



香港中文大學

The Chinese University of Hong Kong

# Postgraduate Studies at CUHK

2025-2026 Intake Admissions

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## CUHK Rankings

**36<sup>th</sup>**

in the World

QS World University  
Rankings 2025

**10<sup>th</sup>**

in Asia

Times Higher Education (THE)  
Asia University Rankings 2024

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

in Hong Kong

U.S. News & World Report  
Best Global Universities in Asia 2024-2025

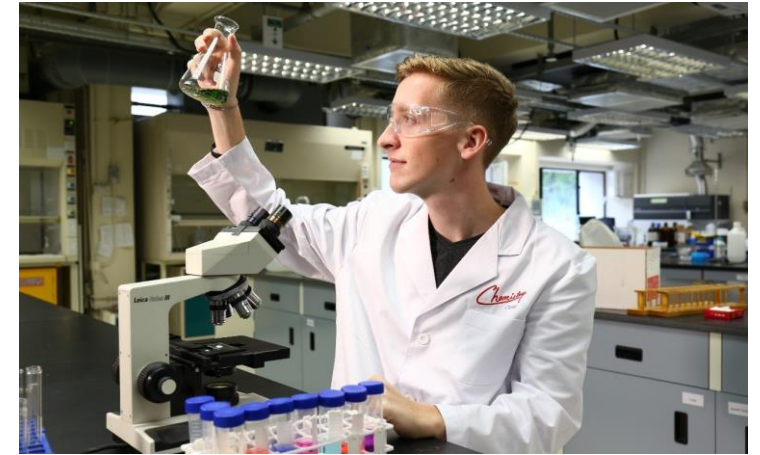


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# Faculties at CUHK

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*)

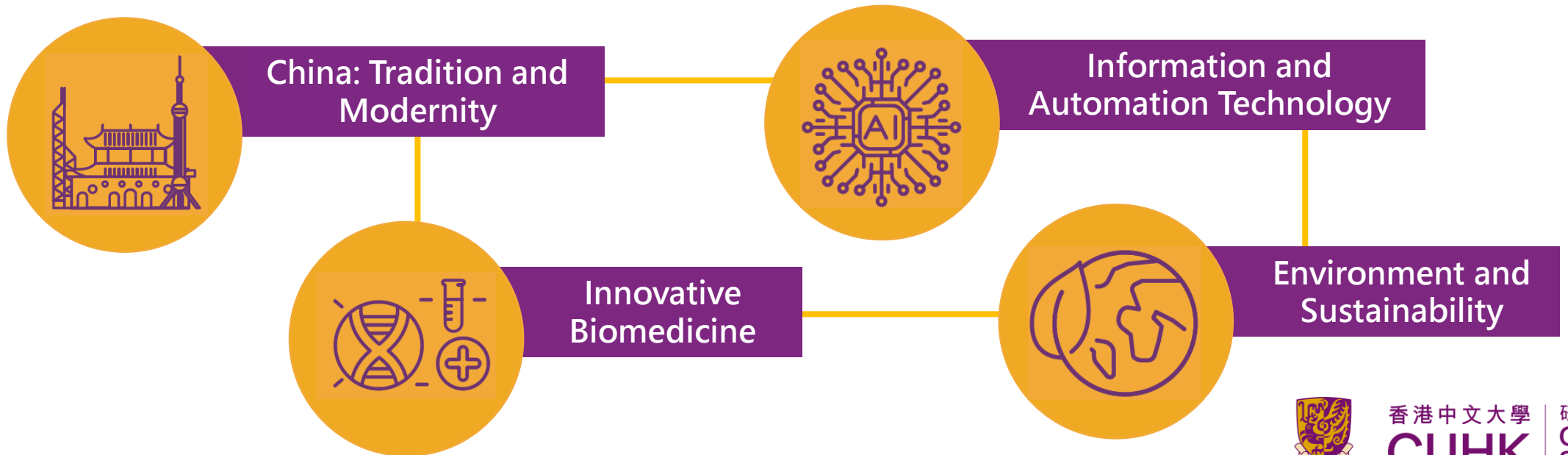


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## 4 Strategic Areas of Research

- 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 21<sup>st</sup> century:



## Research Achievements

- With the support of a wide array of over 300 research institutes and research centres, CUHK has long promoted interdisciplinary research excellence on local, national and international levels.



