



FACT SHEET FOR EXCHANGE AND VISITING STUDENTS (2014-2015)

ACADEMIC INFORMATION:

Semester Dates for 2014-15:

1st Semester

Orientation Week	Late August, 2014
First Day of Teaching	September 1, 2014
Reading/ Field Trip Week	October 13-18, 2014
Last Day of Teaching	November 29, 2014
Revision Period	December 1-5, 2014
Assessment Period	December 6-23, 2014

2nd Semester

First Day of Teaching	January 19, 2015
Classes Suspension Period for the Lunar New Year	February 19-25, 2015
Reading/ Field Trip Week	March 9-14, 2015
Last Day of Teaching	May 2, 2015
Revision Period	May 4-9, 2015
Assessment Period	May 11-30, 2015

Students should adhere to the examination schedule as arranged by the University. Early and special examination arrangement is not allowed.

Arrival Date for incoming students:

1st Semester/ full year: August 25, 2014

2nd Semester: January 12, 2015

Learning Expectations

- Class Format: Lectures, tutorials, class discussions, case studies, group and/or individual presentations
- Attendance: Mandatory
- Class size: 50-250 students depending on the course
- Language of instruction: English, except for specific courses on culture and languages
- Assessment Methods: Standards-based Assessment (<http://ar.cetl.hku.hk/assgradstand.htm>)

- Grading Scale:

Alphabet Grade	Standard	Grade point average (GPA) (maximum, 4.3)
A+	Excellent	4.3
A		4.0
A-		3.7
B+	Good	3.3
B		3.0
B-		2.7
C+	Satisfactory	2.3
C		2.0
C-		1.7
D+	Pass	1.3
D		1.0
F	Fail	0

Course Enrollment

- Area of concentration: Accounting, Economics, Finance, Management, Information Systems, Marketing and Strategy.
- List of courses offered by Faculty of Business and Economics in **academic year 2013-14** (for reference):

http://www.fbe.hku.hk/Programme/Undergraduate/index.cfm?page=Timetable_Calendar

- Course Description (updated version will be available one month before the semester starts)

School of Business:

<http://www.business.hku.hk/courses.html>

School of Economics and Finance:

<http://www.sef.hku.hk/currentstud/courses/?all=0>

- Faculty's timetable: http://www.fbe.hku.hk/Programme/Undergraduate/index.cfm?page=Timetable_Calendar
- Students are also permitted to take courses offered by other Faculties, as long as they meet the pre-requisite(s) and the class still has vacancies. Course information and timetable are available on the website of respective faculties/departments.
- **Course load for exchange students: 30 credits/semester (Min.: 6 credits, Max.: 30 credits)**
- Credit System: 6 credits per course
- Average Number of courses HKU students enrolled in for each semester: 5 courses

Notes:

*Exchange students must take **at least 50%** of the courses (in terms of credits) at the Faculty of Business and Economics, i.e., courses offered by the School of Business or the School of Economics and Finance

*Exchange students may choose to take Chinese language courses offered by the School of Chinese. Credits taken would not be counted in the course enrolment requirement, i.e., students may take the Chinese language courses in addition to the maximum 30 credits rule. Course information is available at <http://web.chinese.hku.hk/putonghua%20and%20cantonese/c1.html>

*Exchange students are required to indicate the courses they wish to take in their application for admissions, **preferably in priority order**. Course selection status will be confirmed by email or upon their registration at HKU before start of the semester. Students are allowed to change their course selection within the official add/drop period which is normally scheduled for the first two weeks of each semester.

*Exchange students have to apply for the **non-FBE courses during add/drop period**. For FBE courses, students will be notified of the approval status before arrival.

* Requests for changes **before and after** the add/drop period shall not be considered. **Students should not drop out of the enrolled course(s) as HKU does not allow withdrawal during the semester. Courses will be graded as "Fail" in such cases.**

STUDENT LIFE INFORMATION:

- For information on student life, accommodation, health insurance, facilities and student services, please view the "Preparatory Guide for International Students 2013-14" for reference:
<http://cedars.hku.hk/nonlocal/publication/prepguide1314.pdf>
(The Preparatory Guide of 2014-15 will be sent to exchange partners and students once available)

WEBSITES:

- The University of Hong Kong (HKU): www.hku.hk
- Faculty of Business and Economics (FBE): www.fbe.hku.hk
- Office of International Student Exchange
(OISE): <http://www.als.hku.hk/admission/exchange/incoming>
- Centre of Development and Resources for Students
(CEDARS): http://cedars.hku.hk/showext.php?id=cl_sissa
- Academic Advising Office (AAO): <http://aao.hku.hk>

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