

**The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships -
Undergraduate Scholarship 2022/23 Cohort
(for students admitted into a 4 or 5-year full-time government-funded
degree programme in the 2022/23 academic year)**

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust (the “Trust”) aims to identify and nurture outstanding talents to become caring leaders who will create positive change and inspire the wider society to strive for excellence. Since 1998, some HK\$782 million have been committed to The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships, supporting more than 880 young talents to pursue their studies. This year, each participating institution will receive up to five scholarship awards covering tuition fees, academic expenses and living costs for the entire normal duration of study towards an undergraduate degree programme.



1. Number & Value of Award:

- a) Four scholarships will be allocated to LOCAL students (including a student with Special Educational Needs (SEN¹)); and
- b) One scholarship will be allocated to a student from Mainland China

Each local scholarship will value at HK\$115,200, whilst the value of scholarship for student from Mainland China will be the tuition fee plus a living allowance of HK\$73,100 for the 2022/23 academic year. Tenure of the Scholarship is normal duration of study of the enrolled undergraduate degree programme, subject to fulfilment of all award conditions. The normal duration of study refers to the normal number of terms or semesters that are required to complete the programme but not necessarily the normal number of years required. The actual value of each scholarship will be revised each year with reference to recommendations from the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency and respective institutions on the tuition fees and living expenses of the current academic year.

The actual scholarship amount payable to individual students for a particular academic year is subject to adjustments. The scholarship amount will not cover non-credit bearing programmes in which students opt to participate, either held locally or overseas, in lieu of their normal coursework required by their study programme.

2. Understanding that students with SEN may not necessarily follow the normal duration of study required by their study programme due to health or other special conditions, the Trust will provide flexibility and accommodation on scholarship payment schedule upon request from the students and advice from their respective institution.
3. To be eligible for the Scholarship, applicants must:
 - a) be a permanent resident of the HKSAR or a citizen of the People’s Republic of China;
 - b) be admitted into a 4 or 5-year full-time government-funded undergraduate degree programme in the 2022/23 academic year to pursue their first undergraduate degree; (i.e. Only for students with student ID number starting with “22”. Senior-year intake students are NOT eligible.);
 - c) have high standard of academic performance#:
 - applicants must demonstrate academic excellence in DSE (preferably Level 5** in 3 subjects or above) or another recognised entry qualification. If selected, conditional offer will be granted and student must achieve a GPA of at least 3.5 at the end of first semester of 2022/23;



- # Considering the additional challenges that may be faced by students with SEN, special accommodation may be made in the assessment process including the application of a corresponding set of academic performance requirements:
- Conditional offer will be granted and the student with SEN must achieve 70% of the maximum GPA achievable (i.e. 3.0 out of possible GPA of 4.3) under the study programme at the end of first semester of 2022/23;
 - d) have proficiency in written and spoken Chinese (Cantonese or Putonghua) and English; and
 - e) provide proofs of special education needs, if applicable.
4. Selection Criteria:
- a) **Intellect**: Academic achievements, analytical aptitude and appetite; genuine interest in their subject of study; imagination, curiosity, and global vision.
 - b) **Leadership**: Outstanding leadership and team work inside or outside school activities, personal accomplishments or community commitments; potential and capabilities in challenging status quo; embrace diversity and a spirit of collaboration.
 - c) **Character**: Strength of character – truth, courage, devotion to duty, empathy, social awareness, commitment to fairness and justice, compassion.
 - d) **Commitment to service**: Commitment to betterment of others, care for social and community issues of public rather than personal benefit; connect with Hong Kong and has a view about its community needs may be addressed.
5. Conditions for Scholarship Renewal:
- The scholarship will be renewed on an annual basis subject to:
- a) the scholar's continued enrolment in the same institution;
 - b) a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.3. A minimum of cumulative GPA of 3.0 for students with SEN;
 - c) participation and achievements in community services; and
 - d) recommendation by the University.



Students who do not meet the above conditions may be considered for conditional renewal upon recommendation by the University with strong justifications. The scholarship may be terminated if a student is unable to meet the renewal conditions.

6. Upon conferment, recipients of the scholarship should not or should no longer receive another full scholarship or any other scholarships or awards subsidise their local tuition fees, academic expenses and living expenses. Scholars may continue to receive other honours, recognitions and awards, such as those that support students' non-credit-bearing overseas studies, recognise students' specific contributions or achievements, and, in the case of student with SEN, provide for supporting equipment. However, local scholars are allowed to receive subsidies, grants and/or loans offered through the Government Student Finance Office (SFO) under the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency (WFSFAA).
7. Recipients of the scholarship will be named "Jockey Club Scholars" or "JC Scholars" in short. Being a JC Scholar, the student will become a member of a network of past and current JC Scholars and enjoy various privileges, such as opportunities to participate in learning, networking and community service programmes.

All JC Scholars are expected to actively support the Trust's activities to the best of their abilities. Most importantly, they are required to attend the scholarship award presentation ceremony of their cohort and an induction programme. Scholars are also automatically enrolled as a member of the Jockey Club Scholars Alumni Association, a self-running, Trust-supported organisation that was established to mobilise JC Scholars to serve the community.



8. Interested students should submit the completed application form with all relevant supporting documents to SAO via the **Scholarship Application System** **on or before 25 September 2022 (Sunday)**. Shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend the PolyU internal selection interview in person between 14 and 21 October 2022 for further shortlisting deserving candidates for the Trust's consideration. The PolyU candidates may then be invited to attend a final interview with the Trust's selection panel tentatively in November 2022, the decision of which will be final. All candidates **MUST** attend the selection interview(s) without exception, if invited. Application results will be announced and individual applicants will be notified via PolyU around May 2023.

Note:

¹ For definition, please refer to the [Hong Kong Rehabilitation Programme Plan \(Chapter 2\)](#) released by the Labour and Welfare Bureau of the HKSAR Government.

For enquiries, please contact Student Affairs Office (SAO) at sao.sch@polyu.edu.hk or 2766 6794.

More information on the Scholarship is also available on this website: <http://jcscholarships.hk/>.

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