THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
Office of Admissions and Financial Aid

BEA Inspiring Student Scholarship 2019/20

The Scholarship

To commemorate the 100th anniversary of The Bank of East Asia, Limited ("BEA") and the 10th anniversary of The Bank of East Asia Charitable Foundation Limited ("BEA Foundation"), BEA Foundation launched the BEA Inspiring Student Scholarship for university students in Hong Kong with special educational needs* ("SEN") in 2018. The Scholarship aims to help alleviate the financial burden faced by SEN students and their families when the students are pursuing higher education.

The SEN students should have at least one of the following conditions that affect their ability to learn:

- Specific learning difficulties
- Intellectual disabilities
- Autism
- Attention deficit / hyperactivity disorders
- Physical disabilities

* The precise definition of special educational needs is based on the Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan issued by the Labour and Welfare Bureau of the HKSAR Government.

Value of the Scholarship

BEA Foundation will select up to 10 candidates among participating universities based on a number of factors including financial need, extra-curricular achievements, personal character, potential and academic performance. Each scholarship recipient will receive a one-off grant of HK$20,000.

Eligibility

To be eligible, the candidates should:

- be local full-time undergraduate students of any discipline;
- have special educational needs as defined in the Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan issued by the Labour and Welfare Bureau of the HKSAR Government and confirmed by a medical professional;
- have demonstrable financial need; and
- have outstanding academic achievement at entrance and GPA of at least 2.7 in Term 1, 2019/20 for Year 1 students, or have obtained a Cumulative GPA of at least 2.7 up to Term 1, 2019/20 for Year 2 or above students.

Application Procedures

1. Applicants should download an application form from the website of the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid at http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/ (Financing Your Studies > Scholarships > Open for Applications).
2. Completed application form together with all requisite documents should be submitted IN PERSON to the Scholarships and Financial Aid Section, Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, Room 1202, 12/F, Yasumoto International Academic Park during office hours (Monday – Friday 8:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. and 2:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. except Public Holidays) on or before 31 January 2020. Late or incomplete applications will NOT be considered. Please refer to Notes for Applicants attached to the application form for the requisite documents to be submitted by the applicants.
3. Should applicants have difficulty in submitting the application to the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid in person, please contact Ms. Angel Au (Tel: 3943 7209 / Email: sfas@cuhk.edu.hk) as early as possible AND no later than 31 January 2020.
4. A University Selection Panel will shortlist suitable candidates for further selection by the donor.

Important Notes to Scholarship Recipients

1. Scholarship recipients may be invited to attend a scholarship reception at BEA.
2. Scholarship recipients shall provide a testimonial and photo upon the BEA Foundation’s request, which may appear in the relevant internal and external communications of BEA, including but not limited to press releases, staff e-newsletters, and the BEA Group’s annual Environmental, Social, and Governance Report.
3. The BEA Foundation reserves the right to cancel the award of its Scholarship to any recipient, and to claim a refund from the Scholarship recipient for any award that has already been given to the recipient, on the basis that the said recipient has committed fraud or other criminal offence(s), acted dishonestly or inappropriately, or has misrepresented him/herself or his/her work at any time, as determined by CUHK and the donor.
4. The decisions of the University Selection Panel and the donor are final and not subject to review, and the reasons for shortlisting, nominating, granting or refusing to offer an award will not be given.

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