Business Exchange Programme 2023-24
Information Session

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Why Exchange?

International Exposure

Academic & Cultural Exchange

Personal Development

Better Career Prospects
### HKUWW Exchange Programme VS Business Exchange Programme

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*All eligible participants (with a CGPA of 3.0 or above before the exchange semester) of exchange programmes (both university level and faculty level) will be automatically considered for the HKUWW Scholarship.

*HKUWW Exchange scholarship is not applicable to Mainland China’s exchange
Business Exchange Partners (Asia Pacific)

**China**
- Peking University Guanghua School of Management
- Xiamen University
- National Taiwan University

**Japan**
- Kobe University

**Singapore**
- Nanyang Technological University
- National University of Singapore
- Singapore Management University

**South Korea**
- Korea University Business School
- Seoul National University
Business Exchange Partners (Oceania)

Australia
- Monash University
- University of New South Wales
- University of Sydney
- University of Western Australia

New Zealand
- University of Auckland
Business Exchange Partners (Europe)

**Austria**
- WU Vienna University of Economics and Business

**Belgium**
- KU Leuven

**Denmark**
- Aarhus University
- Copenhagen Business School

**France**
- EDHEC Business School – Lille/ Nice
- ESSEC
- Kedge Business School – Bordeaux/ Marseille
- Institut Mines-Telecom Business School
- Lille Catholic University (IESEG)
- University of Toulouse 1 Capitole

**Germany**
- European Business School
- Frankfurt School of Finance and Management
- Munich Business School
- Ostbayerische Technische Hochschule Regensburg (OTHR)
- Pforzheim University
- School of International Business of Hochschule Bremen (HSB)
- Technische Universität München (TUM)
- The University of Tübingen
- WHU-Otto Beisheim School of Management
- University of Mannheim

**Italy**
- LUISS
- Università Commerciale Bocconi

**Ireland**
- UCD Quinn School of Business

**Finland**
- Aalto University School of Business
Business Exchange Partners (Europe)

The Netherlands
• Erasmus School of Economics
• Rotterdam School of Management
• Maastricht University
• Tilburg University
• University of Amsterdam

Norway
• BI Norwegian School of Management

Spain
• ESADE Business School, Ramon Llull University
• IE Business School
• University of Navarra
• Universitat Pompeu Fabra

Sweden
• Lund University School of Economics and Management
• Stockholm School of Economics

United Kingdom
• Bayes Business School (formerly Cass)
• King’s College London
• Lancaster University
• University of Bath
• University of Edinburgh
• University of Exeter
• University of Hull
• University of Kent
• University of Manchester
• University of Surrey
• University of York
• University of Warwick
Business Exchange Partners (Middle East)

Israel

• Reichman University
Business Exchange Partners (Northern America)

Canada
- McGill University
- Queen’s University
- Simon Fraser University
- University of British Columbia
- University of Calgary
- University of Ottawa
- University of Toronto - Rotman Commerce
- University of Toronto - Scarborough Campus
- University of Western Ontario
- York University
Business Exchange Partners (Northern America)

USA

• Bentley University
• Florida International University
• Purdue University
• New York University
• Northeastern University
• University of California, Irvine
• University of Maryland
• University of North Carolina at Charlotte
• University of Southern California
• University of Washington
Special Notes (1)

Some partner institutions may apply course restrictions or selection criteria.

Examples:

**King’s College London**
Students are required to have a CGPA of 3.3 in 4.0 scale (around 3.5 in 4.3 scale) at the time of application.

**Rotterdam School of Management, Erasmus University**
Special courses for exchange students will be offered in Spring only, e.g. International Business: the Dutch way.

**Stern School of Business, New York University**
Students can take a maximum of two finance courses and/or two economics courses per semester; one non-Stern course (pending approval/availability) per semester
Special Notes (2)

Course availability or lists vary from time to time.

Examples:

- **Tilburg University**: Restrictions or selection criteria may apply if students choose courses in Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, Econometrics, Finance, Accounting, Marketing, Information Management, Operations Research and Organisation & Strategy.