# 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 35 such projects, 13 are led by CUHK researchers.**

Some of the on-going AoE projects:

- Aging, Skeletal Degeneration and Regeneration
- AI-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



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## Distinguished Research Scholars

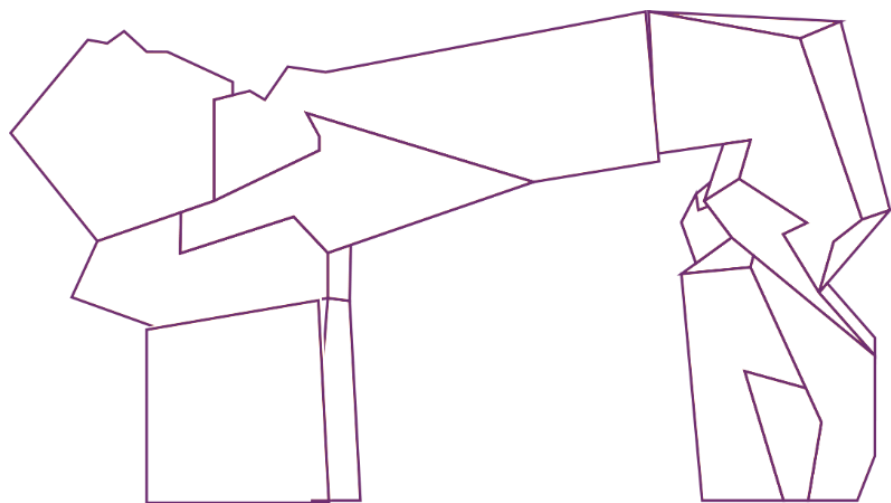
Honour / Award / Fellowship	Quantity
Nobel Laureate	1
Fields Medalist	1
Wolf Prize Laureate in Mathematics	1
Winner of Turing Award	1
Nature Biotechnology – Top 20 Translational Researchers	3
Clarivate Analytics - Highly Cited Researchers 2023	13
IEEE Fellows	44
Academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences	7
Foreign Academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences	2
Academicians of the Chinese Academy of Engineering	2
World's Top 2% Scientists 2023	360



