Scholarship and Financial Assistance

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS)

The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS), established by the RGC, aims to attract the best and brightest students from across the globe to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong universities.



PhD candidates who are nominated by CUHK to HKPFS but not selected by the RGC will be admitted to the University's regular PhD programme. They will receive the CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship of HK\$80,000 (~US\$10,300, payable in three installments) subject to satisfactory study progress.



Research Postgraduate Studies (MPhil and PhD)

Postgraduate Studentships

- For full-time research postgraduate students
- Annual studentship for 2021-22: HK\$216,300 (~US\$27,730)
- Payable during the normative study period

Postgraduate Scholarships

The Reaching Out Award, Research Postgraduate Student Grants for Overseas Academic Activities and other funding schemes are available to support full-time MPhil and PhD students in conducting academic activities abroad.

Tuition Waiver Scheme for Local Research Postgraduate Students

Since 2018-19, the UGC has offered a tuition waiver to all local full-time students enrolled in UGC-funded research postgraduate programmes for their entire normative study period.

Taught Postgraduate Studies

Targeted Taught Postgraduate Programmes Fellowships Scheme

Established by the UGC in 2019, the Targeted Taught Postgraduate Programmes Fellowships Scheme provides subsidy for local students to pursue designated taught postgraduate programmes. The awardees pay a minimum tuition fee of HK\$42,100 for the programme. The difference is subsidised by the Scheme, with a cap of HK\$120,000 per student, for the entire programme.

Other Scholarships and Awards

More scholarships and funding schemes are available to postgraduate students, including the Global Scholarship Programme for Research Excellence, PhD Student Exchange Programme, Young Scholars Thesis Award, etc.

More information can be found on the website of the Office of Admissions and Financial Aid (http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/finance.html) and the Office of Academic Links (https://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/scholarshipsandfinancialaid/).



Student Life at CUHK

CUHK's diverse facilities and resources are designed to make learning smooth, invigorating and pleasurable. They add extra dimensions to campus life, from artistic to athletic aspects.



Six on-campus Postgraduate Halls offer around 1,600 hostel places (single occupancy and shared rooms) to students enrolled in full-time research postgraduate programmes or full-time UGC-funded taught postgraduate programmes at affordable rates.



About Admissions

General Requirements

For PhD, Doctor of Music and Taught Doctoral Programmes:

A Master's degree from a recognised university

For MPhil-PhD and Master's Programmes:

- · A Bachelor's degree from a recognised university, with Second Class honours or above; or
- A Bachelor's degree from an honours programme from a recognised university, with an average grade of "B" or above

For Postgraduate Diploma Programmes:

A Bachelor's degree from a recognised university

English Language Requirements

Scores obtained in one of the following English language tests#;

TOEFL	IELTS (Academic)	GMAT	
550 (Paper-based) / 79 (Internet-based)	6.5	Band 21 (Verbal)	

- A degree from a university in Hong Kong or a degree programme with English as the medium of instruction; or
- A recognised professional qualification, provided that the examination was conducted in English.
- # TOEFL and IELTS scores are considered valid for two years from the test date. GMAT scores are considered valid for five years from the test date. Some programmes may stipulate additional English language requirements for admissions.

Programme-specific Admissions Requirements

Some programmes may stipulate additional requirements for admissions. For more information, please refer to the admissions website at https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions/admissions/requirements.

Student Visa

All non-local students are required to apply for a student visa to study in Hong Kong.

For more details, please visit https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/visa.



Application Procedure and Deadlines



Applications must be submitted online. More details about study options, the application procedure and deadlines are available on our admissions website.





STUDY OPTIONS

Our research postgraduate programmes consist of coursework and research components. Students need to submit a written research thesis and pass an oral examination for graduation.

DEGREE	STUDY MODE	NORMATIVE PERIOD	MAXIMUM PERIOD
Doctor of Philosophy (MPhil-PhD articulated programmes) (i) For students with a research master's degree*	Full-time	36 months	72 months
	Part-time	48 months	84 months
(ii) For students without a research master's degree*	Full-time	48 months	84 months
	Part-time	64 months	100 months
Master of Philosophy (MPhil)	Full-time	2 years	4 years
	Part-time	3 years	5 years

The annual tuition fee for all research postgraduate programmes, regardless of the mode of study, is HK\$42,100\(^\) for the 2021-22 academic year.

^{*} The University reserves absolute discretion to decide whether the degree possessed by a student is a research master's degree or not, such decision is to be communicated through the admission notification.

[^] Subject to review.