- For some double-degree students (e.g. BBA(Law)&LLB), students are unlikely allowed to take law courses if they join the Business Exchange Programme.
Special Notes (3)

The course offerings of different campuses of the university may be different.

Students cannot swap campuses of the university. You have to stay in the same campus throughout the whole exchange period. **Examples:**

- EDHEC Business School – Lille
- EDHEC Business School – Nice
- Lille campus: Business Management track
- Nice campus: Financial Economics track
- Students can only join either Lille or Nice campus. No swap of campuses during exchange is allowed.
Special Notes (4)

• Partner institutions may require students to go on exchange in specific semester(s) only.

• Some partner institutions have a different academic calendars from HKU’s. Students are suggested to check the academic calendars of the institutions and avoid any timetabling clash with HKU academic calendar.

Examples:
• Reichmen University: Fall semester spans from October to February. Students should only go in Spring to avoid any timetabling clash with HKU academic calendar.
• Foster School of Business, University of Washington: Students can only go in Fall semester due to their trimester academic calendar.

For detailed information, students MUST research on the fact sheets provided on the School’s website or those on exchange partners’ official websites (https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/exchange-partner).
Eligibility

- Non-first and non-final year full-time HKU Business School UG students in 2023-24
- Have NOT been to any exchange programme in university life
- Students are required to meet the English proficiency requirements and academic requirements prescribed by the host institutions
## Selection Criteria

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<td><strong>Academic Performance</strong> <em>(as of 2022-23, first semester)</em></td>
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<td><strong>Extra-curricular activities</strong> <em>(e.g. community service, university/faculty societies/ associations/ hall activities, competitions)</em></td>
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**Note 1:** As mentioned by Vice-President and Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Teaching and Learning), students without solid SGPA data may place themselves at a significant disadvantage for academic exchange.

**Note 2:** Internship and work experiences do NOT count towards extra-curricular activities.
English Proficiency Requirements

• Students are required to submit the TOEFL/ IELTS result slip with the Business Exchange application.

• You should refer to the host institutions’ websites and factsheets and check if you fulfill the language requirements specified.
# English Proficiency Requirements

**Examples of language requirement (for reference only):**

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| U.K.    | University of Manchester    | ➢ IELTS: 6.5 overall (with a minimum of 6 in each component)  
            ➢ TOEFL(iBT): 90 overall (with no less than 20 in any individual component) |
| U.K.    | University of Exeter        | ➢ IELTS: 6.5 overall (with minimum scores of 6.0 in the writing section and no less than 5.5 in any other section)  
            ➢ TOEFL(iBT): 90 with minimum scores of 21 for writing, 21 for listening, 22 for reading and 23 for speaking |
| U.S.    | University of Maryland      | ➢ TOEFL(iBT): 90 with minimum sectional scores of 22  
            ➢ IELTS: 6.5 overall (with a minimum of 6.5 in each component) |
| U.S.    | University of Georgia       | ➢ TOEFL: 550 (paper) 214 (CBT) 80 (iBT)  
            ➢ IELTS: 6.5 |
| Australia | University of Sydney      | ➢ TOEFL(iBT): 85 overall + minimum 19 in writing + minimum 17 in reading, speaking, and listening  
            ➢ IELTS: 6.5 overall (with a minimum of 6.0 in each component) |

*Please refer to the host institutions’ websites and factsheets for details of the requirements*
English Proficiency Requirements

• If you **have not taken** IELTS/ TOEFL, please take the test as early as possible.

• If you **cannot obtain** the IELTS/ TOEFL result by the application deadline, please send the result slip to us via email once available.

• If your IELTS/ TOEFL result has **expired**, please submit the expired result along with your application. But expired result is **only acceptable for internal assessment**, i.e. for placement by School Office. Students should re-take the test after the exchange placement is confirmed.

