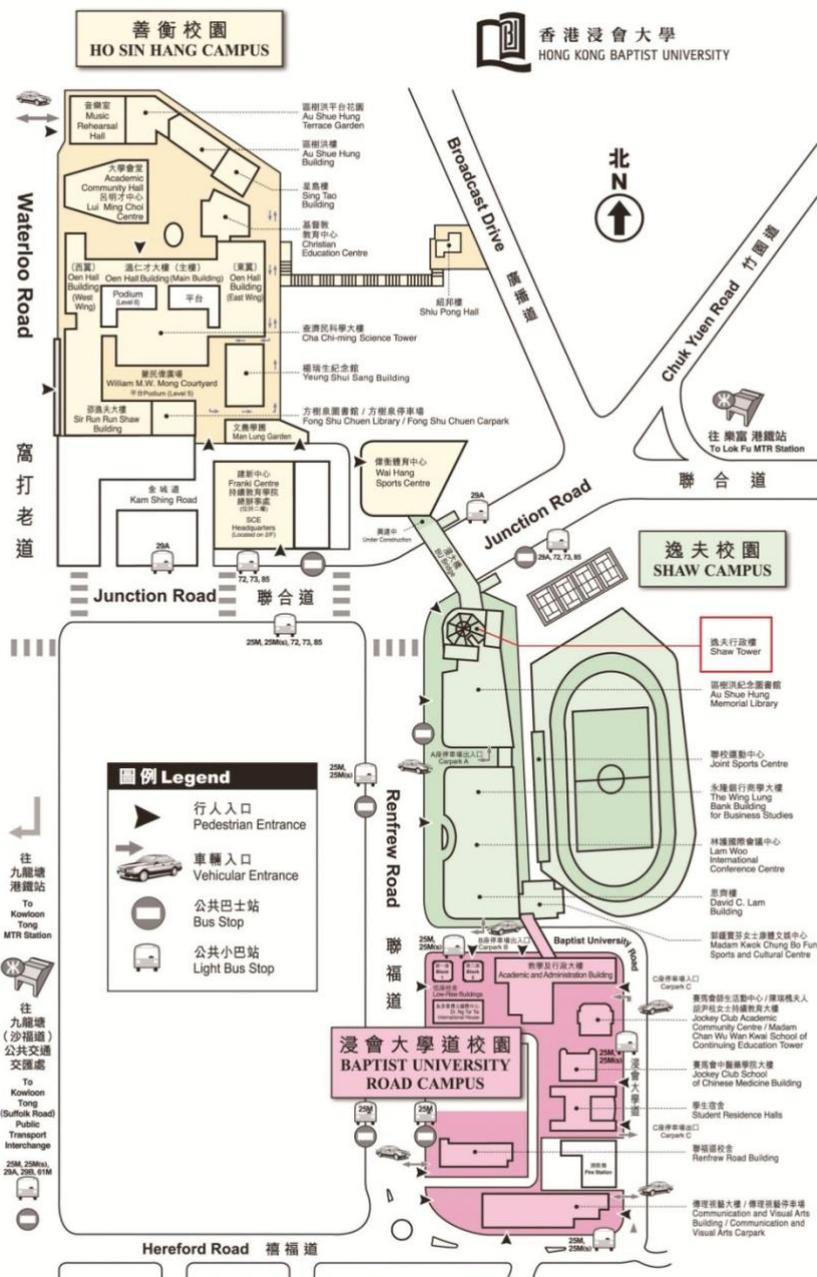


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HONG KONG

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## Venue

Council Chamber (SWT 501), 5/F, Shaw Tower, Shaw Campus, Hong Kong  
Baptist University



## Accommodation Information

NTT International House, Hong Kong Baptist University

吳多泰博士國際中心 · 香港浸會大學

Address: 32 Renfrew Road, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon, Hong Kong

香港九龍塘聯福道 32 號

Phone: (852) 3411 2039

Google Map: <https://goo.gl/maps/1ZDVFGZkkXP2>

## Location of NTT International House



\* Please ignore the workshop venue above. It is for another event but this map is the best to show NTT International House ☺

## To / From Airport

### *Bus (HK\$18) (60-90 minutes)*

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Taking a bus to/from the Airport is the most economical and special way. You can enjoy the nice scenery on your way to the airport and also experience the energetic side of the city in a double-deck bus. If you want to arrive at Hong Kong Baptist University, you should take **E22**.

