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Fee Remission/Scholarship Scheme
Year 2017/18 Intake
(for Local Hong Kong Applicants to overseas UWCs)

1. Introduction

1.1 The Fee Remission/Scholarship Scheme provides financial assistance/scholarship to those students who have been selected for admission based on personal merit. The aim is to provide all students with an equal opportunity irrespective of their financial means to receive quality education at United World Colleges (UWC).

1.2 United World Colleges are 2-year residential schools and their school fee charged is an inclusive fee covering tuition, boarding and lodging.

1.3 The scholarships for overseas UWC are provided by United World Colleges Hong Kong Committee Ltd (UWCHKC), a Hong Kong-registered charity, which in turn receives donations from Li Po Chun Charitable Trust, Sir Jack Cater UWC Scholarship Fund, Lord Wilson UWC Scholarship Council, UWC graduates, parents as well as corporate donors.

1.4 School fees for year 2017/18 are subject to confirmation by the respective overseas UWCs. For reference purposes, the school fees for year 2016/17 are listed below

UWC Colleges	*School Fees for year 2015/16*	
	Currency	*Amount*
UWC Adriatic (Italy)	Euro	21,500
UWC Atlantic College (UK)	GBP	28,105
UWC Changshu China	CNY	296,000
UWC Costa Rica	USD	32,000
UWC Dilijan (Armenia)	USD	35,000
UWC Maastricht (Netherlands)	Euro	26,500
UWC Mahindra (India)	INR	1,900,000
UWC Mostar (Bosnia)	Euro	14,000
Red Cross UWC Nordic (Norway)	NOK	222,000
UWC Robert Bosch (Germany)	Euro	25,500
UWC Pearson College (Canada)	CAD	49,500
UWC USA	USD	36,750
UWC Waterford Kamblaba (Swaziland)	Euro	17,000

2. Eligibility

2.1 All local Hong Kong students are eligible to apply for the fee remission/scholarship scheme to study at overseas UWCs.

2.2 The applicant must be the student's parent or legal guardian.

3. Amount of Fee Remission/Scholarship

3.1 Depending on individual circumstances, maximum fee remission/scholarship is 100%.

3.2 A 100% fee remission/scholarship provided by UWCHKC includes tuition, boarding and lodging, books, IB exam registration fees and a majority of school field trips.

3.3 Students on Comprehensive Social Security Assistance Scheme are also entitled to additional pocket money support from UWCHKC.

3.4 In certain circumstances, UWCHKC would also consider giving support towards airfares.

3.5 A merit-based token scholarship of HK$500 will be granted to all local Hong Kong students who apply for the fee remission/scholarship scheme and have successfully completed the full selection process and offered a school place at any one of the overseas UWC.

3.6 The amount of fee remission/scholarship will be the difference between the amount of school fees and the parental fee contributions (if any) and will be inclusive of the merit-based token scholarship.

3.7 The parental fee contributions are determined with reference to the Formula in Table 1 below:

Table 1: Formula for Fee Remission/Scholarship Scheme

No. of Dependents	Total Parental Fee Contribution in HK$ = (I) + (II)					
	(I) Parental Fee Contribution based on a % of Annual Family Gross Income					(II) Parental Fee Contribution based on a % of Assessable Assets
	(A) Over $700,000	(B) $500,001 - $700,000	(C) $400,001 - $500,000	(D) $300,001- $400,000	(E) $300,000 or Below OR On welfare	
1	19%	17%	11%	6%	0%	9.5%
2	18%	16%	10%	5%	0%	9%
3	17%	15%	9%	4%	0%	8.5%
4	16%	14%	8%	3%	0%	8%
5	15%	13%	7%	2%	0%	7.5%
6	14%	12%	6%	1%	0%	7%
7	13%	11%	5%	0%	0%	6.5%

4. Assessment Criteria

4.1 All applicants are subject to a means test for determination of the fee remission/scholarship amount. When considering the amount of fee remission/scholarship, applicants will be assessed on annual family gross income, family assets and the number of family members and dependents.

4.2 Annual family gross income means the annual income* from the sources of the applicant and the applicant's spouse specified in Table (A) and all contributions from child(ren)/relatives/friends, if applicable.

** Annual income, in general, refers to the total income earned in the previous fiscal year of the HKSAR Government.*

4.3 Dependents, for the purpose of the fee remission/scholarship application, are restricted to (i) applicant's dependent spouse, (ii) applicant's children under 18, (iii) applicant's children over 18 but undergoing full-time education and (iv) dependent parents of applicant and/or of his/her spouse residing with the applicant continuously in the same residence at least in the last 12 months OR the applicant pays the elderly residential care expenses to the residential care home for their dependent parent(s).

4.4 Family assets include all assets of the applicant and the applicant's spouse in Hong Kong, the Mainland or overseas in their possession e.g. partly and usually in the form of landed properties including both residential and non-residential properties, land including lease agreements, and Letters A or B entitlements, stocks and shares, vehicles including private and commercial vehicles, transferable vehicle licences including taxi and public light bus licences, bank deposits, bonds, unit trust funds and for those who engaged in business, all categories of assets owned by the companies operating such business and other assets owned. The applicant and the applicant's spouse are also required to declare full details of all other properties which are held through a trustee or through any other means.