• Please note that a valid IELTS/ TOEFL result is usually required for application to the host institutions. Students should also check if they fulfill the language requirements specified by the host institutions. **Host institutions have the right to reject your application even under School’s nomination if you do not meet their application requirements (including language proficiency and academic performance).**
Application Guidelines

• HKU Business School students can only apply for **ONE exchange programme**, i.e., either HKUWW or Business Exchange programme. In the event that students apply for both Programmes, your Business Exchange application will be considered **void**.

• Business Exchange Programme: **ONE-semester Exchange**

• Late and incomplete applications shall **NOT** be accepted and processed
Differences between Exchange Programmes

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| (ii) Both HKUWW and Business Exchange Partners with earmarked quota on HKUWW Programme 2023/24 Institution List (e.g. McGill University, Canada) | Students may **not** be able to take business courses nor to be admitted to their business schools. | Students are able to be admitted to their business schools and to take business-related courses. |

*Students are encouraged to study the guidelines, websites, fact sheets carefully.*
# Differences between Exchange Programmes

[https://intlaffairs.hku.hk/attachment/upload/files/HKUWW2324_Institution_list_20221011.pdf](https://intlaffairs.hku.hk/attachment/upload/files/HKUWW2324_Institution_list_20221011.pdf)

## Important Notes

**Faculty of Architecture:** Only certain institutions offer architecture courses. Please check the institutions' websites carefully and make sure the institutions you select allow exchange students to take the specific programmes or courses. Please also seek advice from your Faculty regarding the credit transfer arrangement.

**Faculty of Business and Economics:** FBE students can only apply for either HKUWW or Faculty Exchange Programmes. Also, FBE students applying for HKUWW Exchange Programme may only be able to take non-business courses at the host institutions. Please check the institutions' websites carefully and make sure the institutions you select allow exchange students to take the specific programmes or courses.

**Faculty of Law:** Only certain institutions offer law courses. Please check the institutions’ websites carefully and make sure the institutions you select allow exchange students to take the specific programmes or courses. Please also seek advice from your Faculty regarding the credit transfer arrangement.

## HKUWW Programme 2023-24 - Institution List

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| (iii) **Both** HKUWW and Business exchange partners **without** earmarked quota on HKUWW Programme 2023/24 Institution List e.g. Nanyang Technological University, National University, Singapore | - Please apply for Business Exchange Programme instead of HKUWW Exchange Programme.  
- HKUWW shall NOT allocate any places to HKU Business School students if there are NO earmarked quotas for these shared exchange partners.  
<<Please do not select these types of institutions in HKUWW applications>> |
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Before you apply...

• Conduct research on your preferred host institutions
  ➢ e.g. their Factsheet, academic calendar, the courses they offer, etc. (https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/exchange-partner)

• Seek advice from your tutor(s) and instructor(s) and discuss your study plan with your family

• To consider:
  ➢ Academic matters
  ➢ Non-academic matters, e.g. life in a foreign country, social connections, cultural differences
Academic Matters

❖ Whether or not your preferred courses can be transferred back towards your HKU degree curriculum to fulfill graduation requirement

❖ Study plan during and after exchange

❖ Students on exchange via different exchange programmes
  • Should apply for leave of absence & credit transfer via the HKU Business School Office before you go on exchange
  • Note: Year 4 and Year 5 BBA(Law)&LLB students should apply for leave of absence & credit transfer via the Faculty of Law
Credit Transfer Policy

- Students shall take a **FULL** course load stipulated by the host institution.

Examples:

- University of Edinburgh – 3-4 courses per semester
- Bentley University – 5 courses per semester
- University of Manchester – 6 courses per semester

- Credit overload or underload during exchange is **NOT** advised, except under special circumstances in which School Office approval is required.
Credit Transfer Policy

• Credit transfer is considered on the basis of:

1. course content equivalence
2. total learning time involved in a particular course (i.e., hours include both in-class and outside classroom learning activities)
3. credit conversion

• The normal study load of a 6-credit course: 120 hours – 180 hours of learning activities.

• For European Institutions: 1 ECTS credit = 1 HKU credit
Credit Transfer Policy

• The transferred credits should be rounded to the nearest multiple of 6.

