Programmes subsidised under Subsidy Schemes 1 & 2 Justifications of applications to increase tuition fee beyond inflation rate as approved by Education Bureau

(as at 4 January 2018)

Institution	Increase in Tuition Fee	Justifications for Approved Applications		
2015/16 Academic Year (AY) (Only subsidised programmes under Subsidy Scheme 2 are included)				
The Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK)	48.0% - 78.1%	In addition to inflation, OUHK planned to enhance the academic quality of four subsidised programmes, including increase the number of senior academic staff and learning staff-student ratio, enhance and upgrade various learning and laboratory facilities, increase the number of support staff, and enhance library facilities, etc, involving an expenditure of \$200 million, in which \$140 million would be used to enhance the nursing programmes. The tuition fee level of the programmes charged at the time was actually lower than those of similar programmes in the market. Furthermore, OUHK has committed that the tuition fee level would remain the same for 2015/16, 2016/17 and 2017/18 Academic Years (AYs) admission.		
Tung Wag College (TWC)	9.6%	In addition to inflation, TWC planned to enhance teaching facilities in phases for the nursing programme starting from the 2015/16 AY, including enhancement of laboratory facilities and increase in library subscription.		
2016/17 AY (Only subsidised programmes under Subsidy Scheme 2 are included)				
Caritas Institute of Higher Education	8.1%	In addition to inflation, CIHE would construct new nursing laboratories and enhance		

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(CIHE)		laboratory facilities for the Bachelor of Nursing (Honours) programme.		
Vocational Training Council - Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong (VTC-THEi)	12.9%	In addition to inflation, the increase in the tuition fee would be used by VTC-THEi to acquire additional equipment and enhance laboratory facilities, as well as hiring of additional staff for the Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Civil Engineering programme.		
2017/18 AY (Only subsidised programmes under Subsidy Scheme 2 are included)				
Tung Wah College (TWC)	10.0%	In addition to inflation, TWC would enhance the teaching and learning quality of the Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Medical Laboratory Science and Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Radiation Therapy programmes, including the hiring of additional teaching staff, increasing the teaching staff-student ratio and strengthening of the clinical practicum, etc.		
Vocational Training Council - Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong (VTC-THEi)	3.2% - 3.3%	The increase in the tuition fees of the seven designated programmes would be slightly higher than inflation. In addition to inflation, the increased tuition fee would be used to arrange subject-related overseas study trips and enhance teaching resources.		
2018/19 AY (Subsidised programmes under Subsidy Scheme 1 and Subsidy Scheme 2 are included)				
Hang Seng Management College (HSMC)	3.4% - 4.5%	In addition to inflation, HSMC would utilise the increased tuition fees to employ additional faculty members for Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) in Supply Chain Management, Bachelor of Arts (Honours) in Applied and Human-Centred Computing programmes, Bachelor of Management Science and Information Management, Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Actuarial Studies and Insurance; and to enhance the		

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		teaching facilities for Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Data Science and Business Intelligence. Furthermore, the increased tuition fees would be used to provide more academic exchange and academic research opportunities for students and to increase the overall staff-student ratio of the institution.
HKCT Institute of Higher Education (CTIHE)	2.9%	The increase in tuition fees will be used to enhance supporting services for students' development.
The Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK)	17.9% - 18.9%	The proposed increase of tuition fees was within the inflation rate. However, some programmes involves other fees, among these programmes, the total programme fees of business school programmes increase by 18.9%. It is mainly due to the inclusion of a new element – Global Immersion Programme (GIP) to the programmes in the 2018/19 AY. After deducting the GIP fee, the increase in the tuition fee for the 2018/19 AY would be 2.4%, which is similar to the increase in tuition fee of other self-financing undergraduate degree programmes of the institution. As for the GIP arrangement, OUHK allows business school students to choose to join GIP in the 2017/18 AY on a pilot basis to participate in a series of overseas exchange and academic activities at \$11,500 per academic year. In the 2018/19 AY, OUHK incorporates the GIP into the curriculum. Students enrolled in the programme must participate in the GIP at \$11,775 per academic year (a 2.4% increase in the GIP cost).

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Tung Wah College (TWC)	3.0% - 8.8%	In addition to inflation, the increase in the tuition fees would be used to build a laboratory for the Bachelor of Education (Honours) in Early Childhood Education programme, to acquire new laboratory equipment and enhance teaching resources for the Bachelor of Health Science (Honours) in Nursing, Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Medical Laboratory Science and Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Radiation Therapy programmes and to provide additional teaching staff and improve staff-student ratio for the Bachelor of Science (Honours) in Occupational Therapy programme.
Vocational Training Council - Technological and Higher Education Institute of Hong Kong (VTC-THEi)	3.6% - 10.7%	In addition to inflation, the increase in tuition fees will be used to improve the staff-student ratio, to build a Building Information Modelling Innovation Hub for Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Environmental Engineering and Management and Bachelor of Engineering (Honours) in Building Services Engineering programmes, and to increase the number of workshops and laboratories as well as supporting staff for five subsidised programmes. Furthermore, the increase in tuition fees would bring more exchange opportunities for the students of the institution, and to enhance the library facilities.