

For Industry Practitioners



教育局
Education Bureau



資歷架構
Qualifications Framework

Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) Support Scheme

Scope	RPL Assessment Fees
Eligibility	Practitioners successfully passed the RPL assessment
Level of Subsidy*	RPL applications submitted on or after 1 December 2019: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● applicants who have successfully obtained the SOA can apply for full reimbursement of assessment fees.
	RPL applications submitted on or before 30 November 2019: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● applicants who have successfully obtained the SOA can apply for reimbursement of 75% of assessment fees;● applicants can apply for reimbursement of the remaining 25% of assessment fees after completing a QF-recognised training course.

*Please refer to the Application Guidelines for Reimbursement of RPL Assessment Fees at HKQF website for details.

Relevant Websites

Qualifications Framework : www.hkqf.gov.hk

Qualifications Register : www.hkqr.gov.hk

E-mail

Qualifications Framework Secretariat : hkqf@edb.gov.hk

Qualifications Framework (QF) in Hong Kong is a seven-level hierarchy cover in qualifications in the academic, vocational, professional and continuing education sectors. It aims to promote lifelong learning by providing an accessible pathway for continuous learning and to assist individuals in choosing their own progression pathway.

The QF is underpinned by a robust quality assurance mechanism. All qualifications recognised under the QF are quality-assured.

Designated Support Schemes for QF

The Education Bureau established the QF Fund to provide a steady source of income to support the sustainable development and implementation of the QF. Under the QF Fund, the following support schemes are introduced to encourage and support education and training providers as well as industry practitioners to participate in the QF:

- Accreditation Grant Scheme
- Programme Development Grant Scheme
- Qualifications Register Subsidy Scheme
- Recognition of Prior Learning Support Scheme
- Support Scheme for Recognition of Professional Qualifications under QF

Brief Account of Designated Support Schemes for Qualifications Framework (QF)

For Education and Training Providers (including organisations offering in-house programmes)

Support Scheme	Accreditation Grant Scheme			Programme Development Grant Scheme		Qualifications Register Subsidy Scheme		
Scope	To subsidise various accreditation fees [^] , including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Initial Evaluation (IE) Institutional Review (IR) Learning Programme Accreditation (LPA) Learning Programme Re-accreditation (Re-LPA) Programme Area Accreditation (PAA) Periodic Review (PR) 			To provide a one-off grant for development of courses based on the: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Specification of Competency Standards (SCS-based Courses)* Specification of Generic (Foundation) Competencies (SGC-based Courses)* 		Qualifications Register (QR) registration and hosting fees		
Eligibility#	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Providers and qualifications concerned must be successfully accredited by the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualification (HKCAAVQ) Qualifications concerned must be registered in the QR Only applicable to self-financing programmes@ 			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newly developed SCS-based or SGC-based Courses with class started Qualifications concerned must be successfully accredited Must be registered in the QR 		All qualifications and the related programmes registered in the QR		
Level of Subsidy/Grant	Scope		Non-profit-making Providers	Other Providers	SCS-based Course	SGS-based Course		
	IE/IR fees		100%	50%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$30,000 for each course with 12 to 35 QF credits. \$50,000 for each course with 36 QF credits or above. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> \$20,000 for each course with 6 to 17 QF credits. \$40,000 for each course with 18 QF credits or above. 		
	LPA/Re-LPA fees	SCS-based/SGC-based Programmes	100%	50%				
		Other Programmes	70%	35%				
PAA/PR fees		70%	35%					
						Registration fees	100%	
						Hosting fees	100%	

[^] IE, IR, LPA, Re-LPA, PAA and PR are different stages of accreditation process conducted by the HKCAAVQ. For more details, please refer to the website of the HKCAAVQ (www.hkcaavq.edu.hk).

Applicants should meet the eligibility criteria as stated in the application forms which are available on the QF website (www.hkqf.gov.hk).

@ 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.

* Please refer to the Qualifications Guidelines for the development of SCS-based and SGC-based Courses provided on the QF website (www.hkqf.gov.hk)