

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

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– Professor Roland Chin

Chairman, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong, China

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Welcome from the Chairman of the Research Grants Council

Welcome to the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme!

The Research Grants Council of the Hong Kong University Grants Committee are committed to promoting world-class research in Hong Kong. Through our PhD Fellowships, Hong Kong's outstanding universities offer research opportunities in a broad range of PhD programmes, with generous stipends and excellent support for the best and brightest students in the world.

The prestigious Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme will unite top international research postgraduate students and Hong Kong's world-class research institutions. Its vision is to nurture the best students excelling in their chosen research fields, with elevated knowledge and global outlook, poised to cope with the challenges of a changing world.

With English as the medium of instruction, China next door and research institutions steeped in international perspectives, research and career opportunities multiply.

Hong Kong, long an international business, finance and trading centre, draws talent from all corners of the globe. Our research universities reflect that dynamism and drive, with international faculty and students excelling in the forefront of research. Our Fellowship programme unites cultural diversity and a rich research environment.

Hong Kong's institutions are extending the boundaries of various fields including sciences, engineering, humanities, arts, social sciences, medicine, biotechnology, business, and specialisations such as textile design, and supply chain and tourism management.

Our universities host some of Asia's - and the world's - best facilities and programmes, from our world-class business management programmes to pioneering research in areas such as avian influenza, China studies, telecommunications, liver transplantation, Chinese medicine, plant and agricultural biotechnology, and environmental studies.

I encourage you to learn more about Asia's world city and the opportunities our universities present. A cultured, cosmopolitan city set amidst the sea and mountains, nestled against China and its rich heritage, Hong Kong and its research institutions offer the world's best and brightest an ideal place to study, live and work.

I look forward to welcoming you to Hong Kong!



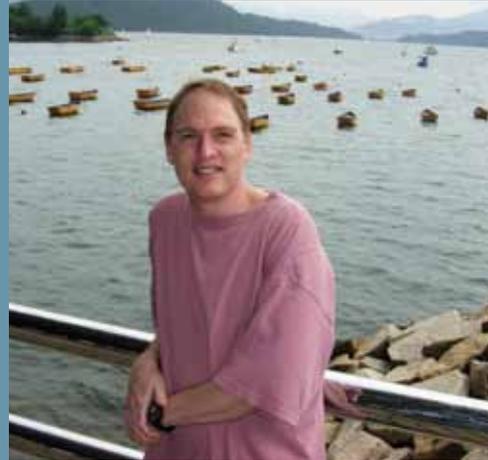
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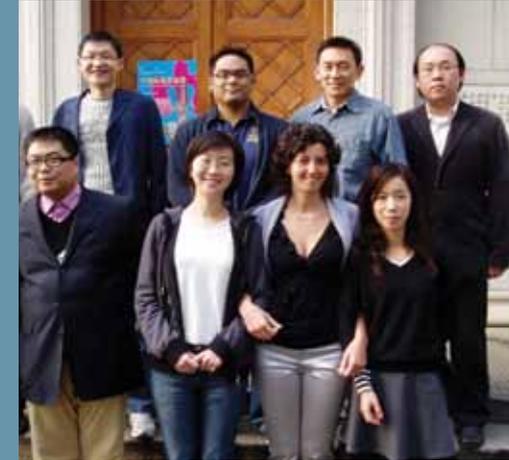
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"Living in Hong Kong is amazing. It's a lively city, an interesting mixture of cultures, people and places, all squeezed together. Temples, bars, jazz clubs, restaurants, small gardens, skyscrapers, cabs, old men practicing traditional tai chi chuan in the morning just outside high-tech, modern skyscrapers... And if you're tired of the city, the wilderness is just outside: there are lots of hiking trails, beaches and small islands to explore. Here I have found good friends in a very international atmosphere, and many opportunities for learning."



John Wakefield (USA)
3rd year PhD Student
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"Writing a Ph.D. thesis is difficult wherever you do it, but PolyU relieves a lot of the stress and pain by providing all the support that students need. PolyU has world-class facilities, and it offers generous funds for buying books, as well as access to all the reference books and journals I need. As for social life and experiencing Hong Kong, PolyU is perfect because it's located near the centre of Kowloon, with quick access to Hong Kong Island. I can easily get to any place I want to go in the city. Hong Kong is one of the most fascinating and exciting places you could spend 3 years."



