



VolTra International Workcamps 2024

Founded on 16 April 2009, VolTra is a non-governmental voluntary organization (NGO), which is dedicated to promote international voluntary services in Hong Kong through a well-established worldwide network of international workcamp organizations. International workcamps refer to the programs created for participants from different countries to get along with the locals. Participating in workcamps, volunteers would have a chance to get to know, to live, to work, to study and to exchange ideas with the locals and other people from all around the world.

OSA has joined hands with VolTra in the summer of 2011 and since then has been sending students to international workcamps around the world. In view of the positive learning experience and feedback, OSA is again providing subsidy quotas so that students who are interested in engaging in international non-business and community service-related projects can have a chance to participate.

For more information about VolTra and International Workcamps, please visit <http://www.voltra.org/>.

✂ Programme Fee

All the application fees would be paid to VolTra directly. The application fee of each workcamp is different and is listed in the website of VolTra. You may also make use of the “[Workcamp Filter](#)” to look for workcamps that may suit your interests most.

Please study the “Clauses on Applications (「義遊國際工作營」報名條款及細則)” on VolTra website carefully for the details of Application Fee, Amendment Charge and Cancellation Fee.

Other Expenses

Other than the programme fee, participants are responsible for the expenses of air ticket, travel insurance, visa application fee (depends on countries and your passport), domestic transportation fee and living expenses.

Expenses amount depends on the workcamp duration and location.

Applicants are advised to do some research for the cost of the above items and plan your own travel budget.

✂ Subsidy for Lingnan Students

Lingnan full-time undergraduate degree students who are joining workcamps that are **4 – 12 weeks** can apply for subsidy for VolTra International Workcamps. For summer 2024, the University will provide around 15 subsidy quotas to students participating in VolTra International Workcamps.

Eligibility for Receiving the Lingnan Subsidy

1. Full-time undergraduate degree student in all disciplines (including final year students).
2. Must be over 18 years of age.
3. Demonstrate commitment, maturity and the heart to serve.
4. Pass the selection interview conducted by the Office of Student Affairs.
5. Attend all compulsory trainings, debriefing, evaluation and sharing sessions as required.
6. Complete the specific workcamp period in full.
7. Complete all required reports with good quality.

Workcamps that are **NOT** subsidised

Workcamps in the following countries and those countries/cities with red and black travel alert under Outbound Travel Alert (OTA) system, Security Bureau, The HKSAR (<https://www.sb.gov.hk/eng/ota/>) will **NOT** be subsidised.

<i>Workcamp Locations that will NOT be subsidized</i>	
Cambodia	Palestine
Kenya	Serbia
Kyrgyzstan	Sri Lanka
Laos	Turkey
Other countries/cities with red and black travel alert under Outbound Travel Alert (OTA)	

Estimated Subsidy Amount for VolTra International Workcamp (for Summer 2024)

<i>Location</i>	<i>Subsidy on Air Ticket</i>	<i>Subsidy on Accommodation</i>	<i>Ceiling Amount (capped)</i>
Asian locations	HK\$ 4,000	HK\$ 1,000 per week	HK\$ 10,000
Europe & rest of the World	HK\$ 10,000	HK\$ 1,500 per week	HK\$ 20,000

- * The duration must be **at least 4 weeks** and not more than 12 weeks during the summer month. One can only opt for workcamp with period during **1 Jun – 31 Aug 2024**.
- * The approval of subsidy amount (on Air Ticket + Accommodation) **depends on the duration and location of the confirmed workcamp**. Please note the ceiling amount capped for different locations.
- * Approved subsidy will be released to eligible students approximately in July (most likely after your departure). Please plan your travel budget carefully.

✂ Subsidy Application for 2024 Summer Workcamps

For Lingnan students who wish to apply for the 4 – 12 weeks long workcamps with subsidy from the University, you must follow the following procedures:

- 1) Complete and submit the followings no later than **7 Apr 2024 (by 23:59)**.
 - (a) [Online Application Form](#)
 - (b) University Web Transcript (*submitted via the online application form*)
 - (c) CV (*submitted via the online application form*)
- 2) The Selection Interview will be held on **11 – 12 Apr 2024** on campus. Please indicate your available interview timeslot(s) in the Online Application Form. Confirmed interview arrangement will be sent to you via email by 8 Apr 2024.
- 3) Please attend the Selection Interview punctually. No make-up interview will be arranged for late comers / absentees.

Lingnan students who wish to apply for VolTra short-term workcamps (meaning less than 4 weeks) please submit the application to VolTra directly as the University will not provide subsidy on this.

✂ Timeline for Workcamp Application with Lingnan Subsidy

2024 Timeline	Details
27 Mar 2024	Online Information Session (via Zoom) Time : 16:30 – 17:30
12 Mar – 7 Apr 2024 (by 23: 59)	Application opens for Workcamp with the University subsidy
11 – 12 Apr 2024	Selection Interview (in-person interview)
16 Apr 2024	Announcement of Interview Result

17 – 24 Apr 2024 (by 23:59)	Application Period for Workcamps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Students are required to select and apply the workcamps at the VolTra's website direct (http://www.voltra.org/) The priority of selecting workcamp is on first-come-first-served basis Students should only opt for workcamp during 1 Jun – 31 Aug 2024 Students are required to pay for the camp fee on his/her own Please DO NOT opt for those workcamp locations that will NOT be subsidised by OSA (see section above)
17 Apr – 3 May 2024	Confirmation of workcamp offer by VolTra and workcamp organization Travel insurance arrangement and other pre-departure preparation
21 May 2024 (to be confirmed)	Pre-departure Briefing 16:30 – 18:00
30 Jun 2024	Application Deadline: Overseas Internship Subsidy Details will be provided to selected students in due course
1 Jun – 31 Aug 2024	Workcamp Period
Aug – Sept 2024	Submission of VolTra report and photos
Sept 2024	Post-workcamp Debriefing

✂ Special Reminder to Students

- Please consider your summer plan carefully before making any workcamps application.
- If there is any unforeseeable factor(s) leading to the cancellation or curtailment or delay of the workcamps, students are required to bear all the expenses including but not limited to visa, transportation and accommodation costs (if any) by themselves. VolTra has its cancellation policy in place and you are always reminded to pay attention to the “Clauses on Applications (「義遊國際工作營」報名條款及細則)” on VolTra's website for the details of Application Fee, Amendment Charge and Cancellation Fee.
- One of the requirements for students to receive overseas summer internship subsidy is to complete the specific internship period in full. If students cannot duly complete the internship period, OSA will not provide the related subsidy to the students.

✂ Enquiries

For students who wish to participate in workcamps and intend to apply for the subsidy, please contact the following OSA staff:

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VolTra Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/voltrahk>

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