

**Career and Leadership Centre
Student Development Services
City University of Hong Kong**

Guidelines on HSBC Greater Bay Area (Hong Kong) Scholarship 2023/24

1. Programme Objective

With the aim of preparing Hong Kong's next generation for a future closely intertwined with the Greater Bay Area (GBA), the HSBC Greater Bay Area (Hong Kong) Scholarship was established in 2020-21. This Scholarship encourages Hong Kong students to develop the necessary skills and knowledge to thrive in the GBA, fostering competitiveness, confidence, and employability as they embark on a successful and fulfilling career in the region.

2. The Award

Each awardee will receive a scholarship amount of HKD80,000 which is intended for uses that help realise the awardees' career plan in GBA. Awardees will also be offered:

- a. Membership in a network of past and current recipients of HSBC scholarships
- b. Opportunities to network with like-minded young professionals
- c. Mentorship as well as connections to related internship and learning opportunities

3. Eligibility

College / School / Academic Unit may nominate **full-time undergraduate students**, studying any discipline, who meet the following requirements:

- a. Hong Kong permanent residents with the right of abode in Hong Kong
- b. Minimum cumulative grade point average (CGPA) score of 3.0 or top 15% of class / department in the first semester of the current academic year
- c. Commitment to pursue employment, entrepreneurial endeavours, or advanced academic opportunities in the wider GBA

4. Selection Criteria

Students will be shortlisted and selected based on the following criteria:

- a. A realistic and an ambitious plan for a long-term career in the wider GBA
- b. An in-depth understanding of skills and knowledge required to achieve the career plan
- c. Candidates with a focus on strategic pillars (e.g. digital, innovation and technology, and green business) will have an advantage
- d. A future leader who demonstrates all-roundedness
- e. Commitment to be an active member of a community of HSBC Scholars

5. Application Process

- Application should be submitted to your College/School/Department. Please contact them for further details and nomination.
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an interview with HSBC by June 2024.
- As candidates are shortlisted and selected on a competitive basis, there is no guarantee that any, or all, candidates nominated will be invited to the interview or will receive a scholarship.

6. Announcement and Scholarship Payment

- Selection result will be announced with endorsement by the Hongkong Bank Foundation in June 2024.
- Payment of the scholarship award will be arranged via CLC afterwards.

7. Student Reports

Awardees are required to submit reports to reflect on their personal growth and learning journey towards their GBA aspirations.

8. Enquiries

For enquiries, please contact Career and Leadership Centre (CLC) via email at CLC.CareerCentre@cityu.edu.hk or call at 3442 5591 .