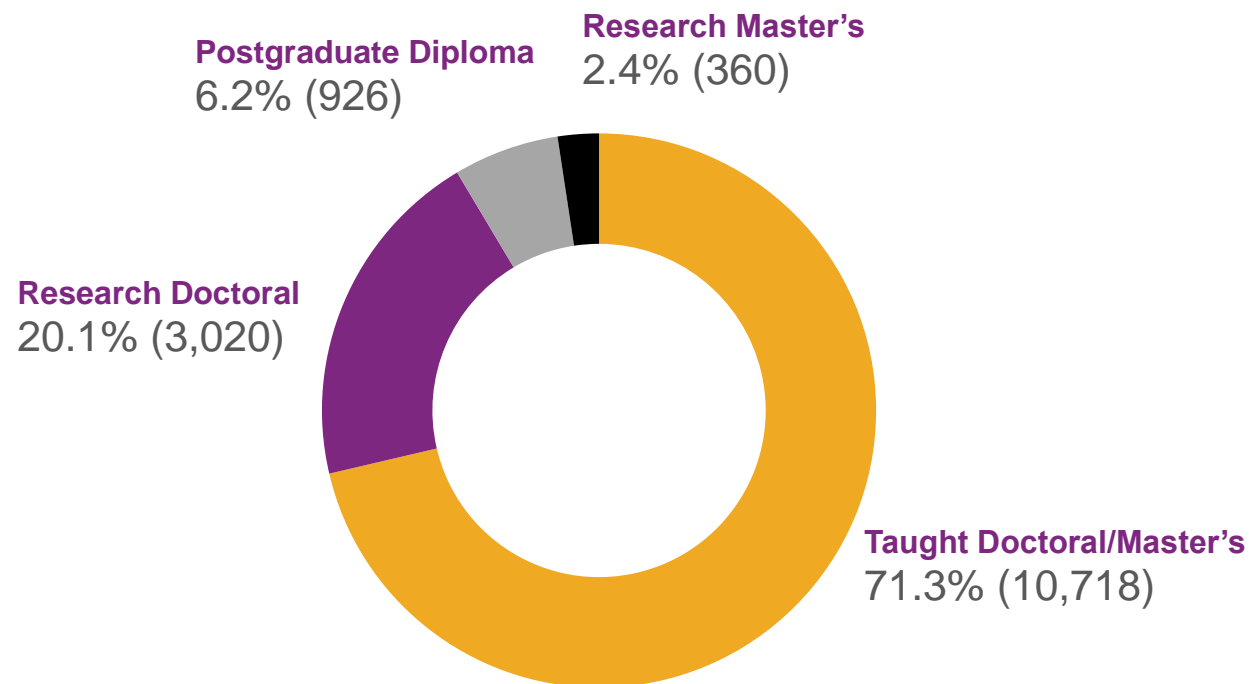
# Student Enrollment

<b>Undergraduates</b>	<b>17,954</b>
<b>Postgraduates</b>	<b>15,024</b>
<b>University Total</b>	<b>32,978</b>

\* Figures as of 30 September 2023



## Postgraduate Student Enrollment



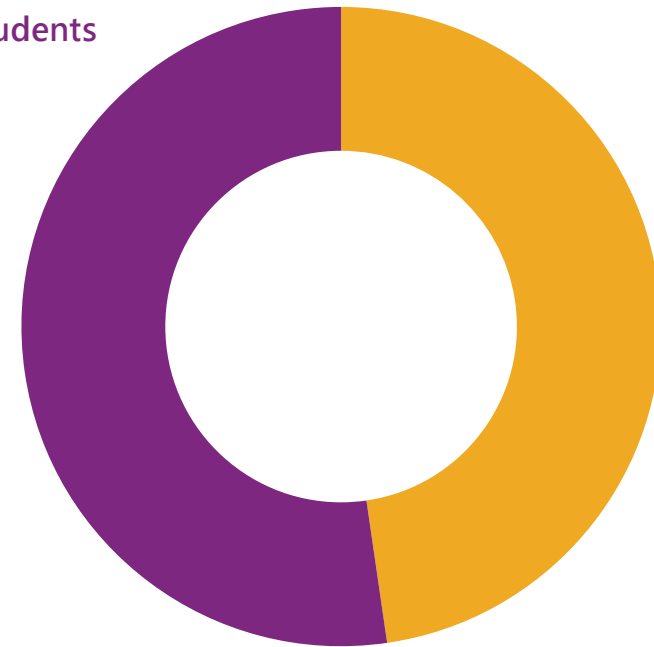


# Distribution of Origin

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

- Australia
- Bangladesh
- Belgium
- Brazil
- Canada
- China
- Denmark
- Ecuador
- Ethiopia
- France
- Germany
- Ghana
- India
- Indonesia
- Iran
- Italy
- Japan
- Kazakhstan
- Malaysia
- Nepal
- New Zealand
- Nigeria
- Pakistan
- Philippines
- Russia
- Singapore
- South Korea
- Taiwan
- Thailand
- United Kingdom
- United States
- Vietnam

