

Accommodation Tips

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1. Off Campus Accommodation in Hong Kong

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Tenancy period is usually one year. Apart from monthly rentals, tenants are normally expected to pay for utilities. No commission would be charged if the property is rented directly from the landlord. A commission which is equal to 50% or 100% of one month's rental would be charged if renting through property agent. Terms and conditions must be checked carefully before renting private property.

Property Agencies with more branches	Centaline Property Agency Limited (https://hk.centanet.com/)
	Century 21 Hong Kong Limited (https://www.c21.hk/)
	Hong Kong Property Services (Agency) Limited (http://en.hkp.com.hk/)
	Midland Realty (https://www.midland.com.hk/en/)
	Ricacorp Properties Limited (https://property.ricacorp.com/en/post)
Property Rental & Housing Agents	https://www.angloinfo.com/hong-kong/directory/hong-kong-property-rental-housing-agents-431
Online Housing Information	student.com (https://www.student.com/hk/hong-kong)
	28Hse (https://www.28hse.com/en/)
	Homates (https://www.homates.com/en/flat-for-rent)
	591 (https://www.591.com.hk/home?lang=en-us)
	House730 (https://www.house730.com/en-us/)

Non-governmental Organizations (NGOs)

Some non-governmental organizations (NGOs) in Hong Kong also provide accommodation service. Similar to private housing, a tenant has to enter into a tenancy agreement with the organization for a fixed period of tenancy, normally one year. A tenant may save the commissions paid to the property agents as he / she rents the flat directly from the landlord.

Caritas Hospitality Services	https://www.caritas.org.hk/en/service/hospitality
Bonham Residence Hong Kong	http://www.yhk.com.hk/templates/show.aspx?i=742&language=en-US

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Estimated Rental for Properties in the Vicinity of The Academy Wanchai Campus

The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts is in Wanchai, Hong Kong Island. Below table illustrates the estimated rental of the areas closes to Wanchai Campus:

Areas Close to Wanchai Campus	Estimated Monthly Rental (HK\$)*
Wanchai & Causeway Bay	\$13,000 - \$20,000
Central & Sheung Wan	\$14,000 - \$26,000
Sai Ying Pun, Shek Tong Tsui, Kennedy Town	\$13,000 - \$22,000
Eastern District	\$9,000 - \$19,000

^{*} The above estimated rental is compiled based on apartments with 2 bedrooms, saleable area 300-500 square feet.

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2. Related Expenses

Security Deposit	Landlords usually require a security deposit which is equivalent to 2 months' rental. Damages to the flat, furniture, or electric appliances furnished by the landlord will be covered by the security deposit for replacement or repairs. Otherwise, security deposit will be returned to tenants upon proper termination of the lease.
Water Supply	Every domestic household has a water meter and is billed for water supply every 4 months. Water charges are about HK\$100 per month subject to usage. Water tariffs are divided into four tiers. In the first tier, a free supply of 12 cubic metres is provided for each household every four months. About fresh water for flushing, first 30 cubic metres is free in first tier. For details: https://goo.gl/okA6rJ Procedures for applying for a water account are available on the Water Supplies Department website: https://www.wsd.gov.hk/en/home/index.html
Electricity	 Hong Kong has two electricity power suppliers: The Hong Kong Electric Company (https://www.hkelectric.com) provides electricity supply to Hong Kong Island and Lamma Island. Their billing period is one month. CLP Power Hong Kong Limited (https://www.clp.com.hk) provides electricity supply to Kowloon, the New Territories and most of the outlying islands. Their billing period is two months. Every domestic household has an electricity meter and electricity charges are about HK\$300 - HK\$500 per month subject to usage. Procedures for applying for an electricity account are available on the websites of the suppliers.
Gas	The Hong Kong and China Gas Company Limited (Towngas) is the only town gas supplier in Hong Kong. Every domestic household has a town gas meter and is billed for town gas supply every 2 months. Town gas charges are about HK\$300 - HK\$500 per month subject to usage. Procedures for applying for a town gas account are available on the Towngas website: https://www.towngas.com/en/Home
Internet	There are several broadband service providers offering plans of different bandwidths for domestic customers. These plans require customers to commit using their services for a certain period of time (e.g. 12 months). Charges might include installation, activation, monthly usage, and etc. Internet service providers: Netvigator: https://www.netvigator.com/eng/index.html Hong Kong Broadband Network: https://www.hkbn.net/personal/home/en/landing Hong Kong Cable Television Limited: https://www.cabletv.com.hk/en/broadband.php

