## Exchange Factsheet (2016-2017)
### The Hong Kong University of Science & Technology

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| **Exchange Program Web Links** for exchange/visiting students |  
http://www.mbanet.ust.hk  
- Exchange in preparation  
  http://mbanet.ust.hk/web/exchange_in.aspx  
- Download forms for exchange-related documents  
  http://mbanet.ust.hk/web/exchange_download.aspx  
- Course schedule for spring semester 2015  
  http://mbanet.ust.hk/web/curriculum_course.aspx  
  *ELECTIVES ONLY*  
*Full access will be granted upon your receipt of HKUST email account*

### HKUST

HKUST is the third publicly-funded university in Hong Kong. It was incorporated in April 1988 and opened in October 1991 as a world-class technological university dedicated to the advancement of learning and scholarship, with special emphasis on research and postgraduate education. Current student enrollment at the undergraduate, master’s and doctoral levels stands at 13,000.

### The Campus

The University’s campus occupies a 60-hectare of sweeping beauty on the Clear Water Bay Peninsula of Sai Kung. The new international airport at Chek Lap Kok is about 45 kilometers from HKUST. Visitors can come to the campus by bus, Airport Express train or taxi. It is about 60 minutes to 90 minutes from the airport.

Visitors to HKUST are often overwhelmed by the beauty of the architecture in its natural surroundings. But beyond this first impression, the campus reveals itself to be truly functional. Carefully planned facilities such as a well-stocked library on the latest information technology, a high-speed fiber-optic network linking computing resources in all parts of the campus and reaching out to all corners of the world, teaching research laboratories
equipped with state-of-the-art instruments and devices are important elements in creating an environment for learning that is quite unique in the region.

**School of Business and Management**

The School of Business and Management (SBM) of HKUST was established to provide world-class management education in the Asia-Pacific region. It comprises six departments: Accounting, Economics, Finance, Information Systems, Business Statistics, Operation Management, Management of Organisations, and Marketing. All departments offer undergraduate as well as postgraduate programs through to the doctorate.

Strong emphasis is placed on scientific and analytical methods as the fundamental pedagogical approach, supplemented by the use of case studies appropriate to Hong Kong and its neighbouring region. The School takes full advantage of the University’s state-of-the-art technological capabilities in its instruction and research.

**MBA Student Exchange**

**Academic Year 2016-2017**

**TERM DATES**

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<th>Term</th>
<th>Semester Begins</th>
<th>Semester Ends</th>
<th>Examination Week</th>
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<td>Fall 1&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt; Half</td>
<td>1 September</td>
<td>22 October</td>
<td>17-22 October</td>
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<td>Fall 2&lt;sup&gt;nd&lt;/sup&gt; Half</td>
<td>24 October</td>
<td>17 December</td>
<td>12-17 December</td>
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<td>Spring 1&lt;sup&gt;st&lt;/sup&gt; Half</td>
<td>6 February</td>
<td>2 April</td>
<td>28 March – 2 April</td>
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<td>Spring 2&lt;sup&gt;nd&lt;/sup&gt; Half</td>
<td>3 April</td>
<td>4 June</td>
<td>20 May – 4 June</td>
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**IMPORTANT DATES:**

Exchange Orientation (Tentative)
Fall Semester 2016:  **FULL DAY on 22 AUGUST** (Full Fall Term & 1<sup>st</sup> Half of Fall)
Spring Semester 2017:  **FULL DAY on late JANUARY Or early FEBRUARY** (Full Spring Term & 1<sup>st</sup> Half of Spring)

**EXCHANGE NOMINATION DEADLINE BY EXCHANGE SCHOOL COORDINATOR:**

- April 15 for Fall semester
- October 15 for Spring semester

**EXCHANGE APPLICATION PACKAGE & VISA APPLICATION DEADLINE SUBMITTED BY NOMINATED STUDENTS TO HKUST:**

- May 15 for Fall semester
- November 15 for Spring semester

**TUITION FEES FOR EXCHANGE-IN STUDENTS:** Pay no further tuition fees to HKUST.

**OFF-CAMPUS HOUSING:**

- Exchange students could opt for off-campus housing near campus (e.g. Hang Hau, Sai Kung). The proximity allows you to actively engage in social life and interaction with classmates on campus. Usually, our exchange students are able to find suitable flats in a few days after they arrive in Hong Kong.

