



Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong
and
The School of Life Sciences, the Chinese University of Hong Kong



University Student Sponsorship Programme in Wildlife Conservation 2018-19 (USSP1819)

APPLICATION FORM

Notes to Applicants:

Please put **(1)** your comprehensive **resume** AND **(2)** a copy of your **unofficial transcript into ONE WORD FILE** and return together with **(3)** your completed **application form** by email to nicole.tk.kit@oceanpark.com.hk no later than **11:59 pm, September 30, 2018 (Sun)**. Please consult your school on the submission format, and make sure you have submitted all necessary documents listed in this application form.

You are recommended to join the Information Session on **September 22, 2018 (Sat), 10:00 am – 12:30 pm at Lecture Theater 12 (LT12), City University of Hong Kong** to learn more about the criteria and details of different projects available this year, and you could also follow our Facebook page (@USSP.OPCF) for important updates on the programme.

Personal Particulars

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| Name (CHI): | Name (ENG): |
| Student ID: | Year of Study: |
| Major: | Mobile No.: |
| Email: | Alternative email: |

Research Project Preference

Please indicate your preferences by writing down "1" for the MOST interested project to "3" or "4" (if you are interested in a project out of those not assigned to your school) for the least interested project in the boxes provided.

| Preference | Project Code | Species | Location | Project Name | Focus | Period |
|------------|--------------|---|---------------------------------------|--|--|-----------------|
| | DUG | Dugong | Palawan, Philippines | Community-Driven Monitoring and Conservation of Palawan's Threatened Dugongs | Population monitoring and seagrass habitat assessment | May to Jun 2019 |
| | PANDA | Giant panda | China | Study on sustainable grazing and management policy of giant panda's habitat | Population survey, community work, interview with local citizens | May to Jun 2019 |
| | CETA 2 | Multiple species of cetaceans | Luzon and Visayas Island, Philippines | Cetacean Health and Stranding Response Program: a One Health Initiative in the Philippines | Marine mammal stranding response, sample collection, population survey, education campaign | Apr to Jun 2019 |
| | | Other project in the whole project list (You may select up one extra project from the project list that you are really interested in) | | | | |

Using the project code, please state your most interested project* among the whole list including projects assigned to other universities, and explain, in less than 300 English words, the reasons behind your preference and your strengths that could help you to win this opportunity. You may refer to the last page of this application form for the complete project list.

** If your most interested project is out of those assigned to your school, you need to indicate your preference in Research Project Preference, otherwise your application will be disqualified.*

Project code: _____

Please describe, in less than 200 Chinese words, why and how much you want to be one of the USSPers.

Tell use your vision in wildlife conservation, in less than 100 Chinese/English words.

RESUME: Please prepare and attach your FULL resume including but not limited to the following categories

1. Relevant Past Experience
 - a. Academic area (e.g. FYP, RA in lab)
 - b. Conservation related volunteer/internship/working experience/responsibility
 - c. Other volunteer/internship/working experience/responsibility
 - d. Exchange or self-planned travel experience
 - e. Responsibility in school societies or in other organizations
 - f. Qualifications
 - g. Other related programmes / activities experience
2. Strength/ unique talents

Important dates to mark on your schedule:

1. **Information Session – Sep 22, 2018 (Sat), 10:00 am – 12:30 pm, Lecture Theater 12 (LT12), CityU.** Let's learn more about the background of the programme and the requirements of different research projects!
2. **Application deadline – 11:59 pm Sep 30, 2018 (Sat)**
3. **Interview – Oct 13 or 14 (Sat and Sun), 2018,** keep an eye on your email to receive more details after submitting your application!

SHOW US YOUR PASSION!

Join the introductory talk in CityU on Sep 22 to learn more about the criteria and details of different projects!

Personal Information Collection Statement

I/We have also read the Personal Information Collection Statement (<http://www.opcf.org.hk/tc/footer/personal-information-collection>) of Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong ("OPCFHK"), including the information about the use of my/our personal data in direct marketing. I/We understand that I/we have the right to opt-out from such direct marketing by ticking (✓) the box below. If I/we do not tick the box, OPCFHK may use my/our personal data (primarily my/our name and contact details) in direct marketing products, services, activities and other subjects to me/us (primarily consumer products and services offered by OPCFHK or its business associations or partners) as more particularly set out in the Personal Information Collection Statement.

