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Exchange Ambassador Programs
Sponsored by the College of Staten Island (CSI)
The City University of New York (CUNY)

HONG KONG

OBJECTIVE OF EXCHANGE:
This program aims to provide CSI students with a core of knowledge and skills in the Humanities and Social Sciences while enabling them to experience life in Hong Kong at the same tuition cost as a semester at CSI. In addition, CSI exchange students will serve as “CSI Student Ambassadors” and will gain a global perspective that helps them to achieve career goals in an increasingly interdependent world. This program is operated on the basis of reciprocal exchange.

HONG KONG SPECIAL ADMINISTRATIVE REGION (SAR):
http://www.cityu.edu.hk/
Hong Kong, known as “the Pearl of the Orient”, is situated on the southeastern coast of China. Hong Kong is a fast-paced cosmopolitan city with over six million people where western life-style mingles with ancient Chinese culture and old traditions co-exist with the new. The Victoria Harbor, separating the glass towers of Hong Kong and the busy streets of Kowloon, is one of the world’s most spectacular waterways. Beyond the commercial district of Kowloon are beautiful islands and beaches.

CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG:
Established in 1984, the City University of Hong Kong (“CityU”) has quickly become a leading provider of quality higher education with over 900 first rate academic staff recruited from all over the world. As one of the most modern and technologically advanced universities in Asia, City U offers over 100 academic programs for 18,000 students. Its strengths span a wide range of disciplines, from the Humanities and Social Sciences to Engineering, Business, Law and Creative Media.

PROGRAM DATES:
The approximate dates of the academic calendar in Hong Kong are:
Fall Semester Late August to December
Spring Semester Mid-January to May
COURSES:
Courses are available in the following disciplines in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences (CLASS) — Applied Social Studies (Social Work, Applied Sociology, Criminology, and Psychology), Asian & International Studies, Chinese, Translation & Linguistics (Chinese, Cultural & Heritage Mgmt, Lang Studies, Linguistics & Lang Tech, and Translation & Interpretation), English, Media & Communication, and Public & Social Admin (Admin & Public Mgmt, Environmental Policy Studies, and Policy Studies & Admin). Students may take up to 50% of their courses in a wide range of other disciplines in other CityU colleges outside CLASS.

HOUSING:
Students live in a residence hall near the university in double rooms. The student residence is within a 15 minute walking distance to the main campus.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:
The program is open to students who are good academic and student standing at CSI, with at least junior class standing, and a minimum 3.0 GPA. Applicants must submit a statement of purpose, 2 letters of recommendation from faculty members, an official transcript and have an in-person campus interview. These exchange programs require a certain level of maturity, independence, seriousness of purpose, and an ability to adapt to new environmental and academic conditions. Late admission can only be considered on a space by space basis.

REGISTRATION:
Students accepted to the exchange program will be registered for a minimum of 12 study abroad credits per semester and pay CSI tuition before departure.

APPLICATION DEADLINES:
FALL SEMESTER March 1
SPRING SEMESTER October 1

ESTIMATED ADDITIONAL COSTS (per semester):
Airfare $1000-$1500
On-Campus Housing $650-$1000
OR Off Campus Housing $4500-$5800
Meals $1500-$3000
Miscellaneous Expenses $1500

TUITION PAYMENT:
Students will be required to pay CSI full-time tuition prior to departure for the program. No additional tuition is charged by CityU.

FINANCIAL AID:
Students may apply for financial aid. State TAP aid, federal Pell grants, and direct student loans may be available based on eligibility to students applying for the exchange program.

PRE-DEPARTURE ORIENTATION:
Students will be required to attend a pre-departure orientation at CSI.

CSI Sponsored Exchange Programs
Australia: University of Canberra
France: IPAG
Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong
Ireland: Dublin Institute of Technology
Japan: Ritsumeikan Asia Pacific University
Japan: Seinan Gakuin University

CUNY Sponsored Exchange Programs
France: CUNY/Paris Exchange
Italy: CUNY/Italy Exchange

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