Notes:

- not all of the above expenses are required to be paid by tenants
- expenses are calculated based on the assumption of two persons sharing a single flat

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3. Tenancy Matters

Estate Agents	Tenancy Guide for Non-local Students in Hong Kong
Authority	http://smart.eaa.org.hk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/TenancyGuideForNonLocalStud
	entInHongKong.pdf
	A Guide to Tenancy
	https://www.eaa.org.hk/Portals/0/Sections/CC/AGuideToTenancy_eng.pdf
	Notes on Appointing Estate Agents
	http://www.eaa.org.hk/Portals/0/Sections/CC/NotesOnAppointingEstateAgents.pdf
	Key Information of Residential Properties
	http://smart.eaa.org.hk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/KeyInformationOfResidentialPr
	operties.pdf
	Smart Property Transaction Tips
	http://smart.eaa.org.hk/wp-content/uploads/2016/12/smartproptrantips_eng.pdf
Inland Revenue	Stamping Procedures and Explanatory Notes
Department	English Version: https://www.ird.gov.hk/eng/pdf/irsd119.pdf
	Chinese Version: https://www.ird.gov.hk/chi/pdf/irsd119.pdf

4. Flatmate Pairing

If you would like the SAO to pair you up with a flatmate, please complete the "Flatmate Pairing Application Form" now! You will have a higher chance to find a flatmate the earlier you return the completed form to us at sao@hkapa.edu.

The SAO will only use your information provided in the application for flatmate pairing. Your information may be shared with other students who are looking for a flatmate. We do not guarantee a successful flatmate pairing from each application.

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Flatmate Pairing Application Form 室友配對申請表

Part A. Personal Particulars 甲部:個人資料

	mail articulars IP · IEI/1911			
Name 姓名 E	English 中文 中文			
	Surname First Name			
Student Numbe	r 學生編號 Gender 性別 M 男 / F 女 *			
Phone Number	電話號碼 Email 電郵			
School 學院 丨	Chinese Opera 戲曲 / Dance 舞蹈 / Drama 戲劇 / Film and Television 電影電視 / Music 音樂 / Theatre and Entertainment Arts 舞台及製作藝術 *			
Programme 課程	Master's Degree 碩士學位 / Bachelor's Degree 學士學位 / Professional Diploma 專業文憑/ Diploma in Foundations 基礎文憑 / Certificate in TEA (Fast Track Vocational) 舞台及製作藝術(精研職業訓練)證書 / Exchange Student 交換生 / Visiting Student 特別生 *			
Year 年級 1	/ 2 / 3 / 4 * Major 主修			
* Delete where inappr	ropriate 請刪去不適用者			
Part B. Prefer	rence 乙部:期望			
Rental Budget 房	房租預算(HK\$ per person per month 每人每月港幣)			
Number of Flatr	mate(s) 室友人數			
Commencemen	t Date of the Lease 租約開始日期			
District(s) 地區				
Others 其他				
Part C. Decla	ration 丙部:聲明			
I understand that the Student Affairs Office will only use my information provided in this application for flatmate pairing. My information may be shared with other students who are looking for a flatmate. The Student Affairs Office does not guarantee a successful flatmate pairing from each application. 我明白學生事務處將使用我於本表格所提供的資料協助我尋找室友,我的資料可能會提供給有關同學。				
學生事務處並不能保證每份申請皆能配對成功。				
Signature 簽名	Date 日期			