



香港中文大學  
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

CUHK  
**GraduateSchool**  
香港中文大學研究院

# Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2022-23



The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS), established by the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong, aims to attract the best and brightest students from across the globe to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong universities. The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) now invites HKPFS applications for 2022-23.

## HKPFS Package at CUHK

### Tuition Fee Waiver

Up to HK\$168,400\*  
(~US\$21,500)

### Stipend

Up to HK\$1.29 Million\*  
(~US\$165,000)

Financial Assistance  
Totalling up to

**HK\$1.64 Million\***  
**(~US\$210,000)**

### Lodging Award

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

### 1<sup>st</sup> Year

#### Hostel Fee Waiver

and Guaranteed On-campus  
Accommodation\*^

### Conference and Research-related Travel Allowance

Up to HK\$84,000\* (~US\$10,700)

PhD candidates who are nominated by CUHK to HKPFS but not selected by the RGC will be admitted to the University's regular PhD programme. They will receive the **CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship of HK\$80,000 (~US\$10,300, payable in three installments)** subject to satisfactory study progress.

\* During the student's normative study period

# 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

^ HKPFS awardees who submit hall applications in a timely manner



# Why CUHK?

CUHK is a highly esteemed, forward-looking, comprehensive research university recognised for its excellence both regionally and globally. Founded in 1963, it is the second oldest university in Hong Kong.

We aim at cultivating higher degree graduates to serve the increasingly sophisticated needs of the society and making contributions to the pool of human knowledge through top quality research.

## About CUHK



**39<sup>th</sup>**

in the World  
(QS World University  
Rankings 2022)



**7<sup>th</sup>**

in Asia  
(Times Higher Education  
Asia University Rankings 2021)



**1<sup>st</sup>**

in Hong Kong  
(ARWU Top Universities in  
Greater China 2019)



**No.1**

in Hong Kong  
Reuters Asia Pacific's  
Most Innovative Universities  
(2016–2019)



Approx.

**1,700**

Full-time Teaching Staff



Approx.

**13,000**

Postgraduate Students from  
50+ Countries/Regions



**70%+**

Non-local Research  
Postgraduate Students



**230,000+**

Alumni



Approx.

**1,600**

On-campus Hostel Places



# Strategic Research Areas

CUHK aims at retaining as a centre of excellence for cutting-edge research and emerging interdisciplinary strengths with a global impact, and to make significant contributions to society by translating research findings into practical applications. Riding on our current research strengths are four major research areas with 16 cross-cutting themes:



China  
Studies



Environment and  
Sustainability



Information and  
Automation  
Technology



Translational  
Biomedicine

## Areas of Excellence

The University Grants Committee (UGC) of Hong Kong has provided preferential funding to local tertiary institutions to conduct cutting-edge research. Out of 28 projects, 11 Areas of Excellence projects are led by researchers at CUHK:



Aging, Skeletal Degeneration and  
Regeneration



Centre for Plant and  
Agricultural Biotechnology



Institute of Network Coding



Centre for Genomic Studies on  
Plant-Environment Interaction for  
Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security



Centre for Research  
into Circulating Fetal  
Nucleic Acids



Probing the Fundamental  
Structure of Matter with High  
Energy Particle Collisions



Centre for Medical Engineering of  
Molecular and Biological Probes



Chinese Medicine Research  
and Further Development



The Historical Anthropology  
of Chinese Society



Centre for Organelle  
Biogenesis and Function



Information Technology





# What Our HKPFS Awardees Say

**Dr. Sammantha HO** from Hong Kong  
PhD Graduate in History

I have benefited from CUHK's student-centred and academically diversified education, which developed my abilities to think critically and gain knowledge about the historical trajectory of human societies. I have gained precious experience in conducting research, enabling me to collect first-hand sources and participate in conferences held at different educational institutions.



**Salman AHMAD** from Pakistan  
PhD Student in Mathematics

I am grateful to HKPFS for giving me the opportunity to be part of such a reputable institute. CUHK is the best school I could have ever wanted. The classes, extracurricular activities and the unique cultural experience are some of the school's highlights. All faculty members are extremely knowledgeable. Their professional approach and guidance shape our minds for new research endeavours.



**Kenan TLAYE** from Ethiopia  
PhD Student in Obstetrics and Gynaecology

It is indeed a great opportunity in my academic life to join CUHK, one of the top universities in the world. Together with its well-equipped facilities, CUHK readily allows me to study under the supervision of diligent scholars who excel in their field.

I am sure this will help develop my future career as a researcher.



**Xin SHU** from China  
PhD Student in Biomedical Engineering

At CUHK, excellent professors, professional staff and a variety of classes and library resources all strongly support my studies. With the support of HKPFS, I get the opportunity to participate in international conferences every year, where I can promote my new research work and learn from researchers around the world. The Faculty of Engineering helps my research a lot by providing various industry experiences, inviting famous researchers to deliver lectures, and sharing many software and hardware resources.



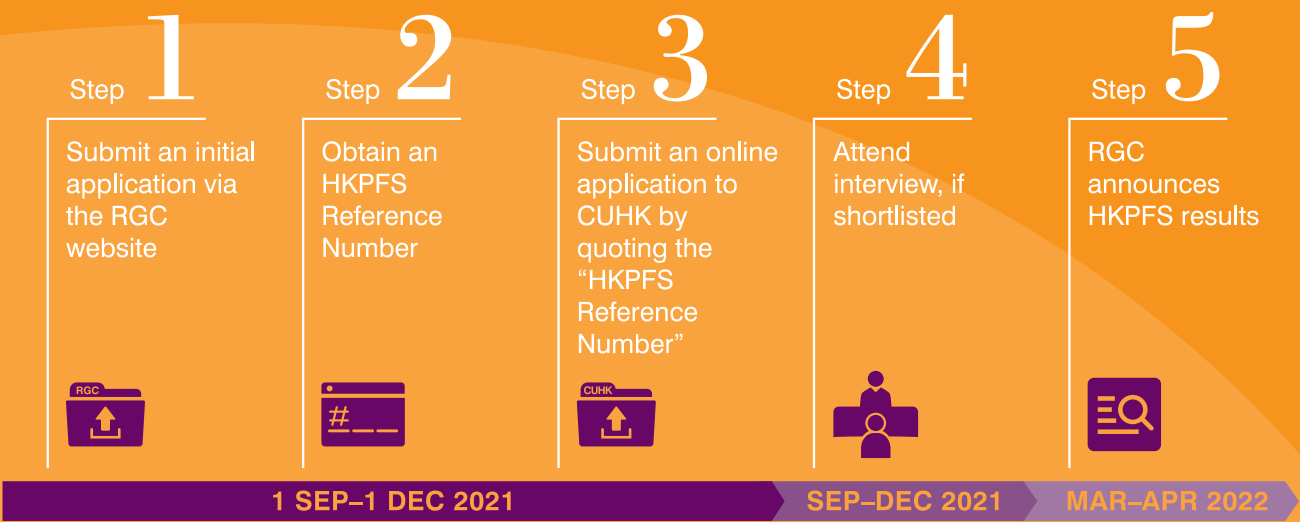
# Requirements

In addition to meeting CUHK’s admissions and English language requirements, HKPFS applicants should have outstanding credentials in the following areas:

- 1. Academic excellence
- 2. Research ability and potential
- 3. Communication and interpersonal skills
- 4. Leadership abilities

Website: [www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/requirements](http://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/requirements)

## Application Procedure and Timeline



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