University Accountability Agreement (UAA) for 2022-25 Triennium

Sector-wide Performance Measures (PMs) (as at August 2024)

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)

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Abbreviations

Study Levels

SD Sub-degree

Ug Undergraduate

TPg Taught postgraduate

RPg Research postgraduate

MPhil Master of Philosophy

PhD Doctor of Philosophy

Others

UGC University Grants Committee

RGC Research Grants Council

CDCF Common Data Collection Format

CPD Continuing Professional Development

DCCG Departmental Cost Centre Group

FT Full-time

fte Full-time equivalent

GBA Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area

hc Headcount

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N.A. Not applicable

PM 1.1(a) Undergraduate satisfaction with the quality and value gained from their teaching and learning experience

PM 1.1(b) Undergraduate satisfaction with their overall learning environment

Notes:

- (i) This PM is based on standard UGC questions included in universities' annual graduate / student surveys. The latest available data from 2020/21 to 2022/23 academic years are presented below.
- (ii) For PM 1.1(a), the scores are based on the standard UGC question –

For 2020/21 academic year: "Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of my programme and the value which I have gained from my experience of teaching and learning, taking account of the teaching and staff support which I have received and the skills which I consider that I have developed as a result."

The question has been updated for 2021/22 academic year and after: "Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of my programme and my experience of teaching and learning, taking account of the support that I have received, as well as knowledge, skills and values that I have gained or acquired."

with a 5-point rating scale $(5 - Very \ satisfied; \ 4 - Satisfied; \ 3 - Neutral; \ 2 - Dissatisfied; \ 1 - Very \ dissatisfied; \ 0 - Not \ available \ (i.e. \ no \ response)).$

(iii) For PM 1.1(b), the scores are based on the standard UGC question –

For 2020/21 academic year: "Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of the overall learning environment, taking account of the learning resources such as the Library, IT access and study space and of the opportunities afforded to engage with other students."

The question has been updated for 2021/22 academic year and after: "Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of the learning environment, taking account of the learning resources, including Library, IT access, study space and the opportunities afforded to engage with other students."

with a 5-point rating scale (5 – Very satisfied; 4 – Satisfied; 3 – Neutral; 2 – Dissatisfied; 1 – Very dissatisfied; 0 – Not available (i.e. no response)).

CUHK PM 1.1 Ug satisfaction with teaching and learning experience

		Academic year		
		2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
	Ug students not admitted via senior year Ug places	3.81	3.79	3.79
PM 1.1(a)	Ug students admitted via senior year Ug places	3.83	3.93	3.85
	All Ug students	3.81	3.80	3.80
	Ug students not admitted via senior year Ug places	4.01	3.98	3.95
PM 1.1(b)	Ug students admitted via senior year Ug places	3.98	3.99	3.91
	All Ug students	4.01	3.98	3.94
No. of stude	ents responded to the questions	2 886-2 887	2 241-2 245	2 597-2 599
No. of targe	t students	4 125	3 975	3 840
Response ra	te of the questions	70%	56%	68%
Survey used	to collect data	Graduate Employment Survey		t Survey
Target respondents		2021 Ug graduates	2022 Ug graduates	2023 Ug graduates
Survey perio	od	October to December 2021	October to December 2022	October to December 2023

PM 1.2 Undergraduate employment success rate

- (i) UGC-funded universities conduct their individual annual graduate employment survey to collect data of graduate employment situation in the corresponding year.
- (ii) This PM presents the percentage of graduates seeking employment (i.e. excluding those who were not seeking employment for the time being, pursued further studies, emigrated or returned to place of origin) of UGC-funded FT Ug programmes who were in employment. The latest available data from 2020/21 to 2022/23 academic years are presented below.

