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Mainland University Study Subsidy Scheme 2024/25



Introduction

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

Applications for MUSSS for the 2024/25 academic year are now invited. Eligibility for 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 2024/25 academic year:

- (a) having right of abode^{Note (1)} or right to land in, or have entered Hong Kong on One-way Permits:
- (b) having received and completed senior secondary education in Hong Kong^{Note (2)};and
- (c) pursuing undergraduate studies in any of the **197 designated Mainland institutions** in the 2024/25 academic year.

The Student Finance Office 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 2024/25 academic year:

- (a) having right of abode^{Note (1)} or right to land in, or have entered Hong Kong on One-way Permits;
- (b) having received and completed senior secondary education in Hong Kong^{Note (2)};
- pursuing undergraduate studies in any of the 197 designated Mainland institutions in the 2024/25 academic year; and
- (d)(1) attained "3322" Note (3) or "332A" Note (4) in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE), i.e. attained Level 3 for Chinese Language and English Language, Level 2 for Mathematics, and Level 2 in Liberal Studies or "Attained" in Citizenship and Social Development; OR
- (d)(2) pursuing studies in Huaqiao University through "Pilot Scheme on the Articulation of Hong Kong Sub-degree Graduates to Huaqiao University"; OR
- (d)(3) admitted to a Mainland institution through the "School Principal Nomination Scheme" under the "Scheme for Admission of Hong Kong Students to Mainland Higher Education Institutions".

Amount of Subsidy

The means-tested subsidy and the non-means-tested subsidy will be disbursed to eligible students based on the distance between the location of their institutions and Hong Kong, which will be grouped under three categories, category (I) for distances less than 450 km, category (II) for distances between 450 km and 1 000 km as well as category (III) for distances over 1 000 km. Details of the subsidy rates under the different categories will be announced later.

Application

MUSSS is now open for applications for the 2024/25 academic year. To facilitate submission of MUSSS applications, eligible students can submit their applications via the MUSSS Electronic Application Platform (https://musss.edb.gov.hk). Eligible students are required to submit their applications via electronic platform or send the completed application forms and relevant supporting documents by post to Education Bureau, P.O. Box 44072, Shau Kei Wan Post Office, Hong Kong (please specify "Application for MUSSS") on or before 13 September 2024.

The Education Bureau is expected to notify applicants of the application results by the first quarter of 2025.

Enquiry

Enquiries should be directed to 2827 1112 or musss@edb.gov.hk.

For more details about MUSSS, please scan the QR code below or visit www.edb.gov.hk/musss. A list of the designated Mainland institutions under MUSSS as well as the application form and guideline can also be downloaded from the same website.



Note:

- (1) A student who is expected to receive his/her right of abode within the 2024/25 academic year may also apply.
- (2) To also cover schools for Hong Kong children on the Mainland listed under the HKDSE Participating School List published by the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority. For the 2024/25 academic year, HKDSE graduates from Shenzhen Hong Kong Pui Kiu College Longhua Xinyi School and Affiliated School of JNU for Hong Kong and Macao Students are eligible to apply provided that they also fulfill other criteria listed under "Eligibility" of MUSSS.
- (3) Applicable to HKDSE results obtained on or before 2023.
- (4) Citizenship and Social Development subject replaced the original Liberal Studies subject in the 2024 HKDSE. The scoring criteria for the Citizenship and Social Development subject is "Attained" and "Not Attained", with "A" representing "Attained". The HKDSE results obtained in 2024 or later have been revised to "332A".

