



CUHK Postgraduate Virtual Info Week 2025

Graduate School's Session



Today's Programme

16:05 – 16:25	 Overview of CUHK's Postgraduate Programmes, HKPFS and Other Learning & Research Resources Prof. Anthony SO, Dean of CUHK Graduate School
16:25 – 16:35	 Student/Graduate Sharing 1) Prof. Otto Akseli HANNUKSELA Assistant Professor, Department of Physics PhD graduate in Physics, HKPFS Awardee 2) Ms. Ximena OCAMPO AGUILAR Year 2, PhD in Architecture, HKPFS Awardee
16:35 – 17:00	• Q&A





About the Speaker

Professor Anthony SO

Dean, Graduate School

Professor, Department of Systems Engineering and Engineering Management

IEEE Fellow









Overview of CUHK's Postgraduate Programmes

2026-2027 Intake Admissions

Prof. Anthony Man-Cho So

Dean, Graduate School

Professor, Department of Systems Engineering & Engineering Management



Why should you choose CUHK?

CUHK provides the following support to help you realise your academic goals:

World-Class
Academic Excellence

Unrivalled Research
Resources &
Learning Support

Scholarship

Comprehensive Study Options



Well-equipped Campus





CUHK Rankings

32nd in the World

QS World University Rankings 2026



Times Higher Education (THE) Asia University Rankings 2025



U.S. News & World Report Best Global Universities in Asia 2025-2026





Subject Rankings Worldwide

CUHK's programmes have achieved leading positions in Hong Kong and are among the top 30 in the world in multiple global rankings, including:



- ▲ QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025
- * Times Higher Education World University Rankings by Subject 2025
- @ U.S. News & World Report's Subject Rankings 2025-2026





Creating Boundless Impact through Research Excellence

CUHK researchers have been making significant research contributions on local, national and international levels with profound impact:

Prof. Dennis Lo

Vice-Chancellor and President of CUHK, Professor of Chemical Pathology **Molecular Diagnostics**

Prof. Philip Chiu

Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Professor of Surgery

Surgical Robotics

Prof. Yun-hui Liu

Choh-Ming Li Professor of Mechanical and Automation Engineering

Logistics Robotics

Prof. Hon-ming Lam

Choh-Ming Li Professor of Life Sciences

Sustainable Agriculture

Prof. Mei-po Kwan

Choh-Ming Li Professor of Geography and Resource Management

Geographical Information Science

Prof. Gladys Tang

Research Professor Department of Linguistics Sign Language and Deaf Studies

Prof. Francis Chan

Former Dean, Faculty of Medicine, Choh-Ming Li Professor of Medicine and Therapeutics

Prof. Siew Chien Ng

Croucher Professor in Medical Sciences, Professor of Medicine and Therapeutics **Human Microbiome**





Unrivalled Research Facilities and Resources

CUHK offers cutting-edge research facilities and resources to promote interdisciplinary research which delivers significant social and economic value to Hong Kong and beyond:



Approx. 300 Research Institutes & Centres

HK\$1.27 Billion External Research Funding*



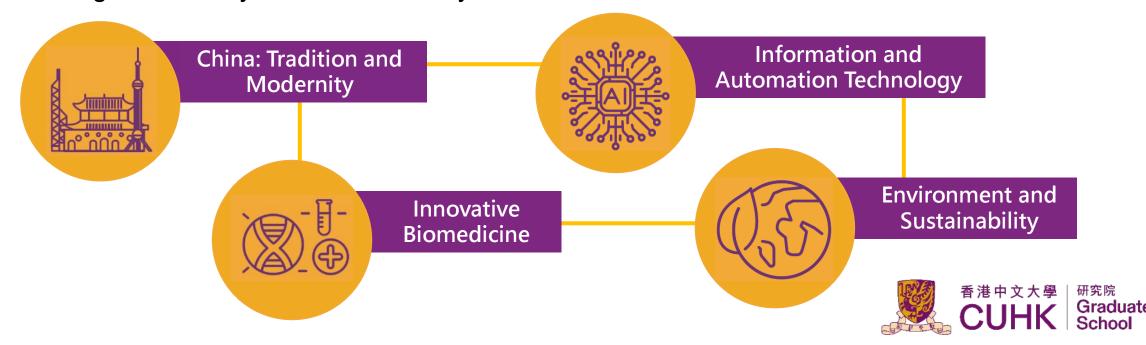


^{*}Total amount of external research funding 2023-2024



Four Strategic Areas of Research

- CUHK is a comprehensive research university recognised for its excellence in multiple aspects both regionally and globally.
- We currently have four interlinked research foci, which are of critical importance to the flourishing of humanity in the 21st century:





