

Brooklyn College - City University of Hong Kong (Hong Kong, China) Exchange Program

The Brooklyn College exchange program with the City University of Hong Kong's College of Science and Engineering (CityU HK's CSE) is open to Brooklyn College and other CUNY undergraduates in Biology, Chemistry, Biomedical, Geology, Computer Science, Earth Sciences, Mathematics, Physics, and various fields of Engineering. The language of instruction is English. Participants will have the unique opportunity to study for a semester or year at City University of Hong Kong while paying CUNY tuition, international travel, and onsite living costs. Financial Aid and Scholarships apply. This program is competitive and spaces are limited.

A. Eligibility

- 3.0 minimum GPA.
- Completed 30 college credits at a CUNY institution.
- Clear academic and disciplinary record.
- Acceptance as an exchange student by IEGE, Brooklyn College

B. Application Process

There are two parts to the application process. First, an application is submitted to Brooklyn College and, upon acceptance, a second one to the City University of Hong Kong.

- Complete and submit the online IEGE Notification of Study Abroad/Brooklyn College Study Abroad
Application: <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/StudyAbroadApplication.php>
 - IEGE applications must be submitted to IEGE no later than April 1st for Fall semesters, and October 1st for Spring semesters. Due to limited spaces, interested students should submit their applications as early as possible.
- After initial acceptance by IEGE, students will complete an online exchange application to the City University of Hong Kong. See website for instructions: <http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/cse/cms/content.aspx?id=cecstuechinbound&lang=en>
 - City University of Hong Kong Deadlines:
 - Fall Term: No later than May 1st
 - Spring Term: No later than October 15th

- Students should prepare and submit the application and include the housing application, the visa application, and Declaration of Financial Sponsor.

C. CityU HK Academic Offerings

Students may apply for study of coursework in areas of science and engineering, including:

• Biology	• Physics and Materials Science
• Biomedical Sciences	• Architecture and Civil Engineering
• Chemistry	• Electronic Engineering
• Computer Science	• Mechanical and Biomedical Engineering
• Mathematics	• Systems Engineering and Engineering Management

Course information:

- CityU HK College of Science and Engineering courses:
<http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/cse/cms/content.aspx?id=cecstuechinboundstudyp lan&lang=en>
- All courses:
https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwiecrselis_cityu.P_Main

D. Academic Credit for Study Abroad

Students receive credit and grades for the courses taken at CityU HK. Prior to the end of the semester before studying abroad, all participants should obtain written approval for credit equivalencies. The IEGE Course Equivalency Form provides information on how to do so as a BC student: http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/aca_international/IEGE_-_Course_Equivalency_Form.pdf

Participants that are not Brooklyn College students should confer with their home university's study abroad office for instructions on attaining equivalencies.

E. City University of Hong Kong Academic Calendar

- Expected date of arrival: August 22-26 for Fall; January 2-6 for Spring.
- Fall Courses begin at the end of August and continue through the end of November.
- Fall exams last until mid-December
- Spring courses begin in early January and continue until late April.
- Spring exams last until mid-May.
- Specific dates and the Academic Calendar for CityU HK: http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/arro/ac_calendar.asp

F. Housing at City University of Hong Kong

On-campus housing may be available although limited. Early application is strongly recommended and must be done when applying for admission to CityU HK.
https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk/pls/PROD/hwhaapplacs_cityu.P_Login

Off-campus housing should also be considered.

Housing website: http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sro/htm/e_off-campus.htm

G. Scholarships and Financial Aid

Most financial aid that a student receives for semester study at Brooklyn College can be applied on semester abroad exchange programs. Students should consult an advisor in the Financial Aid Office about how their specific financial aid package applies. Many scholarships are also available for semester study abroad. Refer to the following links for more information on available scholarships.

- Scholarship Information on the IEGE Website:
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/scholarships.php>
- Brooklyn College’s Office of Scholarships:
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/about/administration/enrollment/financial/scholarships.php>.

H. Student Visa Information

A student visa for Hong Kong is required to study at City University of Hong Kong. Students will need to be registered as full time students (12-18 credits). Students should apply for the visa to Hong Kong through the CityU HK process at the same time as they apply for admission as exchange students: http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_stdvisa.htm

I. Health Insurance

Students are required to purchase CUNY [CISI Health/Travel Insurance](#) for their entire time abroad. Visit this link for the self-enrollment instructions and more information about CISI Health/Travel Insurance:

<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/academics/international/safety.php>

In order to obtain the special CUNY rate for CISI insurance, students must follow the self-enrollment instructions and use the sponsor code provided on the information sheet.

J. Approximate Costs For One Semester of Study

CityU HK reports that the average student should budget approximately \$2,630 for expenses other than airfare and housing. Keep in mind variations in personal lifestyle and spending preferences. Below is an approximated cost breakdown:

	Estimated Monthly Costs (HK\$)	Estimated Semester Costs (HK\$)	Estimated Semester Costs (US Dollars)
Rent 1. Shared Campus Housing 2. Private Housing		1. HK\$ 6,700 2. HK\$ 18,400	1. \$870 2. \$2,390
Food	Included in living costs	Included in living costs	Included in living costs
Mobile Phone/Internet (On-campus free Wi-Fi)	HK\$ 250	HK\$ 1,000	\$130
Laundry & Household Amenities	Included in living costs	Included in living costs	Included in living costs
Local Travel	Included in living costs	Included in living costs	Included in living costs

Books & Supplies	Included in living costs	Included in living costs	Included in living costs
Living Costs	HK\$4,500	HK\$ 20,250	\$2,630
CUNY CISI Insurance (\$46.73 per month)			\$210
Student Visa		HK\$ 500	\$46
Roundtrip Airfare			\$550-\$1,500
Estimated Semester Costs*		HK\$ 28,450 – 40,150	\$4,436 - \$6,906

- *Plus CUNY Tuition and Fees (In state: \$3,165 + fees per semester 2016-17)
- Currency conversion: <https://www.oanda.com/currency/converter/>-- one US \$ = \$7.76 \$HK (8/10/16)
- Cost of Living Breakdown: http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_costlivenfin.htm

K. Additional Information

- **Brooklyn College**
 - International Education & Global Engagement: 1108 Boylan Hall; 718-951-5189; iege@brooklyn.cuny.edu
<http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/internationaleducation>
 - Office of Scholarships: 213 West Quad Center; 718.951.4796; scholarship@brooklyn.cuny.edu
 - International Student Services: 235 West Quad Center; 718.951.4477; <http://www.brooklyn.cuny.edu/web/about/offices/iss>
- **City University of Hong Kong**
Please see additional handouts from CityU HK for more detailed information and webpage references.
 - Global Services Office: http://www.cityu.edu.hk/gso/ies_introduction.htm
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