

Update on Quarantine Arrangements

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Dear Members of the University,

In light of the latest development of the pandemic situation, the Hong Kong government has recently updated its [quarantine measures for inbound travellers](#) from Mainland and Macao and [Return2hk Scheme](#). According to the new arrangement, persons who have stayed in Mainland other than Guangdong Province on the day of arrival in Hong Kong or during the 14 days before that day will be subject to 7- or 14-day compulsory quarantine at home (or hotel and other accommodation). In view of this change, the University has decided to use the Conference Lodge (CL), which has been qualified by the Government as a facility for home quarantine, to provide quarantine service for affected staff and students arriving Hong Kong from the Mainland and Macao effective from 16 August, 2021.

Students who have a hostel space are not allowed to use University hostel for home quarantine. New staff members who have on-campus accommodation may also find it difficult to undergo home quarantine in their quarter unit without appliances and supplies. These members may undertake home quarantine at CL or other accommodation. The University has agreed a discounted rate with CL at \$470 per night for quarantine, and members can order meals from on-campus catering outlets. The cost of the quarantine must be paid for by staff and students in full. For new staff eligible for on-campus accommodation, the cost of quarantine including meals will be reimbursable by the University. Students who are offered University hostel places are required to settle hall fee incurred for the entire hall residence period regardless of their check-in status. In other words, even if their home quarantine period overlaps with hall residence period, there will not be a reduction in hall fee, and their home quarantine expenses cannot offset any hall fee. Please refer to [housing arrangement](#) of Student Housing and Residential Life Office.

The above quarantine arrangements at CL will be in place until 30 September, 2021. Members who would like to stay at CL please book directly through this [link](#) starting at 9 am on 16 August. We would like to remind all staff and students that quarantine places either at CL or other hotels are limited; they should make their quarantine arrangements as soon as possible.

For more details about quarantine, please refer to the University website: [Quarantine Arrangements | COVID-19 Info@HKUST](#). We also would like to take this opportunity to remind all staff and students to remain vigilant against COVID-19 and take all necessary precautions.

Kind regards,

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