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<th>Types of Apartment in Hang Hau</th>
<th>Estimated Rents Range per Month *</th>
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<tr>
<td>i 2-bedroom apartment (500-700 sq. ft.)</td>
<td>HK$15,000-18,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>ii 3-bedroom apartment (700-900 sq. ft.)</td>
<td>HK$19,000-22,000</td>
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* Rates, government rent, and management fees inclusive

- MBA office will be able to connect you with other exchange students who wish to look for roommates via the Facebook group for exchanges and HKUST MBA students

ON-CAMPUS HOUSING: On-campus Postgraduate Housing is not guaranteed for exchange students due to the limited supply & high demand from Full-Time MBA students. MBA exchanges are not eligible for UG and Research Postgraduate housing. Please pay attention that most elective courses are held at Downtown Center in Central. It means 1 hour away to commute from HKUST campus at Clearwater Bay to Central on Hong Kong Island. Off-campus housing is highly recommended.

APPROXIMATE LIVING COSTS (2015 – 2016):

- **OFF-CAMPUS ROOM AND BOARD:** 40,000 HK$ (per semester)
- **FOOD:** 18,000 HK$
- **BOOKS AND CLASS READING MATERIALS:** 6,000 HK$
- **TRANSPORTATION & PERSONAL EXPENSES:** 14,000 HK$

78,000 HK$ (~US$10,000)

HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan

The university policy of HKUST stipulates that all postgraduate studies, exchange-in / visiting / visiting internship students are required, on a compulsory basis, to subscribe directly to the ACE Insurance Limited, A Chubb Company, the HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan at least one month before the commencement date of the exchange / visiting period. A copy of the admission offer letter should be attached with the insurance application form. The student will be forbidden to enrol in HKUST MBA program without subscribing to the HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan.

Insurance Plan

More detailed coverage & information of the HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan is available: http://sfao.ust.hk/insurance/info_nontravel.html

Coverage of the HKUST Compulsory Travel Insurance Plan is available: http://sfao.ust.hk/insurance/nontravel/Exchange_in_coverage.pdf

Insurance application form:

http://sfao.ust.hk/insurance/nontravel/Proposal_Form_UG_Visiting_20160809.xls

Claims & Enquiries

Insurance claim must be made within 30 days. Available for download

http://sfao.ust.hk/insurance/nontravel/Exchange_in_Claim_Form.pdf

For general enquiries or in the event of a claim, please contact ACE Insurance Limited, A Chubb Company at:
Office Tel.: (852) 3191 6800
E-mail: travellcu.hk@chubb.com
Address: 25th Floor, Shui On Centre, No. 6-8 Harbour Road, Wanchai, Hong Kong

STUDENT VISA APPLICATION

All Incoming Exchange students (non-Hong Kong citizens) require a student visa in studying at HKUST. Exchange
students are registered with full-time student status, ie students holding a working visa or employment in Hong Kong cannot register in our exchange program. You shall submit your visa application through HKUST MBA Program Office for the Immigration Department of Hong Kong (IMMD). Visa application form and a full set of the application material must reach the HKUST MBA Program office on or before May 15 for Fall Term exchange and November 15 for Spring Term exchange. Late submission of the visa application will delay your student visa approval process. Without an approved student visa, students cannot enrol the elective courses in HKUST. When your student visa label is approved, HKUST will courier the visa label to your postal address directly.

Please expect that the student visa may take up to 3 months for granted the approval by the Director of Immigration Department of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR). For Mainland Chinese students holding PRC passport, you shall need another 2 weeks to 1 month, to apply for an EEP from your hometown after you have received your approved student label.

