

General Information on Student Residence Application

You should read carefully and thoroughly the information below before submitting the Student Residence application. You should contact the Student Accommodation Section if any enquiries or clarifications are needed. Failure to comply with the Student Residence application procedures and to provide correct and complete information may lead to disqualification of Student Residence application or delay in the process of the Student Residence application.

Special Attention for 2024/25 Student Residence Application

You are requested to pay attention to and take into consideration of the following notes and make sure that you understand and agree with them before you submit your student residence application. No refund or any forms of compensation will be considered arising from such situations and arrangements below.

1. The Undergraduate Halls is undergoing major external wall repair and fixing works in 2024/25, during which scaffolding will be erected to cover the entire North Tower of the Undergraduate Halls and the North Tower will be closed. Nuisances such as noise, dust and smell will inevitably be caused.
2. The construction of [Jockey Club Campus of Creativity \(JC3\)](#) which is within Village CARE and next to the Undergraduate Halls is underway from 7 am to 7 pm from Mondays to Saturdays, except Sundays and public holidays. During the construction period, **nuisances such as noise, dust and smell will inevitably be expected**. Mitigation measures will be taken by the Estates Office to minimize the nuisances incurred by the major repair and maintenance at the Undergraduate Halls and construction of JC3 as far as practicable. Residents are advised to close windows of their rooms to alleviate nuisances as appropriate. Your continued understanding and patience will be greatly appreciated. **Please contact the Estates Office should you have further questions.**
3. To protect the safety and security of residents, **CCTV Surveillance Cameras will be installed in the public areas** of the Undergraduate Halls in 2024 Summer. The current protocols on the operation of CCTVs would be strictly adhered to protect personal data and privacy of staff, residents, visitors and outsourced workers of the Student Residence.
4. Residents who check out late from the Student Residence after their designated latest check-out date will be recorded **16 [demerit points](#) and disqualified for student residence application with immediate effect until graduation**. A **late check-out penalty of \$600** will be charged per day after the stipulate latest check-out time until the check-out procedures are completed.
5. Students with special circumstances can apply for late check-out 2 weeks before the mass check-out. The late check-out application result will be released 3 days before the mass check-out date. An **approved late check-out administrative fee of \$200* per night** shall apply to all approved cases. A student can request for late check-out for **no more than 3 nights**.

6. Visitation in the Undergraduate Halls and Village CARE will be suspended on the Mass Check-out Date and the following 5 days.

By completing and submitting the Student Residence application, you acknowledge that:

1. you have read, understood, and agreed the terms and conditions of the Student Residence application contained herein;
2. agree to abide by the relevant rules of the Student Residence including the Terms and Conditions, [Hall Rules and Residents' Code of the Undergraduate Halls](#) and Village CARE, and any other rules that the University may prescribe and issue from time to time which it deems necessary for the management of the Student Residence;
3. the rules referred to in 2 above may include safety and health measures aimed at protecting the University's community and all users of Student Residence services and their residents.

Eligibility for the Student Residence

UGC-funded full-time non-local undergraduate students will be provided with residential places in the University accommodation in their first year of studies. In their subsequent years of studies, students can apply for the University accommodation, subject to availability.

Non-local undergraduate students who are recipients of a Full Admissions Scholarship will be provided with University accommodation throughout their studies. This is not applicable to recipients who have been denied renewal of their scholarships by the University Scholarship Committee. [Please click HERE for Housing Policy.](#)

Students must possess a student status of "Normal Study" as defined by the Academic Registry during the stay in the University Accommodation. You may check your student status in BUniPort > Profile > Personal Particulars & Study Record. Students who cease to be classified as "Normal Study" (e.g. taking an internship, suspension of study or leave of absence) will no longer be eligible for University Accommodation and will be required to check out of the student residence.

Residential Education

(Undergraduate Halls) Whole Person Education – Living-learning Community

The University believes in holistic education. Hall life forms an integral part of it. Through the daily interaction with people, we believe you will learn to develop your independent thinking, critical mind and social consciousness. Hall is not merely a place to live in, but also a living-learning environment where you

(Village CARE) Theme based Residential Education –Vision & Mission

To offer the best learning experience for students in a residential setting, delivering transdisciplinary academic excellence in a caring, creative, and global culture. To enable student residents to care for the common good of humankind by addressing creatively the local and global challenges through its transdisciplinary thematic curricular and co-curricular programmes in the residential setting.