Man-kong Chow (Hong Kong)
[top row, first from right]
3rd year PhD Student
Centre of Asian Studies
The University of Hong Kong

"Hong Kong is a place where the East meets the West. There are many world-class universities and research institutes among the Asia region, many globally renowned scholars and experts, well-developed research network linking Mainland China, Taiwan, Macau and the worldwide Chinese communities. With the support from the Hong Kong SAR government and the business sector, I believe Hong Kong is the best place for cultivating future scholars on China studies."



Arjan Hazelzet (The Netherlands)

**2nd year PhD Student
Department of Architecture**

The University of Hong Kong

"In the midst of the dynamic and inspiring city of Hong Kong, I found an engaging, active and enthusiastic academic community that is always at the frontier of new academic interest. Hong Kong provides an exciting and high standard of urban living worthy of 'Asia's World City', but nature is never far away."



H. Christoph Steinhardt (Germany)

**2nd year PhD Student
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The Chinese University of Hong Kong

"The advantages of taking up China Studies in Hong Kong are abundant: access to a wide range of internationally respected experts, access to Mainland China through geographical proximity, regular influx of and exchange with Mainland Chinese guest researchers and practitioners, personal contact with Mainland Chinese peers, the protection of academic freedom, provision of scholarships, superbly stocked university libraries with English and Chinese language material, and specialized research centers."



Rajiv Krishnan Kozhikode (India)

**4th year PhD Student
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"Hong Kong offers an environment that every prospective graduate student could look forward to. It has some of the most reputed universities in the world and in particular, Asia. The university system here encourages students to make the best use of the resources available. Further, the generous scholarship for graduate students helps them focus on their studies and not have to worry about their financial wellbeing. I believe choosing Hong Kong for my graduate studies is one of the wisest decisions that I have ever made."



Li Wenjing (China)

**3rd year PhD student
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Lingnan University

"Hong Kong attracts me most with its abundance in academic resource and openness of research environment. I have the opportunity to attend international conferences and to exchange ideas with scholars from all over the world."

Studying in Hong Kong

“Hong Kong’s education system yields graduates among the best in the world.”

Hong Kong’s universities offer special strengths amidst a wide choice of disciplines, developing the city into a regional and international hub for higher education and talent development.

Hong Kong’s education system fosters lifelong learning and independent research, leading to a motivated, highly skilled and entrepreneurial workforce. Hong Kong welcomes an international workforce, and non-local students can freely seek employment in Hong Kong after graduation.

Eight degree-awarding institutions in Hong Kong are publicly funded through the University Grants Committee (UGC). The UGC advises the Government on the development and funding of higher education, administers grants and plays a major role in promoting research, ensuring Hong Kong is in step with global dynamics. Each UGC-funded institution enjoys a high degree of academic and institutional autonomy.

The UGC-funded institutions participating in the first round of the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme are:

- City University of Hong Kong
- Hong Kong Baptist University
- Lingnan University
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
- The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
- The University of Hong Kong

These institutions all are highly supportive of internationalisation by promoting student exchanges and establishing academic links with institutions globally.



Photo courtesy of City University of Hong Kong

The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

Established in 2009 by the RGC, operating under the aegis of the UGC, the **Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme** aims to attract the best and brightest students in the world to pursue their PhD programmes in Hong Kong's institutions.

Who can apply?

Candidates seeking admission as new full-time PhD students in UGC-funded institutions of Hong Kong, irrespective of their country of origin and ethnic background, are eligible to apply.

Applicants should demonstrate outstanding academic performance, research ability and/or potential, communication and interpersonal skills, and leadership ability.

What are the benefits of the Fellowship?

The Fellowship will provide a monthly stipend of HK\$20,000 (approximately US\$2,600 monthly/US\$30,000 annually) and a conference and research-related travel allowance of HK\$10,000 (approximately US\$1,300) per year for a maximum period of three years. 135 PhD Fellowships will be awarded for the 2010/11 academic year*.

