

PhD / MPhil STUDY

@HKU Faculty of Science

The Faculty of Science boasts a long history of excellence in basic research and a team of outstanding scholars from around the world with a wide range of research expertise. We are inviting high caliber students for PhD and MPhil studies in 2021/22.

Why HKU Science?

- 80 years of science education history
- About 150 professoriate staff and 500 postgraduate students from all over the world
- Top-notch scholars include members of Chinese Academy of Sciences and recipients of prestigious awards and honours
- 15.4% of our professoriate staff are the world's Top 1% scholars (Clarivate Analytics' Essential Science Indicators 2019)
- Robust records of funding and publications
- Cutting-edge research facilities
- Research collaborations with world-class universities
- Versatile research areas in natural sciences, mathematical and statistical sciences

Six Research Divisions

- ◆ Chemistry
- ◆ Earth and Planetary Science
- ◆ Ecology and Biodiversity
- ◆ Mathematical and Statistical Science
- ◆ Molecular and Cell Biology
- ◆ Physics and Astronomy

Interdisciplinary research units

- ◆ Big Data Research Cluster
- ◆ HKU-TCL Joint Research Centre for Artificial Intelligence
- ◆ The HKU-UCAS Joint Institute of Theoretical and Computational Physics at Hong Kong
- ◆ The Institute of Mathematical Research
- ◆ The Swire Institute of Marine Science

Available Funded Scholarships

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship (HKPF)

Application Deadline:

December 1, 2020 (Hong Kong Time 12:00 noon)

The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship (HKPF) is a prestigious award established by the Hong Kong Research Grants Council aims at attracting the best and brightest students in the world to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong. Awardees will be provided an annual stipend of HK\$319,200 (~US\$40,900) and a conference and research-related travel allowance of HK\$13,300 (~US\$1,700) per year for each awardee for a period up to three years.

Further support for HKPF awardees:

- ◆ Faculty Entrance Scholarship of HK\$15,000 (~US\$1,900) in their first year of study; and
- ◆ The HKU Presidential PhD Scholarship of HK\$40,000 (~US\$5,100) in Year 1 and HK\$20,000 (~US\$2,550) per year in the remaining normative study period; and
- ◆ A guaranteed hall place for their first year of study with possibility of renewal in the second year; and
- ◆ Composition fees will be waived for the whole normative study period (HK\$42,100 (~US\$5,300) per year)

Postgraduate Scholarship

Full-time MPhil and PhD students (those not awarded under the HKPF scheme) who hold a first degree with second-class honours first division or above are normally considered eligible to receive a Postgraduate Scholarship during the normative study period. The basic level of scholarship is HK\$17,330 (~US\$2,200) per month.

Application Deadlines for PhD/MPhil Programmes

Main Round

December 1, 2020

1st Clearing Round

April 30, 2021

2nd Clearing Round

August 31, 2021

University Postgraduate Fellowships

The fellowship is at a total value of HK\$70,000 (~US\$8,900) on top of the Postgraduate Scholarships for full-time PhD candidates with an excellent academic record.

Tuition Waiver

Composition fees will be waived for the whole normative study period (HK\$42,100 (~US\$5,300) per year) for all local students enrolled in full-time PhD and MPhil programmes.

Further Information

Faculty Website:

www.scifac.hku.hk/prospective/rpg/why-hku-science

Graduate School:

www.gradsch.hku.hk/gradsch/prospective-students/why-choose-hku

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship (HKPF):

cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpf/index.html

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