THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Student Residence Bursary Scheme 2026/27

Guidelines for Applicants

The aim of the Scheme is to provide hostel grant to subsidize partial hostel fee of the needy local undergraduate students who are not able to benefit substantially from the government hostel subsidy.

Eligibility

To be eligible to apply for the CUHK Student Residence Bursary 2026/27, applicants must:

1. be local full-time undergraduate students;

2. be registered residents of the hostel and have resided in hostel for at least 75% of the time of the term (based on the availability of the hostels for students) ;

3. have average monthly household income (during 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026) lower than the median of the monthly household income (excluding foreign domestic helpers) published in the recent Quarterly Report on General Household Survey by the Census and Statistics Department as follows:

Household Size	Monthly Household Income ^
1 person	$10,300
2 persons	$24,200
3 persons	$40,200
4 persons	$55,100
5 persons	$50,000
6 persons or more	$59,300

^ *The information is from the Quarterly Report on General Household Survey of the first quarter of 2026.*

4. be not able to benefit from the government hostel subsidy or receive less than $1,990 per term under the government hostel subsidy.

Important Notes

1. Students living in single room are not eligible, except with justifiable reasons.

2. Students whose family received Comprehensive Social Security Assistance during the said period are, in general, eligible for the maximum government hostel subsidy*. Therefore, they need **NOT** submit applications for CUHK Student Residence Bursary.
   * *Still subject to the individual assessment by the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency*

3. Government hostel subsidy will be automatically considered under the Tertiary Student Finance Scheme (TSFS) application, and therefore no separate application for the government hostel subsidy is required. Please visit the government hostel subsidy webpage at https://www.wfsfaa.gov.hk/en/sfo/postsecondary/tsfs/eligibility.php for details.

Amount of Bursary

1. For eligible needy students who are not able to benefit from the government hostel subsidy, the value of each bursary will be $1,990 per term.

2. For eligible needy students who receive less than $1,990 per term under the government hostel subsidy, the value of each bursary will be the difference between $1,990 and the approved amount of the government hostel subsidy.

3. The maximum amount of bursary for residents of all types of shared rooms will be the same.

Application Procedures

Submission of Online Application

1. Eligible students who live in hostel for the first term or the whole year should submit their **online application in Chinese University Student Information System (CUSIS)** (Website: http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/cusis; MyCUHK > Click 'CUSIS' icon > Click 'Scholarships and Financial Aid' icon > Select 'Online Application Form' > Public Application > click the magnifying glass to select 'Student Residence Bursary') during the application period **from 7 September to 30 October 2026.** For students who live in hostel for the **second term only**, they should submit their applications during the period **from 11 January to 26 February 2027**. **Students who live in hostel for the whole year but submit their applications in the second term will only receive the residence bursary for the second term even if they are eligible.**

2. For students who have applied for University Bursaries and Loans (UBL) 2026/27, the saved data for family income, bank account details and hostel address on the UBL online application form will be automatically shared to the corresponding fields of the Student Residence Bursary Scheme online application form. Students can still make necessary amendments on the data, if any.

Submission of Documentary Proofs to College

3. After submission of the online application, applicants should submit the documentary proofs of monthly income of all members in the family (e.g. salary statement, employer's return of remuneration and pensions, bank account statement indicating salary payments, profit and loss account, etc.) for the period from 1 April 2025 to 31 March 2026. **Applicants should print out Section 7 of the online application form and submit together with the supporting documents to their respective College on or before the application deadline.** The application deadline for the first term / whole year residency bursary is 30 October 2026 whereas for the second term is 26 February 2027. **For those who have applied for UBL, they need NOT submit supporting documents to the College.**

4. Incomplete or late applications will not be considered.

2026/27 Application Schedule

Time	Event
7 September 2026	**Open application** for 1st term and whole year residence bursary
30 October 2026	**Deadline** for submission of applications (including documentary proofs) for 1st term and whole year residence bursary
11 January 2027	**Open application** for 2nd term residence bursary
26 February 2027	**Deadline** for submission of applications (including documentary proofs) for 2nd term residence bursary
Early March 2027 #	**Result announcement** and arrangement for disbursement of 1st term student residence bursary
Early August 2027 #	**Result announcement** and arrangement for disbursement of 2nd term student residence bursary

Actual date of result announcement depends on the timing of result announcement of the government hostel subsidy.

Enquiries

For enquiries, please contact the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid at 3943 1898 or 3943 7205.

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