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# **Orientation Activities**

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# Mentors and Helpers Wanted for the Postgraduate Student Association Orientation Camp

The Postgraduate Student Association of CUHK (CUPSA) is organizing an orientation camp (o'camp) for new postgraduate students. CUPSA is looking for mentors and helpers to meet the newcomers at the o'camp and provide support for their studies and life in Hong Kong. You are welcome to join if you are alumni or students studying at CUHK for at least a year. This will be a great opportunity for you to meet new friends and enhance your leadership skills.

For more details about the o'camp, please visit: <a href="www.cupsa.hk/en/ocamp">www.cupsa.hk/en/ocamp</a>.

Online application: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1CdKw03vnNQRVQyAicUjKrlOgM4A5M0OMCBMf\_tTGjm0/viewform

Enquiry:

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#### **Orientation Website 2014**

The Orientation Website 2014 came to light on 22 July 2014. The contents of it include details of a good number of new student orientation activities to be held in this summer, as well as introduction of a comprehensive array of services ranging from academic support, on-campus residence to personal development. Check it out at <a href="https://www.cuhk.edu.hk/orientation">www.cuhk.edu.hk/orientation</a>.

#### **Orientation Talks for New Students 2014-2015**

In order to help new students integrate into our campus community, the Student Counselling and Development Service is going to conduct a series of orientation talks focusing on university adjustment and healthy lifestyle. Upcoming talks scheduled for August 2014 are as follows:

#### Talk for New Mainland Undergraduate Students

Date : 19 August 2014 (Tuesday) Time : 17:05pm - 17:35pm

Venue : Lee Shau Kee Lecture Theatre 5 (LSK LT5)
Target Audience : New mainland undergraduate students

#### Talk for New International Undergraduate Students

Date : 19 August 2014 (Tuesday) Time : 15:45pm - 16:15pm

Venue : Lee Shau Kee Lecture Theatre 1 (LSK LT1)
Target Audience : New international undergraduate students

# Talk for Research Postgraduate Students Date : 4 August 2014 (Monday) Time : 15:25pm - 15:55pm

Venue : Lee Shau Kee Lecture Theatre 6 (LSK LT6)

Target Audience : New postgraduate students (research postgraduate studies)

Self-enhancement talks for new undergraduate students will also be conducted in Colleges from September to October 2014. Details will be announced in due course.

#### **Student Activities**

Questions or comments? Email the Office of Student Affairs (OSA) at <a href="mailto:osa@cuhk.edu.hk">osa@cuhk.edu.hk</a>

#### JCI Kowloon – Shelter Dreams 2014

JCI Kowloon – Shelter Dreams 2014 Organizing Committee, is honored to organize a large-scale public and community concern project called "Shelter Dreams". Shelter Dreams is about staying out for a night, with a cardboard built shelter, in which the participants can experience how it may feel to stay under a poor environment, and to learn how to make themselves the best possible condition of shelter with limited and simple resources. This provides a platform to Hong Kong people especially for youngsters to experience the poor's living condition so as to realize their value of life and strength in serving the others in need.

In Shelter Dreams 2011 to 2013, there were more than 1,000 participants from various schools and colleges, as well as other supporting organizations. They benefited from the rare life changing experience through the event of Shelter Dreams project.

On behalf of Junior Chamber International Kowloon (JCI Kowloon), we would like to express our sincere gratitude cordially to invite you to join our "Shelter Dreams Experience Camp 2014" as participants or volunteers.

Date : 16 -17 August, 2014

Time : 3:00 pm - 1:00 pm (next day)

Venue : Hong Kong Science & Technology Park

**Fee**: Free of Charge

For more information about this worthwhile event, please visit:

http://www.shelterdreams2014.org



# Recruitment of Student Helpers - Inauguration Ceremony for Undergraduates 2014/15

The Inauguration Ceremony for Undergraduates 2014/15 will be held on 1 September 2014. A number of student helpers are needed to assist in the activity. Their duties include venue setting, crowd control and attendance taking, etc. Details and requirements of the vacancies have been posted on CU Job Link until **8 August 2014**. All interested students please do the registration through the website: <a href="https://cpdc.osa.cuhk.edu.hk/student/login">https://cpdc.osa.cuhk.edu.hk/student/login</a>.

Please contact Ms. Law of the Student Activities Section at 3943 7947 for enquiries.

#### Gathering between Singaporean Students and the Consulate-General of Singapore

The Consulate-General of Singapore would like to invite the Singaporean students who are pursuing undergraduate and postgraduate programmes at CUHK to a gathering in mid-August. The exact date and venue will be decided later.

