## EDB to launch new round of E-APP applications tomorrow

The Education Bureau (EDB) will launch a new round of applications under the Electronic Advance Application System for Post-secondary Programmes (E-APP) (www.eapp.gov.hk) tomorrow (December 5) to enable current Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination candidates to make advance applications for full-time locally accredited sub-degree and undergraduate programmes that are not covered under the Joint University Programmes Admissions System (JUPAS) for the 2020/21 academic year (including sub-degree programmes under the Study Subsidy Scheme for Designated Professions/Sectors and most of the eligible programmes under the Non-means-tested Subsidy Scheme for Self-financing Undergraduate Studies in Hong Kong). More than 30 postsecondary institutions and their subsidiaries will take part in the new round of the E-APP.

The E-APP is a free electronic application platform. Applicants may complete one application via the E-APP to apply for most post-secondary programmes that are not covered under the JUPAS. Relevant institutions will process applications from the E-APP as early as possible and may give eligible candidates conditional offers before the announcement of HKDSE Examination results.

The main round of E-APP applications will run from tomorrow until May 15, 2020, and the second round of applications will last from May 22 to June 30, 2020. In general, institutions will first process applications received in the main round.

"Before applying via the E-APP, students may browse the Concourse for Self-financing Post-secondary Education website (www.cspe.edu.hk), which provides information on post-secondary institutions and details of about 450 full-time locally accredited higher diploma, associate degree and undergraduate programmes that are not covered under the JUPAS for the 2020/21 academic year, including their tuition fees, entry requirements, and accreditation and recognition by relevant professional bodies. Institutions' estimated numbers of intake places, their application and admission arrangements for the 2020/21 academic year as well as their past admission scores and graduate statistics will also be uploaded onto the Concourse," a spokesperson for the EDB said.

The Concourse will also provide information on full-time University Grants Committee-funded undergraduate programmes offering senior year places, and self-financing top-up degree programmes in the 2020/21 academic year, so as to help graduates and students of sub-degree programmes plan their further studies.