How are Awardees selected?

Shortlisted applications, subject to their areas of studies, will be reviewed by one of the two Selection Panels with experts in the following broad academic areas - one panel for the sciences, medicine, engineering and technology and another panel for the humanities, social sciences and business studies.

While candidates' academic excellence is the primary consideration, the Selection Panels will include (but not limit) their evaluation to the four criteria below:

- Academic excellence
- Research ability and potential
- Communication and interpersonal skills
- Leadership abilities

*The academic year in Hong Kong normally starts in September

How can I apply?

All applications should be made through the On-line Application System (OAS) at the following website: www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd.

The application deadline is **1 December 2009**.

Enquiries

Please see page 20.

"To nurture and develop the talents of students and to create applicable knowledge in order to support social and economic advancement."

City University of Hong Kong (CityU) is committed to providing quality higher education to its students.

The University has a strong team of experienced academic staff with diverse research interests and professional expertise. The University currently has 1,610 academic and teaching staff, including 7 academicians. The physical environment, infrastructure and teaching facilities have been designed to create an academic and communal atmosphere that encourages intellectual curiosity, social interaction, self-expression and mutual support.

The University is proactive in reaching out and connecting to society and the world. It has built up strong links with 286 local and overseas universities and organisations to develop collaboration in teaching and research. It has also developed close links with industry and commerce for consultancy and technology transfer. CityU feels the pulse of society and is quick to respond to its needs.



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PhD Programme Information

CityU excels in professional education and applied research.

CityU has established 14 Research Centres and 3 Applied Strategic Development Centres in identified areas of strategic importance to provide focus for and foster interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary research.

PhD programmes covering a wide range of strategic areas to suit individuals' research interests are offered by 19 academic departments in three Colleges (Business, Humanities and Social Sciences, and Science and Engineering) as well as the School of Creative Media, the School of Law, and the School of Energy and Environment.

Entrance scholarships will be awarded to recipients of the Fellowship. The scholarship will cover students' tuition and on-campus hostel accommodation fees in their first year of research studies.



CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG



Location:

Kowloon Tong
Kowloon

Date established:

CityU was founded in 1984 as City Polytechnic of Hong Kong and became a fully self-accrediting university in 1994.

Campus:

Located in the heart of Kowloon, the University is easily accessible from all parts in Hong Kong and is the gateway to the Chinese Mainland. CityU offers state-of-the-art learning, teaching and research facilities supported by a high-technology environment.

Number of Postgraduate Programmes on offer:

CityU offers PhD, MPhil, 4 professional doctorate degrees and around 60 taught postgraduate programmes.

Enrolment:

Around 6,000 postgraduate students, including international students admitted from around the world.

Fast Facts:

- CityU is among the top 150 universities in the world, according to the 2008 survey by the *Times Higher Education - QS World University Rankings*.
- CityU was ranked the 1st in Hong Kong and 45th in the world for engineering research papers, according to Evaluation Bimonthly, published by the Higher Education Evaluation and Accreditation Council of Taiwan.

"Hong Kong Baptist University is committed to academic excellence in teaching, research and service, and to the development of the whole person in all these endeavours, building upon the heritage of Christian higher education."

Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) was founded in 1956 with a mission to provide quality higher education for the Hong Kong community and the region, combining broad-based liberal education characteristics with academic and professional vigour. The University became a fully government-funded institution in 1983 and acquired full university status in 1994.

As of September 2008, HKBU enrolled 8,300 students in programmes of all levels including 41 undergraduate programmes, 51 postgraduate programmes and research postgraduate programmes leading to the award of MPhil or PhD under HKBU's seven Faculties/ Schools/ Academy (Arts, Business, Chinese Medicine, Communication, Science, Social Sciences and Visual Arts).



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PhD Programme Information

The University's popular PhD fields include disciplines from arts, visual arts and social sciences to business and communication to science and Chinese medicine.

The University places dual emphasis on teaching and research and has established around 40 research centres to nurture excellence in various research areas.

