

BMGT Exchange: Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) (Hong Kong) (Exchange Program) (Outgoing Program)

- **Locations:** Hong Kong, Hong Kong
- **Program Terms:** Fall, Spring

Fact Sheet:

Credit Type: Transfer
Credit

Minimum GPA: 3.0

Language of Instruction: English

Program Type: Exchange

Program Description:

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Housing Options: Independent Housing,
Residence Hall

Class Eligibility: Junior, Senior, Sophomore

Non-UMD students No
eligible to apply:

All students accepted to an Exchange program are automatically considered for an award of \$1,000! See Cost tab for more information.

Host Institution

Established in 1991, Hong University of Science and Technology has quickly established itself as a world leader in higher education. With over 8,000 undergraduates and almost 4,000 graduates, HKUST is among our most popular exchange partners. The University is housed in a hillside and waterfront complex overlooking Port Shelter on the Clear Water Bay peninsula, less than 30 minutes' driving time from central Hong Kong. HKUST is consistently ranked in the top echelon of business schools; its MBA in the School of Business and Management was ranked number 10 in the world by Financial Times in 2012.

Host City

Hong Kong is a vibrant city imbued with international outlook, cosmopolitan lifestyle, and Chinese culture. As a special administrative region of China, Hong Kong allows students to witness a culture where “East meets West.” Situated on China's south coast on the South China Sea, the city is known for its expansive skyline and deep natural harbour. It's a leading financial center and one of the most densely populated cities in the world. This lack of space has caused city planners and architects to build up, which makes the city the most vertical in the world with its notorious skyline and modern architecture. Although the majority of city residents are ethnically Chinese, English is widely spoken. World-renowned for its intersection of Western technology and education and Eastern tradition, Hong Kong is an exciting destination for study abroad.

Exchange programs are highly competitive and space in each program is limited. You must meet the following eligibility requirements in order to apply to this program:

- 3.0 GPA
- Completion of 2 semesters at UMD
- You must be a BMGT major

Exchange programs are a good fit for students looking for immersion, personal growth, and the opportunity to strengthen qualities such as independence and adaptability.

Student Visa Information

As an exchange student, you are required to obtain a visa. For more information, visit: <http://undergrad.bm.ust.hk/exchange/inbound-exchange/pre-and-post-exchange>.

1. Click "Apply Now" at the top of this page. You will log in with your UMD directory ID and password.
 2. Submit all application materials by the deadline listed below. This includes meeting with your EA advisor (listed at the top of this page), and may include requesting a faculty letter of recommendation, and submitting an official transcript. If a letter of recommendation and/or official transcript are required, it will be listed in MyEA once you start an application for this program.
 3. After the application deadline, we will review all completed applications and nominate students for available spots in each exchange program.
 4. If you are nominated to participate in this exchange, you will work with your EA advisor (listed above) to apply directly to the host university, who will formally admit you to the exchange program. Nominated students **must** complete the host university application in accordance with the host university's stated deadlines and instructions.
 5. Nominated students will then work with their EA advisor (listed above) and our partner universities to coordinate all aspects of the stay at the host university such as course registration, visas and arrival.
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Academic Planning

Visit the [Academics & Study Abroad page](#) which outlines key considerations for your academic planning as you navigate different phases of study abroad:

- [Pre-Departure Course Selection & Approval](#)
- [Finalizing Course Enrollment Abroad](#)

- [Transcripts and Credits on your UMD Record](#)

Coursework

Students can choose any courses on offer that are offered to local students, as long as they meet the course pre-requisites. Students are required to take 4-5 courses during their semester.

HKUST Course Evaluations

There may be [other course offerings](#) on this program that are not currently listed in the Study Abroad Course Database (SACD). If you are interested in taking a course not listed in the SACD, please submit a [transfer credit evaluation request](#).

Credit

All credit you earn on this program will count as [transfer credit](#) towards your UMD degree. Most courses at HKUST will be converted as follows:

HKUST Credit	UMD Credit
1 HKUST Credit	1 UMD Credit
3 HKUST Credits	3 UMD Credits

The credit conversion listed above was approved by the UMD Study Abroad Transfer Credit Committee on April 24, 2014.

Grading

Undergraduates must receive a C- equivalent or better in order to be eligible for the transfer of credit.

HKUST Grade	UMD Grade
C -	C -

Exchange students usually live in on-campus residence halls. Students are placed in single, double, or triple rooms with either local students or other international students. Housing costs range from \$600USD to \$1400 USD for the semester.

Exchange Program Cost of Attendance

UMD students participating in an Exchange program have the benefit of paying UMD tuition rates to attend an institution abroad. For specific information about this Exchange program, please reference the

Cost of Attendance Chart

Tuition and fees for exchange programs are charged directly to your UMD account, which means you can apply UMD scholarships, state and federal financial aid, and alternative loans towards the cost of an exchange. Students participating in a BMGT or ENGR exchange program are not charged differential tuition. Housing costs are paid directly to the host institution or on-site housing agency.

You can use the [cost of attendance comparison worksheet](#) to view how study abroad programs compare to each other and the amount you pay on campus at UMD. As always, your EA advisor (listed above) is available to help you complete this worksheet and find affordable programs that fit your study abroad goals.

Exchange Scholarship

All students accepted to an Exchange program are considered for an automatic award of \$1,000! To be considered for this scholarship, you must:

- Be a current degree seeking undergraduate UMD student (graduate students are not eligible for this award)
- Not currently receive full tuition scholarship/benefits (i.e. Banneker Key, tuition remission, Frederick Douglass Scholarship, etc.)

Additional Financial Resources

- [Financial Aid](#)
 - [Scholarships](#)
 - [Financial Policies](#)
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Maximize your time abroad by taking advantage of resources at your host institution!

Student Clubs and Organizations

HKUST has over [100 student clubs and societies](#), and all are organized under the Students' Union.

International Welcome/Orientation

The Office of Global Learning at HKUST hosts a [range of activities](#) for exchange students. They range from the welcome events happening in HKUST to touring in Hong Kong, from traditional Chinese sports and festive food tasting to experiencing the vibrant life of this amazing city.

Counseling & Health Services

All registered HKUST students are entitled to use the primary [healthcare service](#) available at the Medical Clinic. This facility provides free outpatient service to full-time students with their student ID cards. Through the Student Affairs Office, students can also access [wellness counseling](#).

Resource Guide for Students with Disabilities*

Resource Guide for LGBTQ+ Identities*

*These resource guides provide general information about services at UMD’s partner institution. For more information, consult your EA advisor.

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Term	Year	Last Day to Apply	Decision Date	Start Date	End Date
Fall	2025	03/03/2025	03/10/2025	09/01/2025	12/19/2025
Spring	2026	09/08/2025	09/16/2025	TBA	TBA

Indicates that deadline has passed