THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS) Application for the sponsorship of a student visa 2012 – 2013¹

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- a) Before completing this application, please read the "Application procedures for a student visa to Hong Kong" on Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS) website at http://cedars.hku.hk >.
- b) It is the responsibility of individual student to make appropriate visa arrangement before they come to Hong Kong. Application for a student visa to HKSAR should be submitted to the Hong Kong Immigration Department via the local Chinese Embassy (this option is NOT applicable to PRC and Taiwan nationals) or to CEDARS, The University of Hong Kong.
- c) All applicants for a student visa to HKSAR are required to have a local sponsor. Students coming to HKU should request CEDARS to be their visa sponsor by completing this form.

Please note that this application is for visa sponsorship only. It is <u>not</u> the official visa application form ID 995A, which can be downloaded from the HKID website at < <u>http://www.immd.gov.hk/ehtml/fstudy.htm</u>>.

- d) This completed application, together with the relevant documents and payment should be sent to the **Centre of Development and Resources for Students, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong** as soon as the student is offered an admission to the University.
- e) CEDARS is not responsible for any delay/cancellation/failure in the student's application for a student visa. The visa fees paid are non-refundable under all circumstances.

Please complete the form either in typewriting or in block letters.

| 1. | Surname: | | Other names: | |
|----|--|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|--|
| | (also | in Chinese, if available) | (also in Chinese, if available) | |
| | Sex: Dat | e of Birth : | Permanent address: | |
| | Contact address (if different from above or if already in HK, the HK address): | | | |
| | Tel. | Fax | Email | |
| | Commencement date of the HKU study programme Department | | | |
| | Curriculum | | _ Supervisor at HKU (if applicable) | |
| 2. | Passport issuing aut | hority (if applicable) | Passport No. (if applicable) | |
| | Date of issue Date of expiry | | | |
| | Nationality | | _ Country of permanent residence | |
| 3. | Next of Kin | | | |
| | In case of emergency, please contact the following persons: | | | |
| | Name | | Relationship with the applicant | |
| | Email | | Contact telephone () | |
| | For exchange/visiting | ng student only | | |
| | Home Institute | | | |
| | Name of contact pe | rson in the home institute | | |
| | Email | | Contact telephone () | |

¹ for courses commence during 1 September, 2012 and 31 August, 2013.

4. Applicant's statement (put a tick against appropriate section)

Section A (to be filled in by applicants)

- □ I agree to the University's Personal Information Collection Statement (please refer to the "Application Procedures for a student visa to Hong Kong").
- □ I agree that CEDARS is not responsible for any delay/cancellation/failure in my application for a student visa. The visa fees paid are non-refundable under all circumstances.

Section B (to be filled in by applicants other than PRC and Taiwan nationals²)

- □ I request CEDARS to act as my sponsor for a student visa, I will separately lodge my visa application via the Local Chinese Embassy. I enclose herewith the following documents:
 - \checkmark a photocopy of my complete set of confirmed offer letter of admission;
 - ✓ a copy of my passport;
 - \checkmark a copy of my CV i.e. resume (except for exchange students);
 - ✓ documents/statement showing that I have adequate means to finance my studies in HK (e.g. latest bank statement, award letter of financial aid, scholarship etc); and
 - ✓ a HK\$300 bankdraft or HK\$350 credit card payment authorization form¹ made out to "The University of Hong Kong".
- □ I request CEDARS to act as my sponsor for a student visa and to lodge the official visa application and collect the visa label on my behalf. I enclose herewith the following documents:
 - ✓ completed official visa application form ID 995A;
 - \checkmark a photocopy of my complete set of confirmed offer letter of admission;
 - ✓ a copy of my passport;
 - \checkmark a copy of my CV i.e. resume (except for exchange students);
 - ✓ documents/statement showing that I have adequate means to finance my studies in HK (e.g. latest bank statement, award letter of financial aid, scholarship etc);
 - \checkmark a declaration form (to be filled in by those applicants who are currently in HK); and
 - ✓ a HK\$800 bankdraft or HK\$850 credit card payment authorization form¹ made out to "The University of Hong Kong".

