

MPhil-PhD in Japanese Studies

Programme Information

The objective of the programme is to encourage the advancement of research in Japanese studies by offering graduate training that accommodates a range of academic concerns in the field. The programme will focus on historical and socio-cultural aspects of Japan-China and Japan-Hong Kong relations from such disciplines as anthropology, history, popular culture, linguistic, philosophy, media studies, literature and international relations.

This programme is mainly for candidates who seek to study for a PhD degree as their ultimate goal.

MPhil Stream

Students are required:

1. To complete 12 units of lecture courses
2. To register for thesis research courses each term
3. To complete the MPhil thesis and pass the oral examination

Students with good academic performance in their first year of study can apply to be transferred to the PhD stream.

PhD Stream

Students are required:

1. To complete 12 units of lecture courses in the pre-candidacy stage
2. To register for thesis research courses each term
3. To pass the candidacy examination
4. To complete the PhD thesis and pass the oral examination

Please visit the Division's homepage for more information.

Tuition Fee

HK\$44,500 per annum for 2025-2026 intake regardless of the study mode

(Subject to University's approval and review)

Admission Requirements

In addition to the [general requirements](#) of the Graduate School,

1. applicants are required to submit a 5-page proposal written in English (including research topic, research summary, previous research regarding the topic, methodology employed and references). Applicants may be required to attend an interview.
2. Japanese language proficiency requirements may vary according to the areas of study and the content of the research proposal and is to be decided by the Graduate Panel.
3. applicants are encouraged to submit one to two academic writing sample(s) in English, Chinese or Japanese (if any).

Application Deadline

Main Round: 1 December 2024

Clearing Round: 31 March 2025

(Applications in Clearing Round will only be considered subject to availability of places.)

HKPFS Application Deadline (for PhD programmes only)

1. To submit an initial application to [RGC](#): By 12 noon, 1 December 2024 (Hong Kong time); and
2. To submit a full application to [CUHK](#): By 11:59 pm, 1 December 2024 (Hong Kong time).

Please refer to the [HKPFS](#) page for more details.

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