Interested students please email your personal information including name, SID, contact number, major and type of programme (undergraduate or postgraduate) to <a href="mailto:isso@cuhk.edu.hk">isso@cuhk.edu.hk</a>.

#### **Information for Non-local Students**

Questions or comments?

Email the Incoming Students Section (ISS) at <a href="mailto:isso@cuhk.edu.hk">isso@cuhk.edu.hk</a> or call 3943 7945

# **Reminders for Non-local Students**

#### For non-graduating students:

For full-time undergraduate students who will continue to pursue studies at CUHK in the coming academic year 2014-15, please be reminded to ensure the validity of your travel documents, e.g. passport or Exit-entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao (往來港澳通行 ) , and the entry permit label.

If your current limit of stay will expire in August or September 2014, you are required to submit the completed "Extension of Stay" application form (ID 91) which is downloadable from the website of the Immigration Department via the following link and provide the documents required: <a href="https://www.immd.gov.hk/ehtml/id91.htm">www.immd.gov.hk/ehtml/id91.htm</a>. You are also required to submit a certifying letter which is to be issued by the Registration and Examinations Section: <a href="https://rgsntl.rgs.cuhk.edu.hk/rws\_prd\_life/re\_menu/ap\_00000005.asp">http://rgsntl.rgs.cuhk.edu.hk/rws\_prd\_life/re\_menu/ap\_00000005.asp</a>.

For more details about the application, please browse the following websites:

<u>www.immd.gov.hk/en/services/hk-visas/study/guidebook.html</u> <u>www.immd.gov.hk/en/fag/imm-policy-study.html</u>

Students without valid VISAS are subject to prosecution and may be jailed!!!

# Off-campus Housing Recommendation@OHIS

#### **Housing Recommendation to Others?**

Do you want to recommend rental property to the new students? If yes, the "Housing Recommendation" of the OHIS Web may be a good channel. You can upload your property information there and search for new tenants.

#### Looking for an Off-campus Apartment?

If you are looking for off-campus housing, you may refer to the information in "To Let" in the OHIS Web, or log-in the Online Forum there. You may also be able to find your flat-mates there.

The Off-campus Housing Information Service (OHIS) is set up to provide students with information on rental accommodation outside of the CUHK campus. Such information includes: rental guidelines, tenancy agreement samples, information on properties to let in relevant districts, frequently asked questions, and useful links. In addition, an off-campus housing forum is open for students and staff to share accommodation information and experiences with each other.

The **OHIS** has been in operation since July 2007. It is managed by the Incoming Students Section of the Office of Student Affairs. Please visit our **OHIS** web at <a href="https://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/ohis">www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/ohis</a>.

Enquiry: <a href="mailto:isso@cuhk.edu.hk">isso@cuhk.edu.hk</a>

# Talk on Rental Issues in Hong Kong

Some of you may rent an apartment outside campus during your study at CUHK. Do you know the responsibilities of both the tenant and the landlord? If compensation for property damage is required, do you know how to settle it? Before the start of a new school term, the Incoming Students Section of the Office of Student Affairs will invite a professional lawyer to explain the tenancy law, as well as to answer your relevant questions.

<u>Details</u>:

Date : 22 August 2014 (Friday) Time : 4:00pm - 5:30pm

Venue : Yasumoto International Academic Park (YIA) LT3

Language : English

Guest speaker : Mr. Stanley Chan (Partner of Sun Lawyers, Alumnus of United College, CUHK)

Online application: <a href="https://cloud.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/webform/view.php?id=270698">https://cloud.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/webform/view.php?id=270698</a>

Application deadline: 20 August 2014 (Wednesday)

Enquiry: 3943 7945 / isso@cuhk.edu.hk

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#### Funding Support for Student Activities

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#### **UGC Block Grant Student Activities Fund**

The UGC Block Grant Student Activities Fund is now open for application. Eligible student societies which are interested in the Fund, please download the application form at <a href="http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/blockgrant.doc">http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/blockgrant.doc</a>. The deadline for application is <a href="https://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/blockgrant.doc">5 September 2014 (Friday)</a>. Please contact Ms. Law of the Student Activities Section at 3943 7947 for enquiries.

