

. Evaluation – Student Exchange Programme (2024/25 Spring / Full Year Outgoing)

Welcome back to HKBU! We hope your semester abroad was educational, enlightening and enjoyable. We invite you to take a few minutes to complete this evaluation and provide your feedback. Your feedback is important for us to make continuous improvement to the Student Exchange Programme to benefit future participants. If you have any questions, please email the International Office at exchange@hkbu.edu.hk. Thank you.

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Q1. Last Name/ Surname

Q2. Given Name

Q3. HKBU Student ID

Q4. Academic Major

Chinese Language and Literature

Q5. Exchange Period

- Semester 1, 2024/25
- Semester 2, 2024/25
- Full Academic Year, 2024/25

Q6. Host Institution

Host Institution

Freie Universität Berlin

City

Berlin

Country

Germany

Q7. Do you agree if other HKBU students contact you regarding your exchange experience? If "yes", please provide your contact email address (other than your HKBU email address).

Q8. How would you rate your overall exchange experience?

	Very Satisfied (5)	Satisfied (4)	Neutral (3)	Dissatisfied (2)	Very Dissatisfied (1)
How would you rate your overall exchange experience?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q9. Overall, participating in the Student Exchange Programme at the host institution has enriched my educational experience by fulfilling my aspiration to gain exposure, foster better appreciation of inclusivity and deepen my domain knowledge.

	Strongly Agree (5)	Agree (4)	Neutral (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree
Overall, participating in the Student Exchange Programme at the host institution has enriched my educational experience by fulfilling my aspiration to gain exposure, foster better appreciation of inclusivity and deepen my domain knowledge. How would you rate your overall exchange experience?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q10. Would you recommend the Student Exchange Programme to your fellow students?

	Yes(3)	Maybe(2)	No(1)
Would you recommend the Student Exchange Programme to your fellow students?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q11. Do you agree that the exchange experience has increased your personal and professional growth, in particular in the following aspects?

	Strongly Agree (5)	Agree (4)	Neutral (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)
Self-confidence to be independent	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ability to adapt to new situations and tackle problems	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Global and intercultural outlook	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Cultural knowledge (understanding of difference cultures)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Building global networks	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Career prospects and life ambitions	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Interest in global issues	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Academic curiosity and diverse academic interests	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
A life-changing experience	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q12. Do you agree that the exchange experience has increased your experience, in particular in the following aspects?

	Strongly Agree (5)	Agree (4)	Neutral (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)
You immersed yourself in the host country's culture	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
You stepped out of your comfort zone and realized your potential	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
You enhanced your cross-cultural communication skills	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
You improved your foreign language skills	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q13. Were you satisfied with the following aspects of your academic experience at the host institution?

	Very Satisfied (5)	Satisfied (4)	Neutral (3)	Dissatisfied (2)	Very Dissatisfied (1)
Interactions with faculty members	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of course instructions / content	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Interactions with students in the classroom (e.g. class discussions, group projects)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Rigor and intellectual quality of the academic work (e.g. assignments, projects, exams)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall Academic Experience	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q14. Do you agree that the following aspects in your host institution are different from HKBU?

	Strongly Agree (5)	Agree (4)	Neutral (3)	Disagree (2)	Strongly Disagree (1)
Workload (in terms of coursework, reading assignment, mid-term, project works, examination)	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Assessment/Grading system	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality and attitude of fellow students	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of your lecturers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q15. What did you find most interesting or valuable about your academic experience at the host institution? (i.e., unique courses, teaching styles)

Teaching styles, it's not one-way teaching

Q16. Please list the courses you took during the exchange along with the units of credit/ECTS for each course. (Please provide Course names and/or codes **and** Units of Credits/ECTS) If a course does not apply, please indicate 'N/A'.

Course 1

Native Americans and German national identity/ 2ECTS/ 16913-525

Course 2

Oral Skills and Writing Skills 1/ 5 ECTS/ 54011-S25

Course 3

(German as a Foreign Language - Level A2 (A2.2+A2.2) - Course 2/ 10 ECTS/ 54626-S25

Course 4

V-Levels of Linguistic Analysis: Structures and Functions of Language/ 2 ECTS/ 17335-S25

Course 5

V-Culture - Gender - Media: Shakespeare in Contemporary Culture/ 2 ECTS/ 17631-S25

Course 6

GK-Surveying English Literatures/ 2ECTS/ 17314 S25

Course 7

GK-Medieval English Literatures: Middle English Poetry/ 2 ECTS/ 17326 S25

Course 8

N/A

Q17. Was the assessment/grading more difficult or easier than HKBU?