Research Achievements

The University Grants Committee has provided preferential funding to local tertiary institutions to conduct research in selected Areas of Excellence (AoE). Out of a total of 38 such projects, 15 are led by CUHK researchers.

Some of the on-going AoE projects:

- Aging, Skeletal Degeneration and Regeneration
- Al-Powered Surgical Robots
- Centre for Genomic Studies on Plant-Environment Interaction for Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security
- Centre for Medical Engineering of Molecular and Biological Probes
- Probing the Fundamental Structure of Matter with High Energy Particle Collisions
- Using Data to Transform Diabetes Care and Patient Lives







Comprehensive Study Options

Faculties at CUHK

- 1. Faculty of Arts
- 2. Faculty of Business Administration
- 3. Faculty of Education
- 4. Faculty of Engineering
- 5. Faculty of Law
- 6. Faculty of Medicine
- 7. Faculty of Science
- 8. Faculty of Social Science
- 9. Inter-Faculty (for interdisciplinary programmes)

230+
Postgraduate Programmes

Research Postgraduate Programmes

(e.g. PhD, MPhil, MPhil-PhD)

98

Taught Postgraduate Programmes

(e.g. Taught Doctoral, Taught Master's, Postgraduate Diploma)

136



^{*} Figures as of 2025-26 academic year

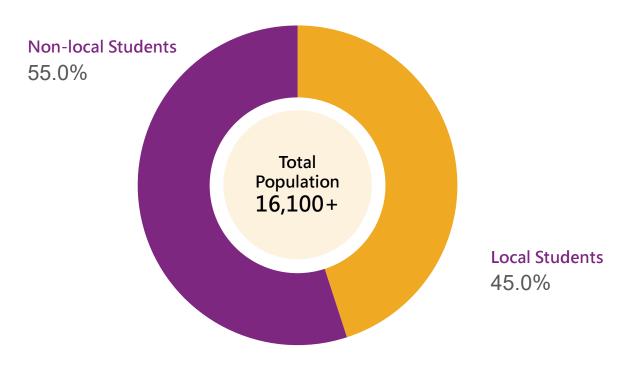


International Student Community

Our postgraduate students come from over 50 different countries/ regions from all over the world including:

- Bangladesh
- Belgium
- Brazil
- Canada
- China
- Denmark
- Ecuador
- Ethiopia
- France
- Germany
- Ghana
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Italy

- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Malaysia
- Nepal
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Russia
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Vietnam



^{*} Figures as of 30 September 2024





Scholarship & Financial Support

Postgraduate Studentship (PGS)

- Available to full-time Research Master's (MPhil) and Research Doctoral (PhD) students within their normative study period.
- For the academic year 2025-26, the monthly PGS is
 - MPhil/PhD (Pre-candidacy): HK\$19,100 (~US\$2,450)
 - PhD (Post-candidacy): HK\$19,660 (~US\$2,520)

Belt and Road Scholarship (Research Postgraduate)

- Offered by the HKSAR government for outstanding first-year students from Belt and Road countries to pursue full-time research postgraduate programmes in Hong Kong.
- It covers full tuition fees and is tenable for the normative study period. The scholarships would be renewed annually subject to satisfactory academic performance of the awardees.







Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

Established by the Research Grants Council (RGC) in 2009, the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS) aims at attracting the best and brightest students in the world to pursue their PhD programmes in Hong Kong's universities.

Website

www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/hkpfs









Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

Eligibility

Candidates who are seeking admission as new full-time PhD students in Hong Kong universities funded by the University Grants Committee (UGC), irrespective of their country of origin, prior work experience and ethnic background, are eligible to apply.

