Shaw College
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
2026-27 Policy on Guaranteed On-campus Accommodation for Non-freshmen Non-local Students
(Final Version)

(A) Introduction

1. According to the University's updated accommodation policy for non-local students, the guaranteed period of on-campus accommodation is shortened from the entire normative study period (N) to 'N-1' years starting from 2016-17 cohort of non-local students.

2. This policy applies to non-local students with programmes of a normative study period (N) of more than 3 years. For those with programmes of a normative study period of 3 years or less, the on-campus accommodation is guaranteed for the entire normative study period.

3. On-campus accommodation is guaranteed for 1st year, 2nd year and 4th year for the non-local students who are with programmes of a normative study period (N) of more than 3 years. On-campus accommodation is NOT guaranteed in their 3rd year of study.

4. Study exchange time would be counted towards the guaranteed period.

5. No hostel place is allocated to students taking study leave for internship or during suspension of study.

6. Application for hostel place is open for students in the non-guaranteed year.

7. This 'N-1' policy does NOT apply to non-local freshmen who will be admitted to the University in 2026–27. For these students, please refer to the relevant announcement that will be released on the College website.

(B) Hostel Place Application

1. Starting from the 2016-17 cohort of non-local students, accommodation is not guaranteed in their third year of study. The allocation of their hostel places is to be determined through the mechanism of residence selection.

2. If students go on exchange in their third year of study, the accommodation is not guaranteed in their fourth year of study. The allocation of their hostel places is to be determined through the mechanism of residence selection. However, if a student who has gone on exchange abroad could provide official document to duly certify that the host university for his/her exchange does NOT provide housing arrangement for him/her, the 4th year will be as the guaranteed period of on-campus accommodation

3. The stipulated guaranteed years and non-guaranteed years are not interchangeable. Guaranteed years would not be transferred to the years thereafter even if the student chose not to live in the hostels during the stipulated guaranteed years.

4. Residence application of next academic year is in March, and the announcement of results will be made in the second term of each year.

5. Quota of hostel place will be max. 50% of the number of non-local year 3 students. 80% of the

hostel places will be allocated according to the scoring system shown below. Three factors include academic achievement, participation in extra-curricular activities, exchange experience in the previous study years will be mainly considered in the calculation of students' scores. If applicants have equal scores, the Residence Selection Sub-Committee will draw lot to decide who will be given a hostel place. The allotment of the remaining 20% will be decided based on the special consideration of appeal cases by the Residence Selection Sub-Committee.

(C) Scoring system (Students are allowed to submit scoring items in both any 2 academic years from admission to the University to hostel application for scoring)

Category	Items	Scoring
Academic Achievement (Max. 30)	Recipients of Scholarship Scheme of the University / College	5 for each award
Participation in Extra-curricular Activities (Max. 40)	1) Chairperson, Organizing Committee of Shaw College Orientation Camp (2025 / 2026 Summer)	28
	2) Elected Members, Publication Committee of the Chinese University Student Press 3) Elected Members, Editorial Board of the Chinese University Campus Radio 4) Members of Shaw Beat Publication Committee 5) Chairperson, the Administration Department of Shaw College Founder's Day Organizing Committee (2024-25 / 2025-26) 6) Chairperson, Organizing Committee of Shaw Lane (2024-25 / 2025-26) 7) Chairperson, Organizing Committee of Singing Contest (2024-25 / 2025-26) 8) Chairperson, Organizing Committee of Shaw Class Society (2025 / 2026) 9) President, Sports Club of Shaw College	24
	10) Members, debate teams of the Chinese University of Hong Kong 11) Deputy Chairperson of the Administration Department / Head or Deputy Head of other departments, Shaw College Founder's Day Organizing Committee (2024-25 / 2025-26) 12) Deputy Chairperson / Head or Deputy Heads of other departments / Group Leaders, Organizing Committee of Shaw College Orientation Camp (2025 / 2026 Summer) 13) Deputy Chairperson / Head or Deputy Heads of other departments, Organizing Committee of Shaw Lane (2024-25 / 2025-26) 14) Deputy Chairperson / Head or Deputy Heads of other departments, Organizing Committee of Shaw College Singing Contest (2024-25 / 2025-26) 15) Chairperson / President, Executive Committee of *Affiliated Societies, the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College 16) Members of the University sports teams 17) Members of Provisional Executive Committee, the Student Union of the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College Student Union 18) Deputy Chairperson, Organizing Committee of Shaw Class Society (2025 / 2026) 19) Vice-president, Sports Club of Shaw College	21

	20) Executive Members of Executive Committee, Non-residential Hall of Shaw College 21) Officials of Representative Council, the Student Union of the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College Student Union	18
	22) Chairperson of Sub Committee(s), Representative Council, the Student Union of the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College Student Union 23) ONE Secretary and ONE Treasurer of each of the Organizing Committee of the 4 signature College events (Shaw College Founder's Day, Shaw Lane, Singing Contest and Orientation Camp) (one person per post per event) (2024-25 / 2025-26) 24) Judicial Councillors of the Shaw College Student Union	15
	25) Members, debate teams of Shaw College 26) Members of Shaw College sport teams 27) Members of Representative Council, the Student Union of the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College Student Union 28) Appointed Members, Publication Committee of the Chinese University Student Press 29) Appointed Members, Editorial Board of the Chinese University Campus Radio 30) Outgoing exchange students for ONE YEAR in last academic year 31) Executive Members, Executive Committee of *Affiliated Societies, the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College 32) Student Members of the Senate, Chinese University of Hong Kong 33) Committee Members, Organizing Committee of Shaw Class Society (2025 / 2026) 34) Committee Members, Sports Club of Shaw College 35) Organizing Committee of the 4 signature College events (Shaw College Founder's Day, Shaw Lane, Singing Contest and Orientation Camp) (2024-25 / 2025-26) 36) Committee member of CU Mainland Undergraduate Association/ CU International Student Association/ CU Korean Student Association/ CU Taiwanese Student Association/ CU Indian Student Association/ The Federation of Joint Universities Macau students in HK/ CU Central Asian Association/ CU The Southeast Asian Association/ CU Malaysian Students' Association/ CU African Student Association 37) Organizing Committee of Mainland United Association or International Student Association Orientation Camp (2025 / 2026 Summer) 38) Members of The Robotics Team of Faculty of Engineering	12
	39) Members of Choir of the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College 40) Outgoing Exchange Students for ONE TERM in last academic year 41) Executive Committee of CU Joint-University Production 42) Group Leaders of Shaw Hostels Orientation Camp (2024-25 / 2025-26)	8

Note

- *Affiliated societies committee includes faculty societies, departmental societies, The University's / College clubs, and

registered societies. Student bodies or organizations which are considered in the scoring system must have registered with the Chinese University of Hong Kong / Shaw College.

- For those who have violated hostel regulation in last academic year, hostel marks will be reduced in their applications for hostel places in next academic year according to the penalties recommended in the warning letters. For serious case offenders, their eligibility of application is liable to be cancelled.

Residence Selection Sub-Committee
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