

Application Form
Accreditation Grant for Self-financing Programmes
under the Qualifications Framework Fund

Notes for Applicants

- Applicants who wish to apply for Accreditation Grant for Self-financing programmes¹ (the Accreditation Grant) should complete this application form.
- Applications for the Accreditation Grant should be made **no later than one year after the issuance of the relevant Statement of Accreditation Approval dated 3 January 2017 or after** by the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ).
- Applicants should read the Guidance Notes for the Accreditation Grant. Copy of the Guidance Notes can be downloaded from the QF website (www.hkqf.gov.hk).
- Applicants should ensure that all parts in the form are fully completed and the information is accurate. The application will not be processed if the applicant fails to provide all the information requested.
- When submitting the application form, the applicant should enclose the following documents:
 - (a) **Original** copy of -
 - Payment receipts of accreditation fees issued by HKCAAVQ.
 - Debit Notes or email issued by HKCAAVQ showing the breakdown of the accreditation fee for each Initial Evaluation (IE)/Institution Review (IR) exercise and/or individual learning programmes if no such breakdown is shown in the payment receipts for combined accreditation exercises.
 - Credit Notes issued by HKCAAVQ if there is refund after issue of the payment receipts.
 - A letter from the non-local partner authorising the local operator of the non-local programmes to apply for the Accreditation Grant, if applicable; and
 - (b) **Photocopy** of -
 - Accreditation Report and Statement of Accreditation Approval issued by HKCAAVQ.
 - Documents certifying that the organisation is registered under the laws of Hong Kong.
 - A non-profit-making organisation should submit a copy of the letter of exemption from tax issued by the Inland Revenue Department confirming that it is an approved charitable institution or trust of a public character exempt from tax under the Inland Revenue Ordinance (Cap. 112). Non-local partners are required to submit relevant documents to substantiate their non-profit-making status in the countries concerned.
- All original and photocopied supporting documents should be “Certified correct” and “Certified true copy” respectively; and signed by the applicant or his/her authorised officer. Samples of the certification of supporting documents are at **Appendix**.
- The personal data provided in this form will be used by the Secretary for Education for processing application for the Accreditation Grant. It may be disclosed to officers within or outside the Education Bureau who are required to handle the Accreditation Grant.
- Applicants have the right to request access to or correction of personal data provided in this form in accordance with the provisions of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance (Cap. 486). Such requests may be made in writing to the Education Bureau.
- All correspondence should be addressed to Further Education Division, Education Bureau on 7/F, East Wing, Central Government Offices, 2 Tim Mei Avenue, Tamar, Hong Kong (Telephone no : 3509 7425, Fax no: 2899 2967).

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¹ Self-financing programmes refer to programmes other than publicly-funded programmes offered by the eight institutions funded by the University Grants Committee, Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts, Vocational Training Council and Prince Philip Dental Hospital. If self-financing programmes are offered by the aforesaid institutions, supporting documents showing that the programmes are offered on self-financing basis are required.

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Part A Particulars of Applicant

Name of Organisation

(English) _____

(Chinese) _____

Correspondence Address _____

Tel No _____ Fax No _____

Website (if applicable) _____

Name of Representative

(English) _____ (Chinese) _____

Tel No _____ Fax No _____

E-mail Address _____

Name of Contact Person (if differs from the Representative)

(English) _____ (Chinese) _____

Tel No _____ E-mail Address _____

Part B Application for the Accreditation Grant for Self-financing Programmes (Accreditation Grant)

I, _____ (name of representative), on behalf of
_____ (name of organisation),
hereby submit an application for the Accreditation Grant in respect of the following:

(Please use supplementary sheet if the space provided is insufficient)

Initial Evaluation (IE)/Institution Review (IR) *			
QF Level	Start Date of Validity Period (e.g. 01-09-2014)	Accreditation Fee (\$)	Amount Claimed (\$)

Learning Programme Accreditation (LPA)/Re-accreditation (Re-LPA)*					
Title of Learning Programme(s) / QF Level	SCS/SGC- based[#]	QR Registration No.	Registration Validity Period (e.g. 01-09-2014 to 31-08-2018)	Accreditation Fee (\$)	Amount Claimed (\$)
Total:					

Please tick the box if the programme is a SCS-based/SGC-based programme.

