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

Innovation and Technology Scholarship 2025

Supplementary Notes to Applicants

Suitable applicants are required to attend a selection interview to be held by CUHK in campus in late January 2025. CUHK will nominate applicants, based on the quota^ provided, to the Secretariat of Innovation and Technology Scholarship (IT Scholarship).

The Awardee Selection Committee of the IT Scholarship will further shortlist applicants among the nominees from all the participating universities and invite only those being shortlisted to attend an interview to be held by them in Hong Kong tentatively in March / April 2025.

^ *While applicants should opt for one designated "InnoTech Area" AND only a limited number of applicants for each InnoTech Area can be nominated by CUHK,* **applicants should** <u>**think carefully**</u> **on selecting their InnoTech Area**. *Please refer to the* <u>list (click here)</u> *provided by IT Scholarship for details of each InnoTech Area. Applicants can choose the InnoTech Area based on their innovative ideas and career aspirations. They may select "Multi-disciplinary Technology and Others" if their InnoTech aspiration does not fall into the other five InnoTech Areas.*

Scholarship Plan

Each applicant is required to provide in the application form their plan, which **should be related to their InnoTech Area**, on using the scholarship of up to a total of HK$150,000. Supporting document is not mandatory at this stage.

However, as the Scholarship will be granted based on the realistic budget projection provided by individual awardees (i.e. <u>successful applicants</u>), they will be required to submit detailed budget plan(s), with supporting document for each budget item, for their attachment programme(s). It generally takes **at least** a week for an awardee to gather the required supporting documents for each attachment programme. Only the budgeted amount endorsed by CUHK and approved by the Secretariat of the IT Scholarship will be disbursed to the awardees in form of the scholarship money. Guidelines will be provided to the awardees in due course.

Video Clip and CV

The applicants shortlisted by the Awardee Selection Committee of the IT Scholarship will be requested to submit a short video clip and a CV.

As the University Selection Panel of CUHK will also assess the applicants based on the short video clip and CV, applicants are required to submit these two items **on or before 29 December 2024 to OAFA** in order to complete the scholarship application.

Requirements on Short Video Clip

Each applicant is required to **submit a video**, in which applicants should **briefly introduce themselves and give a short presentation on their Statement of Interest as provided in their application form**. Videos submitted by applicants must follow the requirements listed below; otherwise, their videos will not be considered.

Language	Cantonese, English or Putonghua
Length	Maximum 1.5 minutes
File	- Aspect ratio: 16:9 or 4:3 - File format: .mp4, .wmv, .avi, .mpeg or .mov - File size: not exceeding 500MB
Sound	- Video should be taken in an indoor silent environment - No background music or sound effect are allowed

Picture	- Full frontal face must be shown clearly throughout the video - No visual aids, subtitles, effects or filters are allowed
Content	Applicants are **not allowed** to disclose their university/ show their university identity in the video

Requirements on CV

Each applicant is required to **submit a one-page CV** with the following requirements:

Required information in the CV:
- Name in English and Chinese
- Recent photo (preferably the same photo submitted for the application form)
- University
- Programme of study and major
- Year of study
- Education details*

Other information for the judging panel's consideration:
- Academic awards or scholarships received
- Certificates or achievements
- Job/ research/ internship
- Start-up or ideation experience
- Extra-curricular activities or community services
- Interests or personal goals

Do NOT include:
- Contact information, including any links to applicant's social media
- Referees and their information

Format:
- Length should be one page (extra pages will not be considered)
- A4 size in Word AND PDF (same content in two formats)
- Font size should be at least 10 points
- Left and right margins should be at least 2cm

* For 'Education details', applicants can include their past education records apart from their current programmes of study. For example, if they are studying their second degrees, they can state their first-degree programmes. They can also indicate their secondary schools, highlight their public examination results and include any other relevant education details if they prefer. However, there is no need for applicants to repeat the information as provided in their academic transcripts.

Submission of Video Clip and CV

Applicants have to upload the video clip to their own account of SharePoint, YouTube, Dropbox, etc. first. Then they are required to submit the **link of the video clip** and the **CV** online at http://cloud.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/webform/view.php?id=13698457 **on or before 29 December 2024**.

- **Any late submission will NOT be accepted. Applicants who fail to submit the link of the video clip and/or the CV by the aforesaid deadline will be disqualified.**

- **Applicants have to make sure that the video clip can be viewed by anyone with the link.**

- Please ensure the video clip and the link are valid until further notice.

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