Department of Computer Science
English Proficiency Test Sponsorship Scheme 2020-21

Background

The Department is launching the English Proficiency Test Sponsorship Scheme in 2020-21 to encourage students to obtain the qualification on English capability by taking the widely accepted English language tests, namely the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) (Academic Module) and Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), which comprehensively assess students' English level in the aspects of reading, writing, speaking and listening.

Objectives

- To prepare students to pursue postgraduate studies in overseas institutions, that often require applicants to provide English proficiency test results in the application process to demonstrate their English ability.

- To give students an added advantage in their job applications when looking for employment in corporations/ professional organizations that require applicants to demonstrate high level of English proficiency so as to work effectively in a multi-national environment.

Eligibility and Financial Support

All BSc Computer Science students are welcome to apply.

The test dates should fall into the financial year for 2020-2021, preferably between 1 July 2020 and 1 June 2021 to allow sufficient time to process the reimbursement.

To incentivise students to achieve better results, the amount of sponsorship is determined based on the test results, as tabled below.

IELTS (Academic Module) overall band score	TOFEL (Internet-based test) score	Amount of sponsorship
7.5 or above	102 or above	Full sponsorship
7.0	94 - 101	80% of the test fee
6.0 or 6.5	60 – 93	60% of the test fee

For students who take IELTS or TOFEL tests outside Hong Kong, the sponsorship is calculated based on the actual test fee, or the test fee charged in Hong Kong, whichever is lower.

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The financial support is granted on a reimbursement basis. Students who are eligible to receive the sponsorship are required to provide the following to the Department latest **by 15 June 2021**. A link will be sent to registered students to collect the required information.

- bank information to receive the sponsorship via bank transfer
- IELTS/ TOFEL test results
- receipt of the IELTS/TOFEL test fee

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