	Academic year		
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
(a) No. of FT Ug graduates	4 125	3 975	3 840
(b) No. of responded FT Ug graduates	3 513	3 213	3 079
Response rate of the question [(b) / (a)]	85.2%	80.8%	80.2%
(c) No. of responded FT Ug graduates seeking employment	2 765	2 457	2 276
(d) No. of responded FT Ug graduates in employment	2 665	2 375	2 200
(e) No. of responded FT Ug graduates in FT employment	2 565	2 279	2 048
(f) No. of responded FT Ug graduates pursuing further studies	630	672	641
(g) No. of responded FT Ug graduates emigrated or returning to their country / place of origin	55	38	74
Percentage of FT Ug graduates in employment [(d) / (c)]	96.4%	96.7%	96.7%
Percentage of FT Ug graduates in FT employment [(e) / (c)]	92.8%	92.8%	90.0%
Percentage of FT Ug graduates pursuing further studies [(f) / (b)]	17.9%	20.9%	20.8%
Percentage of FT Ug graduates emigrated or returning to their country / place of origin [(g) / (b)]	1.6%	1.2%	2.4%

PM 1.3(a) Learning experience outside the classroom – Service learning activities

Notes:

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) PM 1.3(a) measures the percentage of undergraduate students (including both local and non-local students) who participated in service learning activities outside the classroom in the academic year concerned.
- (iii) Activities / experience are counted regardless of whether they are (a) credit-bearing / non-credit bearing; (b) formally assessed / not formally assessed; (c) part of the graduating requirements of the programmes or not; and / or (d) activities conducted within or outside Hong Kong. Online / virtual activities / experience are not included.
- (iv) Service learning activities include (a) those organised / co-organised by universities; and (b) those organised by other parties / student organisations, and the activity was recognised / approved by the university.

	Academic year	
	2021/22	2022/23
Percentage of Ug students participated in service learning activities	16.2%	19.6%
No. of students participated in service learning activities	2 802	3 422

- The Ug students who have more than one service learning activity are counted once.
- The percentage of Ug students participated in service learning activities is compiled with reference to the total number of Ug students as at 31 August of the academic year.

PM 1.3(b) Learning experience outside the classroom – Internships experience

Notes:

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) PM 1.3(b) measures the percentage of undergraduate students (including both local and non-local students) with internship experience in the academic year concerned.
- (iii) Internships, which can be remunerated or unremunerated, are typically undertaken by students looking to gain relevant skills and experience in a particular field and are arranged, approved and recognised by universities. The internship can be a part-time or full-time work arrangement. As it is common for students of certain disciplines (e.g. education and healthcare) to take part in practicum (as a mandatory component of the curriculum of the academic programme concerned) instead of internships for work experience, their practicum experience are also included.

	Acaden	nic year
	2021/22	2022/23
Percentage of Ug students with internship experience	41.1%	45.8%
No. of Ug students with internship experience	7 115	7 982

- The Ug students who have more than one internship experience are counted once.
- The percentage of Ug students with internship experience is compiled with reference to the total number of Ug students as at 31 August of the academic year.

PM 1.4 Satisfaction of students with special educational needs

Notes:

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) This PM is based on the following standard UGC question included in universities' annual student survey for all students with special educational needs.

"I am satisfied with the support provided by the university in relation to students with special educational needs (SEN), including –

- (a) enhancement of accessibility to learning experience and employment support;
- (b) awareness-raising and capacity-strengthening in the university;
- (c) promotion of integration and mainstreaming of students with SEN into campus life; and
- (d) overall support."

For each item (a) to (d), a 5-point rating scale is used (5 – Very satisfied; 4 – Satisfied; 3 – Neutral; 2 – Dissatisfied; 1 – Very dissatisfied; 0 – Not available (i.e. no response)).

