

## Important notes for applying your student visa

1. **All students without the right of abode/right to land** in the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) **MUST apply** for a student visa for the purpose of education in the HKSAR. Students who use travel visa or travel endorsement to participate in any classes, tutorials and other academic-related activities **will be regarded as illegal. It is the responsibility of individual students to make appropriate visa arrangements before they come to Hong Kong.**
2. The Hong Kong Immigration Department (HK ImmD) takes **six to eight weeks** (even a longer time during the summer peak season) to process your student visa application upon receipt of all the required documents. Therefore, you are strongly advised to submit your student visa application through HKU visa application system as soon as you receive your offer or conditional offer of admission.
3. Please send the required documents *by express post* to the Admissions Office when you receive our confirmation email about your reviewed softcopies. Please check your registered email frequently to avoid any delay.
4. Please note that all the submitted documents will be sent to HK ImmD and will not be returned to you. As a result, kindly refrain from posting any original copies of the supporting documentation (such as bank statements and other records).
5. Once your visa application is approved, you will receive a confirmation email on how to download your e-Visa from HK ImmD's website. However, if you are given a conditional offer, you will only receive the confirmation email after you have submitted your FIRM offer to the system.

### ***For entry to Hong Kong***

- i For students from the Mainland
  - a. After receiving the e-Visa, you should visit relevant mainland authorities to apply for an "Exit-entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao" (EEP) and a relevant exit endorsement. It is advisable that you apply for an EEP in advance if you do not currently have one. When you enter Hong Kong, you must show your EEP and e-Visa for arrival clearance.
- ii For students from Macao
  - a. When you enter Hong Kong, you must show the HK ImmD your e-Visa and Visit Permit for Residents of Macao upon entry.
- iii For students from Taiwan
  - a. You must present your Visa Permit and passport upon entry to Hong Kong. If you need to re-enter Hong Kong at any time within your visa expiry, you need to apply for a Multiple Entry Permit from HK ImmD after arrival in Hong Kong. You may download the relevant application form ([ID931](#)) and read the Guidance Notes regarding the application procedures.
- iv For students from other countries
  - a. You must present your e-Visa together with your valid travelling document at the immigration counter.

# 5 steps to apply for your STUDENT VISA

## 1 Prepare all your documents

### For all applicants:

1. A completed page 1-4 **ID995A form**
2. A copy of your complete set of the conditional or firm **admission offer letter**
3. A copy of your **travel documents** (Census Record and Mainland Identity Card for Chinese residents, Passport for overseas)
4. Copy of **financial proof**
5. Financial sponsor's supporting letter with a copy of his/her travel document (if applicable) (census record for the mainland, passport for overseas)
6. Photocopy of Hong Kong Identity Card (if any)

### Additional doc for current students:

- A signed **Faculty/Department Confirmation Sheet on Student Status** (please ask your faculty to endorse part 2)
- Copy of your HKU Student Card

### Additional doc for students currently in HK:

- Copy of your (1) "Exit-entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao" (EEP) 【往来港澳通行证】 (for mainland only), (2) the latest Visa/Entry permit and (3) the latest landing slip

For details, please refer to <https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/>

## Login

Registered Email Address \*

Password \*

Remember me [Forgot your password?](#)

Don't have an account yet? [Register Now](#)

## 2 Register for a new account

- Please **register for a new account** via <https://studentvisaapp.hku.hk>
- Please make sure you **check your registered email frequently** to avoid any delay.
- Set up your password via the link sent to your email.

## 3 Fill in all required information

- Select 'Go to application' then 'fill now' to start filling in all required information
- Please fill in your information accordingly as it directly affects your visa approval process

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Fill Information Fill Study Information Fill Visa Information Online Payment

### Basic Information

Surname in English \*

Given Names in English \*

As shown on your most recent travel document. If you do not hold this, please input "-"

Name in Chinese (if applicable)

As shown on your most recent travel document.

Gender \*

Date of Birth \*

National/Permanent Resident of \*

### Credit Card



### Mobile Payment



## 4 Proceed to payment

- For **Mainland students**, please pay the application fee using the provided payment methods.
- For **overseas students**, please choose your application option and pay the relevant application fee.
  - 1) via Admissions Office
  - 2) via the HK ImmD platform by yourself\*

\*Only applicable to students who have received FIRM admission offer. You will be responsible for monitoring the application progress and collecting your visa permit.

## 5 Upload all your documents

- Please upload all required documents for our review.
- You will have to **send your hardcopies to the Admissions Office after you received our confirmation email** for further processing.
- You may log in to the online visa application system to check for your latest visa application status.
- HK ImmD normally takes **at least 6-8 weeks** to process visa applications. Please apply for your visa accordingly.

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Hong Kong Immigration Department Application Form (ID 995A)  
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