THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG Office of Summer Programmes

Information on student visa application for PRC citizens who are residing overseas

As requested by the Hong Kong Immigration Department, PRC citizens residing overseas need to declare which city and country they will be coming to Hong Kong from, by completing the 'Declaration Form' and 'Statement of Purpose' forms, when they apply for a student visa via the Office of Academic Links (OAL).

I. For those who have declared coming to Hong Kong directly from overseas

- 1. They only need to apply for a student visa to Hong Kong via OAL before coming to Hong Kong.
- 2. If their visa application is successful, a visa label will be issued to them. They are requested to affix the visa label on a blank page of their **PRC Passport** before entering Hong Kong from the city and country they previous declared.
- 3. When they use the visa label on their first landing in Hong Kong, a student visa stamp will be stamped onto their passport. With the stamp, they can leave and re-enter Hong Kong (including from mainland China) multiple times.

II. For those who have declared coming to Hong Kong directly from mainland China

Please refer to the information below.

Information on student visa application for PRC citizens who are residing in mainland China

- 1. They must first apply for a student visa to Hong Kong via OAL before coming to Hong Kong. If their visa application is successful, a visa label will be issued to them.
- 2. When they receive the visa label from OAL, they need to bring it together with a copy of their Confirmation of Acceptance Letter issued by CUHK to apply for (i) an Exit-entry Permit for Traveling to and from Hong Kong and Macao [來往港澳通行證] (if they do not have a valid one) and (ii) a Relevant Exit Endorsement [相關赴港簽注] (specifically for studying in Hong Kong) from the Public Security Bureau Office where their household registration is kept before departure to Hong Kong. <u>Application for these two documents normally takes 10 to 15 working days.</u>
- 3. They are requested to affix (1) the visa label and (2) the Relevant Exit Endorsement onto their **Exit-entry Permit for Traveling to and from Hong Kong and Macao** [來往港澳通行證] before entering Hong Kong from mainland China.
- 4. When they use the visa label for entry into Hong Kong, a student visa stamp will be stamped on their Exit-entry Permit for Traveling to and from Hong Kong and Macao. With the stamp, they can leave and re-enter Hong Kong from mainland China multiple times.