **All applications are processed and determined by the ImmD. Approval is entirely discretionary and subject to changes in government policies. The Director of Immigration reserves the absolute discretion to refuse any application, even if it meets all eligibility criteria.**

Once the application is approved, GAO will arrange for the collection of the visa label and related documents starting from June. **After the applicants have submitted the required academic documents to the Registry/Graduate School, and these documents have been verified to the satisfaction of the University, GAO will start sending student visa information via email from July.**

For more information on student visa applications, please visit the GAO website at www.eduhk.hk/gao/en/page_content.php?level=3&id=29. Should you have further queries or require any assistance regarding the visa application, please contact GAO at (852) 2948 7900 or via email (stuvisa@eduhk.hk).