Non-local Students  
52.3%

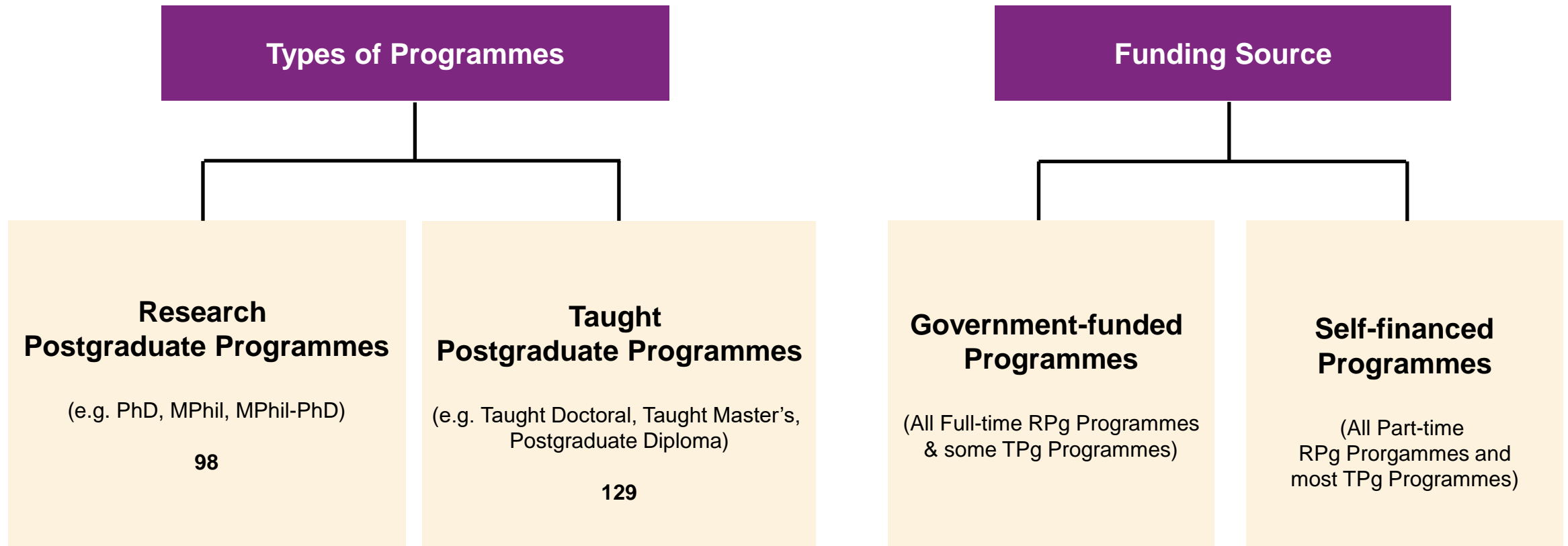


Local Students  
47.7%

\* Figures as of 30 September 2023



# Postgraduate Programmes at CUHK



\* Figures as of 2024-25 academic year

## Duration of Studies

Full-time Postgraduate Programmes	Normative Period	Maximum Period
Research Doctoral Programmes	36 or 48 months	72 or 84 months
Research Master's Programmes	12 or 24 months	36 or 48 months
Taught Postgraduate Programmes	12 - 48 months	24 - 84 months



# Tuition Fees

<b>Full-time Postgraduate Programmes</b>	<b>Tuition fees<sup>#</sup></b> <i>as of the 2024-25 academic year</i>
<b>Research Postgraduate Programmes</b>	<b>HK\$42,100*</b> <i>per annum</i>
<b>Taught Postgraduate Programmes</b>	<b>HK\$42,100 to HK\$875,450</b> <i>for the whole programme</i>

# Please refer to the tuition fees listed on individual programme websites.

\* According to the latest announcement of the HKSAR Government, the tuition fees for research postgraduate programmes will be adjusted to HK\$44,500 per annum for the 2025-26 academic year, and HK\$47,000 and HK\$49,500 for the 2026-27 and 2027-28 academic year respectively.