4.5 The market value of self-owned flat for principal family residence, net of outstanding mortgage, below HK$6m will not be counted as assessable assets. Excluding the first HK$6mof the market value of principal family residence net of outstanding mortgage, all other assets in excess of HK$500,000 will be counted as assessable assets. The market value will be verified at the time of assessment through reputable bank(s) selected by the Administration of the local UWC, Li Po Chun United World College of Hong Kong (LPCUWC).

4.6 For no-flat owner, family asset value below HK$3.5m will not be counted as assessable assets.

4.7 The assessment of need will be conducted by the Administration of LPCUWC.

4.8 The Administration of LPCUWC and UWCHKC have the absolute discretion regarding the assessment of annual family gross income, assessable assets and the level of parental fee contribution based upon the published applicable scheme from time to time. The information provided by the applicant must be true, sufficient and complete. A false statement may lead to disqualification of the application.

4.9 For unusual family financial circumstances, the Administration of LPCUWC and UWCHKC have the absolute discretion in determining the level of parental fee contribution.

4.10 The Administration of LPCUWC and UWCHKC have the right to make a judgment of the level of fee remission/scholarship based on the information provided. Any omission/misrepresentation of information with a view to obtaining pecuniary advantage by deception is an offence and is liable to legal proceedings.

4.11 The Administration of LPCUWC and UWCHKC reserves the right to verify any information provided by the applicant in support of the application.

4.12 Examples of assessment are attached as Table B.

5. Application for Fee Remission/Scholarship

5.1 At the time of attending the final panel interview, applicants should submit the completed financial circumstances form with all supporting documents to the Administration of LPCUWC.

5.2 Financial assessment is normally carried out once only before admission. The amount of fee remission/scholarship to the applicants for the first academic year will be determined at the time of offer. The amount of fee remission/scholarship for the second academic year will be stated in the letter of offer and is an estimation only which is subject to change pending confirmation of the second year school fees.

5.3 In case of extreme change of financial situation of the family, applicants can re-submit an application for re-assessment at the end of the first academic year.

6. Notification of Results

6.1 Applicants will be informed the result of their applications in writing if they are offered a provisional or confirmed place at any one of the overseas UWC.

7. Enquiries about the Scheme

7.1 For enquiries about the Fee Remission/Scholarship Scheme, please contact our Admissions Director (Miss Kam) at 2812 2455.

Table A: Income from all sources

Income to be assessed		Income not assessed	
1	Basic salary (including contributions to provident fund, e.g. MPF)	1	Scholarships awarded
2	Year-end double pay/leave pay	2	Disability allowance and Old age allowance
3	Allowance (including housing, travel, meals, education, shift allowance, etc)	3	Long service payment/contract gratuity
4	Bonus/commission	4	Severance pay
5	Wages in lieu of notice of dismissal	5	Loans
6	Profits from business/investments	6	One-off retirement gratuity/provident fund
7	Alimony/living expenses from ex-spouse	7	Charitable donations
8	Contributions from children/relatives/friends	8	Retraining allowance
9	Rental Income from property	9	Traffic/insurance/injury indemnity
10	Monthly pension/widow's & Children's compensation/gratuity		
11	Comprehensive Social Security Assistance		
12	Inheritance		

Table B: Examples

2017– 2018 School Fee = $266,000 per annum *(for illustrative purposes only as school fees vary by UWC)*							
Family	Number of Dependents	Annual Family Gross Income (HK$)	Principal Family Residence (HK$)	Other Assets (HK$)	Assessable Assets (HK$)	Estimated Parental Fee Contributions per Annum (HK$)	Estimated Fee Remission / Scholarship per Annum (HK$)
A	2	$150,000	No flat owner	<$3.5m	$0	$0	$266,000
B	2	$150,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$200,000	$0	$0	$266,000
C	2	$200,000	No flat owner	<$3.5m	$0	$0	$266,000
D	2	$200,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$400,000	$0	$0	$266,000
E	2	$300,000	No flat owner	<$3.5m	$0	$0	$266,000
F	2	$300,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$600,000	$100,000	$9,000	$259,000
G	2	$400,000	No flat owner	<$3.5m	$0	$20,000	$246,000
H	2	$400,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$800,000	$300,000	$47,000	$219,000
I	2	$500,000	No flat owner	<$3.5m	$0	$50,000	$216,000
J	2	$500,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$700,000	$200,000	$68,000	$198,000
K	2	$700,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$800,000	$300,000	$139,000	$127,000
L	2	$800,000	Flat owner (<$6m)	$1m	$500,000	$189,000	$77,000
M	2	$1m	Flat owner (<$6m)	$1m	$500,000	$225,000	$41,000
N	2	$1.3m	Flat owner (<$6m)	$1m	$500,000	$265,500	$500