

Dean of Students' Office

Mainland Opportunities

Mainland Cultural Exchange and Learning Opportunities

Application Guide

Step 1: Check Our Website for Details

- Details are available at DSTO website →Programs→Mainland Opportunities - Mainland Cultural Exchange and Learning Opportunities

Step 2: Submit Application

- Read carefully “Note to Applicant”(available in Chinese version ONLY)
- Submit your online application (Incomplete or late applications will not be considered and processed)

Notes:

- *Students can only submit ONE application for each recruitment round.*
- *Some host institutions may give priority to local students, only consider applications from them, or set quota for non-local students.*
- Shortlisted applicants will be notified usually within two weeks after submission, while non-shortlisted applicants will be notified only when the recruitment process is ended completely. Do look out and pay attention to emails about result announcement.

Step 3: Allotment (on rolling basis) & Result Announcement

- **1st Round Allotment** - Offers are made on first-come-first-served basis, taking into account the **First Choice** indicated in application form
- **2nd Round Allotment** - Vacancies left after the completion of 1st Round Allotment will be allocated on first-come-first-served basis, taking into account the **Second Choice** indicated in application form

Step 4: Accept/ Decline Offer

- **Successful Candidates will have 3 – 5 calendar days to make their decisions:**
 - **Accept:** Complete Online Reply Slip by uploading
 - (1) receipt of deposit payment **HK\$500/ HK\$800** [those programs involve purchasing of transportation tickets in advance by the host university] (*refundable **ONLY** upon successful program completion, or any program change / cancellation made by the host institution*),
 - (2) proof of **valid** travel permit to Mainland China,
 - (3) application form/ other documents as required by host institution (if any).
 - **Decline:** If declining reply or no response of acceptance is received by assigned deadline, it is understood as no longer interested in participating and hence NO further alternative offer/re-allotment is offered.

All declined offers (if any), together with new opportunities (if any), will be promoted in a **Further / Clearing Recruitment Round(s)** *, open for another round of application. Students who are interested must submit their application form once again.

*The Clearing Recruitment Round follows the same procedure as the Main Recruitment Round, except that non-shortlisted students of this round are automatically put into a waiting list and will be notified once there is vacancy available.

Application Process Flow Chart



All declined offers (if any), together with new opportunities (if any), will be promoted in a **Clearing Recruitment Round***, open for another round of application.

- Applicants in the Clearing Round with no offer will be put in the waiting list and notified once there is vacancy available.