



Durham
University

Considering Where To GO

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YOUR DREAMS



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Rankings – Hong Kong Example



Durham

#172nd
THE World
Ranking



PolyU

#87th
Four subjects
top ranked in
HK.



CityU

#82nd
Various top
ranked subjects.
1st for citations
& patents.



HKU

#35th
Top ranked in
HK but not in all
subject areas



CUHK / Lingnan

#53rd / unranked
LU – Lib Arts
speciality. CUHK
various top
ranked areas.

0%

0%

75%

16.5%, 8.5%

% 1st ranked application choice by students selecting HK

Do your research

Primary Considerations

- Academic course
- Geography
- Language
- Activities and ambitions
- You and your support needs



Plan B?

Secondary Considerations

Most non-European exchange applicants are not placed at their first-choice university

- Be prepared to accept your second and third choices.
- There are always unallocated “reserve” places at other universities.
- Are you prepared to be open or more adventurous?
- The European exchange programme.

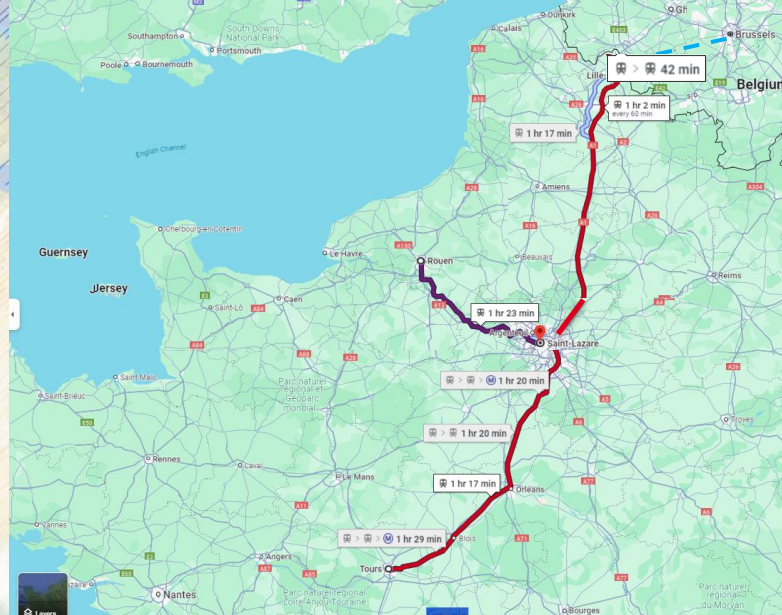
Many students who go on an exchange at a reserve choice report that they would choose it as a first choice if given the chance again



Think Geography!



Paris Cergy to Paris Centre



Lille, Rouen, Tours to Paris Centre



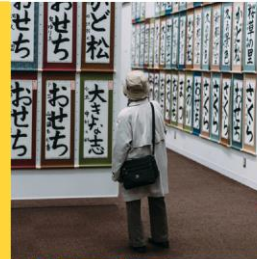
Languages

- Partner websites: you may be surprised which universities and countries teach in English
- Check out the elective language or pre-sessional courses
- Location: embedded with locals vs a year as a tourist

The **Centre for Foreign Language Study** offers language courses for Durham students.

From Beginners to Higher Advanced level, courses are flexible, in a variety of formats and lengths, with start dates throughout the year.

www.durham.ac.uk/cfls/





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Activities and ambitions

250+

Exchange Agreements
at leading universities
in 35 countries
worldwide



Welcome to
National Sun Yat-sen University

Study

Research

About NSYSU

17 Oct - Irish Folk Festival

26 Oct - Jazzfestival

09 Nov - Chaos Unity Festival

11 Nov - Yogafestival

23 Nov - Baphofest - Winternights

25 Nov - Women in Film Festival

29 Nov - Psychedelic Network Festival

29 Nov - Christmas Market





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You and your support



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Location

- Size of city. Big vs. small. Suburbs vs. centre.
 - Walking or commuting distance?
 - Environment around the university?

Student support

- Integration programme?
- Accommodation offered?
- Support services?
- Gender identity, expression and sexual orientation

Activities and interests

- Local culture/sport programme
- Your interests offered and distance?



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