Faculty members provide consultancy and professional services for the Government, commerce and industry, and strive to make practical use of research results and findings to benefit the society.

HKBU has invested in resources and efforts to enhance research, in particular the six broad areas identified for priority development:

- Cross-cultural studies
- Contemporary China studies
- Environmental science
- Advanced materials research
- Advanced e-transformation and technology
- Chinese medicine

HKBU welcomes highly motivated PhD candidates in the above fields and other areas to join its PhD programmes.

HONG KONG BAPTIST UNIVERSITY



Location:

Kowloon Tong
Kowloon

Date established:

1956

Campus:

Located at Kowloon Tong, the University is easily accessible from all parts of Hong Kong, and is only a few minutes' walk from the Kowloon Tong MTR station.

Enrolment:

8,300 students

Fast Facts:

- A Professor in the Department of Biology was named by the renowned scientific journal *Nature* as one of "five crop researchers who could change the world" for his research to boost agricultural output by reducing the amount of water used in crop production.
- A PhD student in the School of Business was awarded the Fulbright (Hong Kong) Research Award in 2008 to spend 8 months at the University of Southern California's Marshall School of Business.
- A Professor of Chinese Medicine was awarded the Overseas and Hong Kong, Macau Young Scholars Collaborative Research Fund by the National Science Foundation of China in 2007, as the only award recipient from Hong Kong in the Life Sciences Section of the NSFC.
- Many HKBU Professors have been appointed Fellows of international and/or professional bodies for their research achievements.

“Lingnan University aims to excel as an internationally recognised liberal arts university distinguished by outstanding teaching and the highest standards of scholarship”

With a prestigious history dating back to its original establishment in 1888 in Guangzhou, China, Lingnan University (LU) is the only liberal arts university in Hong Kong emphasising both the merits and close interrelationship of teaching and research. Like many American liberal arts colleges and the colleges at Oxford and Cambridge in the UK, LU believes that the ethos of liberal arts education requires limited student numbers and an intimate campus setting. One of the key values of liberal arts education - student-centred learning - is equally applicable to undergraduate and postgraduate study. For postgraduates, student-centred learning ensures close and supportive thesis supervision, while at the same time encouraging candidates to exercise intellectual creativity in their research endeavours.

While some liberal arts colleges do not demand or pride themselves on a high level of staff academic research, others have earned - as LU has - a strong reputation through encouraging and requiring staff research, on the premise that far from depleting energies to be spent on teaching, research actually nourishes and inspires outstanding teaching.

LU's research strengths stretch across its three academic areas, i.e. humanities, social sciences and business studies. Staff publications include articles in premier journals and books published by prestigious academic presses, so that in the global academic scene, LU enjoys a growing reputation in research excellence at home and internationally.



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PhD Programme Information

LU offers PhD programmes in the following areas:

Arts: Chinese, Cultural Studies, English, History, Philosophy, Translation, and Visual Studies.

Social Sciences: Economics and International Finance, Political Science and International Relations, Sociology, Social Gerontology, and Social Policy and Psychology.

Across the different disciplines, LU has earned a reputation of considerable strength and depth on topics and research related to China and Asia-Pacific studies.

In addition, LU has designated nine priority areas of research. They are:

- Aesthetics and the arts
- Conflict management in Chinese societies
- Cultural research and development
- Financial markets and economic performance
- Hong Kong studies through history
- Modern literature in Chinese
- Public policy and governance
- Social gerontology
- Taxation

LINGNAN UNIVERSITY



Location:

Tuen Mun
New Territories

Date established:

1967 (its history dates back to 1888 when its forerunner, Lingnan University, in Guangzhou, China, was founded)

Campus:

The University campus has a total area of about 11 hectares and is located approximately two kilometers north of the Tuen Mun town centre, on the Kowloon peninsula.

Enrolment:

In 2008-09, LU enrolled around 2,400 undergraduate and 50 research postgraduate students from 22 countries, and also hosted 162 exchange students from 19 countries.

