

Mainland University Study Subsidy Scheme



Introduction

The Mainland University Study Subsidy Scheme (MUSSS) aims to support Hong Kong students in pursuing undergraduate studies in the Mainland and ensure that no students will be deprived of post-secondary education opportunity due to a lack of means. The MUSSS comprises two components: "means-tested subsidy" and "non-means-tested subsidy". The subsidy is granted on a yearly basis. The subsidised period is the normal duration of the undergraduate programme pursued by the student concerned in designated Mainland institution. Eligible applicants can only receive either a means-tested subsidy or a non-means-tested subsidy in a given academic year. The MUSSS is not subject to any quota.

Applications for the MUSSS for the 2020/21 academic year are now invited. Eligibility for the MUSSS, the amount of subsidy and the application procedure are as below:

"Means-tested subsidy"

Eligibility

Students meeting the following criteria may apply for the "means-tested subsidy" for the 2020/21 academic year:

- having right of abode or right to land in, or have entered Hong Kong on One-way Permits;
- (b) receiving and having completed senior secondary education in Hong Kong; and
- (c) pursuing undergraduate studies in any of the 186 designatedMainland institutions in the 2020/21 academic year.

Amount of Subsidy

Students who pass a means test will receive either a full-rate subsidy of HK\$16,800 or half-rate subsidy of HK\$8,400 per student per year, depending on their needs. The Student Finance Office (SFO) under the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency will conduct the means tests for the families of the applicants.



"Non-means-tested subsidy"

Eligibility

Students meeting the following criteria may apply for the "non-means-tested subsidy" for the 2020/21 academic year:

- having right of abode or right to land in, or have entered Hong Kong on One-way Permits;
- receiving and having completed senior secondary education in Hong Kong;
- (c) pursuing undergraduate studies in any of the 186 designated Mainland institutions in the 2020/21 academic year; and
- (d)(1) attained "3322" in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE), i.e. attained Level 3 for Chinese Language and English Language and Level 2 for Mathematics and Liberal Studies; OR
- (d)(2) pursuing studies in Huaqiao University through "Pilot Scheme on the Articulation of Hong Kong Sub-degree Graduates to Huaqiao University".

Amount of Subsidy

Eligible students will receive a flat rate subsidy of \$5,600 per annum . No means test will be conducted.

Application

The MUSSS is now open for applications for the 2020/21 academic year. Eligible students may submit, on or before 14 August 2020 (for students who entered the designated Mainland institutions before the 2020/21 academic year) or 21 September 2020 (for students who will first enter the designated Mainland institutions in the 2020/21 academic year), the completed application forms and relevant supporting documents by post to:

Education Bureau,

P. O. Box No. 23448.

Wan Chai Post Office

(Please specify "Application for MUSSS")

The Education Bureau will notify individual applicants of the application result by the first quarter of 2021.

Enquiry

Enquiries should be directed to 2827 1112 or musss@edb.gov.hk. More details about the MUSSS are available at www.edb.gov.hk/musss. A list of the 186 designated Mainland institutions under the scheme as well as the application form and guideline can also be downloaded from the same website.