

Admission Scholarship Scheme for Outstanding South and South East Asian Ethnic Minority Students 傑出南亞及東南亞少數族裔學生入學獎學金 (EMSS)

Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) is pleased to offer the Admission Scholarship Scheme for Outstanding South and South East Asian Ethnic Minority Students (EMSS) for outstanding **local ethnic minority students who are admitted to full-time UGC-funded undergraduate degree programmes offered by the University in the academic year 2026-2027.**

Objectives of EMSS

- To increase the access to University education for qualified students from traditionally under-represented Hong Kong communities;
- To broaden the horizons of all students at HKBU through cross-cultural interactions;
- To raise the profile of HKBU across South and South-East Asia as the region's leading Research-led Liberal Arts University;

Eligibility

An eligible applicant should meet the following conditions:

- A permanent Hong Kong resident with the right of abode and a valid HK identity card;
- At least one parent who reports an ethnic heritage from one of the following countries:
 1. India
 2. Indonesia
 3. Nepal
 4. Pakistan
 5. Thailand
 6. The Philippines
 7. Other South and Southeast Asian countries¹
- Applying for admission to a full-time UGC-funded undergraduate degree programme offered by Hong Kong Baptist University, including both Year 1 students (4-year or 6-year curriculum) and Year 3 senior-entrants (2-year curriculum).

¹ The final decision on whether the applicants are considered as South and Southeast Asian ethnic minority students from traditionally under-represented Hong Kong communities rests with the University.

Admission Scholarship

- Full-tuition or half-tuition scholarships will be awarded to selected students upon their admission². The Scholarship is tenable for the normal duration of the same undergraduate degree programme in HKBU, subject to attainment of renewal requirements.
- Two years' hostel accommodation opportunity will be provided in the first two years of study with the second year subject to availability, on condition that the scholarship is successfully renewed. The scholarship supports tuition fees only. Successful applicants has to settle all the accommodation and related expenses by him- or herself in any year of studies.
- Recipients will be given the priority of participating in global exchange activities offered by the University;
- A dedicated mentor based in the Office of Student Affairs who will serve as a single point of reference and assistance for academic and non-academic matters on campus will be assigned to each recipient.

Selection Criteria

The following criteria will be taken into consideration in the selection of scholarship recipients:

- Academic potential;
- Financial needs;
- Participation in community service and extra-curricular activities;
- Leadership qualities, goals and desire to contribute to society;
- Other talents or non-academic achievements.

Conditions for Scholarship Renewal

Annual renewal of scholarship is subject to:

- Recipients attaining an annual average GPA (aGPA) of 2.80 or above
- Recipients are required to serve as the cultural ambassadors on campus who help promote cultural harmony and diversity through different activities.

Application

Interested and eligible applicants should complete and submit the EMSS application form with supporting documents to the Scholarships and Financial Aid Unit of the Office of Student Affairs by the application deadline. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend a selection interview in around July 2026.

² Recipients of the scholarship may also receive other scholarships or awards from HKBU or other donors/organisations that subsidise their tuition fee, as long as the total amount of scholarships received does not exceed the actual tuition fee paid. HKBU reserves the right to adjust the scholarship amount accordingly.