• If courses are relatively short, students are required to pair up two relevant courses, or more, for credit transfer into one HKU course.

• Credit Transfer Database (prior successful cases for reference ONLY): [https://www.fbe.hku.hk/exchange-ctdb/](https://www.fbe.hku.hk/exchange-ctdb/)

• Pre-departure briefing sessions will be organized for all outgoing exchange students prior to departure.
Requirements for Dean’s Honours List

• Students joining **one-semester exchange** are eligible to be recommended to the Dean’s Honours List provided that you fulfill the following conditions:
  • Achieved a **yearly GPA of 3.6** (excluding grades obtained during exchange)
  • No failed courses (including courses taken at HKU as well as during exchange)
  • Studied in HKU for at least one regular semester during the year; and
  • Completed **at least 24 credits** successfully in each regular semester

• Students joining a whole-year exchange are NOT eligible for being recommended onto the Dean’s Honours List
Special Notes for 2023-24 Final Year Students

• Final year students in 2023-24 are NOT recommended to undertake exchange studies during their final semester of study as there are risks of graduation deferral.

• Final year students in 2023-24 are advised to apply for exchange in the first semester of their final year of study.
Non-academic Matters

- **Safety concerns** <Discuss with your parents and family!>
- **What you have to pay:**
  - The HKU tuition fees
  - Airfare
  - Accommodation
  - Health insurance and travel insurance
  - Books
  - Food
  - Local transportation/ traveling
  - Personal expenses
  - Other fees as required by the host institutions
  - Visa application requirement, e.g. Sweden (students may require to travel outside HK and visit Swedish Embassy with migration section in person to complete visa application. Please observe the most updated visa application requirement in order to make informed decision)
Further Advices

1. Be realistic
   - Some institutions are more competitive in terms of popularity and hence require better academic performance
   - Students should put both “Preferred” and “Safer” choices in their application.
   - Please refer to the table of host institutions with competitiveness as observed in past few years.
     (This table serves as REFERENCE ONLY based on previous participants’ preferences and academic performance.)

2. Research on host institutions
   - The teaching schedule of partner schools, e.g., term dates, examination period, course load, etc. (https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/exchange-partner)

Do your best and keep up with your good academic performance before you go on exchange!
## Competitiveness of Exchange Institutions

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This list of 2023-24 will be posted on the School website after the information session. ([https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/outgoing-exchange#tab-258377](https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/outgoing-exchange#tab-258377))
Enquiry Sessions

• To enhance your understanding of the Business Exchange Programme during the application period, enquiry sessions will be held on January 13 (Fri) and January 16 (Mon), 2023. Details will be announced via email.

• Students are welcome to consult the administrators on various matters concerning the Business Exchange Programme.
Application Procedures

◆ Complete the application and upload the documents to the online application system by the **deadline of January 17, 2023 (Tuesday)**:

1. **Eight (8) options according to priority**
   For example:
   7. The University of Tuebingen// 8. Xiamen University

2. **Records of extra-curricular activities**
   • E.g. community service, university societies/associations/hall activities, competitions

3. **Exchange essay**
   • A one-page essay indicating your motivation for exchange, reasons for choosing the exchange institution/preferred country (**your first choice**) and how you will make the most of this exchange opportunity.

4. **English proficiency (IELTS/TOEFL):**
   • Upload scanned copy to system
   • Expired one is acceptable for internal assessment ONLY
   • Most updated one is required for application to the host institution

5. **Passport-sized photo**
What’s next

Jan 2023
• Jan 2 – 17: Application for Business Exchange Programme (Internal)
• Jan 13 & 16: Enquiry sessions

Early Mar 2023
• Release of placement results
• Acceptance of offer
• Payment of HK$2,000 refundable deposit

*Mar-Jun or Aug-Nov 2023 (approximate timeline)
• Applications for host institution (External)
• Mar-Jun: 1st sem exchange
• Aug-Nov: 2nd sem exchange

