

The Dennis and Anne Beaver Foundation
Scholarship of Study & Travel Summer Programme to France

Objective

The scholarship aims at helping one student studying French at the HKBU Language Centre to join a French language intensive course in France in the summer of 2018. Candidates must have a passion for learning French, good academic results in French, as well as a real financial need. The scholarship is offered by the Dennis and Anne Beaver Foundation (the Foundation), based in Bakersfield, California.

Scholarship amount

The successful candidate will receive a scholarship of about HK\$23-26,000. The scholarship will cover:

- Tuition fees for a 4-week French learning Summer Programme in France (The programme will be selected by the Language Centre, HKBU);
- Air-fare from Hong Kong to the city where the programme will take place;
- Accommodation with a French family;
- Insurance fees;
- Living allowance (including daily commute to the university).

Eligibility & Criteria

Applicants must:

- be full-time local¹ students in any year of their undergraduate programmes (UGC-funded Programmes only).
- have good academic results in French Courses offered by HKBU Language Centre.
- have limited financial means.
- not have travelled to France previously.

The Hong Kong Baptist University will nominate a maximum of 3 candidates for the Foundation's Final selection. The final candidates will be interviewed by the Foundation's Selection Board.

Note 1: Students who are Hong Kong Permanent Residents. This does **not** cover students staying in Hong Kong holding student visas.

Application

Applicants are required to fill in an application form and submit it with an essay in French, and the following supporting documents (if applicable):

Personal Particulars

- Copy of HKID Card
- Copy of Student ID Card
- Academic results of all the French Courses that have been completed at HKBU, including Credit-bearing and Supplementary courses.
- *Photos of yourself and your family in your apartment.

Personal Financial Situation

- *Bank passbook/statements, including the page showing the account holder's name, account number and balance for the period of (Nov 2017- Jan 2018)
- Confirmation letter of Government grant/loan application results.

Family Financial circumstances and others

- *Proof of family debt with explanation of the cause of debt
- *Proof of excessive or long-term medical expenses
- *Income proof of applicant and household members for the period of April 2017 to Jan 2018
- *Any other documents that can prove any family adversities and/or special difficulties.

* These documents can be submitted later for the final interview if you are selected.

Application Deadline and other dates:

The completed application form (*Please click to download the Words file*) together with relevant supporting documents should be submitted to the General Office of the Language Centre at OEE1203, OEN Hall East, HSH Campus **on or before March 1st, 2018 (Thursday)**.

The final interview with the Foundation's selection board will take place during the following week (March 19th to 23rd, 2018). The successful candidate will be informed on or before April 2nd, 2018.

Enquiry:

For enquiries, please contact Mr. Jean-Luc Rey (reyjeanl@hkbu.edu.hk / 3411 5824) or Ms. Mian Ho (mianho@hkbu.edu.hk / 3411 2289).

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Application Form

A. –Personal Particulars

Name (Mr/Miss):			
Student No:	HKID Card No:		
Department:	Year of Study:		
Date of Birth:	Mobile No:		
Email address:			
Correspondence address :			

B. – Academic performance

French Courses (Credit and Supplementary) have been taken

	Year, Semester	Course Code	Course Name	Grade
1	20 -20 , Semester			
2	20 -20 , Semester			
3	20 -20 , Semester			
4	20 -20 , Semester			
5	20 -20 , Semester			

C. – Financial Situation and Family Background

(i) Applicant's financial situation

Income	Expenses
Gov't Grant \$, Loan \$	Tuition \$, Books \$
Scholarships \$, Bursaries \$	Hostel Fee \$
Non-means tested Loan \$	Living Expense \$
Travel allowance \$	Transportation \$
Other income \$ (Please specify)	Other expenses \$ (Please specify)

(ii) Family Background

Name of Father:	
Occupation:	
Name of Mother:	
Occupation:	
Remarks about family background:	

(iii) Family's financial situation (if applicable)

Total family monthly income :	
Adversities (e.g. Unemployment, retirement, disability of parent, broken family, death of parents, abandonment by parents, etc.) :	
Prolonged medical expenses (what kind of illness and amount per month) :	
Family debt burden (reason and amount) :	
Other special difficulties :	

D. Essay in French

Please select a topic and write an essay in French:

- (1) Why studying French is important to me at the present time and in my future?
- (2) Describe Chinese New Year and why it is so important to family life?

E. Photo of me and my family

F. Declaration

I, _____ (applicant's name), a student of Hong Kong Baptist University in the Faculty of _____, declare that all the information provided by me in support of my application for the scholarship are true and correct, including all supplementary information.

Signature : _____ Date : _____

Note to applicants: The personal data / information provided in this application will be handled by the Language Centre of HKBU and will only be released to the Selection Board of Scholarship, including the members of The Dennis and Anne Beaver Foundation. All data of unsuccessful applicants will be destroyed after the selection.