Bus number: E22

Direction: Asia-World Expo -> Lam Tin (North)

Fare: HK\$18

Get on at: Airport (Ground Transportation Centre)

Get off at: Kam Shing Road, Junction Road



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Reminder: When you get into a bus in Hong Kong, you must pay in exact fare. Please prepare your octopus card or coins beforehand. You can purchase an octopus card at customer service centre of the MTR (the Hong Kong metro system) at the airport.

### *Airport Express (HK\$60- 105) (20-25 minutes)*

For arrival: Heading to the HKBU, you may take the Airport Express from the airport to three stations in the city.

Although it takes shorter time to get to the city centre, the journey might be complicated as multiple transits are involved to the university. You can take a taxi (around \$60-80) at Kowloon station, where is the closest to HKBU. Or you can transfer at Tsing Yi station for Tsuen Wan line and then Kwun Tong Line, heading to Kowloon Tong station. However, you will then need to take a minibus 25M(S) from Kowloon Tong station to our campus. It is therefore not recommended when you first arrive in the city.

For departure: For your convenience, there is the option of checking in for your flight at the Hong Kong MTR Station, where most airlines provide a check-in desk. If you are travelling by Airport Express, you will be able to check-in your luggage and pick up your boarding pass here. This service is available at the earliest one day before your flight and up to 90 minutes before the scheduled departure. For more information, visit:

[http://www.mtr.com.hk/en/customer/services/airport\\_express\\_index.html](http://www.mtr.com.hk/en/customer/services/airport_express_index.html)

### *Taxi (HK\$200-HK\$300) (30-45 minutes)*

The easiest way to go to/from the airport is taking a taxi. It will cost you around HK\$250-HK\$350 to HKBU from the airport. The journey will take you around 30-45 minutes. Some charging frauds have been reported recently, specifically, charging more fees than the actual service distance. Please be aware that,



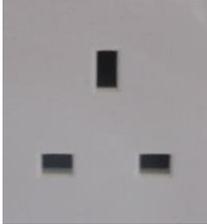
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according to the local law, taxi fare should be clearly stated in the taxi meters in HK dollar (not in US\$!!!). If you have any doubt, you may ask the any staff (receptionist at the guesthouse) at HKBU for help. However, if you are travelling in a group like 2-3 people, it is the most comfortable way to arrive at our campus.

## Information about Hong Kong

Name:	Since 1997, Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (HKSAR) has been a part of the PR China
Size of territory:	1098 km <sup>2</sup> ; Hong Kong Island (77,5 km <sup>2</sup> ); Kowloon (45,5 km <sup>2</sup> ); New Territories with 235 small islands (955 km <sup>2</sup> )
Climate during the fair:	Warm and humid Average temperature: 23°C (73°F) relative humidity: 82% indoor areas are air-conditioned in a temperature of 19°C -23°C
Population:	7.482 million (estimated as of 2019)
Language:	Cantonese, English
Time zone:	GMT +8
Currency:	Hong Kong Dollar (HKD) Exchange rate (14/03/2019): 1 HKD = € 0.11                      1 € = HKD 8.89 1 HKD =1 USD 0.13.                1 USD= 7.85
International calling code:	Hong Kong: +852 Macao: +853 China: +86

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<p>Electricity:</p>	 <p>200/220 volts</p>
<p>Telephone / Mobile phone:</p>	<p>Prepaid cards at <i>New World Mobility, One2Free, 3</i> and <i>PCCW</i>. You can also purchase it in a convenience store like 7-Eleven or Circle K.</p>
<p>Opening hours:</p>	<p>Shops: daily 10 a.m. - 9 p.m.</p> <p>Museums: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.; closed on Tuesdays or Thursdays; free admission on Wednesdays</p> <p>Offices: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.</p> <p>Banks: weekdays 9 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.</p>
<p>Security / Health:</p>	<p>While tap water in Hong Kong is drinkable, the piping system, particularly in older buildings may compromise the cleanliness of the water. Bottled water or boiling the water for about 20 minutes before drinking is therefore recommended.</p> <p>Fruits and vegetables should be thoroughly washed before consumption, and preferably peeled.</p> <p><b>In an emergency, call: 999</b></p>

## Public Transport

### *MTR (Mass Transit Railway)*

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The MTR is Hong Kong's metro system and the most popular and convenient means of transport. The trains run to the Hong Kong Island, Kowloon, the New Territories and to Lantau Island (where the airport is situated).

