

Is polyu.edu.hk legit? TrustSniffer's high-trust assessment: 100/100

polyu.edu.hk

Verdict

100

OUT OF 100

HIGH TRUST

polyu.edu.hk appears legitimate.

Our checks found nothing pointing to fraud. Ordinary care still applies when you pay or sign in.

Not Scam

Low Risk

Assessed 2026-08-13 by automated analysis. Classification confidence 55%.

What this site appears to be

Official Hong Kong Polytechnic University website pages listing education programmes, research institutes, events, admissions information and campus services. Content focuses on institutional information and outreach.

Evidence status and limitations

Evidence completeness: UNKNOWN

- The real-world operator identity was not independently verified.
- Module-level completeness metadata is unavailable for this legacy report.

At a glance

The checks that decide most of this verdict.

Malware engines	None flagged it VirusTotal	CLEAR
Google Safe Browsing	Not listed Google	CLEAR
Abuse reports on the host	0 reports AbuseIPDB; shared hosting inflates this count	NOTED
Domain age	32 years old Registered history	CLEAR
Web archive	Never archived No public history of this site	WATCH
Certificate	Encrypted connection Issued by DigiCert Global G2 TLS RSA SHA256 2020 CA1	NOTED

The page as captured

No screenshot is retained for this report.

Key findings

- Automated classification: Not Scam.
- Domain age: more than 10 years (registration continuity).
- No flags from the reputation services TrustSniffer consulted at assessment time.

Full analysis

Overview

The website is an institutional university portal presenting Hong Kong Polytechnic University education programmes, research institutes, admissions information, events, campus services, and alumni engagement; its apparent purpose is public academic information and institutional outreach rather than direct financial services.

Scam/Impersonation Risk

No contradictory signals were observed. The homepage and associated institutional content are consistent with a university site, with no detected phishing, impersonation, malicious-content, or suspicious form indicators. The site's long registration history and clean external reputation further support an established-site interpretation, although the real-world operator identity remains likely rather than independently proven. Evidence:

- The homepage presents education, research, admissions, events, campus-life, and alumni topics, with no cryptocurrency, investment, or other abuse-oriented business model.
- The reviewed page contains no login form, hidden sensitive form, untrusted form destination, wallet connection, or suspicious script.
- The domain was registered on 1994-12-10 and is 31.7 years old.

Regulatory Verification Notes

The reviewed content describes an academic institution and does not present a financial-services licensing claim or licence number. That is a limited disclosure consideration for any transaction-specific review, not evidence of deception or criminal activity. The site's institutional identity presentation, established registration, recognised registrar, university-associated hosting, and organisation-validated transport certificate converge with the low-risk academic purpose. These signals support apparent legitimacy but do not independently prove the real-world operator identity. Evidence:

- Domain registration is recorded with Hong Kong Domain Name Registration Company Limited, with expiration on 2029-06-20.
- The site is served from AS4616, identified as HKPOLYU-HK – The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, HK.
- TLS uses DigiCert Global G2 TLS RSA SHA256 2020 CA1, with OV validation and subject organisation The Hong Kong Polytechnic University; validity ends 2026-12-31T23:59:59+00:00.

What to Verify Next

Before credential submission or payment, an organisation should independently confirm that the relevant admissions, tuition, donation, or service request originated through the institution's established channels. Any payment should be matched to the applicable institutional policy, recipient details, refund terms, and available

payment-protection mechanisms; contact details should be confirmed through an independent offline or pre-established route rather than an unsolicited message. Evidence:

- The admissions pages provide the appropriate reference point for comparing programme, tuition-fee, and scholarship information against any payment request.
- The homepage links to Facebook, LinkedIn, Twitter, and Weibo; these channels can be checked independently for consistent institutional communications.
- The site’s stated business model is education, research, admissions, events, and alumni engagement rather than direct online financial services.

Summary Verdict

Available evidence is consistent with an established, apparently legitimate university website and supports a high-trust, low-risk posture. No scam or impersonation contradiction was identified, while operator identity should remain described as likely rather than proven.

Infrastructure Integrity

The site uses direct hosting rather than a detected CDN, and resolution identifies two likely origin addresses. This infrastructure is consistent with the named institutional hosting environment, but hosting alignment alone is a mitigating consistency signal rather than proof of legitimacy.

Closing Assessment

Ordinary institutional browsing is proportionate; credential or payment interactions should proceed only after the relevant request, recipient, and applicable institutional protections have been independently confirmed.

Written analysis generated 2026-08-13 by the TrustSniffer Analysis Engine from the evidence in this report.

What the analysis found

No rule findings contributed to this verdict.

Identity verification

Status	LIKELY
Identity score	79/100
Identity verification confidence	78%

- Identity verified on page
- Trusted social count=3

Identity verification measures whether the site can be independently connected to a real-world brand or person. It is separate from the classification confidence.

What TrustSniffer observed

First-party facts recorded during the assessment of polyu.edu.hk.

- The request stayed on polyu.edu.hk. It was not redirected to another domain. CLEAR
- Registration is published under Hong Kong Domain Name Registration Company Limited. CLEAR
- DNS for this domain is served by edu.hk. NOTED

- The registration is paid up to 2029-06-20. CLEAR
- It is hosted on HKPOLYU-HK, from a server in HK. NOTED

Domain intelligence

Registrar	Hong Kong Domain Name Registration Company Limited
Hosting	HKPOLYU-HK - The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, HK
Country	HK
Server IP	158.132.48.76
Name servers	NS5.POLYU.EDU.HK NS6.POLYU.EDU.HK
SSL issuer	DigiCert Global G2 TLS RSA SHA256 2020 CA1
SSL expiry	2026-12-31
Domain age	31.70 years (continuous registration)
Domain expiry	2029-06-20
Archive first seen	Not available
Archive snapshots	0
Reputation	VirusTotal: 0 flagged AbuseIPDB: 0 reports Google Safe Browsing: 0 matches

About this assessment

A trust score summarises the evidence TrustSniffer could collect about polyu.edu.hk at assessment time. It is a starting point for your own judgement, not a guarantee: a high score means the signals were consistent with a legitimately operated site, a low or critical score means several risk patterns were present.

TrustSniffer assesses a website from the evidence it can collect at a point in time: domain registration and age, hosting and certificate, the content the site served, and third-party reputation feeds. A score is a summary of that evidence, not a guarantee and not a legal finding. There is no human rating and no user review in it. A site can change after it is assessed.

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