	Very Easy (5)	Easy (4)	Neutral (3)	Difficult (2)	Very Difficult (1)
Was the assessment/grading more difficult or easier than HKBU?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q18. How was the workload different from HKBU in terms of coursework, reading assignment, mid-term, project works, examination, etc?

The workload are the same, but they separate the time of exam and paper submission, which makes students have more time to prepare their studies.

Q19. Do you have any suggestions to future participants regarding subject selection/enrollment?

No

Q20. How satisfied were you with the following aspects of the programme at the host institution?

Very Satisfied (5) Satisfied (4) Neutral (3) Dissatisfied (2) Very Dissatisfied (1)

	Very Satisfied (5)	Satisfied (4)	Neutral (3)	Dissatisfied (2)	Very Dissatisfied (1)
Support from Host Institution	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Living Arrangement	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Food on Campus	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Buddy Programme	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Campus Facilities	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Extra-curricular Activities	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Overall Quality of above Aspects	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Q21. What type of living arrangements did you have?

- On-campus accommodation
- Off-campus accommodation
- Homestay
- Others (please elaborate)

Q22. Do you have any additional comments/suggestions on any of the above aspects?

Q23. What was your most rewarding experience abroad? [You may check (✓) more than one box.]

- Widened my social circles
- Improved my career prospects
- Gained new insights
- Developed my global and intercultural outlook
- Improved my analytical and critical thinking skills
- Gained self-confidence to be independent
- Enhanced my interpersonal communication skills
- Improved my foreign language skills
- Others (please elaborate)

Q24. What was the most challenging part of your experience abroad? [You may check (✓) more than one box.]

- Managing academic expectations
- Overcoming the language barrier
- Coping with cultural differences

- Feeling of being homesick
- Making friends is difficult
- Managing finances
- Safety and security issues in the exchange destination
- Others (please elaborate)

Q25. What is your best advice for fellow students who are planning to participate in the Student Exchange Programme?

No

Q26. How much did you spend on the following items?

Medical Check-up (if required for admissions and/or visa application) (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="0"/>
Insurance (e.g. travel, health, accidents) (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="9000"/>
Return Airfare (e.g. to host institution and return) (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="8000"/>

Q27. What were some of the living expenses?

- One Semester
- One Academic Year

Q28. How much did you spend on the following items?

Housing (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="35000"/>
Meals (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="20000"/>
Local Transportation (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="5000"/>
Utilities, Laundry, and Internet (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="5000"/>
Personal Spending (e.g. entertainment, etc) (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="20000"/>
Other Fees (please specify and include amount) (HK\$)	<input type="text" value="0"/>

Q29. Please let us know the process for student visa application

Visa Application Fee (HK\$)

1000

Processing Time

1 month

Q30. Were there other immigration procedures to follow up with the local authority upon arrival in your host country?

Yes (please elaborate briefly)

To report your home address to government, it's for free (Anmeldung)

No

Q31. Did you encounter any difficulties throughout the entire visa application process? What advice would you give to future participants?

Book appointment earlier , avoid those holiday period. Or else the administration process will delay.

Q32. Reflecting on your experience at the host institution, could you share some of the most memorable moments, and elaborate on what you took out most from this exchange? You might consider one or more of the following aspects:

- Cultural immersion and global connections
- Acquisition of knowledge
- Fostering an open mindset and diverse thinking
- Critical and creative thinking
- Multilingual and communication skills
- Teamwork and collaboration
- Inspiration to be a global citizen

Your insights will help us understand the impact of the programme on your personal and academic growth.

My exchange at Freie Universität Berlin was truly transformative. Immersing myself in Berlin's vibrant culture and studying alongside students from various backgrounds expanded my worldview and taught me to appreciate diverse perspectives. Engaging in group projects helped me develop teamwork and communication skills, while living in a multilingual environment improved my German. Most importantly, I gained confidence as a global citizen, inspired to think critically and connect with people from around the world. This experience has deeply enriched my academic and personal growth.