

Academic Arrangements for Winter and Spring Terms 2022/23

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Dear Members of the University community,

With the genuine efforts of every member, the face-to-face (f2f) delivery mode is running smoothly in the Fall term. Class arrangements for the **Winter term (January 3 - 31, 2023)** and **Spring term (February 3 - May 29, 2023)** will be almost identical to the University have had in the Fall term. The general arrangements are recapped below:

1. **The targeted default mode of delivery for classes will be in-person on campus.** All the courses, including undergraduate (UG) and research postgraduate (RPg) levels, will be continuously offered in regular f2f mode. Proctored examinations including mid-terms, if needed, will be held on campus.
2. TPg programs may make their own arrangements, i.e., the mode of delivery for classes can be f2f or [mixed-mode/mixed-mode lite](#).
3. Exceptionally, some courses/sections would be offered in [blended](#), real-time online mode or [mixed-mode](#). This will be decided based on pedagogical grounds, with inputs from instructors and Department/Division Heads, following the relevant approval process. The information will be posted in the course description prior to the course registration period.

Under the relaxation of travel restrictions in Hong Kong and many other places, we do not expect any students to delay their arrival in Hong Kong for the classes in the Winter and Spring terms. **All members of the University should therefore plan to be in Hong Kong well in time for the commencement of each term, as far as possible.**

- a) If you are already in Hong Kong, please consider your travel plans carefully before leaving.
- b) If you are not in Hong Kong, please pay attention to the relevant boarding, quarantine and testing arrangements before departing to Hong Kong.

For contingency purposes, all UG and RPg classes will generally do Remote Video Capture (RVC) recordings by default for the whole terms. For details, please refer to the [updated RVC arrangement](#). Instructors can decide on making the recordings available to accommodate enrolled students for revision, especially those who could not join the real-time classes for legitimate reasons.

Safety is paramount. Any plan will need to follow the government's regulations and guidelines in force at the time, as well as any measures reasonably necessary to protect the University community. As always, the University will make an announcement when appropriate and endeavor to provide sufficient lead time if there are any updates.

We look forward to having a fruitful experience on campus.

With warm regards,

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FAQs on Academic Arrangements: <https://covid19info.hkust.edu.hk/faq-academic-arrangements>

Student records, registration, examinations and graduation: ARO <https://registry.hkust.edu.hk>

Specific programs and courses including laboratory courses: Respective Schools/Departments and Program Directors

Student Housing: SHRLO shrlo@ust.hk; <https://shr1.hkust.edu.hk/news/faqs-covid-19-housing-arrangement>

Quarantine Arrangements: <https://covid19info.hkust.edu.hk/quarantine-arrangements>

Campus Health and Safety: HSEO safety@ust.hk