

Division of Education

Ever since its establishment, the Division of Education has been devoting itself to the development of postgraduate studies in education. It has been growing both horizontally and vertically by broadening the fields in graduate studies, while simultaneously providing professional training for graduates of recognized universities to serve in local schools and high education institutions. All these programmes report to the Board of Postgraduate Studies in Education.

MPhil in Education / PhD in Education
MPhil in Sports Science and Physical Education

Admission Code: EDU
Admission Code: SSP

Programme

MPhil in Education / MPhil in Sports Science and Physical Education

MPhil Degree programme is designed to provide students the initial research training to enhance their academic and personal development through the study of a topic relevant to their interests.

MPhil students are required to complete 3 units of courses on "Methods of Educational Research", conduct an independent research, submit a thesis and pass the oral defence.

PhD in Education

The PhD Programme in Education is research-oriented. A student normally combines seminars with guided independent research in an individually designed course of study under the guidance of the supervisor and the thesis committee.

Advancement to PhD candidature is conditional upon completion of coursework requirements and passing of a qualifying examination. Within twelve months after advancement to PhD candidature, the candidate must submit a thesis proposal to the Graduate Panel. After the thesis proposal is approved, the candidate should submit a thesis and pass the oral defence within a prescribed period of time for graduation.

Please visit the Division's homepage for more information.

Fields of Specialization

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Educational Administration and Policy
- Educational Psychology
- Sports Science and Physical Education

Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the Graduate School¹,

MPhil in Education / MPhil in Sports Science and Physical Education

1. have obtained a Postgraduate Diploma in Education, or equivalent education qualifications, and/or relevant experience deemed acceptable;

2. pass an entrance examination / interview conducted by the Graduate Division of Education.

PhD in Education

1. have obtained a Postgraduate Diploma in Education, or equivalent education qualifications, and/or relevant experience deemed acceptable;
2. furnish proof of her/his research capability in the form of past publications, Master's thesis, and/or strong support from academic references;
3. perform satisfactorily in an interview conducted by the Graduate Division of Education;
4. pass a written entrance examination conducted by the Graduate Division of Education, if necessary.

Additional Application Information

An applicant should state the area of study s/he would like to apply for in the box "Proposed field of study" on the application form, and submit it with a paper on "Objectives and Outline of Study", in Chinese or English.

The contents of the paper should include:

1. reasons for choosing the specialized area of study;
2. demonstration of a basic understanding of key concepts in the specialized area of study by citing learning and working experiences as well as relevant literature;
3. two proposed topics in the specialized area of study which are worthy of research. For one of the topics, a concise research proposal should be provided. For the other, simply state the title.

Application Deadline

1 December 2016

For applicants who apply for PhD programme through the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS)²

31 January 2017

For applicants who apply for MPhil/PhD programme directly with CUHK (i.e. non-HKPFS applicants)

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¹ For the general qualifications required for admission to the Graduate School, please refer to pages 16-17.

² For information on HKPFS, please refer to page 17.