Part C Confirmation by Applicant (Please tick where appropriate)

I hereby confirm that:

- The IE/ IR/ LPA/ Re-LPA* exercises listed in **Part B** have been successfully accredited by the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications. A copy of the Accreditation Report and Statement of Accreditation Approval issued by HKCAAVQ is attached.
- The programme(s) listed in **Part B** have been registered in the QR.
- The Programme(s) listed in **Part B** are self-financing programme(s).
- The organisation which I represent is registered under the laws of Hong Kong as listed below:
Ordinance (Cap.)

A copy of the relevant registration certificate is attached (mainly applicable to organisations registered under the Education Ordinance (Cap. 279), Post Secondary Colleges Ordinance (Cap. 320), Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622) or Business Registration Ordinance (Cap. 310)).

* Please delete where inapplicable

- The organisation which I represent is a non-profit-making organisation. A copy of letter from the Inland Revenue Department confirming exemption from tax is attached.
- The organisation which I represent has not made the same claim from any government funding and will not seek reimbursement/financial subsidies of the accreditation fees from any parties other than EDB subject to approval of this application. (Please specify if otherwise: _____)
- The programme(s) listed in **Part B** is/are non-local programme(s) registered or exempted from registration under Non-local Higher and Professional Education (Regulation) Ordinance (Cap. 493).
- The organisation which I represent is authorised by my non-local partner(s) to apply for the Accreditation Grant. Authorisation letter(s) from my non-local partner(s) and supporting document(s) proofing the non-profit-making status of my non-local partner(s) in the countries concerned are attached.

Part D Declaration

I, on behalf of, _____ (name of organisation), declare that all information given above is true and accurate and that if I wilfully give information which is false or which I do not believe to be true or if I withhold any material information, any Accreditation Grant approved will become void and any sums received by me or my organisation must be refunded to the Government immediately and that I or my organisation is to be responsible for all costs (whether directly or indirectly) incurred by the Government for the recovery of the Accreditation Grant.

Part E Payment Instruction *(Please tick where appropriate)*

If this application is successful, please arrange payment according to the following method:

- Credit payment to the bank account of the Applicant organisation. The completed form on Authority for Payment to a Bank (GF 179A) (which can be downloaded from http://www.try.gov.hk/internet/pde_gf179a.pdf) is attached.
- Send a cheque as follows –

Name of payee: _____

(Must be the bank account of the Applicant organisation or its parent organisation)

Mailing address: _____

(if differs from Part A) _____

Any other information: _____

Part F Undertaking

I undertake that I and my organisation will :

- (1) promote the relevant qualification(s) and programme(s) as QF-recognised and the relevant programme(s) with QF logo² shown in all relevant promotion and publicity materials;
- (2) provide information on the operation of the relevant programme(s) upon request by the Education Bureau after receiving the Accreditation Grant; and
- (3) abide by any other terms and conditions which may be imposed by the Secretary for Education on the relevant QF-recognised qualification(s) and programme(s).

Signature

Name of Representative

Post-title

Organisation Chop

Date

[The following part will only be required if the payment receipts and/or other supporting documents are not certified by the Representative in Part F personally]

Specimen Signature

Name of Authorised Officer

Post-title

Education Bureau
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² For details on the use of the QF logo, please refer to the Guideline for the Use of QF Logo in the QR (http://www.hkqr.gov.hk/HKQRPRD/export/sites/default/.content/attachment/en/-EN-4_Advert-1_QF-Guidelines-for-the-Use-of-the-QF-Logo.pdf).