

HONG KONG PHD FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS), established by the Hong Kong Research Grants Council in 2009, aims at attracting the best and brightest students from all over the world to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong. About 135 PhD Fellowships will be awarded in the 2012/13 academic year.

Applicants for admission to PhD programmes at HKBU via the HKPFS will concurrently be considered for regular places assigned to the University through the award of Postgraduate Studentship. Those who are not selected for the HKPFS may be given separate consideration for admission as Research Postgraduate students at HKBU via the award of Postgraduate Studentship.

	HKPFS*	HKBU Postgraduate Studentship
Monthly Stipend	HK\$20,000 (approx. US\$2,600)	HK\$13,600 (approx. US\$1,750)
Tuition Waiver	First year tuition waiver	Nil
Scholarship	Scholarship to cover the tuition fee for the 2nd and 3rd year of study*	Nil
Conference and Research related Travel Allowance	HK\$10,000 (approx. US\$1,300) per year for a maximum of three years	HK\$10,000 (approx. US\$1,300) for the entire study period

* Offered by Hong Kong Research Grants Council and HKBU

* Subject to satisfactory academic progress

Entrance and English Proficiency Requirements

Applicants seeking admission to the PhD programmes should possess:

- (a) a master's degree from a recognized university or comparable institution; or
- (b) any other qualification deemed by the Graduate School to be acceptable for this purpose.

Candidates under paragraph (b) may be required to take a qualifying examination, in which event their progress shall be reported to the Graduate School at the end of their first year of study.

Applicants may be required to prove their language abilities in English and/or Chinese by means of an interview, or, for applicants from outside Hong Kong, by means of performance in a test to show acceptable language proficiency, such as the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL), International English Language Testing System (IELTS) or the Member of Institute of Linguists (MIL) examination. The TOEFL institution code of HKBU is 9467.

Application Process

The HKPFS will call for application in early September 2011. An initial application should be made through the Online Application System at the RGC's website. A full application should then be submitted to the Graduate School through the online application system (http://buar.hkbu.edu.hk/index.php/admission/postgraduate_admissions/online_applications). Each applicant may choose up to two programmes.

Application Deadline

Initial application to RGC : 1 December 2011 at Hong Kong Time 12:00:00 (GMT +8 hours)
 Full application to HKBU : 1 December 2011 at Hong Kong Time 23:59:59 (GMT +8 hours)



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- US\$ 10,800 Scholarship
 - US\$ 5,400 First Year Tuition Waiver
 - US\$ 2,600 Monthly Stipend
 - US\$ 1,300 Annual Research Allowance



HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY

Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) was founded in 1956 with a mission to provide quality higher education for the Hong Kong community and beyond, combining broad-based liberal education characteristics with academic and professional vigour. The University is committed to academic excellence in teaching and research, and to the development of whole person in all these endeavours. The University became a fully government-funded institution in 1983.

As of September 2010, HKBU enrolls about 8,400 students in programmes of all levels including 38 undergraduate programmes, 67 taught postgraduate programmes and research postgraduate programmes leading to the award of MPhil or PhD. There are seven academic Faculties/Schools/Academy, namely, Arts, Business, Chinese Medicine, Communication, Science, Social Sciences and Visual Arts.

At HKBU, the supervision of postgraduate research students is an integral part of each Department's activities. There is a diverse variety of fields of study on offer. Choose the one that matches with your interest and capability.



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Faculty of Arts

The Faculty of Arts offers programmes which seek to direct students into academic, intellectual, spiritual, moral and cultural adventure. Courses in the Faculty attempt to fill the needs of the community for graduates who possess strong language abilities in both Chinese and English, a range of transferable skills and creativity.

Department / Fields of Studies	Research Expertise
Department of Chinese Language and Literature	Chinese Language; Etymology; Classical Chinese Literature; Modern Chinese Literature; Chinese Literary Theory and Criticism; Classical Confucian Works; Chinese Intellectual Thought; Chinese Religion and Philosophy
Department of English Language and Literature	English Language (Linguistics and Literary Studies)
Department of Music	Contemporary Chinese Music Study; Choral / Orchestral Conducting; Early Music Performance Practice; Piano Pedagogy; Western Music History; Composition; Music Education; Music Technology / Computer Music; Music Culture in Hong Kong
Department of Religion and Philosophy	Christian Studies; Religious Studies; Philosophy
Language Centre	Linguistics; Psycholinguistics; Applied Linguistics; Sociolinguistics; Language Teaching & Education; Creative Writing; Children's Literature
Humanities Programme	Gender Studies; Cultural Studies; Arts and Aesthetics Postmodernism; Post-Colonialism; Comparative Studies
Translation Studies	Translation Studies; Interpreting Studies; Intercultural Studies

School of Business

The School achieved accreditation from The Association to Advance Collegiate School of Business International (AACSB) in April 2010, joining an elite group of the top 5% of business school worldwide. At School of Business, students will acquire advanced knowledge and theories in their areas of specialization and research skills requisite for pursuing independent research on their chosen topics. Also, students will develop the ability to design and conduct original research in their fields of specialization; and will be able to teach relevant college-level courses. Students with outstanding publications before graduation will be recognized by a School's research scholarship.

