I. All students without the right of abode/right to land in Hong Kong must apply for a student visa for the purpose of education from the Hong Kong Immigration Department (ImmD). It is the responsibility of individual students to make appropriate visa arrangement before they come to Hong Kong.

II. All student visa applicants are required to have a local sponsor. You should request the HKU Admissions Office, Registry (AO) to be your visa sponsor. Please read through all details of the visa application procedures in this website: https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/.

III. SUMBIT YOUR VISA APPLICATION NOW!! Either you have received the Firm Offer of Admission or the Conditional Offer of Admission from HKU! The processing time for application of a student visa requires approximately 10 weeks.

IV. Upon successful application, a “Notification Slip for Entry Visa / Permit” (e-Visa) will be granted by ImmD. AO will send you through email a link for downloading the e-Visa. However, the email with the e-Visa will ONLY be sent after you have uploaded a copy of the Firm Offer of Admission to the application system.

V. Apart from the e-Visa, Overseas and Taiwan students should ensure the travelling passport has a validity of at least 6 months and present both the e-visa (Taiwan students would receive a physical visa permit instead) and the passport when entry to Hong Kong.

VI. Mainland students should apply for an “Exit-entry Permit for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macao” (EEP)【往来港澳通行证】and a relevant Exit Endorsement【逗留签注 D】from the relevant Mainland authorities. Please bring along the EEP bearing the relevant Exit Endorsement and the e-Visa to enter Hong Kong for activation of the student visa.

VII. Macao students should apply for a "Visit Permit for Residents of Macao SAR to Hong Kong SAR" (Visit Permit)【澳門特別行政區居民往來香港特別行政區旅遊證】and bring it together with the e-Visa when entering Hong Kong.

VIII. Your duration of stay in Hong Kong should be aligned with the period granted by ImmD as printed on the e-Visa. For full-time degree students, you are advised to enter Hong Kong to activate your student visa only about 2 weeks before your programme commencement for registration and orientation purpose.

IX. All submitted documents will not be returned. The online visa application fee of HK$990 is non-refundable.

For further enquiries on visa applications, please contact us here: https://www.studentvisa.hku.hk/contact-us.