Timeline 1 Sep - 1 Dec 2025 Make an initial application to the RGC through RGC's website to obtain an HKPFS Reference Number [PF2x-xxxxx] Sep - Dec 2025 Mar - Apr 2026 Attend interview, if shortlisted RGC announces HKPFS results





Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

Selection

The HKPFS Selection Panels will select awardees based on the following factors with candidates' academic excellence being the most important:





CUHK Vice-Chancellor's HKPFS Scholarship (2026/27 Intake)

Tuition Fee Waiver

for the whole normative study period

Conference and Researchrelated Travel Allowance

Up to HK\$86,800* (~US\$11,130)

Stipend

Up to HK\$1.36 Million* (~US\$174,770)

1st Year Hostel Fee Waiver

and Guaranteed On-campus
Accommodation*^

Totalling

Over HK\$ 1.79 Million (~US\$230,000)

financial assistance during the normative study period

- * This amount is calculated based on the **monthly stipend of HK\$28,400** provided throughout the student's normative study period.
- ^ HKPFS awardees who submit hall applications and complete registration procedures in a timely manner.
- # An award of HK\$40,000 for lodging in the first year of study and HK\$20,000 in subsequent years during the normative study period.

Lodging Award

Up to HK\$100,000*# (US\$12,800)

For more information:







CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship

PhD candidates nominated by CUHK to HKPFS but not selected by the RGC will be admitted to the University's regular PhD programme with postgraduate studentship, currently HK\$19,100 (~US\$2,450) per month.

Students will receive the CUHK Vice-Chancellor PhD Scholarship of HK\$80,000 (~US\$10,270), payable in three instalments, subject to satisfactory progress in studies.

For more information:







Scholarships & Other Funding Support

- More scholarships and funding schemes are available for postgraduate students, including:
 - CUHK Research Postgraduate Student Grant for Overseas Academic Activities (for all RPgs)
 - CUHK Convocation Postgraduate Admission Scholarships
 - PhD International Mobility for Partnerships and Collaborations Award
 - The Reaching Out Award
 - Young Scholars Thesis Award
 - Ernst Mach Grant for PhD Students and Post-Docs
- Some self-financed taught postgraduate programmes also offer scholarships to eligible students.

For more information:







Scholarships and Other Funding Support

 All full time PhD and MPhil students may reimburse the expenses of approved overseas academic activities including conference travels up to HK\$30,000 and HK\$10,000 respectively for activities conducted during the whole normative study period.



• The amount is up to HK\$86,800 (~US\$11,130) for awardees of HKPFS.





Internships and Other Opportunities

To enhance learning and enrichment opportunities for non-local students, the HKSAR government has relaxed the restrictions for full-time non-local postgraduate students to take up employment or study-related internships, subject to universities' rules and regulations.

Upon graduation

According to the latest HK Immigration rules, non-local recent graduates may apply to stay and work in Hong Kong after graduation. They will normally be granted 24 months' stay in Hong Kong without a need to secure an offer of employment.







All-rounded Learning Support

CUHK offers a wide range of facilities and resources to support your research and learning:

Office of Research and Knowledge Transfer Services

- Research Support
- Research Funding
- Promoting Industry-University Collaborations

Independent Learning Centre, Centre for Learning Enhancement And Research

- Self Learning Tools
- Postgraduate Research Workshops
- Research Consultation Service

University Libraries

- 7 Libraries
- 2.5 Million+ Books & Top Journals
- 6.1 Million + Electronic Books









Student Activities for Interdisciplinary Knowledge Exchange



Seminar and
Networking
Opportunity with
CUHK Alumni
Community



Joint Research
Forum with CUHK
Shenzhen and
other institutions



Academic Poster &
Oral Presentation
Competition



Postgraduate Learning & Research Symposium





Vibrant Campus Life











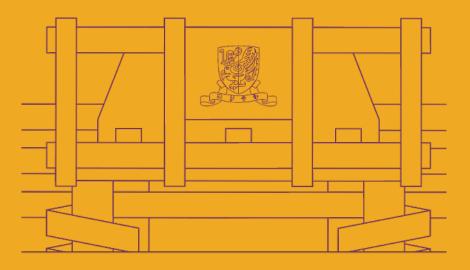








General Admission Requirements





General Admission Requirements

Taught Doctoral and PhD programmes

A master's degree from a recognised university

Master's and MPhil-PhD articulated programmes

- A bachelor's degree from a recognised university, normally with honours not lower than second class; or
- A bachelor's degree from an honours programme of a recognised university, normally with an average grade of not lower than 'B'