Fast Facts:

- LU's faculty includes many world-class scholars and a large number of up-and-coming younger academics.
- The University has 124 faculty members from 10 countries with PhD and other advanced degrees from institutions such as Harvard, Yale, Oxford, MIT and the University of California - Berkeley.
- Faculty diversity of research expertise means that LU offers expert supervision in many research areas, including interdisciplinary projects.



The Chinese University of Hong Kong

*"To combine tradition with modernity
To bring together China and the West"*

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) is a bilingual (Chinese and English) and bicultural institution of higher learning founded in 1963. As a first-class comprehensive research university with both a local and an international outlook, CUHK aims to cultivate quality graduates to serve the increasingly sophisticated needs of society and to contribute to the pool of human knowledge through research. The majority of its dedicated teaching staff is recruited from all over the world, including Nobel Laureates, Fields Medalist, Turing Award winner, academicians, and fellows from prestigious professional associations. CUHK's current enrolment of postgraduate students is around 10,485, including a substantial number of international students who are admitted from around the world.

To achieve its mission of accumulating and creating knowledge in different disciplines, CUHK offers some 250 programmes leading to doctoral, research master's and taught master's degrees and postgraduate diplomas through eight faculties: Arts, Business Administration, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science and Social Science.

Besides academic departments which are actively engaged in research in a wide range of disciplines, CUHK has 25 research institutes and an array of research centres/laboratories specialising in interdisciplinary research of the highest quality. It also has a number of joint research units in partnership with external academic institutions, including 2 State Key Laboratories, namely the *State Key Laboratory in Oncology in South China* and the *State Key Laboratory of Agrobiotechnology*.



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PhD Programme Information

CUHK offers a wide range of research programmes in different subject areas and encourages students to participate in collaborative research projects with industry partners.

CUHK has always adopted a liberal policy that allows breadth and depth to research undertakings. Research activities cover dimensions *laterally* to encompass all subjects that are offered at CUHK, *vertically* to integrate staff research with teaching, and *longitudinally* to range from upstream research to midstream development.

To maximise impact and benefit to society, five among its existing areas of excellence were identified as key areas for strategic research investment in the Strategic Plan adopted by CUHK in 2006. The five major areas are *Chinese Studies*, *Biomedical Sciences*, *Information Sciences*, *Economics and Finance* and *Geoinformation and Earth Sciences*.

CUHK currently offers 64 PhD Programmes (including PhD stream of MPhil-PhD Programmes) in a wide range of subject areas.

For a detailed list of available programmes, please visit its website at www2.cuhk.edu.hk/gss/.

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG



Location:

Shatin
New Territories

Date established:

1963

Campus:

CUHK's stunning 134-hectare campus overlooking the scenic Tolo Harbour is the largest and greenest in Hong Kong. It is conveniently located near the MTR station and is less than 25 minutes by rail or road from the heart of Hong Kong.

A 10-storey building located in Shenzhen Virtual University Science Park is scheduled for completion at the end of 2009 to accommodate the new CUHK Shenzhen Research Institute, providing space and facilities for research and technology development.

Enrolment:

11,490 undergraduate, 7,436 taught postgraduate and 3,049 research postgraduate students from 41 countries (as of Dec 2008).

Fast Facts:

- CUHK has around 1,400 teaching staff recruited from all over the world. Most of its faculty members are bilingual and 87% of them have academic qualifications obtained outside China.
- Since inception, CUHK has adopted bilingualism and biculturalism as the basis of its teaching, giving equal emphasis to both Chinese and English, as well as Eastern and Western cultures.

"To learn and to apply, for the benefit of mankind"

The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (PolyU) is one of the major government-funded universities in Hong Kong and has a proud history of providing internationally competitive and professionally-oriented education. Its more than 250,000 graduates have contributed tremendously to the development of Hong Kong into a modern metropolis over the past seven decades.

The 26 academic departments of PolyU are organised into six Faculties (Applied Science & Textiles; Business; Construction & Land Use; Engineering; Health & Social Sciences; Humanities) and two independent Schools (Design; Hotel & Tourism Management).

