



Friends of HKU Summer Exchange Scholarship

NOTES FOR APPLICANTS

The “Friends of HKU Summer Exchange Scholarship” was established to encourage children of HKU alumni, who are citizens or residents of the United States, to participate in the summer programs organized by The University of Hong Kong ¹ (“HKU Summer Programs”).

A scholarship of US\$1,000 will be awarded by Friends of The University of Hong Kong, Ltd (“Friends of HKU”) to subsidize the course fee and expenses incurred by the successful candidates’ participation in the HKU Summer Programs 2023.

Eligibility

Applicants for this Scholarship must meet all of the following criteria:

1. Currently studying in Grade 11 or Grade 12 in a high school in the United States, or undertaking an undergraduate program in a college/university in the United States;
2. An academic record as evidenced by a GPA of 3.50 or above, or other academic achievement such as, but not limited to, being on the honor roll or dean’s list, and/or academic prizes, successful participation in research projects or publication of research papers.
3. At least one of the applicant’s parents must be a citizen or resident of the United States; and
4. At least one of the applicant’s parents must be an HKU alumnus/alumna.

¹ HKU Summer Programs refer to programs as listed at HKU’s website: www.hku.hk/summer

Application for HKU Summer Program

1. Applicants shall submit separate application(s) for the HKU Summer Program(s) and abide by the respective rules and requirements. Note some of the summer programs may use English, Cantonese and/or Mandarin* as the medium of instruction. Applicants are advised to select a summer program that poses no language barrier for them in order to maximize their learning opportunity.
2. Applicants are required to make their own arrangements regarding the application to and participation of any of the HKU Summer Programs.
3. Successful enrolment to any of the HKU Summer Programs does not necessarily guarantee a Scholarship. Friends of The University of Hong Kong will not be liable for any costs the applicant may incur under all situations.

Scholarship Application and Closing Date

1. Students who would like to apply for the Scholarship shall submit the completed Scholarship application form by email to Friends of HKU at usfriend@hku.hk as advance registration. To complete the application procedure, a hardcopy of the application form, together with all required supporting documents, MUST reach Friends of HKU by mail by June 30, 2023.
2. Supporting documents required are:
 - (a) Photocopies of academic transcripts/report cards with complete records of the courses attended and examination results in the current academic year. If these are not in English, they must be accompanied by a certified translation in English; and
 - (b) A photocopy of the applicant's passport (the page showing the applicant's photo and personal particulars).

Please DO NOT send any original documents to Friends of HKU. Friends of HKU is not responsible for any documents lost in the mail.

3. Applications should reach the Executive Director, Friends of the University of Hong Kong, Ltd, 1321 Sydney Drive, Sunnyvale, CA 94087, USA by June 30, 2023. Incomplete applications will NOT be considered.

Selection and Announcement of Results

1. The Scholarship shall be awarded primarily on academic merit, with reference to the applicant's self-statement. An interview is not necessarily required.
2. Results will be announced by early May via email and mail. This will be deemed as a conditional offer whereby the successful candidate will be awarded the scholarship only if he/she is accepted by a HKU Summer Program and the applicant successfully completes the program, and fulfills the requirements of the Scholarship as stipulated in this notes.
3. The successful candidate should indicate his/her acceptance and submit a photocopy of the admissions notification as the supporting document. Failure to provide this document may disqualify the candidate's qualification to receive the Scholarship.

Payment Arrangement

1. The successful candidate shall submit an application for scholarship payment by mid September 2023. The application shall comprise the following:
 - (a) An official certification or transcript with a pass grade issued by the University, where appropriate, as a proof of his/her successful completion of the summer program; and
 - (b) His/her learning report on the summer program with photos and self-reflection.
2. Payment will be made by the end of September 2023 upon the candidate fulfilling all of the above-mentioned requirements.
3. Friends of HKU reserves the right to use any part of the candidate's learning report and photos for the purpose of promoting the Scholarship.

Enquiries

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