



香港中文大學

CUHK



研究院

Graduate
School

HONG KONG PHD FELLOWSHIP SCHEME AT CUHK 2024-2025



About CUHK

47th

in the World

QS World University
Rankings 2024

6th

in Asia

Times Higher Education
Asia University Rankings 2023

1st

in Hong Kong

2022–2023 Best Global
Universities in Asia,
US News & World Report

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (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 to cultivate higher degree graduates who can serve the increasingly sophisticated needs of society and contribute to the pool of human knowledge through top-quality research.

1,600+

Full-time
Teaching Staff



14,000+

Postgraduate
Students from **50+**
Countries/Regions



Approx. 80%

Non-local Research
Postgraduate Students



255,300+

Alumni



HK\$ 427M

Scholarships and
Financial Aid
to Students in 2021–2022



1,600+

On-campus
Postgraduate
Hostel Places



Information from 2022, unless otherwise specified.

Strategic Research Areas

CUHK aims to consolidate its position as a centre of excellence for cutting-edge, interdisciplinary research with a global impact and seeks to optimise opportunities and make significant contributions to society by translating research findings into practical applications. We currently have four research foci, which are of critical importance to the flourishing of humanity in the 21st century:



China: Tradition and Modernity



Innovative Biomedicine



Information and Automation Technology



Environment and Sustainability

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 32 projects, the following 11 Areas of Excellence projects are led by researchers at CUHK:

- Aging, Skeletal Degeneration and Regeneration
- Centre for Genomic Studies on Plant-Environment Interaction for Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security
- Centre for Medical Engineering of Molecular and Biological Probes
- Centre for Organelle Biogenesis and Function
- Centre for Plant and Agricultural Biotechnology
- Centre for Research into Circulating Fetal Nucleic Acids
- Chinese Medicine Research and Further Development
- Information Technology
- Institute of Network Coding
- Probing the Fundamental Structure of Matter with High Energy Particle Collisions
- The Historical Anthropology of Chinese Society

CUHK InnoHK Centres

CUHK has established six InnoHK Centres covering health, biomedicine, robotics and artificial intelligence. Combining expertise from CUHK and leveraging partnership with prestigious global universities, the Centres position Hong Kong as a global powerhouse of innovation that connects the world with the rapidly emerging research and innovation ecosystem of the Guangdong–Hong Kong–Macao Greater Bay Area.

Health@InnoHK

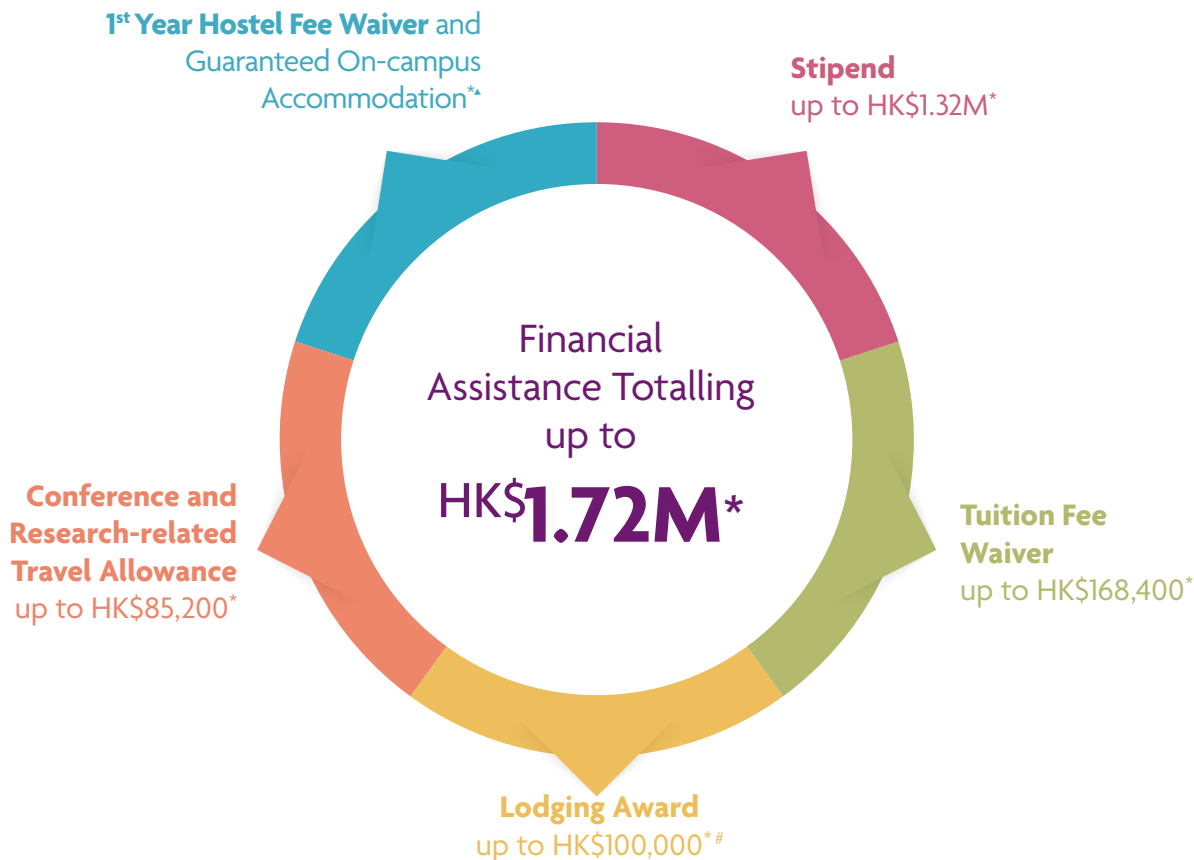
- Centre for Neuromusculoskeletal Restorative Medicine
- Centre for Novostics
- Microbiota I-Center