Student Residence

Undergraduate Halls

The Undergraduate Halls are composed of the North and South Towers with 4 Halls. They provide a total of 1,770 places for full-time UGC-funded undergraduate students. Due to the major external wall repair of the North Tower in 2024/25, the North Tower will be closed, and all 4 Halls will be located in the South Tower. The total number of student residence places will be reduced to 885.

Halls		Hall Motto	
C.N. YANG Hall	楊振寧堂:	Hall with a Heart	修身養性，心及天下
Y.P. CAI Hall	蔡元培堂:	Grow in Excellence	邁向卓越
S.R. ZHOU Hall	周樹人堂:	Aide Sans Frontieres	跨越界限，關懷社稷
C.L. SOONG Hall	宋慶齡堂:	Living, Learning, Giving	學海人生，奉獻精神

Village CARE

The Village CARE comprises 4 Residential Colleges and will open by phases in 2024/25. The South Block (Block 1) and East Block (Block 3) are available for accommodation from August 2024.

Colleges	Themes
South Block (Block 1, SVC)	Community services leadership 行德臻善
East Block (Block 3, EVC)	Sportsmanship and Wellness 力強志剛

Upon completion of their living learning experiences at Village CARE, students will:

- Demonstrate intrapersonal awareness, personal wellness & interpersonal lifestyle indicative of whole person development;
- Actively pursue academic learning, both in depth and breadth, showing a capacity for independent lifelong learning;
- Actively and responsibly engage in the community – from Village CARE to the community, both local and global;
- Solve problems creatively and with critical thinking; and
- Be effective leaders and members in transdisciplinary and culturally diversified teams.

Application and Result Announcement

Event	Time	Channel
Submit online Student Residence application	8 Jul, 12 noon HKT – 17 Jul HKT	HERE
Application Result + Student Residence/Room type assignment announcement*	Late Jul	
Room Assignment announcement	Upon check-in	

* Successful Student Residence applicants will be deemed to have stayed in the Student Residence during the offer period.

Residential Period

Full Year Student Residence Offer in 2024/25: 16 Aug 2024 to 21 May 2025 (check out by 12 noon or 3pm on 22 May 2025 subject to further arrangements by the Student Accommodation Section, which would be announced no later than one month before the check-out date.)

Information on Student Residence application for non-local students is available [HERE](#). The information provided in your Student Residence application must be correct and complete.

Possibility of Room Relocation

For the sake of efficient utilization of resources and to facilitate timely repairs to the rooms, the Management reserves the right to relocate residents to other rooms within the Student Residence by normally serving the latter at least five days' notice in advance.

Room change is not accepted in the first month after check-in. Residents may apply for room change 1 month after check-in subject to approval of the Management.

Lodging Fees and Payment

The **normal** lodging period for the Residential Year 2024/25 is from 16 Aug 2024 to 21 May 2025, both nights inclusive. Lodging Fees for students with Full Year student residence offer are to be paid by two approximately equal installments and are NOT transferrable or refundable.

Lodging Fees for 2024/25 at the **Undergraduates Halls**:

Lodging Fees	1 st installment	2 nd installment	Total
2-person room in a 4-person unit	\$11,627.7	\$10,441.2	\$22,068.9
2-person room in a 5-person unit	\$11,010.3	\$9,886.8	\$20,897.1
3-person room in a 5-person unit	\$8,379.0	\$7,524.0	\$15,903.0

Lodging Fees for 2024/25 at the **Village CARE**:

Lodging Fees	1 st installment	2 nd installment	Total
2-person room in a 4-person unit	\$15,111.6	\$13,569.6	\$28,681.2

** In addition to lodging fees, all residents need to pay Caution Money (\$1,000) and Orientation Fee (\$300) in the 1st installment.*

Details of the Lodging fees are as follows:

- Lodging fees paid are not refundable (except Caution Money) and transferrable.
- **Successful applicants must settle the lodging fees payment before the payment deadline.** If the payment deadline is lapsed, the residential place offered to you will be cancelled and you will need to check out accordingly.
- The \$1,000 Caution Money is refundable to residents only after check-out, less any restitution charges for damage or loss of properties and keys and late check-out penalty. For residents checking out during

semester break or before the last day of class of the semester, a \$100 administrative fee will be deducted from the Caution Money before refund.

