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Qualifications
Framework





Credit Accumulation and Transfer



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The Education Bureau has established the Qualifications Framework (QF) to provide a platform to encourage and facilitate lifelong learning with a view to enhancing the competitiveness of the workforce in Hong Kong. The QF is a seven-level hierarchy covering qualifications in the academic, vocational and continuing education sectors. All qualifications recognised under the QF have to be quality assured before they are uploaded onto the **Qualifications Register (www.hkqr.gov.hk)**.

Following the introduction of the **QF credit** in 2012, the Education Bureau now promulgates a set of policy and principles for **credit accumulation and transfer (CAT)** under the QF. Institutions may make reference to and voluntarily adopt the policy and principles to develop or refine their CAT systems to further strengthen the support to learners in lifelong learning.



What is CAT?

CAT allows education and training providers to recognise the qualifications and learning obtained by a learner at different places and in different learning contexts at different time, upon validation and assessment of the learning outcomes. This facilitates the learner's progression from one programme to another without duplicate learning.



Benefits of CAT?

CAT enables education and training providers to plan the development of their qualifications holistically, and facilitates mutual recognition as well as articulation among qualifications awarded by different providers. This in turn enables learners to map out their study plans more flexibly and effectively.



CAT



More
about CAT?

The policy and principles for **CAT** developed by the Education Bureau are provided on the QF website (www.hkqf.gov.hk/CAT). For information of CAT arrangement of individual providers, learners may approach the providers or visit their websites.

You are welcome to contact the Qualifications Framework Secretariat for enquiries about the policy and principles for **CAT**:



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