# Postgraduate Studentship (PGS)

- Available to **full-time Research Master's (MPhil)** and **Research Doctoral (PhD) students** within their normative study period.
- Subject to revision by the University from time to time.
- For the academic year 2024-25, the monthly PGS is
  - MPhil/PhD (Pre-candidacy): HK\$18,725 (~US\$2,400)
  - PhD (Post-candidacy): HK\$19,275 (~US\$2,470)
- PGS holders are required to assist the respective Graduate Divisions with certain duties relating to research or teaching.



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# 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](http://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/hkpfs)



A promotional poster for the 2025/26 Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme. The top left features the UGC logo and the text '大學教育資助委員會 University Grants Committee'. The top right features the 'HONG KONG' logo. The central image shows a group of five diverse students sitting on the floor, looking at a laptop. Below the image, the text reads '2025 / 26 HONG KONG PhD FELLOWSHIP SCHEME'. Underneath, a blue banner says 'Experience world-class academic programmes and research opportunities in Asia's World City'. Further down, smaller text provides details: 'Established in 2009 by the Research Grants Council, the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme aims at attracting the best and brightest students in the world to pursue their PhD programmes in Hong Kong's universities. The Fellowship Scheme will provide a competitive annual stipend and conference and research-related travel allowance per year up to three years. Initial application is accepted from 1 September to 1 December 2024 (12:00 noon Hong Kong Time (GMT + 8 hours)).' At the bottom, there is a small QR code and the text 'For details, please visit www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd'. The bottom right corner features logos of several participating universities, including CUHK, HKUST, HKU, and others.



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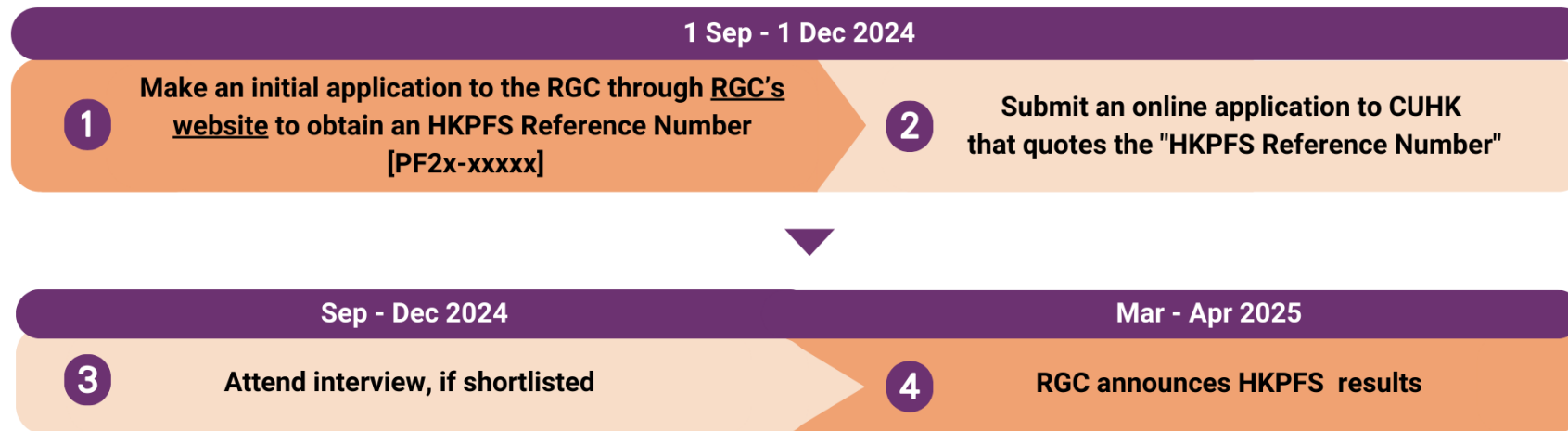
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# Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