**LEARNING EXPECTATIONS:**

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<th>CLASS FORMAT:</th>
<th>Lectures, computer simulations, case discussions, individual and group projects, supplemented by enrichment courses and business speaker programs.</th>
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<td>ATTENDANCE</td>
<td>Class attendance is mandatory, missing more than 25% of an elective course will render yourself a withdrawal from that course. Some courses may require a 100% class attendance. Please select your courses carefully.</td>
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<td>PARTICIPATION</td>
<td>Active class participation is required in all courses</td>
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<td>TOTAL NUMBER OF MBA STUDENTS</td>
<td>220 (Full time) and 220 (Part-time)</td>
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<td>CLASS SIZE</td>
<td>120 (Full time) and 120 (Part-time)</td>
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<td>MINIMUM COURSE LOAD</td>
<td>It is subject to the minimum enrollment requirement of your home university. ^EACH HKUST credit = 14 class contact hours; therefore a course denoted 2 Credits, is equal to 28 class contact hours</td>
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<td>MAXIMUM COURSE LOAD</td>
<td>10 Credits per full semester for electives courses available to MBA exchange students in the Business School. MBA Core courses and language courses are not available to exchange students with no exception. All MBA students will enrol via the online course registration on the first-come-first-serve basis around the last week of August and January for Fall and Spring semester respectively. Exact dates and time are to be determined.</td>
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<td>OVERLOADING</td>
<td>Students who seek to overload with more than 10 credits will be subject to approval. Your request must be made through the home school coordinator with the HKUST MBA Exchange Team in advance and approval is not guaranteed.</td>
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<td>EXAMINATIONS:</td>
<td>Final exams are usually scheduled in the last week of the course in a half semester.</td>
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<td>LANGUAGE OF INSTRUCTION:</td>
<td>English</td>
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COURSE GRADING:

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<th>Letter Grade</th>
<th>Definitions</th>
<th>Remarks*</th>
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<td>A+, A, A-</td>
<td>Excellent Performance</td>
<td>For those courses graded with “Pass/Fail” grade, please note that there is <strong>no Letter Grade</strong> will be shown on your HKUST transcript and you are strongly recommended to check with your home school if it will affect your exchange credit transfer before your course registration.</td>
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<td>B+, B,</td>
<td>Good Performance</td>
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<td>B-, C+, C</td>
<td>Marginal Performance</td>
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<td>F</td>
<td>Failure</td>
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**Others***

| I            | Incomplete           |
| P            | Pass, ungraded       |
| F            | Failure              |

STUDENT SERVICES:
Orientation, access to Career Resources Room, Language Centre, Saturday Luncheon Speakers series, access to computer facilities including email and the internet

CAREER SERVICES:
• **Company Presentations and Recruitment Talks**
  Companies are invited to the HKUST campus or the HKUST Business School Central to make presentations about their businesses and their recruiting practices.

FACILITIES FOR MBA STUDENTS:

**MBA Student Resources**
Located on the Second Floor of LSK Business Building, the MBA Lounge opens round the clock with:
• Four (4) Bloomberg terminals and Two (2) computers are available in the MBA Lounge for the use by MBA students.
• Students can use the Lounge facilitates for small group discussions.
• MBA Career Resources Room is the exclusive facility catered for MBA students where you have access to:
  - Career guide books and business directories
  - A fax machine to send fax to local & a copying machine
  - Newspaper and journals to facilitate job search

CAMPUS FACILITIES:
There are 10 lecture theatres, audio-visual language laboratories, a variety of central computing facilities including minicomputers, workstations, and microcomputers at various locations and a number of network services such as the electronic mail. The business school also has 10 computer labs for teaching and research. Other commonly shared student facilities include a multi-purpose sports hall, meeting rooms, exhibition areas, common rooms, restaurants, bookstores, banking services and convenience store, etc.

DOWNTOWN CENTER:
Some of the elective classes are held at the Downtown Center. The **HKUST Business School Central** locates at the Central district. (MTR Station: Central Station Exit J3)
Location Map: [http://www.bm.ust.hk/central/location.html](http://www.bm.ust.hk/central/location.html)

Students who would like to visit the Center for academic activities, group meeting or individual study, are strongly advised to call (852) 3582-3805 for advance booking. We reserve the right to offer priority booking to official school events and or clients’ events without prior notice.