- All first-time residents (except exchange students) will be charged a \$300 Orientation Fee.

Please note the following important dates:

Deadline	Details
Mid-Nov 2024	Deadline for payment of second installment lodging fees
23 Dec 2024	Latest check-out date for those who fail to settle the second installment

Successful applicants who fail to pay the lodging fee before deadline or check in within 7 days from the first day of the offer period will result in cancellation of Student Residence offer and will be deemed to have stayed in the Student Residence during the offer period in their future student residence applications.

Students should keep good custody of the proof of their payment and be able to present it upon request. [Please click HERE for payment method.](#)

Miscellaneous Fees and Charges

[Please click HERE for the List of Miscellaneous Fees and Charges.](#)

Check-in Arrangements

The earliest check-in date is **16 Aug 2024 (10am – 6pm)**. **No early check-in will be considered** since rooms will NOT be available earlier. In case you need to arrive Hong Kong earlier than **16 Aug 2024**, you are advised to plan ahead for your own accommodation. Please click [HERE](#) for check-in procedures.

You should complete the online Health Declaration Form and the In-room Item Confirmation within 2 days after check-in. Details will be sent to your HKBU email.

Octopus Card for Air Conditioning and Laundry Service

Undergraduate Halls

Residents can charge up the **air conditioner in their rooms** and the **laundry machines on 1/F** by **Octopus Card or via "Student Hostel Payment" at HKBU Mobile App.**

Village CARE (South Block & East Block)

Residents can charge up the **air conditioner, other utility payments in their room and laundry machines on 9/F** by **Octopus Card or via "Student Hostel Payment" at HKBU Mobile App.**

Applicants for Village CARE should take note that, in addition to the in-room air-conditioning, other electricity consumption within their bedrooms and units/apartments will be charged based on a userpay principle.

[Details of obtaining the Octopus Card is available HERE](#)

Orientation Activities

All new residents shall participate in the orientation activities organized by individual Hall or College by late August. Details will be announced later.

Works within or in the proximity to the Hostels

You are informed that and shall acknowledge that the University is almost constantly undertaking works to maintain, enhance and develop its campus and all its facilities, and these works may include but are not limited to construction, renovation, remedial works, repair and maintenance, improvement works or other similar works in whatsoever nature (the Works). These Works may be carried out within or in proximity to the Undergraduate Halls and Village CARE. While the Estates Office will, as far as practicable, take reasonable measures to minimize the inconvenience and disturbance caused by the Works, you shall acknowledge that total removal of such inconvenience and disturbance may not be possible, and you shall agree to waive irrevocably any claim for refund of student accommodation fees, or any right to seek compensation for any loss or damage directly or indirectly arisen out of any inconvenience caused to or suffered or sustained by you as a result of the Works.

Your attention is hereby drawn to the following Work(s) during the Residential Year of 2024/25. You shall take this into consideration before submitting the application, accepting the student residence offer and paying the student accommodation fees:

The construction of the Jockey Club Campus of Creativity (JC3), which is within Village CARE and next to the Undergraduate Halls and is expected to be completed in 2024/25.

The construction of Special Schools at Renfrew Road which is next to the Undergraduate Halls and Village CARE and is expected to be completed in 2026/27.

Arrangement on Special Circumstances

If there are uncontrollable circumstances and the University makes related announcements, like asking students not to come back, delaying the check-in date or evacuation of the Student Residence, refund of lodging fees, if justifiable, can be made at most on a pro rata basis. However, the above suggestion of a possibility of refund by no means constitute a guarantee. You should consider this when you decide on making lodging fees payment.

You may also note that under very special circumstances, the Management will need to relocate residents to other rooms / floors / residential facilities for various purposes, such as to accommodate urgent repairs and renovations, consolidation in low seasons, quarantine for health protection, etc. You are reminded to consider such possibilities before you accept our offer of student residence.

Data Privacy

All personal data collected and retained will be used for processing applications, statistical analysis, management of student residence including the enforcement of all its related rules, promotion of activities and notifications, contacting residents and their parents/guardian in case of emergency and such other purposes permissible under the Privacy Policy Statement and Personal Information Collection Statement of the University. Please click [HERE](#) for details. You have the right to access to or correct your personal data kept by the University by logging into the University Cyber Port System (BUniPort) and contacting the relevant Departmental Personal Data Privacy Manager.

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