	Academic year	
	2021/22	2022/23
(a) Enhancement of accessibility to learning experience and employment support	3.50	4.09
(b) Awareness-raising and capacity-strengthening in the university	3.30	3.98
(c)Promotion of integration and mainstreaming of students with SEN into campus life	3.40	3.85
(d)Overall support	4.11	4.03
Response rate of the question	7%-8%	59%

Domain 2: Research performance and research postgraduate experience

PM 2.1 Value of total research income

Notes:

- (i) This PM shows the annual research income / value of both research grants and contracts <u>received</u> by the <u>university proper</u>, irrespective of the funding source (such as UGC, RGC, HKSAR Government, private funds, non-local sources, etc.). The latest available data from 2020-21 to 2022-23 financial years are presented below.
- (ii) The cumulative value of research grants and contracts refers to the <u>cumulative</u> value / funding received instead of the total value of the research projects (i.e. excluding funding of particular research grants / contracts which are not yet received by the university). It covers new and ongoing research projects in a particular financial year ending 30 June. On-going projects include projects that were completed, suspended or discontinued within that financial year. For reference, we also show the breakdown of the value of research grants / contracts that were completed, suspended or discontinued during the financial year.
- (iii) The value of new research grants and contracts refers to the total value of new research projects in a particular financial year ending 30 June (i.e. including both the value / funding received and that not yet received by the university of the new research projects).

(HK\$ million)

	Financial year		
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Cumulative value of research grants and contracts	4,343.0	5,112.2	6,038.7
Status of the projects in financial year ending 30 June:			
Completed	701.4	797.5	813.0
Discontinued / suspended	1.7	6.4	4.1
Value of new research grants and contracts	1,567.4	1,622.5	1,899.2
Income received	839.4	782.9	967.6
Income not yet received	728.0	839.6	931.6

Note:

- Figures may not add up to the corresponding totals owing to rounding.

Domain 2: Research performance and research postgraduate experience

PM 2.2 Average time-to-completion, graduation rate and employability of research postgraduates

- (i) This PM covers RPg students who studied UGC-funded FT RPg programmes. For average time-to-completion and graduation rate of RPg students, the latest available data of three cohorts of students admitted from 2015/16 to 2017/18 academic years as at the 2022/23 academic year are presented; for employability, the latest available data from 2020/21 to 2022/23 academic years are presented.
- (ii) The average time-to-completion is analysed by the type of RPg programmes MPhil, PhD for students with research-based master (i.e. MPhil or equivalent) (PhD with MPhil) and PhD for students without research-based master (PhD without MPhil) with different normative study periods.
- (iii) Graduation rate refers to the percentage of a cohort of FT RPg students who have successfully completed the study within a specified period of time (i.e. two years after the normative study period).
- (iv) "Normative study period" refers to:
 - (a) "two full-time-equivalent years" for MPhil;
 - (b) "three full-time-equivalent years" for PhD with MPhil;
 - (c) "four full-time-equivalent years" for PhD without MPhil.
- (v) In the calculation of study periods, periods of formal suspension, if any, are discounted.
- (vi) RPg employability refers to the percentage of graduates seeking employment (i.e. excluding those who were not seeking employment for the time being, pursued further studies, emigrated or returned to place of origin) of FT RPg programmes who were in employment.

RPg average time-to-completion (as of end of 2022/23 academic year)

	Cohort			
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	
Total no. of RPg graduates				
MPhil	204	181	174	
PhD with MPhil	168	160	171	
PhD without MPhil	299	312	227	
Average no. of years in fte				
MPhil	2.2	2.2	2.2	
PhD with MPhil	3.5	3.3	3.1	
PhD without MPhil	4.3	4.2	4.0	

RPg graduation rate (as of end of 2022/23 academic year)

	Cohort		
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18
No. of students completed the study within time (a)	627	646	569
No. of students admitted in that cohort (b)	747	747	728
Graduation rate [(a) / (b)]	83.9%	86.5%	78.2%

RPg employability

	Academic year		
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23
(a) No. of RPg graduates	707	652	683
(b) No. of responded RPg graduates	453	394	478
Response rate of the question [(b) / (a)]	64.1%	60.4%	70.0%
(c) No. of responded RPg graduates seeking employment	299	279	337
(d) No. of responded RPg graduates in employment	270	245	330
(e) No. of responded RPg graduates in FT employment	255	235	313
(f) No. of responded RPg graduates pursuing further studies	67	43	36
(g) No. of responded RPg graduates emigrated or returning to their country / place of origin	80	69	97
Percentage of RPg graduates in employment [(d) / (c)]	90.3%	87.8%	97.9%
Percentage of RPg graduates in FT employment [(e) / (c)]	85.3%	84.2%	92.9%
Percentage of RPg graduates pursuing further studies [(f) / (b)]	14.8%	10.9%	7.5%
Percentage of RPg graduates emigrated or returning to their country / place of origin [(g) / (b)]	17.7%	17.5%	20.3%