PolyU's departments are home to 754 academic staff at Assistant Professor and above levels, including 71 Chair Professors and 108 Professors. Many of its faculty members are internationally leading researchers conducting world-class research. While fundamental research is also encouraged, applied research addressing real-world problems with impact on industry and the community is the focus of PolyU's research.



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PhD Programme Information

PolyU's PhD programmes provide internationally competitive and rigorous training to students who aspire to become independent researchers capable of conducting high-quality original research or creative leaders with the capacity to lead and manage innovations in industry and business. Quality and societal impact are emphasised in these programmes.

The 26 academic departments of PolyU offer a wide range of PhD research programmes supported by high-quality academic staff, state-of-the-art facilities and close links with industry and business. PolyU has identified several important areas of strategic focus, including Chirotechnology/Drug Discovery and Development; Fashion and Textiles; Health and Wellness Enhancement; Hospitality and Tourism Management; Logistics and Maritime Services; Product Design, Development and Marketing; Smart Materials and Systems; and Sustainable Urbanisation. These areas, and others, offer many exciting research opportunities for its PhD students.

A three-year tuition scholarship will be awarded to recipients of the Fellowship.

Detailed information on PolyU's PhD programmes is available on its website at <http://www.polyu.edu.hk/ro/hkphd-fellowship>.

THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY



Location:

Hung Hom
Kowloon

Date established:

PolyU originated from the Government Trade School established in 1937 and was known as Hong Kong Polytechnic before assuming full university status in 1994.

Campus:

The PolyU campus boasts high-quality teaching facilities and infrastructure and is centrally located in Hung Hom, Kowloon. It is easily accessible by public transport and is close both to the quiet and convenient residential area of Hung Hom, as well as the world-famous shopping, dining and sightseeing district of Tsim Sha Tsui. The Hung Hom Railway Station, next to the campus, is the gateway for trains departing for Guangzhou, Shanghai, Beijing and beyond.

Enrolment:

Over 28,000 students from 39 countries, with around 8,310 taught postgraduate students and over 1,000 research postgraduate (mostly PhD) students.

Fast Facts:

- 754 Assistant Professors and above (including 71 Chair Professors and 108 Professors) from 17 countries.
- Won the largest number of competitive research grants in the field of engineering from the RGC among all universities in Hong Kong for the past four years.
- Ranked 72nd in the world in the field of engineering based on research publication performance (The 2008 Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers by the Higher Education Evaluation & Accreditation Council of Taiwan).
- Ranked 66th in the world in research contributions in the business field (The University of Texas at Dallas Top 100 Worldwide Business School Rankings Based on Research Contributions Between 2004-2008).

"There are few universities worldwide that have progressed as rapidly in the last 15 years as your university."

– Prof. William B. Lacy, Vice Provost, University of California, Davis (2006)

The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST), founded in 1991, has in its short history established a global reputation for excellence. As a dynamic, front-running research university, HKUST focuses on both innovative teaching and learning and pioneering research in the fields of science, engineering, business and management, humanities and social science. In 2008 the *Times Higher Education-QS World University Rankings* ranked HKUST 39th out of the world's top 200 universities.

The world-class standing of its faculty members and its well-designed research infrastructure have seen HKUST make many ground-breaking discoveries, and the University has been ranked among the leading higher education institutions worldwide. Strong links with top universities, organisations and businesses internationally and in Mainland China create future career opportunities.

First-rate facilities and an award-winning campus renowned for the beauty of its setting add further to the unforgettable experience of studying at HKUST. In addition to the main campus at Clear Water Bay in Kowloon, the HKUST Fok Ying Tung Graduate School has recently been established in Nansha, Guangdong Province, China, to provide research and learning opportunities for graduate students on issues related to the development of the Pearl River Delta.



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PhD Programme Information

HKUST offers research postgraduate programmes in five schools: Science, Engineering, Business and Management, Humanities and Social Science, and the HKUST Fok Ying Tung Graduate School.

PhD programmes require a combination of coursework and independent research, with major emphasis placed on research. With the support of top-class faculty members and comprehensive research infrastructure, its programmes continually offer students a chance to forge new trails in research and education.