Tickets can be purchased at the MTR stations. While single-trip tickets are available, the easiest way is to buy an *Octopus Card*—a contactless stored-value smart card that can be used in almost all public transport systems (buses, trams etc...; excluding taxis), convenience stores, fast-food restaurants, bakeries and supermarkets. You can buy the card at any MTR station for HK\$150 (HK\$50 refundable deposit + HK\$100 stored value). The stored value can be topped up in MTR stations service desks, adding-value machines and convenience stores (7-Eleven, Circle K).

\*Please see Appendix MTR System Map

### *Tramway*

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The tramway runs on northern Hong Kong Island between Shau Kei Wan and Kennedy Town, with a route circulating Happy Valley. The system comprises of exclusive double-deck trams, and has operated since 1904; it is one of the earliest forms of public transportation in Hong Kong.

Regardless of distance, only HK\$2.30 will be charged for each adult passenger. Operation hours: 6 a.m.—Midnight



### *Ferry*

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Ferry connects Hong Kong with most of the outlying islands. There are 2 ferry piers on the Hong Kong Island: Central, near Hong Kong MTR station, and Wanchai, near the Hong Kong Convention & Exhibition Centre.

Franchised Star Ferry provides regular ferries from both piers to Tsim Sha Tsui and to Hung Hom on the Kowloon peninsula.

### *Bus*

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The bus system can be somewhat difficult to understand, as there are three bus operators in the city, offering different routes. The Hong Kong Tourist Association distributes leaflets with the most important routes for tourists, and general information about each bus route is available at each bus stop. You are highly recommended to download a new app for Kowloon Moto Bus (KMB) and Long Win which provides real time information on the bus schedule, nearby bus terminus, and route information.



### *Minibus*

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Beside regular bus there is also minibus. There are 16 seats in each minibus, it is not recommended to take minibus because there is less information regarding routes and stops available, and the drivers understand usually Cantonese only.

### *Taxis*

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The taxis on Hong Kong Island and in Kowloon are red with a silver roof, in the New Territories green with a white roof and on Lantau blue with a white roof. The taxi meter starts at HK\$24 for the most commonly seen 'red-colored taxi'. Crossing the harbour tunnels and additional pieces of luggage will incur extra fees.

Caution: Some charging frauds have been reported recently, specifically, charging more fees than the actual service distance. Please be aware that, according to the local law, taxi fare is clearly stated on the taxi meters in HK dollar (**not in US dollar or other currencies!!!**).



## Sightseeing

### *Victoria Peak*

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In the days before air conditioning, the cooler temperatures on Victoria peak during Hong Kong's subtropical summers made the area a desirable retreat for Hong Kong's more affluent residents. Today, it is the biggest tourist attraction in Hong Kong. Up on the peak, you can enjoy a spectacular view of the city and harbours. The peak is accessible by the famously steep Peak Tram funicular, by taxi and car or, for the more athletic types, by walking up the steep Old Peak Road from midlevels, which begins near the Zoological Botanical Gardens. There are several restaurants on Victoria Peak. One of the most famous restaurants, the Peak Lookout Restaurant, is housed in an older, more traditional building, which was originally a rooming house for engineers working on the Peak Tramway, later rebuilt in 1901 as a stop for sedan chairs.

Getting there: with the Peak Tram from Garden Road (Return fare: HK\$ 40 / Bus 15 from Admiralty

Opening hours: daily 7 a.m.— midnight (Peak Tram)

### *A Symphony of Lights*

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This multimedia display is named the "World's Largest Permanent Light and Sound Show" by Guinness World Records. It has been further expanded to include more than 40 buildings on both sides of Victoria Harbour. The show creates an all-round vision of coloured lights, laser beams and searchlights performing a stunning, unforgettable spectacle synchronized to music and narration that celebrates the energy, spirit and diversity of Hong Kong.