Domain 2: Research performance and research postgraduate experience

PM 2.3 Research postgraduate satisfaction with their overall experience

Notes:

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) This PM is based on the following standard UGC question included in universities' graduate / student survey for all RPg graduates –

"Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of my programme and my experience of teaching and learning, as well as research, taking account of the research culture, resources, student support, research skill development and supervision."

with a 5-point rating scale (5 – Very satisfied; 4 – Satisfied; 3 – Neutral; 2 – Dissatisfied; 1 – Very dissatisfied; 0 – Not available (i.e. no response)).

	Academic year	
	2021/22	2022/23
Satisfaction with the overall research postgraduate experience	3.74	4.30
Response rate of the question	31%	63%

PM 3.1 Total income from knowledge transfer via the provision of research and business services (i.e. collaborative research, contract research, consultancies, CPD)

Notes:

- (i) The latest available data from 2020-21 to 2022-23 financial years are presented below.
- (ii) Income from collaborative research and contract research refers to the annual income of research contracts received by the university proper, irrespective of the funding source (e.g. UGC, RGC, HKSAR Government, private funds, non-local sources, etc.). Research grants (e.g. block grants, RGC research grants under various research schemes) are not included.
- (iii) The cumulative value of collaborative research and contract research refers to the <u>cumulative</u> income received instead of the total value of the research projects (i.e. excluding funding of particular research contracts which are not yet received by the university). It covers new and ongoing research projects in a particular financial year ending 30 June. On-going projects include projects that were completed, suspended or discontinued within that financial year.
- (iv) The value of new collaborative research and contract research refers to the total value of new research projects in a particular financial year ending 30 June (i.e. including both the value / funding received and that not yet received by the university of the new research projects).
- (v) Income from consultancy and CPD courses refer to the income <u>received during the particular</u> financial year.
- (vi) As many CPD courses are not provided by the university proper, for this PM, coverage of CPD courses covers courses organised by the university group, i.e. including the university proper, its subsidiaries or / and self-financing arms.

(HK\$ million)

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Income source	Financial year			
income source	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
Cumulative value of collaborative research and contract research	908.9	1,089.4	1,153.9	
Value of new collaborative research and contract research	443.9	370.7	232.1	
Consultancy (value received during the financial year)	24.0	26.4	26.7	
CPD courses (value received during the financial year)	1,179.9	1,360.4	1,500.6	

PM 3.2 Income generating from intellectual property as defined in CDCF

Notes:

(i) This PM is based on data of total intellectual property (IP) income received by the university proper which are regularly collected through CDCF. The latest available data from 2020-21 to 2022-23 financial years are presented below.

(HK\$ million)

	Financial year		
	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
Total IP income received by the university proper	62.8	65.3	71.1

PM 3.3 Expenditure on public engagement activities (e.g. public lectures, performance arts, exhibitions and others as defined in CDCF)

Notes:

- (i) The latest available data from 2020-21 to 2022-23 financial years are presented below.
- (ii) In line with the prevailing reporting practice of the UGC, this PM presents the expenditure incurred by the university proper only, except for CPD courses. As many CPD courses are not provided by the university proper, for this PM, coverage of CPD courses cover courses organised by the university group, i.e. including the university proper, its subsidiaries and self-financing arms.
- (iii) For this PM, expenditure refers to the <u>direct cost</u> arising from the reported activities. Overhead expenses incurred regardless of the occurrence of the reported activities are not included.

