



比較教育研究中心

COMPARATIVE EDUCATION RESEARCH CENTRE



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“Learning to Live Together & Comparative Education”

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Venue

- Details forthcoming

The Hong Kong Institute of Education (HKIEd), Tai Po Campus, Tai Po, New Territories, Hong Kong SAR

Airport Transportation

- Forthcoming

Health

Upon arrival in Hong Kong, automatic sensors will take your temperature at the Hong Kong International Airport and boundary control points, and if it is high, you will be required to have a quick health check.

Vaccination certificates are usually not required. Check with your local carriers because requirements may change.

Tap water is soft in character and conforms to the guidelines for drinking-water quality recommended by the World Health Organization. However, most people prefer to drink bottled water. Mineral water including major imported brands is readily available from supermarkets and convenience stores.

As an international city, Hong Kong has world-class hospitals providing outstanding care. Visitors using Accident and Emergency services in Hong Kong public hospitals are charged a set fee of HK\$570 per attendance, but will always be treated even if they cannot pay immediately. Participants are recommended to buy their travel/health insurance before departure.

Internet

Free and unlimited WiFi Internet Access is available on the campus of the University. Free WiFi service is available at HK International Airport.

Currency Exchange

Hong Kong's unit of currency is dollar. There are notes of \$1000, \$500, \$100, \$50, \$20 and \$10 and coins of \$10, \$5, \$2, \$1, 50 cents, 20 cents and 10 cents.

Daily exchange rates are listed in banks, newspapers and hotels. You can exchange your money at the airport or in banks.

Climate

From December to February, it is the winter time in Hong Kong. The weather is cool, dry and cloudy, with occasional cold fronts. The temperature can drop below 10°C in urban areas.

Average Temperature: 12 °C – 20 °C

You can find 7-day weather forecast at the Hong Kong Observatory (<http://www.hko.gov.hk/wxinfo/currwx/fnd.htm>) website.

Electrical Voltage

The standard electrical voltage in HK is 220 volts AC, 50HZ, so 100-volt appliances and electrical equipment require an adaptor. Also, note that most electric sockets in Hong Kong take a three-pronged plug. Inexpensive adaptors are available in Hong Kong.

Passport and Visa Arrangement

In general, all visitors to Hong Kong must have a passport that is valid for at least one month after the period of their intended stay in Hong Kong.

Nationals of most countries do not require visas and can stay for periods varying from 7 days to 180 days, depending on nationality. If unsure of status, check with any Chinese embassy or consulate (<http://www.fmprc.gov.cn/eng/wjz/zwjg/default.htm>). Please check the details about visa requirements on Immigration Department's website (<http://immd.gov.hk/ehhtml/home.htm>). Please ensure that you have the proper visa and travel documents before departure.

Telecommunication

Telephone

Telecommunications in Hong Kong are efficient and sophisticated. Local private landline calls are free and cost only HK\$1 for five minutes from public telephones. Hotels usually take a charge.

International Direct Dial (IDD) service to most countries and regions of the world is available at most of the hotels in Hong Kong.

Mobile / Cell phone

Using your mobile phone in Hong Kong is convenient as most of the wireless systems used around the world – like GSM 900, PCS 1800, CDMA and WCDMA – operate in Hong Kong.

Mobile operators in Hong Kong also have roaming agreements with most overseas operators, enabling visitors to use their own mobile phone when they come to Hong Kong. Before leaving home check with your network provider to make sure they have a roaming service to the various destinations you will be visiting, and be sure to check pricing.

You can also purchase local SIM cards when you arrive in Hong Kong, at the airport or in town.

For more information on telecommunications and mobile apps, visit the Hong Kong Tourism Board website (<http://www.discoverhongkong.com/eng/plan-your-trip/practicalities/communications/index.jsp>)

