

香港賽馬會慈善信託基金 The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships – Undergraduate Scholarship

Regulations

1. About The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust ("the Trust") established The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships in 1998 with an aim to nurture caring leaders for a better Hong Kong. To date, some HK\$891.4 million have been committed to support more than 1,050 young students pursuing their goals in life through Scholarship awards. Over the past 26 years, the Scholarship Schemes have evolved to include students with special educational needs, students from Mainland China and other countries and regions, vocational education students, postgraduate students, and students who have shown exceptional resilience and achieved excellence in the face of adversity.

2. Terms of The Hong Kong Jockey Club Undergraduate Scholarship

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Undergraduate Scholarship (the "UG Scholarship") awards up to 27 students from Hong Kong's eight University Grants Committee ("UGC")-funded institutions and The Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts. Up to **THREE** scholarships will be awarded to each of these institutions.

Recipients of The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships are named "Jockey Club Scholars" or "JC Scholars" in short.

The UG Scholarship covers (1) full tuition fee, academic and living allowance for the entire normative duration of study period towards an undergraduate degree programme; (2) overseas learning subsidies; and (3) an opportunity to participate in an overseas leadership programme.

The actual value of each Scholarship is subject to:

• the institution chosen and the normative duration of study period of the enrolled programme. The Scholarship will not cover non-credit bearing programmes in which students opt to participate, either held locally or overseas, in lieu of their normal coursework required by their study programme.

• recommendations from the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency and respective institutions on the tuition fee, academic expenses and living expenses of the current academic year.

If the JC Scholars cannot complete the enrolled programme within the normative duration of study period due to factors outside their control, such as health reasons or other special conditions, the Club may provide flexibility and accommodation on Scholarship payment schedule based on the JC Scholars' requests and recommendation from the respective institution.

Payment of the scholarship will be made to JC Scholars through their institution.

3. Eligibility

To be eligible for the UG Scholarship, applicants must:

- Be full-time local undergraduate students who are enrolled in a UGC-funded degree programme, pursuing their first undergraduate degree;
- Have the right of abode or the right to land, or have entered Hong Kong on One-way Permits;
- Have completed their senior secondary education in Hong Kong;
- Have a high standard of academic performance: [see Note 1]
 - Applicants must demonstrate academic excellence in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Examination (HKDSE) in 2024 or other recognised entry qualifications in 2024;
 - Applicants must attain a cumulative GPA of 3.50 at the end of the first term or be ranked among top 10 percent of their class¹;
- Have outstanding achievements or exceptional leadership qualities;
- Be proficient in English and spoken Chinese (Cantonese or Putonghua).

[Note 1] Applicants with outstanding achievements or exceptional leadership qualities, but with a lower GPA of 3.30 or above, or a lower class rank (among top 15 percent) may still be considered. Evidence of outstanding achievements or exceptional leadership qualities are subject to examination by The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships Secretariat (the "Scholarships Secretariat"), which may include, but not limited to, awards, prizes, or other forms of recognition or credentials for demonstrating leadership in projects that benefit the community, or other notable accomplishments.

4. Selection Criteria

All JC Scholars are selected according to their merits and attributes in the following aspects:

Intellect	Academic achievements, analytical aptitude and appetite, genuine interest in their subject of study, imagination, curiosity, and a global vision
Character	Strength of character – integrity, courage, responsibility, empathy and compassion, social awareness, humility

¹ 'Class' is defined as the group of students of the same cohort studying in the same programme.

Leadership	Outstanding leadership and team work inside or outside school activities, personal accomplishments or community commitments; potential and capabilities in challenging status quo; embrace diversity and a spirit of collaboration	
Commitment to service	Commitment to betterment of others; care for social and community issues of public rather than personal benefit; connect with Hong Kong and has a view about how its community needs may be addressed	

5. Application Procedures

All applicants must be nominated by their respective institution in which they are currently studying.

Each institution can nominate up to six students by submitting a duly completed application form, together with other required information to the Scholarships Secretariat.

6. Interview Assessment

Shortlisted applicants will be invited to attend an in-person interview tentatively scheduled for February 2025 at the assigned timeslot by the Scholarships Secretariat.

7. Results

Successful applicants will be informed of the application result in writing tentatively in March 2025. If applicants do not receive any award notifications by the end of June 2025, their applications are deemed unsuccessful.

8. Key Dates (2024/25 Cohort)

Date	Key Event
September 2024 to January 2025	Application and nomination period
3 February 2025	Institution to submit nominations to The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships Secretariat
February 2025 (tentative)	Selection Panel interview
March 2025 (tentative)	Announcement of application results

9. Application and Deadline

Interested parties should approach their respective institution for more information and application details, including the application deadline. Eligible candidates will be invited to

complete an application form and submit personal statements. All applications should be submitted to the applicants' own institution.

10. Annual review of the award of the Scholarship

The award of the Scholarship will be reviewed on an annual basis subject to:

- The JC Scholar's continued enrolment in the same institution;
- Participation and achievements in community services; and
- Recommendation by the institution.

11. Undertaking

Successful applicants are required to sign an undertaking letter on the terms of the UG Scholarship.

12. Concurrent Awards

Upon conferment, current Scholarship awardees should not or should no longer receive another full scholarship or any other scholarships or awards that subsidise their local tuition fees, academic expenses and living expenses.

13. The Jockey Club Scholar Experience

Being a JC Scholar, the student will become a member of a network of past and current JC Scholars and enjoy various privileges, such as opportunities to participate in learning, networking and community service programmes.

All JC Scholars are expected to actively support the Trust's activities to the best of their abilities. Most importantly, they are required to attend the scholarship award presentation ceremony and induction programme of their cohort.

JC Scholars are also automatically enrolled as a member of The Jockey Club Scholars Alumni Association, a self-running, Trust-supported organisation that was established to mobilise JC Scholars to serve the community.

14. Interpretation

The Hong Kong Jockey Club reserves the right to the final interpretation of these Regulations.

Enquiries can be directed to the respective office of the institution.

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships Secretariat August 2024