(HK\$ million)

Even on diana	Financial year			
Expenditure	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23	
Public engagement activities except CPD courses	5.5	2.6	3.8	
CPD courses	669.5	703.4	777.0	
Total	675.0	706.0	780.8	

Note:

- Figures may not add up to the corresponding totals owing to rounding.

PM 3.4 Student engagement in start-ups and entrepreneurship

Notes:

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) PM 3.4 measures the percentage of undergraduate students (including both local and non-local students) who participated in start-ups and entrepreneurship in the academic year concerned.
- (iii) Activities / experience are counted regardless of whether they are (a) credit-bearing / non-credit bearing; (b) formally assessed / not formally assessed; (c) part of the graduating requirements of the programmes or not; and / or (d) activities conducted within or outside Hong Kong. Online / virtual activities / experience are not included.

	Acaden	nic year
	2021/22	2022/23
Percentage of Ug students participated in start-ups and entrepreneurship	1.7%	2.7%
No. of students participated in start-ups and entrepreneurship	286	464

- The Ug students who have more than one start-ups and entrepreneurship experience are counted once.
- The percentage of Ug students participated in start-ups and entrepreneurship is compiled with reference to the total number of Ug students as at 31 August of the academic year.

PM 4.1 Non-local students (in each of: undergraduate; taught postgraduate; research postgraduate) as percentage of total student numbers

- (i) The latest available data from 2021/22 to 2023/24 academic years are presented below.
- (ii) This PM covers non-local students studying UGC-funded Ug, TPg and RPg programmes. Incoming exchange students are not included.
- (iii) RPg figures include only students funded by UGC within normal study periods. If RPg students are financed by universities using both UGC and external funds, they will be counted towards different sources on a pro-rata basis.

Study level	No. of non-local students (fte)	Total no. of students (fte)	Percentage of non- local students
2021/22 Academic ye	ear		
Ug	2 258	17 053	13.2%
TPg	-	630	-
RPg	1 780	2 239	79.5%
2022/23 Academic ye	ear		
Ug	2 316	17 261	13.4%
TPg	-	600	-
RPg	1 838	2 253	81.6%
2023/24 Academic ye	ear		
Ug	2 344	17 744	13.2%
TPg	-	646	-
RPg	1 964	2 358	83.3%

PM 4.2 Non-local students (in each of: undergraduate; taught postgraduate; research postgraduate) broken down by regions (Asia, Europe, North America, South America, Oceania, Africa and others) and study levels

- (i) The latest available data from 2021/22 to 2023/24 academic years are presented below.
- (ii) This PM covers non-local students studying UGC-funded Ug, TPg and RPg programmes. Incoming exchange students are not included.
- (iii) RPg figures include only students funded by UGC within normal study periods. If RPg students are financed by universities using both UGC and external funds, they will be counted towards different sources on a pro-rata basis.

		Academic year						
Study		202	1/22	202	2/23	2023/24		
level	Place of origin	No. of non-local students (fte)	% of total non-local students	No. of non-local students (fte)	% of total non-local students	No. of non-local students (fte)	% of total non-local students	
	Asia	2 200	97.4%	2 267	97.9%	2 299	98.1%	
	The Mainland of China	1 503	66.6%	1 569	67.7%	1 656	70.6%	
	Europe	30	1.3%	27	1.2%	21	0.9%	
Ug	North America	11	0.5%	9	0.4%	12	0.5%	
	Central & South America	6	0.3%	3	0.1%	3	0.1%	
	Oceania	3	0.1%	4	0.2%	6	0.3%	
	Africa	8	0.4%	6	0.3%	3	0.1%	
	Total	2 258	100.0%	2 316	100.0%	2 344	100.0%	
	Asia							
	The							
	Mainland of							
	China							
	Europe							
TPg	North America	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Central &							
	South America							
	Oceania A fri ac							
	Africa							
	Total							

