

Frequently Asked Questions

Q: Am I allowed to extend my stay for personal travel after the field trip ends?

A: Extensions of stay for personal travel are permitted subject to approval. Students must discuss their plans with the course teacher before making any travel arrangements.

Q: Is the course open to all HKU students?

A: This course is open to English majors and minors only. Year 1 students intending to declare a major or minor in English Studies may contact the School Office to request special consideration, provided they will meet the prerequisites prior to the field trip.

Q: I am a final-year student graduating this summer. Will the summer assignment deadline affect my graduation timeline or attendance at the congregation?

A: We understand your concern regarding the timeline. Final-year students who need to complete their programme requirements by June 2027 should contact the School Office as soon as possible to request special arrangements regarding the final assignment of the course.

Q: Do I need to arrange my own visa for the UK?

A: Yes. Students are fully responsible for checking their own visa requirements based on their nationality and passport type. The department can provide an official support letter confirming your enrollment in the course, but you must manage and fund the application process yourself well in advance.

Q: What is the overall cost for the field trip?

The estimated gross cost for the field trip is approximately HKD21,000 to 24,000 per person, excluding personal shopping and leisure activities. The itemized budget breakdown is as follows:

- Round-trip flights: HKD 7,500 – 9,500

- Accommodation (13 Nights): HKD 6,500 – 7,000 (~HKD 500 per night for a twin room in a hostel or university residence)
- UK inter-city rail & transit: HKD 2,500
- Meals & subsistence: HKD 4,000 – 4,500
- Travel insurance & UK ETA: HKD 500

Your actual out-of-pocket expenses may be substantially reduced depending on available financial subsidies as well as final student enrollment numbers.