Please do NOT send direct marketing information to me/us.

Applicant's Signature: _____ *(hand-written signatures only)*

Applicant's Name (In Block Letters): _____

Date: _____



Project list of USSP1819

| Project Code | Uni | Species | Location | Project Name | Possible Task | Period |
|---|---------------------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|---|
| BIRD | CityU, OUHK, LingU | Bali starling | Bali, Indonesia | Local community collaboration for the successful conservation of the Bali starling | Released population and community monitoring, community education work | Dec 2018 to Jan 2019 or May to Jun 2019 |
| FROG | HKU, HKBU | Boulenger's spiny frog | Sichuan, China | Impact of climate change on the habitat connectivity and morphological traits of <i>Rana boulengeri</i> | Stream population survey and specimen measurement to investigate the effect of climate change | May to Jun 2019 |
| DUG | CUHK, LingU | Dugong | Palawan, Philippines | Community-Driven Monitoring and Conservation of Palawan's Threatened Dugongs | Population monitoring and seagrass habitat assessment | May to Jun 2019 |
| PANDA | CUHK | Giant panda | China | Study on sustainable grazing and management policy of giant panda's habitat | Population survey, community work, interview with local citizens | May to Jun 2019 |
| CETA 1 | EdUHK, OUHK | Multiple species of cetaceans | Penang, Malaysia | Ecological studies on cetaceans with a focus on the Irrawaddy dolphin around Penang island | Population survey, photo-identification studies and analysis | May to Jun 2019 |
| CETA 2 | HKU, CUHK, HKBU | Multiple species of cetaceans | Luzon and Visayas Island, Philippines | Cetacean Health and Stranding Response Program: a One Health Initiative in the Philippines | Marine mammal stranding response, sample collection, population survey, education campaign | Apr to Jun 2019 |
| FELID | HKUST, CityU | Multiple species of felids | Laos | China-Laos cross-border protection on Felidae and biodiversity | Population survey and market survey | Dec 2018 to Jan 2019 |
| SNOW | HKU, HKBU | Snow leopard | Qinghai, China | Identification of key protection area for snow leopards in Sanjiangyuan under climate change | Collect data from infra-red triggered cameras in the field, field surveys, laboratory works, community education work | May to Jun 2019 |
| SNAIL | HKUST, EdUHK | Vietnamese giant land snail | Vietnam | Population, habitats and conservation of the critical endangered Vietnamese giant land snail: Research and local capacity building | Population survey, measurement of environmental parameters and specimens | Dec 2018 |
| YFP 1 | HKUST, CityU, LingU | Yangtze finless porpoise | Zhenjiang, China | Summarizing experience and promotion of Yangtze finless porpoise wild population recovery in Dongting Lake | Population monitoring | Dec 2018 to Jan 2019 |
| YFP 2 | EdUHK, OUHK | Yangtze finless porpoise | Hubei, China | Monitoring and welfare assessment of captive Yangtze finless porpoise pregnancy and postnatal care | Monitoring of population in lakes, participate in net caging in reserve | May to Jun 2019 |
| Project with special requirements: | | | | | | |
| FISH | NA | Small eye golden-line fish | Guangxi, China | Distribution and threatened status re-evaluation of <i>Sinocyclocheilus micropthalmus</i> , a cavefish endangered and endemic to China | Experienced in climbing and stream trekking Good mentality towards cave surveys | Early Dec 2018 or Apr 2019 |
| TURT | NA | Green turtle | Malaysia and Philippines | Understanding impacts of climate change on at-sea populations of green sea turtles in Malaysia and the Philippines | Extremely good swimmer Snorkeling and scuba diving experience | Dec 2018 |

Please 'like' the USSP Facebook page (www.facebook.com/USSP.OPCF) to follow the latest news and announcement on USSP application. You may also enquire through private messaging us.

In case of any dispute, the Ocean Park Conservation Foundation, Hong Kong reserves the right to make the final decision.