# Internationalization Project for Promoting Campus Integration

#### **Guidelines**

#### **About the Fund**

- One of the missions of the University is to facilitate and cultivate sufficient integration of groups of students from different origins. The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) and the University Grants Committee (UGC) has made available HK\$500,000 to support projects initiated by students that serve to facilitate student integration in the 2013/14 and 2014/15 academic years. The funding will be used for creative student-initiated projects of distinguishable nature that will promote campus integration.
- 2. The maximum amount of support for each application is capped at \$100,000.

#### Eligibility

- 3. Students from both local and non-local origins can organize and/ or participate in the funded projects.
- 4. Students taking non-UGC funded programmes are welcome to participate in this initiative, as long as the majority of students in each project team are taking UGC-funded programmes.

#### **Assessment Criteria**

- 5. Consideration will be given to the overall merits of each application, including innovation and impact of the project in promoting campus integration.
- 6. Intellectual, quasi-intellectual, culturally enhancing projects and inter-institutional collaborations will be highly valued.
- 7. Priority will be given to projects which:
  - a. involve a large number of students, whether as organizers or participants,
  - b. demonstrate cost effectiveness and sustainability components

Application Deadline: 13 October 2014

For details, please visit: www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/SIPFund.pdf

# Internationalization Activity Fund for Student Associations 2014 (Second Round)

#### **Purpose**

The Internationalization Activity Fund aims to support student associations to organize activities which promote internationalization and inter-cultural exchange opportunities among members of the University community.

# Eligibility

All registered undergraduate and postgraduate student associations will be eligible for applying for financial support from the Fund.

Student bodies representing non-local ethnic or regional origins are encouraged to apply for the funding to organize activities for promoting campus integration and cohesion.

### **Assessment Criteria**

- Consideration will be given to the overall merits of each application, including innovation and impact of the activity in enhancing the internationalization exposures of students outside the association concerned.
- Priority will be given to activities which involve a larger number of students, whether as participants or organizers.
- Inter-association collaboration will be highly encouraged.
- The Fund would not cover expenses of overseas exchange activities organized by student associations for their members.
- The maximum amount of support for each application is capped at \$10,000.

Application Deadline: 6 October 2014

For details, please visit: <a href="https://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/InternationalActivityFund.pdf">www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/InternationalActivityFund.pdf</a>

# **Student Counselling and Development**

Questions or comments?

Email the Student Counselling and Development Service (SCDS) at <a href="mailto:scds@cuhk.edu.hk">scds@cuhk.edu.hk</a> or call 3943 7208

#### Walk-in Counselling Sessions for New Full-time Postgraduate Students 2014-2015

To assist students in handling individual concerns or difficulties in adjusting to the University, walk-in counselling sessions for new students will be provided. Prior appointment is not required during the following period:

Date : 11-15 August 2014 (Monday - Friday)

Time : 14:00pm - 16:30pm

Address : 2/F, Benjamin Franklin Centre (BFC)
Target Students : New full-time postgraduate students

Enquiry : 3943 7208

Walk-in counselling sessions for full-time international, mainland and local new undergraduate students will be provided in late August and September.

#### **Student Development Programmes**

Workshops will be conducted to facilitate students' personal growth and well-being. Details of the training programme in this August are as follows:

Theme : 12-hour Standard Mental Health First Aid Course

Date : 19 & 21 August 2014 (Tuesday & Thursday)

Time : 09:30am - 17:00pm

Venue : Rm 402, Yasumoto International Academic Park (YIA)

Target Participants : Resident Tutors

Enquiry : 3943 1804, Ms. Flora Kong

Stay tuned to the latest news on upcoming counselling programmes and activities at <a href="https://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/scds">www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/scds</a>.

Enquiry: 3943 7208 (Student Counselling and Development Service)

#### **Campus Amenities**

Questions or comments?

Email the Student Amenities Section (SAMS) at <a href="mailto:sams@cuhk.edu.hk">sams@cuhk.edu.hk</a> or call 3943 3733

# **Revised Opening Hours of University Swimming Pool**

Due to the shortage of manpower arising from the extreme difficulties in recruiting lifeguards, to protect the safety of swimmers and comply with the guidelines of the International Life Saving Federation (ILS), the opening hours of the University Swimming Pool will be revised as follows with effect from August 4, 2014 (Monday):

	1 <sup>st</sup> Session	2 <sup>nd</sup> Session
Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays, Sundays and Public Holi- days	8:00am – 1:40pm	2, 20, 22, 0, 00, 22
Fridays (except Public Holidays)	8:00am – 12:00noon *12:00 noon – 2:30 pm will be closed for weekly cleansing	2:30pm – 9:00pm
Tuesdays	CLOSED	

We are sorry for any inconvenience caused.