CUHK PM 4.2 Non-local students by region

		Academic year						
Study level		202	1/22	2022/23		2023/24		
	Place of origin	No. of non-local students (fte)	% of total non-local students	No. of non-local students (fte)	% of total non-local students	No. of non-local students (fte)	% of total non-local students	
	Asia	1 717	96.5%	1 770	96.3%	1 905	97.0%	
	The Mainland of China	1 625	91.3%	1 681	91.5%	1 819	92.6%	
	Europe	25	1.4%	25	1.4%	29	1.5%	
RPg	North America	13	0.7%	12	0.7%	11	0.6%	
	Central & South America	3	0.2%	3	0.2%	2	0.1%	
	Oceania	1	0.1%	1	0.1%	1	-	
	Africa	21	1.2%	27	1.5%	17	0.9%	
	Total	1 780	100.0%	1 838	100.0%	1 964	100.0%	

- Figures may not add up to the corresponding totals owing to rounding.
- "0.0%" denotes value less than 0.05%.

PM 4.3(a) Percentage of undergraduate students with non-local university-approved formal or experiential learning experience

Notes:

- (i) The latest available data from 2020/21 to 2022/23 academic years are presented below.
- (ii) PM 4.3(a) covers all local and non-local students of UGC-funded Ug programmes, excluding incoming exchange students. The non-local learning experience refers to university-approved formal or experiential learning experience without the requirement of the experience being "credit-bearing" or "formally assessed". CDCF collects seven types of non-local learning experience, namely (1) exchange; (2) visits; (3) internships; (4) study / field trip; (5) experiential learning experience; (6) international events including conference, competition, forum; and (7) others. Online / virtual activities / experience are not included.
- (iii) Outgoing exchange / visiting experience refers to students of UGC-funded Ug programmes enrolling in credit-bearing courses in non-local partner institutions for at least one semester (including summer semester) under exchange activities / visiting programmes.
- (iv) PM 4.3(a) reflects the snap-shot situation of all Ug students as of 31 August of respective academic year. i.e. as of 31 August 2023 for 2022/23 academic year, the percentage of Ug students who have had non-local learning experience during his / her Ug study since admission.

	Academic year						
	202	0/21	202	1/22	202	2/23	
	No. of students	% of students	No. of students	% of students	No. of students	% of students	
Ug students with any of the non- local learning experience 1-7 below*	3 795	21.6%	2 415	13.9%	3 276	18.8%	
Number of Ug students as of 31 August of respective academic year	17 532	100.0%	17 320	100.0%	17 446	100.0%	
Breakdown of non-local learning ex	xperience of	f Ug studen	its:				
1. Outgoing exchange experience	1 378	7.9%	1 171	6.8%	1 445	8.3%	
2. Outgoing visiting experience	276	1.6%	105	0.6%	41	0.2%	
3. Internships experience	870	5.0%	518	3.0%	568	3.3%	
4. Study / field trip experience	1 659	9.5%	751	4.3%	1 119	6.4%	
5. Experiential learning experience	1 096	6.3%	584	3.4%	519	3.0%	
6. International events	104	0.6%	39	0.2%	60	0.3%	
7. Others	-	-	-	-	85	0.5%	

^{- *} The Ug students who have more than one type of non-local learning experience are counted once. For each type of experience, students participated in more than one time are counted once. As such, figures may not add up to the totals.

PM 4.3(b) Percentage of undergraduate students with university-approved formal or experiential learning experience in the GBA

Notes:

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) PM 4.3(b) covers all local and non-local students of UGC-funded Ug programmes, excluding incoming exchange students. The non-local learning experience refers to university-approved formal or experiential learning experience taken in the GBA without the requirement of the experience being "credit-bearing" or "formally assessed". Online / virtual activities / experience are not included.
- (iii) Please refer to PM 4.3(a) above for the types of formal or experiential learning experience covered.
- (iv) PM 4.3(b) reflects the percentage of Ug students who have had non-local learning experience in the GBA during the academic year concerned.

	Acaden	nic year
	2021/22	2022/23
Percentage of Ug students with non-local learning experience in the GBA	0.3%	0.8%
No. of students with non-local learning experience in the GBA	58	148

- The Ug students who participated in more than one learning experience in the GBA are counted once.
- The percentage of Ug students participated in learning experience in the GBA is compiled with reference to the total number of Ug students as at 31 August of the academic year.