Department / Fields of Studies	Research Expertise
Department of Accountancy and Law	Corporate Governance and Disclosures; International Accounting and Reporting
Department of Economics	Productivity Analysis of China; Economic and Business Ethics
Department of Finance and Decision Sciences	Financial Derivatives and Investment Strategies; Corporate Finance and Corporate Governance; E-Business and Information System Management
Department of Management	Management Practice in Chinese Firms; Cross-cultural Management; Corporate Social Responsibility and Management Practice
Department of Marketing	Socially Responsible Marketing; China Business

School of Chinese Medicine

At School of Chinese Medicine, students can select areas of study and research based on their interests. The main part of the research postgraduate programmes involves conducting an independent research in both applied and basic Chinese medicine and pharmacy in Chinese medicine. Students are expected to present and defend a thesis at the end of the program. Since November 2003, the laboratory of the Institute for the Advancement of Chinese Medicine (IACM) Ltd. has been accredited under the Hong Kong Laboratory Accreditation Scheme and awarded ISO/IEC 17025 international accreditation by Hong Kong Accreditation Service.

Department / Fields of Studies	Research Expertise
Biomedical Sciences / Chinese Medicine / Pharmacy in Chinese Medicines	Evidence-based clinical research on Chinese medicine theories and practice including acupuncture; potential for development of Chinese medicine drugs on treatment of cancers, rheumatoid arthritis, irritable bowel syndrome, diabetes mellitus, metabolic diseases, constipation, aging and neurodegenerative diseases such as Alzheimer's Disease and Parkinson's Disease; authentication and standardization of Chinese materia medica and quality control of Chinese medicinal products; discovery of biomarkers, molecular pharmacology and drug development for Chinese medicines using the proteomics, metabolomics and other platforms

School of Communication

School of Communication houses an Academy of Film and Departments of Communication Studies and Journalism. The School's vision is to foster change for the betterment of society, and its goal is to serve the media and communication industries around the world through education and academic research. The research postgraduate programmes are designed to enable each student to mature intellectually with specialty in the chosen area(s) of study and to become an independent knowledge creator as well as educator. Our faculty scholarship showcases multiplicity of research orientations as well as diversity in areas of expertise.

Areas of Studies	Research Expertise
Cross-cultural Communication	Comparison of communication behaviors and practices across cultures and societies; advertising and public relations strategies across cultures, cultural values in advertising and news, comparative rhetoric of public policies, media discourses of different nations, media and globalization, etc.
Organizational Communication	Communication in organizational leadership, decision making process, conflict management, emotion in workplace, supervisor-subordinate relation, use of technology in workplace, and change management, assimilation process in organization.
Health Communication	Communication in disease prevention and health promotion/campaigns, health provider/ professional-patient interactions, use of health information/clinical recommendations and regimens, dissemination of health risk information, images of health in the mass media and culture, consumer education about the public health and health care system, and development of telehealth application.
Film, Television and Culture Studies	Development of Chinese language cinema (history, auteur, genre, industry, political economy, identity politics), television, digital media and popular culture; its aesthetics and its ideologies, the content and industry, their impacts on society and individuals.

Media Criticism, System Reforms and Democratization

Media literacy; Media criticism informed by research; changes in philosophies, structure and operation of media in China and in Southeast Asia; media commercialization and its implications for development of market economy and democratic institutions; political communication; press freedom in Chinese societies

Social Aspects of New Media

Diffusion, regulations, use and consequences of the internet and new media; computer-mediated communication; technology in organizational innovation and globalization; rhetoric of technology and science; Internet and freedom of speech; technology and the right to privacy

Faculty of Science

The Faculty is committed to quality research and teaching. It has a diversity of specializations and a significant level of funded research. The curricula include components for students to acquire knowledge in different areas. The Faculty has established collaborative programmes and links with teaching and research organizations in the Mainland China and overseas. Opportunities are provided for academic and cultural exchange with students in other countries.

