



Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2011/12

Experience world-class academic facilities and research opportunities in Asia's world city



Hong Kong - a free and dynamic cosmopolitan city in the heart of Asia converging creativity and entrepreneurship, offering global connectivity and rich diversity, and being home to a unique network of people who celebrate excellence and quality living.

Welcome from the Chairman, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong



The Research Grants Council (RGC) 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. On behalf of the RGC, I am proudly presenting you the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2011/12.

Established by the RGC in 2009, the first round of the prestigious Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme is bringing over one hundred top students from twenty-five countries/regions to Hong Kong to undertake PhD studies in our world-class research institutions in fields ranging from humanities, business and social sciences, to engineering, medical and physical sciences. Following the success in the first round, we are looking for talented people who wish to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong, and are aspiring to be research elites of the time to take part in the second round exercise, which will give awards for studies commencing in 2011/12 academic year.

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

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!

A stylized, handwritten signature in white ink, appearing to read 'Roland Chin', set against the dark blue background.

Professor Roland Chin

Chairman, Research Grants Council
Hong Kong, China

Who can apply

Candidates seeking admission as new full-time PhD students in the eight institutions overleaf, irrespective of their country of origin and ethnic background.

About the award

The Fellowship will provide a monthly stipend of HK\$20,000 (approx. US\$2,600) and a conference and research-related travel allowance of HK\$10,000 (approx. US\$1,300) per year for a period of three years. About 135 PhD Fellowships will be awarded in the 2011/12 academic year*.

How are Awardees selected

Shortlisted applications, subject to their areas of studies, will be reviewed by one of the following two Selection Panels:

- sciences, medicine, engineering and technology
- humanities, social sciences and business studies.

While candidates' academic excellence is the primary consideration, the Selection Panels will take into account factors such as the candidates' research ability and potential, communication and interpersonal skills as well as leadership abilities.

How to apply?

Eligible candidates should make their initial application through the online system at www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd to obtain a reference number before submitting applications to selected institutions.

* Institutions in Hong Kong normally start their academic year in September.



Enquiries

For enquiries on the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme, please write to HKPF@ugc.edu.hk. For enquiries on admission requirement, eligibility criteria for research programmes, regulations and policy of individual institutions, please write to the relevant institutions direct.

Contact Information and Application Deadlines

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme
www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd

Initial application deadline: 1 December 2010 at Hong Kong Time 12:00:00 (GMT+8)

As deadlines for applications concerning some of the institutions immediately follow that for the initial applications, candidates should submit initial applications as early as possible to ensure that they have sufficient time to submit applications to institutions.



City University of Hong Kong
<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sgs/hkphd/index.htm>
Email: sgfellow@cityu.edu.hk
Application deadline: 10 December 2010



Hong Kong Baptist University
http://www.hkbu.edu.hk/~gs/hkpf/ent_req.html
Email: hkpf@hkbu.edu.hk
Application deadline: 1 December 2010



Lingnan University
<http://www.ln.edu.hk/reg/info/phd/require.php>
Email: rpgadm@LN.edu.hk
Application deadline: 2 December 2010



The Chinese University of Hong Kong
<http://www2.cuhk.edu.hk/gss/entry.php>
Email: gradschool@cuhk.edu.hk
Application deadline: 1 December 2010



The Hong Kong Institute of Education
http://www.ied.edu.hk/acadprog/rpg/prog_info.htm
Email: rpg@ied.edu.hk
Application deadline: 1 December 2010



The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
<http://www.polyu.edu.hk/ro/hkphd-fellowship/>
Email: roro@polyu.edu.hk
Application deadline: 1 December 2010



The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
<http://www.ust.hk/hkpf/sgs/how.html>
Email: hkpf@ust.hk
Application deadline: 6 December 2010



The University of Hong Kong
<http://www.hku.hk/gradsch/web/apply>
Email: gradsch@hku.hk
Application deadline: 8 December 2010

Useful Information

Research Grants Council, Hong Kong
www.rgc.edu.hk

About Hong Kong
www.brandhk.gov.hk

Hong Kong Higher Education
studyinhongkong.edu.hk

Postgraduate Studies in Hong Kong
www.grad.edu.hk

Guidebook for entry for study in Hong Kong
www.immd.gov.hk/ehtml/id996.htm