At HKUST, research shapes the campus identity and stimulates idea exchange. Its students have the opportunity to work alongside leading researchers in first-rate facilities and develop skills essential to furthering future careers. Many of its research students publish in top international journals in their own fields of study.

For a detailed list of available programmes, please visit HKUST's website at www.ust.hk/pgstudies.

THE HONG KONG UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY



Location:
Clear Water Bay
Kowloon

Date established:
1991

Campus:

Built on a dramatic hillside along the shore with an unobstructed and unparalleled sea view, HKUST is only a short 15 minutes' drive to the city centre, or a 15 minutes' drive to the seaside village of Sai Kung (known as "Hong Kong's back garden").

Enrolment:

Over 9,000 students, with approximately 1,300 research postgraduates and 1,900 taught master postgraduates.

Fast Facts:

- HKUST has approximately 500 faculty members, all holding PhDs from renowned universities such as Cambridge, Chicago, Harvard, MIT, Oxford, Stanford, and Yale.
- HKUST's achievements include:
 - 4th in Asia's Top 200 Universities (*QS Asian University Rankings 2009*)
 - 39th in the World's Top 200 Universities; 24th in the World's Top 100 Universities in Technology (*Times Higher Education - QS World University Rankings 2008*)
 - 24th in the world for research contribution (The University of Texas at Dallas (UTD) Top 100 Worldwide Business School Rankings 2004-2008)



"Sapientia et Virtus" (To Cultivate Wisdom and Virtue)

The University of Hong Kong (HKU) is Hong Kong's oldest university. As an English-medium university with a history that stretches back nearly 100 years, it has grown with and helped shape the city from which it takes its name.

Today, HKU is recognised internationally as a dynamic and comprehensive university of world-class standing. The latest *QS Asian University Rankings 2009* rank HKU as the best university in the whole of Asia. HKU is also currently ranked 26th in the world by the *Times Higher Education - QS World University Rankings 2008*. With its distinguished excellence in research and performance in teaching, it attracts first-class teaching and research staff and brilliant students from around the world.

The 44 academic departments/schools of HKU are organised into 10 Faculties: Architecture, Arts, Business and Economics, Dentistry, Education, Engineering, Law, Medicine, Science and Social Sciences. HKU currently has over 2,400 teaching and research staff, with about 45% drawn from overseas. All are distinguished academics recruited from top universities all over the world.

The University's research students enjoy opportunities to work with leading international researchers and a peer group of resourceful and committed students from different nations in advanced facilities, producing cutting-edge and internationally recognised research work, and developing skills essential for future careers and lifelong learning.



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PhD Programme Information

HKU offers PhD programmes in a wide range of subjects in arts and humanities, science and engineering, and medicine and dentistry. It has a fine tradition of nurturing the largest number of research postgraduate students in Hong Kong.

HKU has won a proud reputation as a world-class comprehensive research university. Its research students learn under the guidance of highly talented research staff and from brilliant student peers, and have opportunities and financial support to attend international conferences.

Having academic links with more than 400 overseas universities and hosting over 3,300 international students, HKU students enjoy opportunities to take part in overseas training and international research collaboration. In addition, the University provides its students with professional development opportunities and state-of-the-art support facilities.

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG



Location:

Pokfulam
Hong Kong Island West

Date established:

1911

Campus:

The University's historic main campus is situated on the northwestern slopes of Hong Kong Island, with access to a convenient public transportation network, overlooking Victoria Harbour.

Enrolment:

Around 11,500 undergraduate, 7,200 taught postgraduate and 2,400 research postgraduate students from over 70 countries.

Fast Facts:

- An English-medium research-led university.
- HKU's achievements include:
 - 1st in Asia (*QS Asian University Rankings 2009*) and 26th in the world (*QS World University Rankings 2008*)
 - Highest number of publications per staff in Hong Kong.
 - Received the highest number of awards and the largest amount of research grants in Hong Kong.
 - Received the highest number of State Natural Science Awards in Hong Kong.
 - Awarded the largest number of Croucher Foundation Senior Research Fellowships.
 - Awarded the largest number of Chinese Academy of Sciences and Chinese Academy of Engineering Academicians in Hong Kong.
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