

# Division of Business

## Summer Overseas Study 2019

### A. Objectives

The Summer Overseas Study programme is funded by the UOWCHK/CCCU and comprises two different categories: Study Abroad Scheme and Overseas Attachment Scheme, providing an opportunity for students to study at a reputable institution (university or degree-granting college) in US, UK, Australia, Canada, or countries of your choice (subject to approval by the College) for a certain period of time (e.g. 2-4 weeks).

The Programme aims at:

- enhancing students' English proficiency;
- enriching students' educational and personal experience through immersion in a different environment; and
- polishing personal portfolio.

### B. Quota

UOWCHK/CCCU has set aside more than two million Hong Kong dollars for this Programme. Besides, the Reaching Out Award, set at \$10,000 per student, funded by the Education Bureau of HKSAR provides another source of sponsorship to support students. In the past, around 30-40 students were able to benefit from the programme each year.

### C. Principles and Responsibilities

1. Successful students must complete their Associate Degree studies with UOWCHK/CCCU after taking up the Summer Overseas Study programme. Those who fail to comply with this requirement will be required to pay back the full financial subsidy (including the tuition fee paid to the host institution by the College and the grant received) obtained to the College.
2. Students must obtain a minimum "C" grade (or 60%, according to the host institution's grading system) in a course in order to gain credit transfer. The grades of the courses completed in the host institution will not count in the calculation of the student's Grade Point Average (GPA). Students should consult their Programme Leaders about the courses that can be granted credit transfer to their AD programmes.
3. Successful applicants cannot change their institutional option unless approved by the College.
4. Foreign institutions chosen should be reputable and in the QS Ranking League of top 100 institutions.
5. The College reserves the right to determine the number of students awarded for the Programme.

## **D. Eligibility**

The Programme is open to all current Year 1 ABA students who meet the following minimum requirements:

1. Students must be over 18 years old on the date of departure for some overseas programmes;
2. Students must have attained good academic standard and satisfied specific requirements of host institutions;
3. Students should obtain GCE1000 or 1500 with grade B and B- or above, or DSE English Level 3 or above; some overseas programmes also require IELTS score of 5.5 or above.
4. Students must have attained a CGPA of at least 3.0 in their first years of study;
5. Students must possess travel documents with a validity of 6 months from the departure date;
6. Students who have no previous experience of living or studying in an English speaking country for more than 12 months are preferred; and
7. Students' contribution to activities of their AD programme and participation in extra-curricular activities will be considered.

## **E. Programme Categories and Enquiry**

### **Category A: Study Abroad Scheme**

Students with **CGPA 3.3** or above can take part in short overseas academic study programmes of their own choice. A subsidy of **\$25,000** max will be offered to successful candidates.

Students are responsible for applying individually to foreign institutions, completing their overseas studies and providing sufficient documents such as transcript and boarding pass for the reimbursement of subsidy.

Some examples of academic programmes are recommended by the Division.

- Harvard Summer School, Harvard University, US (Rank #3 in QS2019)
- International Summer Programme, University of Cambridge, UK (Rank #6 in QS2019)
- Summer School, The University of Edinburgh, UK (Rank #18 in QS2019)
- Summer School, London School of Economics and Political Science, UK (Rank #38 in QS2019)

### **Category B: Overseas Attachment Scheme**

The following summer programme is highly recommended by the Division.

- Vancouver Summer Programme, University of British Columbia, Canada, (Rank #47 in QS2019)

A maximum of **\$10,000** sponsorship will be offered to successful candidates. Interested students with **CGPA 3.0** or above.

#### **F. Important Notes and Dates**

1. The College reserves the right to interpret and construe any terms or provisions in this information sheet and to make reasonable and necessary adjustments to it at its sole discretion.
2. All students are covered by the Group Personal Accident Insurance. Details are available at <http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/FO/studentlan/htm/Travel.htm>.
3. Payments and Deadlines
  - (a) Online apply at <https://goo.gl/forms/U55LICTOI7T8IUqn2> on or before 17<sup>th</sup> January 2019
  - (b) Selected candidates will be invited for interview in mid January 2019.
  - (c) A \$2,000 deposit or parental consent letter is required for the successful candidates.
  - (d) Cat A candidates should confirm the summer programme by end of Mar 2019.
  - (e) Cat B candidates have to pay the deposit or settle the balance by late Feb or early March 2019. (details to be announced)
  - (f) Fees paid are NON-REFUNDABLE. Awardees are required to pay back the full financial subsidy to the College if they fail to complete the Associate Degree programme.
4. All participants are required to:
  - (a) make sure the VISA documents are ready and valid before the departure date;
  - (b) complete the Student Agreement before the departure of the trip;
  - (c) join the pre-departure meetings; and
  - (d) submit an individual reflection report, individual/group photos with high quality, compose a promotion poster/ppt in group and join post-trip sharing after the trip.

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