



Hong Kong Student Services Association



Hong Kong Outstanding Tertiary Students' Services Association

Outstanding Service Awards for Tertiary Students 2021/2022

Guidelines for Applicants

1. Background

The Outstanding Service Awards for Tertiary Students (Award) were introduced in 1991 to recognize tertiary students with outstanding leadership and significant contribution to the community. The award selection is co-organized by the Hong Kong Student Services Association (HKSSA) and the Hong Kong Outstanding Tertiary Students' Services Association (HKOTSSA). Around 20 students are selected each year.

2. Eligibility

2.1 All students enrolled in full-time University Grants Committee (UGC) undergraduate programmes from the following institutions may apply:

- City University of Hong Kong (CityU);
- Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU);
- Lingnan University (LU);
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK);
- The Education University of Hong Kong (EdUHK);
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU);
- The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST);
- The University of Hong Kong (HKU); and
- The Hong Kong Academy of Performing Arts (HKAPA).

2.2 All students from Hong Kong Shue Yan University (“HKSYU”), The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (“HSUHK”) and Hong Kong Metropolitan University (“MUHK”) (formerly Open University of Hong Kong) are also eligible for the Award.

2.3 Previous awardees and incoming exchange students are not eligible for the Award.



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2.4 Selection criteria:

- Proven record of leadership experiences and organizational skills;
- Outstanding contribution to fellow students, schools/institutions and/or the community;
- Active participation in extra-curricular activities;
- Satisfactory results in public examinations and current academic studies.

3. Application

- 3.1 Completed application forms must be submitted to the corresponding institutions by **18 March 2022 (Friday)**.
- 3.2 Applicants should complete all relevant sections in the form and follow the required format strictly. Any alternation of the application form may lead to disqualification of the application.
- 3.3 Incomplete application form, inaccurate or false statements may also result in disqualification.

4. Interview

Short-listed applicants will be invited to attend a servathon (preliminary interview) on **a Saturday at the end of May**, while the final interview will be held in early June (Interview details to be announced to respective applicants), **please kindly reserve the date**. Short-listed applicants will be notified two weeks before the interview. Applicants who do not receive an invitation to the interview may consider their application unsuccessful.

5. Orientation Programme

Orientation activities will be scheduled for the selected candidates, tentatively in **June 2022**. Selected candidates will have the chance to meet and build friendships with our previous awardees. The details will be announced after the interview.



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6. Engagement in Community Service

- 6.1 All selected candidates are required to participate in one of the HKOTSSA's existing community services between July and August 2022.
- 6.2 Selected candidates who will not be in Hong Kong or will have internships or other work commitments between July and August 2022 should discuss with the executive committee of HKOTSSA for alternative arrangements.
- 6.3 The details will be announced after the interview.

7. Awards Presentation Ceremony

Upon satisfactory completion of Engagement in Community Service, selected candidates will receive the Awards at the Awards Presentation Ceremony in October 2022. Selected candidates may not be awarded if they fail to join/complete the Engagement in Community Service.

8. Membership of HKOTSSA

All awardees will be invited to join HKOTSSA as members which was founded by the past recipients of the Award. Members will be given opportunities to meet alumni and advisors with rich experience in community services.



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9. Schedule

Application Deadline	18 March 2022 (Friday)
Notification of the Interview	Early May 2022
Servathon (preliminary interview)	Around late May 2022
Final interview	Around early June 2022
Release of Result	Around mid-June 2022
Orientation Activity	Late June 2022
Engagement in Community Service	July – August 2022
Award Presentation & Dinner	October 2022

10. Enquiries

Applicants may contact us at info.hkotssa@gmail.com if you have any enquiries. HKOTSSA will reply within three working days.

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