*Note: Some host institutions do require students to submit exchange applications along with those on exchange in 1st semester. Please keep an eye on the emails for updates, should you receive our exchange offers.
Enquiries

Enrichment Website:  
https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/outgoing-exchange

Email: fbe.ugenrichment@hku.hk
Business Exchange Programme
Frequently Asked Questions

Q: What should I prepare before applying for exchange?
A: Students should conduct research on their preferred host institutions (e.g., their academic performance and English proficiency requirements, academic calendar, the courses they offer, etc.), seek advice from academic advisers, and discuss your study plan with your family. You should also check if their academic calendar matches with your internship plan (if any), and prepare an alternative study plan if the course(s) you wish to take is/are not offered.

Q: Can I apply for both HKU/WW Business Exchange Programmes?
A: No, Business School students can only apply for ONE exchange programme, i.e., either HKU/WW or Business Exchange Programme. In the event that students apply for both Programmes, your Business Exchange application will be considered void.

Q: How can I go on exchange for more than once during my HKU study?
A: No, students can only go on exchange ONCE during their university life regardless of the exchange programmes (Business/ HKU/WW/ Law).

Q: Can I go on a one-year exchange via Business Exchange Programme?
A: No, students can only go on one-semester exchange via Business Exchange Programme.

Q: What is the selection criteria of Business Exchange Programme?
A: Applicants will be assessed based on their academic performance as of first semester of 2022-23 (60%), extra-curricular activities (30%) and essay (10%).

Q: What are the language requirements for the application of Business Exchange Programme?
A: Students are required to submit the TOEFL/ IELTS result slip with the Business Exchange application. You should refer to the host institutions’ websites and fact sheets and check if you fulfill the language requirements specified.
1. If you have not taken IELTS/ TOEFL, please take the test as early as possible.
2. If you cannot obtain the IELTS/ TOEFL result by the application deadline, please send the result slip to us via email once available.
3. If your IELTS/ TOEFL result has expired, please submit the expired result along with your application. But expired result is only acceptable for internal assessment, i.e., for placement by the School Office. Students should re-take the test or refer to the host institution’s arrangements after the exchange placement is confirmed.
4. Please note that a valid IELTS/ TOEFL result is usually required for application to the host institutions.
5. Host institutions have the right to reject your application even under School’s nomination if you do not meet their application requirements (including language proficiency and academic performance).

Q: Can I change the priority order after I submit the application?
A: No, students cannot change their priority order after they submit their applications.

https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/outgoing-exchange
### Decision Process (1)

**Region/Country**

- Courses
  - Must take business courses
  - Fine with taking non-business courses

**Business Exchange**

- Check if there is earmarked quota for Business students in HKUWW (refer to the list)

**HKUWW**

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**Other considerations:**
- Competitiveness & popularity of the individual institution/exchange semester (e.g. for some of the Business Exchange partners, students are only allowed to go in either Fall or Spring)/course restrictions/etc.
**Decision Process (2)**

**Institution**

- **Single Partnership**
  - Either Business Exchange or HKUWW

- **Dual Partnership (Both Business & HKUWW)**
  - Courses
    - Must take business courses
    - Fine with taking non-business courses

- **Business Exchange**
  - Check if there is earmarked quota for Business School students in HKUWW (refer to the list)

- **HKUWW**

**Other considerations:**
competitiveness & popularity of the individual institution/ exchange semester (e.g. for some of the Business Exchange partners, students are only allowed to go in either Fall or Spring)/ course restrictions/ etc.
Student Sharing

**Chan, Yin Tsung Lawrence**, BBA(IBGM) IV, Exchange at University of Southern California in 2021-22

**Chu, Tsoi Yan Jenny**, BBA(IBGM) IV, Exchange at National University of Singapore in 2021-22

**Yeung, Seen Yan Shirley**, BBA(Acc&Fin) IV, Exchange at University of Warwick in 2021-22

**Cheung, Lok Yiu Anson**, BBA(Acc&Fin) IV, Exchange at Stockholm School of Economics in 2021-22
Q&A
You have Questions
We have Answers