

THE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE

Application Guidelines for Summer Residence 2026

Application for Summer Residence 2026 will be open for all full-time students of the University to apply from 10 April 2026 (Fri) to 16 April 2026 (Thu). The online application form is available for access via the iHostel system (log in to the Portal → Stu Affairs → iHostel) during the application period.

I. Student Halls Open for Summer Residence 2026

In order to provide a safe and healthy, and comfortable living place for students and to proper utilize the resources for facilitating the maintenance works during the summer, Grantham Hall will NOT be open for Summer Residence in 2026 while **Jockey Club Student Quarters will be partially open to accommodate Research Postgraduate (RPG) students only.** That means **only Northcote Hall and Robert Black Hall will be open for full-time non-RPG students.**

II. Eligibility

All full-time students of the University are eligible to apply for Summer Residence 2026.

III. Application Period

Applications will be open **from 00:00 on 10 April 2026 (Fri) to 23:59 on 16 April 2026 (Thu).** The online application form is available for access via the iHostel system (log in to the Portal → Stu Affairs → iHostel).

IV. Submission of Application

1. Applications should be submitted via the iHostel system during the application period as mentioned above.
2. Please read carefully the iHostel User Guide for Summer Residence and the demonstration video available on the Hall Management Section website before submission of application (https://www.eduhk.hk/sao/info/student_halls/summer_residence/).
3. Late applications / application for extension of residence or change of residential period is NOT accepted.
4. The Hall Management Section reserves the right to reject all applications submitted after the application deadline in any circumstances.

V. Allocation Criteria

1. Limited bed places will be allocated to eligible applicants with the following priority which was approved by the Student Affairs Committee (SAC) in March 2020:
 - (i) UGC-funded full-time Research Postgraduate (RPG) students
 - (ii) UGC-funded full-time Undergraduate (UG) students enrolled in courses offered in Summer Semester
 - (iii) Other UGC-funded full-time Undergraduate (UG) students
 - (iv) UGC-funded full-time Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) students
 - (v) UGC-funded full-time Higher Diploma in Early Childhood Education HD(ECE) students

(vi) Self-financed full-time students

2. If the number of applications exceeds the number of available bed places, a computer-generated randomized number will be assigned to applicants for hall place allocation according to the above-mentioned allocation priority.
3. Applicants can indicate their room type preferences in the application form but their preferences will not be guaranteed.

VI. Pair-up of Room-mates

1. Applicants may indicate their room-mate(s) via the iHostel system.
2. Applicants who have not indicated their room-mates will be assigned one(s) by the Hall Management Office of the designated hall for operational needs. In case the room type indicated cannot be arranged, applicants without room-mates may be assigned to another available room type. The Hall Management Section reserves the right to make a final decision on room allocation in any case of dispute.

VII. Summer Residence Period and Lodging Charges

As approved by the Student Affairs Committee in December 2022, commencing from Summer Residence 2023 onwards, Summer Residence will be offered in terms of five residential periods (Option A to Option E). The lodging charge will be calculated according to the number of weeks in each residential period (which equals weekly rate x no. of weeks in that residential period). The table below shows the residential period, number of weeks and lodging charges for different room types for each option, as well as the application eligibility of current/non-current student-residents for different options.

Option	Eligible Applicant	Residential Period	No. of Weeks	Lodging Charge							
				Standard room		Budget room		RPG Flats			
				UGC-funded students	Non-UGC funded students	UGC-funded students	Non-UGC funded students	Single I	Single II	Shared I	Shared II
Option A	Current residents ^{1,2}	22 May 2026 (Fri), 14:00 – 7 August 2026 (Fri), 12:00 noon	11	\$4,895	\$7,370	\$3,410	\$5,115	\$6,655	\$8,855	\$5,830	\$6,545
Option B		22 May 2026 (Fri), 14:00 – 3 July 2026 (Fri), 12:00 noon	6	\$2,670	\$4,020	\$1,860	\$2,790	\$3,630	\$4,830	\$3,180	\$3,570
Option C	Non-current residents	29 May 2026 (Fri), 14:00 – 7 August 2026 (Fri), 12:00 noon	10	\$4,450	\$6,700	\$3,100	\$4,650	\$6,050	\$8,050	\$5,300	\$5,950
Option D		29 May 2026 (Fri), 14:00 – 3 July 2026 (Fri), 12:00 noon	5	\$2,225	\$3,350	\$1,550	\$2,325	\$3,025	\$4,025	\$2,650	\$2,975
Option E		3 July 2026 (Fri), 14:00 – 7 August 2026 (Fri), 12:00 noon	5	\$2,225	\$3,350	\$1,550	\$2,325	\$3,025	\$4,025	\$2,650	\$2,975

Notes:

1. Current residents are students who have not checked-out from Northcote Hall (NH)/Grantham Hall (GH)/Robert Black Hall (RBH)/ Jockey Club Student Quarters (JCSQ) on or before the last residential day for Semester 2, i.e. 22 May 2026, 12:00nn. The check-in procedures for Summer Residence 2026 will be completed by 22 May 2026.
2. Current residents of GH and JCSQ will be relocated to NH/RBH (not applicable to RPG students in JCSQ) due to the closure of GH and the UG flats in JCSQ.

VIII. **Payment Method and Other Fees and Charges**

1. The lodging charge should be settled via the Online Payment Platform (OPP) with the link provided in the email of the conditional offer. Other forms of payment will NOT be accepted.
2. The lodging charge only covers the cost for the general solid waste generated by the student-residents during their stay in the student halls.
3. A penalty of HK\$200 per day will be levied on students who check-out after the approved period of stay.
4. Summer residents of NH and RBH have to pay the air-conditioning charges inside their bedrooms and for the use of laundry facilities via the payment kiosks in the student halls.
5. For JCSQ, utilities charges except electricity are included in the weekly rate of Summer Residence. Electricity will be charged in accordance with CLP bills. In case CLP bill is not available owing to difference between the residential period and CLP's charged period, the charged consumption will be based on meter reading and the payment will be calculated at HK\$1.50/KW/H.
6. Linen will not be provided.
7. **All fees paid are non-refundable and non-transferable.**

IX. **Announcement of Result and Acceptance of Offer via iHostel system and Payment via OPP**

1. Successful applicants will receive conditional offer via email from SAO **on 20 April 2026.**
2. To confirm acceptance of the hall offer, **students should reply to the conditional offer on the iHostel system by 23:59, 24 April 2026** and settle all payment listed in the conditional offer. **Only payment via the Online Payment Portal (OPP) by 23:59, 24 April 2026 will be accepted.** No cash is accepted by the Hall Management Section or the Hall Management Office of each student hall / quarters. All fees paid are non-refundable and non-transferable.
3. Successful applicants will receive notification via email from Hall Management Offices **by 8 May 2026** for the check-in arrangements for Summer Residence.

X. **Enquiry**

Please contact the Hall Management Section at (852) 2948 6868 during office hours or email to shostel@eduhk.hk.

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