Section C (to be filled in by PRC research postgraduate students only²)

I request CEDARS to act as my sponsor for a student visa and to lodge the official visa application and collect the visa label on my behalf. I enclose herewith the following documents:

- ✓ completed official visa application form ID 995A;
- ✓ a photocopy of my signed acceptance of "notice of admission" / "statement of acceptance" from HKU;
- ✓ a complete CV i.e. resume (履歷表);
- \checkmark a copy of PRC Identity Card;
- ✓ a copy of my census record (內地戶口登記證明);
- ✓ copies of testimonial (學歷證明複印本);
- ✓ documents/statement showing that I have adequate means to finance my studies in HK (e.g. latest bank statement, award letter of financial aid, scholarship etc);
- a declaration form (to be filled in by those applicants who are currently in HK); and
- ✓ a HK\$800 bankdraft or HK\$850 credit card payment authorization form¹ made out to "The University of Hong Kong".

Section D (to be filled in by Taiwan applicants only)

I request CEDARS to act as my sponsor for a student visa and to lodge the official visa application and collect the visa label on my behalf. I enclose herewith the following documents:

- \checkmark completed official visa application forms ID 995A;
- ✓ a photocopy of my signed acceptance of "notice of admission" from HKU;
- ✓ a complete CV i.e. resume (履歷表);
- ✓ a copy of Taiwan Identity Card;
- ✓ a copy of Taiwan passport;
- ✓ a copy of my household registration in Taiwan (台灣戶籍騰本);
- ✓ copies of testimonial (學歷證明複印本);
- ✓ documents/statement showing that I have adequate means to finance my studies in HK (e.g. latest bank statement, award letter of financial aid, scholarship etc);
- \checkmark a declaration form (to be filled in by those applicants who are currently in HK);
- ✓ a HK\$800 bankdraft or HK\$850 credit card payment authorization form¹ made out to "The University of Hong Kong";
- \checkmark my reasons for studying at The University of Hong Kong; and
- \checkmark my plan after the completion of studies at The University of Hong Kong.

| Signature | Date |
|-----------|------|
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¹The credit card authorization form can be downloaded at <u>http://cedars.hku.hk/nonlocal/form/cardpayment1213.pdf</u>

² Mainland students enrolled in taught postgraduate courses, undergraduate courses, exchange and short term programmes should apply to the China Affairs Office for visa sponsorship. Email: <u>visaapp@hkucc.hku.hk</u>.

Sample

Declaration by a Student Visa Applicant (To be filled in by those applicants who are currently in HK)

To : Centre of Development of Resources for Students (CEDARS)

- For : Application for an Entry Student Visa
- I ______ (full name in English and block letter), ______ (University / HKU Application number, if applicable) hereby assert that,
- I am currently holding a valid * employment / student / dependent / Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates (IANG) / visitor / others: please specify _______visa until ______(date: dd/mm/yyyy).
- 2. My intended travel plan is as follows: (if applicable)
 - (i) the imminent departure date _____ (dd/mm/yyyy) and
 - (ii) re-entry date to Hong Kong for my studies _____ (dd/mm/yyyy).
- 3. I intend to apply for an 'entry student visa' instead of a 'change of visa status' even though I understand the Hong Kong Immigration Department (HKID) is likely to ask me to apply for a "change of visa status" instead.
- 4. I understand that the Hong Kong Immigration Department has the discretion to decide whether I should apply for an 'entry visa' or 'a change of visa status' during application process.
- 5. I agree that CEDARS is not responsible for any delay/cancellation/failure in my application for a student visa. The visa fees paid are non-refundable under all circumstances.

Please feel free to contact me at ______ (email contact) or ______(telephone number).

Signature :

Name :

Date : _____

* Please delete as appropriate

June 25, 2010