

Personal Information Collection Statement (PICS)

This is a personal information collection statement under the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (“the Ordinance”).

1. Purpose of Collection

The personal data provided by you to The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (“PolyU”) during application for admission, (if admitted as students) during programme registration, throughout your studies and upon leaving PolyU will be used by PolyU for the following purposes:

During application for admission

- As basis for selection for admission;
- Managing your application account and processing your application with PolyU;
- Identifying possible multiple applications and obtaining records of your existing and previous studies and activities at PolyU and other institutions;
- Verifying your identity, qualifications and academic records;
- Conducting statistical analysis, research, surveys, quality assurance and review;
- Facilitating communications between you and PolyU;
- Other purposes directly relating to any of the above.

Upon your admission as a student of PolyU, your personal data provided during application will become part of your official student records. In case your application is not accepted, your personal data provided during application will be disposed of according to the prevailing policy of PolyU.

During study and upon leaving PolyU

- Processing your application for activities, services and facilities provided by units and departments of PolyU or organizations associated with PolyU;
- Processing the application and arrangement for study-related activities including but not limited to student visa, student exchange programmes, study tours, placement, internship, Service Learning & Work Integrated Education, training and scholarships, etc.
- Assisting your Academic Advisor to provide support to students;
- Managing alumni affairs;
- Verifying student/graduate status, qualifications and academic records;
- Compiling the Graduates List for Congregation’s use and disclosing information about your awards and achievements;
- Conducting statistical analysis, research, surveys, quality assurance and review;
- Facilitating communications between you and PolyU;
- Other purposes directly relating to any of the above.

In case of application for admission to a programme jointly offered or collaborated by PolyU and its partner institution(s), your personal data will be transferred to the partner institution(s) for the above purposes.

2. You are required to provide your personal data, other than those items indicated as optional. In the absence of your personal data, we may not be able to process your application for admission, provide you with the requested activities, services or facilities or maintain contact with you.

3. Disclosure and Transfer of Personal Data

PolyU will keep your personal data confidential and only authorized staff members of PolyU will have access to and handle your personal data. PolyU may disclose or transfer your personal data to the following parties within or outside Hong Kong solely for the purposes set out in paragraph 1 above.

- PolyU's student organizations and alumni organizations;
- Agencies, service providers, and contractors engaged in activities on behalf of PolyU;
- Other education institutions, their subsidiaries and relevant organizations, and government authorities in Hong Kong or other places for verification of qualifications you obtained from PolyU.

PolyU may disclose your personal data when authorized or required by law and in response to requests from law enforcement agencies, government departments or regulatory authorities.

4. Access and Correction of Personal Data

You have the right to request for access and correction of your personal data held by PolyU. A fee may be imposed by PolyU for processing your data access request.

During application for admission and your studies, correction of personal data can be performed via the relevant online platforms (i.e. eAdmission for applicants and eStudent for students). Any data access and correction request according to the Ordinance should be made by completing the **Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance Data Access Request Form** and sending it to the Academic Registry at ar.dept@polyu.edu.hk.

After graduation, correction of personal information can be done on "Contact Update" at <https://www.polyu.edu.hk/alumni>. Any data access and correction request according to the Ordinance should be made by completing the **Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance Data Access Request Form** and sending it to the Alumni Affairs and Development Office at alumni@polyu.edu.hk.

5. Privacy Policy Statement

You may click [here](#) for the Privacy Policy Statement of PolyU.