Postgraduate diploma programmes

A bachelor's degree from a recognised university







Duration of Studies & Tuition Fees

Full-time Postgraduate Programmes	Normative Period	Maximum Period	Average Tuition Fees for the 2026-27 Intake#
Research Doctoral Programmes	36 or 48 months	72 or 84 months	HK\$47,000*
Research Master's Programmes	12 or 24 months	36 or 48 months	per annum
Taught Postgraduate Programmes	12 - 48 months	24 - 84 months	HK\$47,000 to HK\$904,250 for the whole programme

[#] Please refer to the individual programme websites for the updated tuition fees.

^{*} According to the latest announcement of the HKSAR Government, the tuition fees for research postgraduate programmes will be adjusted to HK\$47,000 and HK\$49,500 for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 academic year respectively.





English Language Requirements for Admission

- A degree from a university in Hong Kong¹ or a degree of which the medium of instruction was English; or
- Achieved scores in any of the following English Language tests² as indicated:

TOEFL	550 (paper-based)/ 79 (Internet-based/Home Edition)
IELTS (Academic)	6.5 (Test Centre based/Online)
GMAT	Band 21 (Verbal)
GMAT Focus Edition (Verbal)	Band 78

Notes

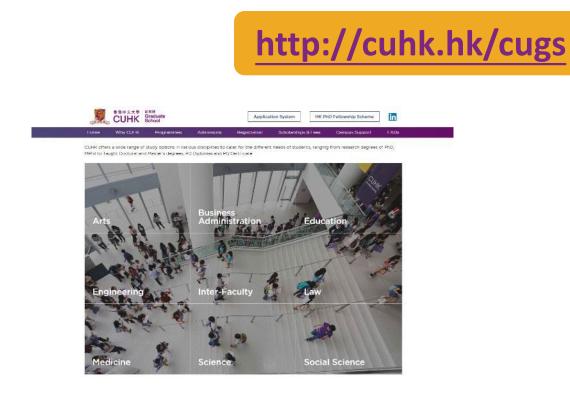
- 1. This is based on the understanding that English is the medium of instruction of degree programmes offered by universities in Hong Kong.
- 2. TOEFL and IELTS scores are considered valid for two years from the test date. GMAT score is considered valid for five years from the test date





Application Timeline and Procedures

Please refer to the Graduate School admissions website for more information on individual programmes and application procedures:



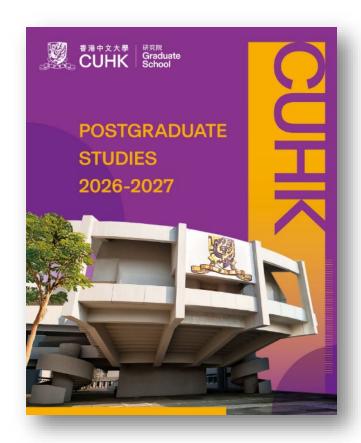






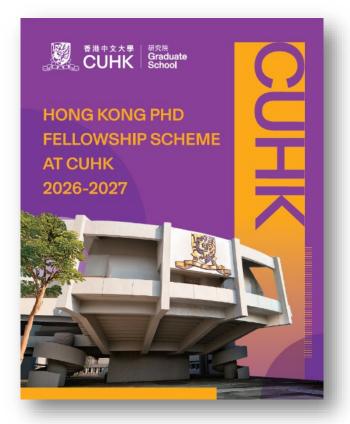
PG Prospectus & HKPFS Leaflet

For more information, please refer to the following PG Prospectus and HKPFS leaflet.



PG Prospectus for 2026-27 Intake [Download Link]





HKPFS Leaflet for 2026-27 Intake [Download Link]









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