Department / Fields of Studies	Research Expertise
Department of Biology	Animal Developmental Genetics; Aquatic Ecology; Crop Production Under Water-limited Condition; Environmental Biotechnology; Green Roof Research; Health Risk Assessment of Persistent Toxic Substances; Molecular Endocrinology and Toxicology; Fish Physiology; Neuroscience and Animal Biotechnology; Phyto-/Bio-remediation of Contaminated Sites; Plant Stress Physiology and Molecular Biology; Waste Treatment and Recycling; Water Pollution
Department of Chemistry	Analytical Chemistry; Bioinorganic/Biophysical Chemistry; Biosensor; Chemical Engineering; Chemical Instrumentation; Chemosensor; Chinese Herbs; Computational Chemistry; Electroanalytical Chemistry; Engineering Processes; Environmental Chemistry; Food Analysis and Safety; Heterogeneous Catalysts; Industrial Chemistry; Inorganic Chemistry; Mass Spectrometry; Organic Synthesis; Organometallic Chemistry; Material Design and Synthesis; Physical Chemistry; Phytochemistry; Polymer; Solid State; Surface Science
Department of Computer Science	All-optical Networks; Autonomy Oriented Computing and Multi-Agent Systems; Biometrics; Computer Security; Computer Vision Technology; Constraint Programming; Data Mining; Databases; Digital Rights Management; Distributed Computing; GPU Computing, Human Computer Interaction; Image Processing; Information Filtering and Web Mining; IP Networks; Machine Learning; Mobile Computing; Multimedia Communications and Systems; Optimization; Pattern Recognition; Privacy and Data Protection; Scheduling; Speech Analysis; Statistical and Graph-based Learning; Visual Information Systems; Web Intelligence; Wireless Communications
Department of Mathematics	Numerical Analysis; High Order Methods for Numerical Solution of PDEs; Computational Fluid Dynamics; Scientific Computing; Statistics; Optimization; Image Processing; Data Mining; Bioinformatics; Graph Theory
Department of Physics	Renewable Energy; Organic Optoelectronics; Organic Solar Cells; Organic Light-emitting Diodes for Lighting; Organic Thin Film Transistors and Sensors; Functional Nano Materials and Nano-Films; Luminescent Materials; Photonic Materials; Laser Analytical Spectroscopy; Surface Science; System Biology of Cell Dynamics; Biological Physics; Complex Brain Networks and Dynamics

Faculty of Social Sciences

The Faculty provides students with a liberal arts education that enhances their personal, intellectual and professional development. Each department of the Faculty offers research postgraduate programmes and has a dedicated team of faculty members whose research areas cover a wide range of specializations. 13 centres have been developed in the Faculty to facilitate teaching and research activities at the University.

Department / Fields of Studies	Research Expertise
Department of Education Studies	Educational Psychology; Language Education; ICT in Education; Education Policy Research; Comparative Education; Curriculum Studies; Educational Administration; Teacher Education; Social Context of Education; Moral Education; CyberPsychology; Critical Thinking and Metacognition; Leisure Education; Teacher Development; Developmental Psychology; Social Psychology; History of Education Geomorphology & Sedimentology; Palaeoenvironmental Studies; Environment & Development Studies; Energy Studies; China Urban & Regional Development; Biometeorology; Remote Sensing and Geographical Information Systems; Transport Modeling; Environmental and Urban Planning
Department of Geography Department of Government & International Studies	Hong Kong and Chinese Politics; European Politics, Integration and Security; Social Movements and Protests in China; Chinese Foreign and Security Policies and Relations across the Taiwan Strait; European Comparative Language Policies
Department of History	Modern and Contemporary Chinese History; Sino-Foreign Relations; Christianity in Modern China; Gender History in Comparative Perspective; History of Modern Asia; History of Hong Kong; Ethnic Issues in China: Past and Present; The History of Northeast Asia; European Intellectual History since the Enlightenment
Department of Physical Education	Exercise Physiology; Sport and Exercise Psychology; Sport Sociology; Recreation and Sport Management; Health Fitness and Wellness; Physical Activity and Quality of Life; Obesity and Weight Management; Mental Health and Stress Management; Sport and Recreation for Special Populations
Department of Sociology	Gender; Family; Social Networks; Social Stratification; Population Studies; Urban Studies; Popular Religion; Sexuality; Cultural Sociology; Migration; Globalization; Social Transformation; Chinese Societies
Department of Social Work	Youth Studies; Mental Health; Psychiatric Rehabilitation, Social Policy; Welfare Ideologies; Children and Family Work; Health Care; Empowerment and Narrative Practice; Gender Studies, Counselling and Clinical Supervision; Social Welfare in Hong Kong and China

Academy of Visual Arts

The Academy of Visual Arts integrates visual arts forms and studio practice across various social and cultural contexts, enriching studio-based and applied research for visual arts. The Academy also endeavours to study visual arts and related academic disciplines to consolidate research data, and revisit both old and new theories, with a specific view of the current cultural agenda of Hong Kong, China and beyond.

Department / Fields of Studies	Research Expertise
Studio-based and Applied Research	Image: Visualisation and Interpretation; Body as Interface; Object: Aesthetics, Context and Material Culture
Theoretical and Community Research	Visual Arts as Education and Community Resource; Visual Arts: Management and Dissemination