Summer Undergraduate Research Programme 2016

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) is a comprehensive research university that distinguishes itself from other local universities by its rich Chinese cultural heritage and a unique college system. The University offers a wide array of undergraduate and postgraduate programmes with active engagement in cutting-edge research.

WHY RESEARCH AT CUHK?
- CUHK houses 5 state key laboratories entrusted by the Ministry of Science and Technology of China
- 7 out of 18 selected Areas of Excellence projects supported by the Hong Kong Government are led by CUHK researchers
- CUHK is home to many distinguished researchers, including 4 Nobel Laureates, a Fields medalist and a Turing Award winner

WHY SUMMER UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH PROGRAMME (SURP)?
- Develop research skills and knowledge in a specific area of interest
- Join a world-class research team and build networks with leading experts in the field
- Experience postgraduate studies first hand
- Gain competitive advantage for future career
- Spend the summer in a multicultural and cosmopolitan city

WHO SHOULD APPLY?
Students motivated to:
- Conduct research under supervision of an experienced researcher
- Immerse into the local culture through a series of orientation and cultural activities
- Earn 3 university credits upon successful completion of the programme

PROGRAMME HIGHLIGHTS
- Lunch talks by guest speakers
- Cantonese survival classes
- Cultural and social activities
- Dialogue sessions with entrepreneurs
- End-of-programme poster presentation

Early December 2015: Application opens
15 February 2016: Application deadline
15 March 2016: Result announcement
6 June to 12 August 2016: Programme duration (For 8 or 10 weeks)
APPLICATION
Submit an online application along with the latest transcript and an academic reference from the home institution.

ELIGIBILITY
Full-time senior undergraduate students currently registered at overseas and non-Chinese universities with good academic standing.

HOUSING
Guaranteed on-campus housing living with other local and international students.

FEES
No tuition. Administration fee (US$200) and accommodation fee (US$925 for 8 weeks / US$1,150 for 10 weeks) apply. Students are also responsible for airfare, insurance and other living expenses.

RESEARCH PROJECTS
Some 70 research projects across a wide diversity of disciplines are available, including:

Faculty of Education
• Intergenerational Transmission of Hong Kong Chinese Parents’ Values on Children’s Physical Activity Behaviors

Faculty of Engineering
• Body Physiological Parameters Measurement Using LED Light Scattering
• Mobile 3D Scanner for Museum Display

Faculty of Law
• Comparative Law: Constitutional Law in Federations
• International Law of Foreign Investment

Faculty of Medicine
• Night Shift Work and Pre-diabetes
• Quality of End-of-life Care: Health Professionals’ Perspectives

Faculty of Science
• Cosmic Ray Measurement and Modelling
• Organelle Biogenesis and Function

Faculty of Social Science
• The Instrumental Role of Anger in Emotion-related Attention and Experience

WHAT DID PAST PARTICIPANTS SAY?

"It was a pleasure to work in an organometallics research group under the Department of Chemistry. I was involved in projects monitoring new reactions and characterizing the products, and given the chance to attend science conferences. SURP participants came from different countries in the world and we had an enjoyable time going to food tours and city visits together."  

Mr. Brian Ng, University of Cambridge

"This whole summer research experience was incredible: I got the firsthand experience of the entire process of conducting a public health study and see all the concepts that I learned in classroom applied in practice. Hong Kong and China are both so demographically unique, so I definitely would never have gained this experience elsewhere."

Ms. Constance Lau, University of California, Berkeley

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PROGRAMME WEBSITE
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