PM 4.4 Active research collaboration with non-local institutions

Notes:

(i) This PM presents the number of active research collaboration with non-local institutions as of 30 November of the respective academic year. i.e. as of 30 November 2023 for 2023/24 academic year.

	Academic year			
	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	
Number of active research collaboration (in terms of the number of places collaborated ¹)	856	858	918	
Number of active research collaboration (in terms of the number of non-local institutions collaborated ²)	1 003	992	1 034	

- 1. This set of figures is compiled based on the number of places collaborated under each active research collaboration. If an active research collaboration involves more than one place, it would be counted more than once in compilation.
- 2. This set of figures is compiled based on the number of non-local institutions collaborated under each active research collaboration. If an active research collaboration involves more than one non-local institution, it would be counted more than once in compilation.

PM 5.1 Financial health

	PM	Actual figures		es	Proje	ctions
		2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
5.1(a)	Subventions from UGC as a percentage of total income Subventions from UGC / Total Income [(b) / (a) x 100]	41.8%	56.9%	48.1%	47.4%	46.7%
				(Note 1)		
5.1(b)	Current ratio Current Assets / Current Liabilities [(e) / (f)]	5.5	4.6	4.6	5.2	5.6
5.1(c)	Coverage of university's expenditure by reserves and cash & cash equivalents					
5.1(c)(i)	Reserves / monthly expenditure = No. of months that expenditure can be supported by reserves $[(g)/(d)]$	40.1	41.2	41.3	38.5	40.3
5.1(c)(ii)	Liquid reserves / monthly expenditure = No. of months that expenditure can be supported by liquid reserves $[(h)/(d)]$	23.2	23.8	23.9	22.4	23.5
5.1(c)(iii)	Cash & cash equivalents / monthly expenditure = No. of months that expenditure can be supported by cash & cash equivalents $[(i)/(d)]$	21.3	22.0	21.4	19.8	20.4

(HK\$ million)

	A	Actual figure	es	,	ctions
	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25
Total Income (a)	12,136	9,079	11,205	12,407	12,660
			(Note 1)		
Subventions from UGC (b)	5,074	5,165	5,385	5,875	5,914
Total Expenditure (c)	8,933	8,796	9,365	10,692	10,846
Monthly Expenditure (d) = (c) $/12$	744	733	780	891	904
				(Note 2)	
Current Assets (e)	21,751	21,016	23,158	24,360	25,533
Current Liabilities (f)	3,925	4,538	4,987	4,697	4,568
Total Funds / Reserves (g)	29,866	30,211	32,253	34,341	36,420
Total "Liquid" Funds / Reserves (h)	17,254	17,438	18,683	19,968	21,235
Cash and Bank Deposits (i)	15,866	16,123	16,723	17,667	18,445

Sources for actual figures: 2020/21 to 2022/23 Financial Reports of UGC-funded universities.

Projection figures were provided by university. Figures may not add up due to rounding.

The financial information only covers those activities at the University level (i.e. excluding subsidiaries).

Notes by CUHK:

Explanations / justifications for items with year-by-year variances of +/- 15%

- 1. The increase in total income of \$2,126M or 23.4% was mainly due to the increase in Interest and Net Investment Income (+\$1,431M), Government Subventions (+\$304M), Tuition, Programme and Other Fees (+\$151M) and Ancillary Services and Other Income (+\$143M). The increase in total income leading the ratio of subvention from UGC to Total Income decreased by 8.8 percentage points or year-on-year change of 15.5%
- 2. The projected total expenditure in 2023/24 is based on the expenditure of existing activities varied with student numbers which has taken into account the relative cost weightings under block grant funding. The student number projection has included the UGC Special Allocation Exercise (SAE) for 2023-24.

