



THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
CENTRE OF BUDDHIST STUDIES

**Guidelines for Admission of Occasional Students (OS)
for Master of Buddhist Studies (MBS) (2024/2025)**

Introduction

There is an increasing demand for lifelong learning. As a response to the needs of the community, HKU has established a separate category of “Occasional Students” (OS) to cater for those who are interested to enroll in particular courses of a programme. In line with of this policy, certain courses of the Master of Buddhist Studies (MBS) programme at the Centre of Buddhist Studies are opened to OS. Those OS who satisfy the course requirements will be awarded a certificate.

Entrance Requirement

Applicants should possess adequate language proficiency and intellectual ability for attending the courses. If you are not a Hong Kong Permanent Identity Card holder, please make sure that you have a valid visa to pursue study as an OS, e.g. work visa/ dependent visa/ student visa. The Centre will NOT issue any document to support visa application of applicants.

Courses Offered

1. Courses offered vary from year to year. Applicants should approach the Centre in July/August each year for details of courses and class schedule for that academic year.
2. An OS is allowed to take a maximum of **two** courses in each semester.

Assessment and Entitlements

OS are entitled with the same assessment as ordinary students. A Certificate of Attendance with a final grade will be issued to any OS who has attended **at least 80%** of lectures **and** completed all the required assignments/ examinations with a **passing grade**. For those who have attended at least 80% of lectures, a Certificate for remembrance will be provided. Please click [here](#) for the sample of certificate.

Please note that **no** official transcript of academic records will be issued by the Centre or the University. OS has **no** access to the University facilities as well.

Note: Upon official enrollment in the MBS programme, OS will not be eligible to apply for course exemption based on OS results.

Tuition Fee

1. Tuition fee for each single-semester course: HK\$10,850
2. Fees paid are **not** refundable.
3. For MBS graduates who enroll as OS, tuition fee can be waived for **one** single-semester course in **each academic year**.
4. OS tuition fees are waived for monastic members.

Application Procedures

Applications should be submitted **at least one week before the semester begins**

(Semester 1: by August 26, 2024; Semester 2: by January 20, 2025)

Procedures of application are as follows:

Steps	Procedures
1.	Submission of application form and relevant documents to the Centre of Buddhist Studies by the deadlines above
2.	Applications being processed by the Centre (all applications will be reviewed and approved by the teachers concerned)
3.	Offer letters and tuition fee payment instruction will be sent to successful applicants
4.	Applicants pay the tuition fee to confirm the acceptance of offer
5.	Course commencement

Enquiries

Tel: (852) 3917-5009

Email: buddhism@hku.hk

Website: <http://www.buddhism.hku.hk/>

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for Master of Buddhist Studies (MBS) (2024/2025)**

The personal data provided in this form will be used for processing your application for enrolment on the relevant courses, by the administrative and academic departments concerned. If you wish to access or correct your personal data after submission of this form, please contact the Centre of Buddhist Studies.

A Certificate of Attendance with final grade will be issued to OS who have attended **at least 80%** of teaching sessions **and** completed **all** the required assignments/ examinations **with passing grade**. For those who have attended at least 80% of teaching sessions, a Certificate for remembrance will be provided. Please note that **no** official transcript of academic records will be issued by the Centre and/ or the University.

Section A

1. PERSONAL INFORMATION

(Your name below must be exactly the same as in your HKID card or identification document.)

* Ven./Mr./Mrs./Miss/Ms. _____
Surname Given names Name in Chinese characters (if any)

Correspondence Address: _____

Tel No: _____ *HKID/Passport No.: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Are you a Hong Kong permanent resident?

☐ Yes

☐ No (Please specify the type of visa for your stay in Hong Kong: _____)

** Please delete as appropriate*

2. PRESENT OCCUPATION

Position held/Department: _____ Starting date: _____

Name and address of organization: _____

3. QUALIFICATIONS

(Attach transcripts, with a complete record of the courses attended and examination results, for ALL tertiary level studies.
Transcripts and diplomas which are not in English should be accompanied by an English version.)

4. I WISH TO ENROL IN THE FOLLOWING COURSE(S)

(An occasional student is allowed to take a maximum of two single-semester courses in a semester.)

(BSTC6070 Research methodology in Buddhist Studies is **NOT** open to occasional students)

1st/ 2nd *semester BSTC

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5. TOTAL NUMBER OF COURSE(S) : _____

** Please delete as appropriate*

Date: _____ **Signature:** _____

Completed form should be returned to Centre of Buddhist Studies by email: buddhism@hku.hk

Offering letter and debit note of tuition fee(s) will be issued to successful applicants by email. For enquiries,
please contact: Tel: (852) 3917-5009 or buddhism@hku.hk