**BERICHTSFORMULAR**

**Non-EU Student Exchange Programm**

**2022/2023**

**BewerbungsID** 12583

**Nominierte Studienrichtung:** 066/550 Studienrichtung Masterstudium Communication Science

**Angaben zum Aufenthalt:**

**Gastinstitution:** The Chinese University of Hong Kong - (China, Volksrepublik)

**Aufenthaltszeitraum:** Winter- und Sommersemester 2022/2023

**Aufenthaltsbeginn:** 27.08.2022  
**Aufenthaltsende:** 27.05.2023

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### STIPENDIUM

| Stipendium Uni Wien gesamt laut Zuerkennung: (inkl. Zuschüsse für Reisekosten und Sprachtest) | € 4.000,00 |
| Weitere Stipendien (zB Jasso, Studienbeihilfe): | Rückforderung: nein  
Rückgefordeter Betrag: €  
Rückforderungsgrund: |

**Weitere Stipendien:** Nein
- **Stipendium des Gastlandes:** nein ()
- **Bundesländerstipendium:** nein  
- **Studienbeihilfe:** nein
- **Sonstiges Stipendium:**

**Summe weiterer Stipendien:** €

**Gesamtsumme aller Stipendien:** € 4.000,00

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### KOSTEN DES AUSLANDSAUFENTHALTS

| Unterkunft: | € 2.450,00 |
| Art der Unterkunft: | Studierendenwohnheim |
| Reisekosten: | € 550,00 |
| Lebenshaltungskosten: | € 4.900,00 |
| Studienkosten: | € 50,00 |
| Versicherungskosten | € 0,00 |
| Visakosten: | € 38,00 |
| **Gesamtkosten des Auslandsaufenthalts:** | € 7.988,00 |

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**Bericht veröffentlichen:** ☑
Hello everyone!

I was an exchange student for two semesters at the Chinese University of Hong Kong starting from 2022 September until 2023 May. My host university was an excellent choice as they helped me with any questions I had before and during the exchange. They were in charge of my visa application - they gave us a tight schedule on completing all the documents and sending it back to them - other than that the process went smoothly. The campus is huge and full of greenery - it even has its own bus system, completely free to students and visitors. The campus is safe and similar to a little town, equipped with its post office, bank, hairdresser, restaurants and shops. It is far away from the city, but well connected to all types of public transportation. Moving to Hong Kong was quite the challenge as it had strict measures for incoming foreigners, we had to stay in quarantine, wear masks everywhere and get tested regularly, but these measures were canceled back in March, now it is a lot easier to start your exchange there.

Even though half of the classes you can take are in Mandarin/Cantonese, I still had a lot of classes to choose from. After picking out your classes, you have two weeks to decide whether you want to keep/change/drop them through their online platform. One negative aspect is that a lot of students go on their webpage during this period, and seats are limited, so you must immediately book your spot in classes, otherwise you will end up on the waitlist. My classes were all connected to media/communication/marketing and arts. Every term ends with an exam period - you do not know the exam dates until the middle of the term. but I chose to have classes that would give the opportunity for a final essay, So I could go home/travel during the exam period. Even classes that have final exams require a lot of group work and mid-term assignments. The university did not have that many foreign exchange
students - I believe there were 300 of us in the first semester and 150 last semester, and many of them are from Mainland China. Local Hong Kongers make up about 70% of the university’s population, and they are kind and happy to help if you experience any problems. Other than that, people from all around the world, I made friends with German, Dutch, French, American, Chinese, Thai, and people from many other nationalities. I was also able to connect with the only other student at the University of Vienna sent out the first semester and we still keep in touch to this day! The university also makes it their mission to introduce Hong Kong and exchange students to each other with a bunch of programs organized throughout the academic year. They organize outings to cultural sights, introducing us to local customs, culture, food and Hong Kong’s way of living. As for student life, we had competitions, cooking classes, embroidery, nights for specific nationalities, and every Tuesday, they would give out free snacks that were representative of Hong Kong. Lovers of sport can also try themselves out in football, basketball, badminton, and many other classes, and join clubs if they like. The university puts you under a “college” - I was under New Asia - and every college also organizes their own events such as dancing night, halloween party or a concert where local bands and singers are invited. I was staying at an accommodation provided by the university “I-house” where I was grouped with International students and some Hong Kongers. It is very affordable compared to regular housing in Hong Kong, however the rooms are very thin, and you can hear everything happening inside the house. I was lucky enough to get my own room without roommates but most people end up with one or two roommates. I-house also provides students specific nights or gift giving even where people can get to know each other, and common areas are always cleaned by the lovely, also kind and helpful staff of the accommodation. To sum it all up I believe that CUHK is one of the best options if you want to go on an exchange. This exchange made me more outgoing, extended my network and gave me memories I can never forget. Me and all of my friends have fallen in love with the city and wish to go back some day. If you are somebody who is looking to experience the “traditional Chinese environment and culture” (many American students were looking for that) Hong Kong is probably not for you as it is quite westernized, an always lively city with people of many different backgrounds.