Pre-departure Briefing Session

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Overview

- Exchange Programmes
  - HKU Worldwide Student Exchange Programme
  - Faculty-level Exchange Programme

- Short-term Programmes
  - Short-term Abroad Partnerships
  - Short-term Abroad Opportunities

- Academic year 2018-19
  - More than 1,800 HKU students study abroad
Before you go...
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- Apply for a passport / check its validity
- Apply for visa (if applicable)
- Apply for pre-approval for selected courses through your Faculty
- Apply for Leave of Absence through your Faculty
- Arrange your financial matters, e.g.,
  - HKU tuition fee payment (before departure)
  - Bank account details on HKU Portal for receiving scholarship and refund of deposit
  - Successful applicants for scholarships/ sponsorships will receive the award in Oct/Nov 2019
    - It is not your major funding source!
  - Cash flow for studying abroad

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Before you go...

- Arrange insurance
  - HKU provides travel insurance
  - Travelling overseas on academic activities
  - Maximum 180 days (6 months)
  - insurance@fo.hku.hk

- Additional insurance may be required
  - Prepare a list of useful contacts & addresses
  - Prepare yourself as an ambassador of HKU & HK

Are you ready for the adventure?
Upon arrival...
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- Update your loved ones
- Update IAO and your host institutions
- Get yourself familiarised with the new environment and embrace the new cultures
- Discuss with your Faculty in case of change of courses
- Stay healthy
- Work hard
- and Play HARDER!

For any crisis and emergency, report safety by emails immediately
Before you leave & upon return...
• Settle all the outstanding fees at host institution
• Show your appreciation of your host institution
• Apply for official transcript(s) (if applicable)
• Submit study abroad post-evaluation to IAO
• Refund of your HK$2,000 deposit

• Join our activities and share your experience with us and other students
More information

http://www.aal.hku.hk/studyabroad/
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