Assumptions / mechanism of the financial projections

The financial projections are based on the following assumptions / mechanism that: -

- 1. Bottom-up approach is used for the projection of income and expenditure under different funding sources, namely, Block Grants, UGC Earmarked Grants, Capital Grants and AA&I, Matching Grants, RGC Grants, Self-financed Teaching Programmes (SFPs), Non-UGC Research and Other Activities.
- 2. Government Subventions for 2023/24 are estimated based on the University Annual Budget for 2023/24. The projection of Government Subvention for 2023/2024 are estimated at the 2023/24 pay level and included a provision as indicated in the UGC Funding Provisional Letter for triennium 2022-25 on 27 January 2022.
- 3. For UGC-funded programmes, the tuition, programmes and other fees move in line with the changes in student numbers. The student number has included the Special Allocation Exercise (SAE) for 2023-24 to 2024-25. For non-UGC-funded programmes, projection is based on the assumption that student enrolment number from 2023-25 would be at the same level of 2022/23.
- 4. Interest and investment gain / loss is projected after taking into consideration the past performance, the forecast of future economic conditions, and the projected available fund balance.
- 5. Donations and benefactions income projections would remain at the 2022/23 level with 1% 2% increase; plus the foreseeable donation income under the assumption that no new round of Matching Grants will be launched in the projection years.
- 6. From 2023/24 and onwards, the expenditures other than those funded by UGC Block Grant and UGC Earmarked Grants are projected based on the actual results of 2022/23 with 4% 7% annual rate of increase in general; plus foreseeable expenditures. Expenditure funded by Block Grant for the existing activities will vary with student numbers, taking into account the relative cost weightings. The non-recurrent expenditure is projected according to the estimated activity level and spending pattern.

PM 5.2 Overall student places utilisation rate

Notes:

- (i) This PM presents the university's enrolment situation, i.e. actual enrolment of UGC-funded students (in fte) for all UGC-funded programmes at all study levels against the approved student number targets.
- (ii) All UGC-funded universities have the obligation for the full utilisation of student places and intake places in return for receiving public funding. Nevertheless, the UGC understands that enrolment management involves factors such as student admission, market demand and individual student decisions which are often beyond the control of the universities and thus allows a certain level of flexibility on under-utilisation and over-utilisation of student places.
- (iii) UGC-funded students refer to local students of UGC-funded SD, Ug and TPg programmes and all local and non-local students of UGC-funded RPg programmes.

(fte)

	Academic year			
	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	
Number of UGC-funded students	17 664	17 798	18 404	
% of approved student number targets	105.3%	106.2%	108.0%	

PM 5.3 Scholarship and financial aid for students with financial needs funded by non-government funding

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2021/22 academic year.
- (ii) This PM covers all non-government funded scholarship and financial aid (excluding UGC-funded and RGC-funded) for local students with financial needs enrolled in UGC-funded programmes at all study levels. If a scholarship / financial aid is funded by both government and non-government funding, only the amount funded by non-government source is counted.
- (iii) It presents the amount of scholarship / financial aid and the corresponding number of awardees / recipients from 2021/22 to 2022/23 academic years. If a student received more than one scholarship / financial aid, he / she was counted more than once in the table below.

	Academic year		
	2021/22	2022/23	
Scholarship			
Total amount of non-government funding involved (HK\$'000)	16,322	13,237	
Number of awardees	872	740	
Financial aid			
Total amount of non-government funding involved (HK\$'000)	9,481	9,920	
Number of recipients	1 029	1 088	

PM 5.4 Number of students admitted to UGC-funded programmes at undergraduate level (in respect of the academic year covered in the report) on the basis of non-academic talents through direct admission schemes

- (i) This is a new PM introduced under the UAA for the 2022-25 triennium with data available beginning from the 2022/23 academic year.
- (ii) This PM presents the number of students admitted to UGC-funded Ug programmes on the basis of non-academic talents (including sports, music, cultural activities, creativity and leadership) through direct admission schemes from 2022/23 to 2023/24 academic years.

	Academic year	
	2022/23	2023/24
Number of Ug students admitted on the basis of non-academic talents through direct admission schemes	49	38