## 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



# Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

## Selection

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



Academic  
excellence



Research ability  
and/or potential



Communication and  
interpersonal skills



Leadership  
abilities



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# Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme

The awardees will receive the following award during the normative study period (for a maximum of 4 years):

Stipend	HK\$28,100 (~US\$3,600) per month
Conference Travel Allowance	HK\$14,000 (~US\$1,800) per year during the normative study period (for a maximum of 4 years)



# CUHK Vice-Chancellor's HKPFS Scholarship

**Tuition Fee Waiver**  
for the whole normative study period

**Stipend**  
Up to HK\$1.34 Million\*  
(~US\$172,930)

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

**Conference and Research-  
related Travel Allowance**  
Up to HK\$86,000\*  
(~US\$11,030)

**1st Year Hostel Fee Waiver**  
and Guaranteed On-campus  
Accommodation\*^

**Totalling**

**up to HK\$ 1.77 Million (~US\$227,200)**  
financial assistance during the normative study period

\* During 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.



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## Other Scholarships & 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)*
  - *Belt and Road Scholarship*
  - *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, please visit the information at the [Graduate School](#) and [Office of Admissions and Financial Aid](#) website.

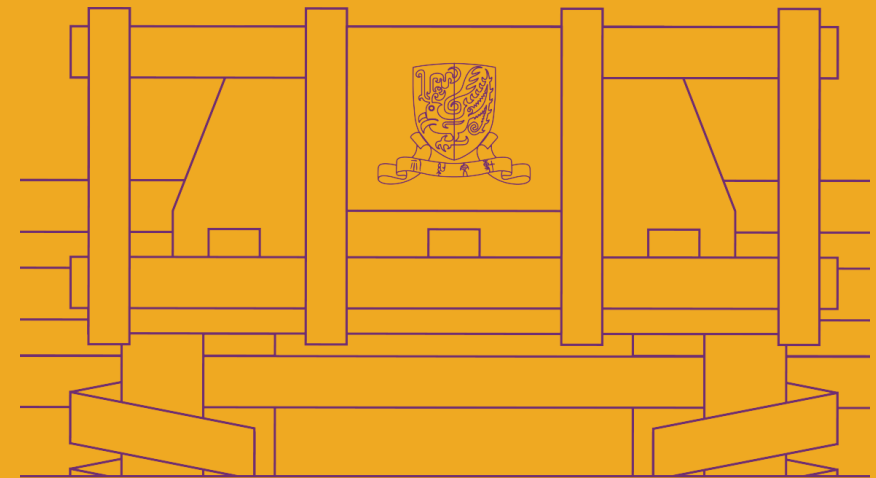
# Overseas Internship Opportunities

- Overseas internship opportunities at renowned companies or organizations to enrich the students' international exposure and equip them for dynamic and global careers. Examples of participating organizations include:
  - *Baxter Healthcare Limited*
  - *Hong Kong Tourism Board (Overseas)*
  - *KPMG*
  - *Academia Sinica, Taiwan*
  - *NIH Graduate Partnerships program jointly organized by CUHK and the National Institutes of Health (NIH)*
  - *Microsoft Research Asia Fellowship Program*





# 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



# English Language Requirements for Admission

- A degree from a university in Hong Kong<sup>1</sup> or a degree of which the medium of instruction was English; or
- Achieved scores in any of the following English Language tests<sup>2</sup> as indicated:

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

Notes:

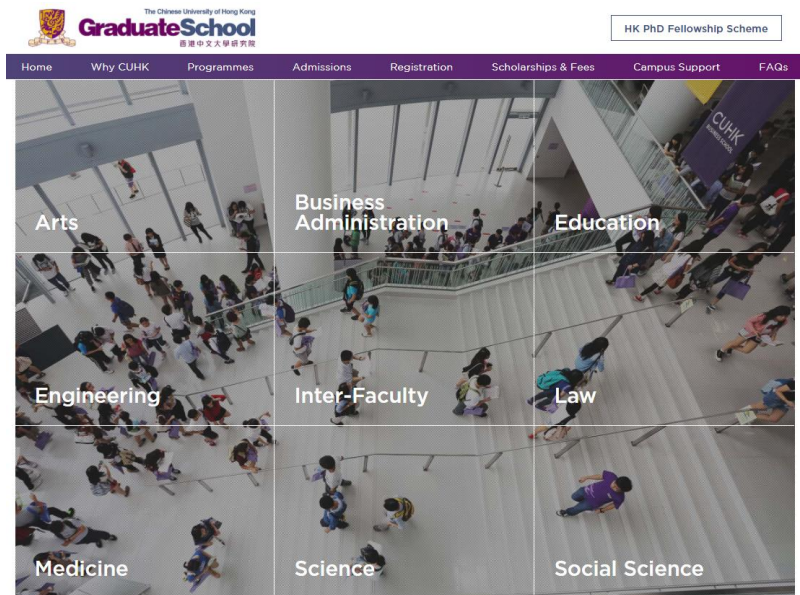
1. This is based on the understanding that English is the medium of instruction of degree programmes offered by universities in Hong Kong.
2. TOEFL and IELTS scores are considered valid for two years from the test date. GMAT score is considered valid for five years from the test date



# Application Timeline and Procedures

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

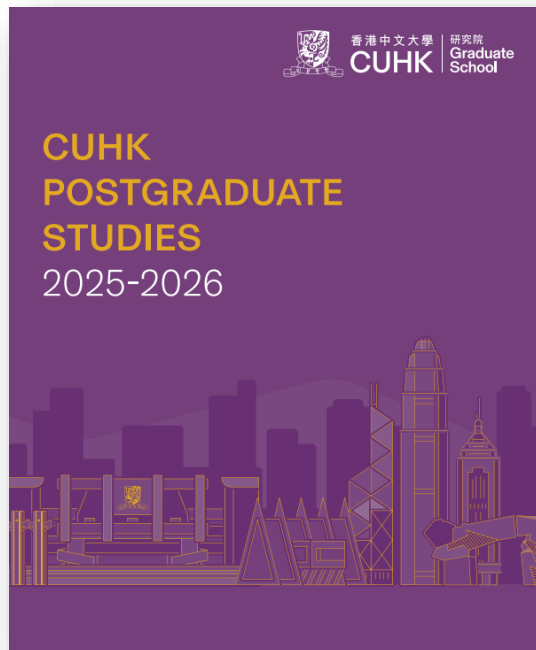
<http://cuhk.hk/cugs>



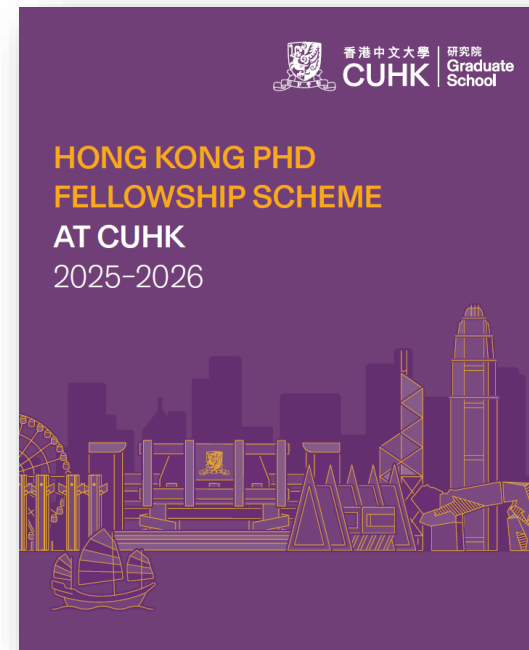


# PG Prospectus & HKPFS Leaflet

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



***PG Prospectus  
for 2025-26 Intake***  
[\[Download Link\]](#)



***HKPFS Leaflet  
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