

Current Research Degree Student

- 1) I am a current UGC-funded RPG student, can I choose/apply for Ma On Shan Compound (MOS)?

Answer: For current eligible students admitted in Academic Year 2025/26 or before, hall residential places at Yip Yuen Yuk Hing Hall (Hall 8) and Jockey Club House (JCH) in the Kowloon Tong (KLNT) Compound will be allocated through a lot drawing mechanism. Students who wish to be considered for Hall 8/JCH should submit their hall application by the specified deadline.

It is strongly recommended that you submit a hall application for the KLNT Compound. This will ensure you do not miss the opportunity to join the lot-drawing exercise for KLNT compound.

**Only for current RPG residents at Ma On Shan (MOS) Compound**

Please approach H12/13 Hall Management Team (HMT) for details regarding Residence Master's Recommendations.

- 2) My commencement of study is 1 June 2026, can I apply for Student Residence?

Answer: Yes, you shall submit an application by the deadline if you wish to stay in the Student Residence in 2026/27. Lot-drawing mechanism shall be applied for hall residential places at Yip Yuen Yuk Hing Hall (Hall 8) /Jockey Club House (JCH) located in Kowloon Tong Compound.

- 3) I am planning study leave from July to September 2026. Can I apply for Student Residence?

Answer: Yes, you shall submit the hall application by the deadline if you wish to stay in the Student Residence.

- 4) The official check-in date for RPG halls in 2026/27 will start from 9:00am, 27 August 2026. Can I apply for early check-in?

Answer: No, you are advised to make alternative arrangements for your stay if you arrive before the date of your housing term, e.g., hotel accommodation.

- 5) I am a non-resident now. I will not be able to complete check-in within one week from 27 August 2026. Can I authorize my friend to complete the check-in procedures on my behalf or may I check in later?

Answer: Residents MUST complete the check-in procedures IN PERSON within ONE week from 27 August 2026. If you cannot do so, you can apply for a late check-in before a specific deadline. Please pay attention to the check-in email notification in due course. Special arrangement for late check-in will be made upon Student Residence Office's approval. For those who fail to apply for late check-in, their hall offers will be forfeited without prior notice.

- 6) I will apply for a late check-in on 1 October 2026. Will the hall lodging fee be charged from 1 October 2026?

Answer: The hall lodging fee will be charged from the first day of the residence period (i.e., 27 August 2026), even if your late check-in application has been approved.

- 7) I am a non UGC-funded/self-finance student. Can I apply for the student residence?

Answer: Full-time research degree students within their normal study period can apply for the Student Residence. However, higher priority will be given to those in UGC-funded programmes.

- 8) How much is the room rate for non-UGC students?

Answer: The hall lodging fees for research degree students are listed on [Fees and Payments](#). A surcharge of 25% will be levied on students of non-UGC-funded programmes.

The room rate is imposed based on your student type (UGC or Non-UGC) as shown in AIMS.

- 9) I am a PhD student, and living in Hall-8, Single Room. I would like to stay at Jockey Club House in 2026/27. How can I apply for a bedplace in Jockey Club House?

Answer: Students may indicate their preference for room types located in Jockey Club House in the hall application. Bedplace and room-type allocation will be conducted by lot-drawing, subject to availability.

- 10) I am a Hall 8 resident and stay in lower floor. I want to stay in Hall 8 but upper floor. Can I indicate that I prefer to pick the room facing East/South on upper floor? Is there a guarantee I can get the bedplace in Hall 8?

Answer: Students can only indicate their hall and room type preference. The room will be randomly assigned and requests on particular room/floor or special conditions of room will NOT be entertained. There is no guarantee that current residents will be assigned to the current room even though they get the hall offer of

the same room type in the same hall.

- 11) My wife and I are current research degree students within the normal study period. How can we apply for a married couple unit?

Answer: Both you and your wife should complete and submit the online application form individually. In the meantime, please email [sropga@cityu.edu.hk](mailto:sropga@cityu.edu.hk) within the hall application period, enclosing a copy of your marriage certificate.

Please note that students who do not submit hall applications will not be eligible for this arrangement. If both of you are successfully allocated a residence place of the same period in the KLNT compound, your request will be considered. However, there is no guarantee that self-contained studio units will be granted to you both.

- 12) I have been allocated a double room. Can I give up this hall offer and request to be placed on the waiting list for a single room in Hall 8?

Answer: NO. Allocation of hall/room types is by lot-drawing. If you do not accept the allocated hall/room type, your hall offer will be forfeited and released to applicants on the waiting list.

- 13) I am assigned a bedplace in a double room and my friend is assigned a bedplace in a single room. May we swap the bedplace?

Answer: The request for room swapping will NOT be entertained before check-in, and it will only be entertained between 3<sup>rd</sup> October and 30<sup>th</sup> April within the Kowloon Tong (KLNT) Compound and between residents of the same gender.

- 14) Can I change the preference of room and hall after submission of my application?

Answer: You can make amendments to your online application (by yourself) before the application deadline. No amendment is allowed afterwards. Students have full responsibility to check the changed information on the application form after the amendment.

- 15) Can I choose my own roommate/ suite-mate(s)?

After paying the confirmation fee, you can indicate your roommate/ suite-mate preference via the hall application system before the deadline mentioned in your result email. In case you have any special preference (e.g., health, living style), you are strongly advised to pair up and indicate your roommate /suite-mate (based on your assigned room type). Student Residence Office will accommodate as far as possible but no guarantee. Those students without indicating their preference will be

randomly assigned by the system. Final room assignments will be subject to room availability and hall admission policies.

However, NO preferences will be entertained if you're receiving a hall offer through the top-up or ad-hoc round.

16) I was on the waitlist last year. Will I get a higher priority this year?

**Answer:** The hall application is administered on a yearly basis. Lot-drawing is used in allocating residence places to all eligible applicants. For the lottery process, all applicants are put into the lottery system on the basis of equal opportunity. The application result and the tier of waiting list are based on the Lot-drawing result.