Date & Time: nightly 8 p.m.

Vantage Points:

1. On the promenade outside the Golden Bauhinia Square in Wan Chai



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2. Aboard a harbour cruise

Admission: free

*Western Market*

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Western Market is one of the oldest structures in Sheung Wan, and with its Edwardian style structure, the oldest surviving market building in the city. Apart from Bavarian and Chinese bakeries, on the first floor there is a wide range of cloth and textiles for sale. The top floor is a restaurant featuring dancing and live music.

Getting there: MTR Sheung Wan, exit B or C; by bus or tram along Des Voeux Road to Connaught Road, Sheung Wan

Opening hours: daily 10 a.m.—7 p.m.

*Flagstaff House Museum of Tea Ware*

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The Flagstaff House is the oldest colonial-style building remaining in HK (completed in 1846). It is located within the Hong Kong Park. It was a longtime residence of the Commander of the British forces in Hong Kong during colonial times. Today, the Flagstaff House houses the Museum of Tea Ware. The museum specializes in the collection, study and display of tea ware, including many examples of the Yixing teapot, from China's Jiangsu Province.

Getting there: MTR Admiralty, exit F, by bus or tram along Queensway to Pacific Place to Hong Kong Park, Central

Opening hours: Thursday - Tuesday 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Admission: free

*Hong Kong Museum of History*

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The Hong Kong Museum of History is a museum which preserves HK's historical and cultural heritage. The museum was established by the Urban Council in July 1975 when the City Museum of Art. The museum's collections encompass the following fields: natural history, archaeology, ethnography and local history.



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Getting there: MTR Station Tsim Sha Tsui, exit B2

Opening hours: Monday, Wednesday to Friday: 10am - 6pm

Saturday, Sunday and public holidays: 10am - 7pm

Closed on Tuesdays (except public holidays)

Admission: HK\$10

### *Wong Tai Sin Temple*

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The Wong Tai Sin Temple is one of HK's most famous shrines. The 18,000-m<sup>2</sup> Taoist temple is dedicated to Wong Tai Sin, otherwise known as the Great Immortal Wong. The temple is located on the southern side of Lion Rock in the north of Kowloon. On the main altar of the temple stands the painting of the Taoist god, which was originally brought to Hong Kong from Guangdong province in 1915. Because the shrine survived the Japanese occupation in the 1940s relatively unscathed, temple historians often describe the shrine as a miraculous structure.

The temple is famous for fortune telling and good wishes. To make a request to Wong Tai Sin, people light incense sticks, kneel before the main altar and make a wish. They then shake a bamboo cylinder containing fortune sticks until sticks falls out. This stick is exchanged for a piece of paper bearing the same number, and then the soothsayer interprets the fortune on the paper for the worshipper.

Getting there: MTR Station Wong Tai Sin, exit B

Opening hours: daily 7 a.m. - 5.30 p.m.

Admission: free



*Lan Kwai Fong & SoHo*

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When the lights go down, the ‘in crowd’ heads for Lan Kwai Fong. This buzzing centre of clubs, bars and restaurants in central is an L-shaped, cobble-stoned lane surrounded by Central’s cluster of skyscrapers. The SoHo area (South of Hollywood Road) is a continuation of this scene, offering a wide range of upmarket international restaurants and bars along Staunton Street, Elgin Street and Shelley Street. Here you can jump on what Guinness World Records calls the world’s longest covered escalator and experience the cosmopolitan atmosphere of this popular district.

Getting there: MTR Station Central, exit D2

*Ngong Ping Village* (Cable car service is suspended until for the rope replacement)

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Ngong Ping Village is set on a naturally scenic 1.5-hectare site on Lantau Island, adjacent to Hong Kong Big Buddha, Po Lin Monastery and Wisdom Path. This culturally-themed village has been designed and landscaped to reflect the cultural and spiritual integrity of the Ngong Ping area. Visitors are also treated to a diverse array of retail, dining and entertainment experiences.

Getting there: MTR Station Tung Chung, exit B

Opening hours: weekdays 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

weekends and public holidays 9:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.