AIR@InnoHK

- Centre for Perceptual and Interactive Intelligence
- Hong Kong Centre for Logistics Robotics
- Multi-Scale Medical Robotics Centre

Established by the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong, the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS) aims to attract the best and brightest students from across the globe to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong universities. CUHK now invites HKPFS applications for admission in the 2024–2025 academic year.

HKPFS at CUHK



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 with postgraduate studentship. They will also receive the **CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship of HK\$80,000** (payable in three instalments) subject to satisfactory progress in their studies.

* Applicable to students within their 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

^ For HKPFS awardees who submit hall applications and complete registration procedures in a timely manner

What our HKPFS Awardees Say



Matthew Antony HAYWOOD

from United Kingdom
PhD Student in Music

CUHK has been the perfect place for me to explore my passion for Chinese music and learn about why music matters more broadly. The support of our professors, the amazing learning resources on offer and the beauty of the campus are just a few of many things that I cherish about studying here. There are always new experiences to discover in this diverse campus situated in a multicultural city.



Janice LEUNG

from Hong Kong
PhD Student in Gender Studies

Pursuing my PhD degree in Gender Studies at CUHK with support from the HKPFS has been a highly rewarding experience so far. I am grateful to be enrolled in a programme that offers a stimulating interdisciplinary learning environment, solid research training from passionate, skilled faculty members, and support to be autonomous in shaping my intellectual interests and career path.

Moldir SHYNGYS

from Kazakhstan
PhD Student in Biomedical Engineering



Pursuing graduate studies in Hong Kong under the HKPFS is attractive because it not only provides significant financial support for living, but also encourages international exposure and collaborations through research-related travel allowances. In addition, Hong Kong is a vivid city with many opportunities for scientific and technological career development. Studying at CUHK as an HKPFS awardee will help me fulfil my research potential and facilitate my scientific career development.

Dr. John O'REILLY

from Ireland
PhD Graduate in Education



During my PhD study at the Department of Sports Science and Physical Education at CUHK, I was surrounded and supervised by world-class researchers in an environment that enabled me to work hard and to enjoy life on a beautiful campus in a vibrant and exciting city.



Reza YEKTA SAADABAD

from Iran
PhD Student in Biochemistry

It is a great privilege to be a part of CUHK, one of the top universities worldwide. The University enables me to revolutionise my future career as a scientist. In addition to its well-respected professors, CUHK provides high-tech equipment and research facilities to help advance my research.



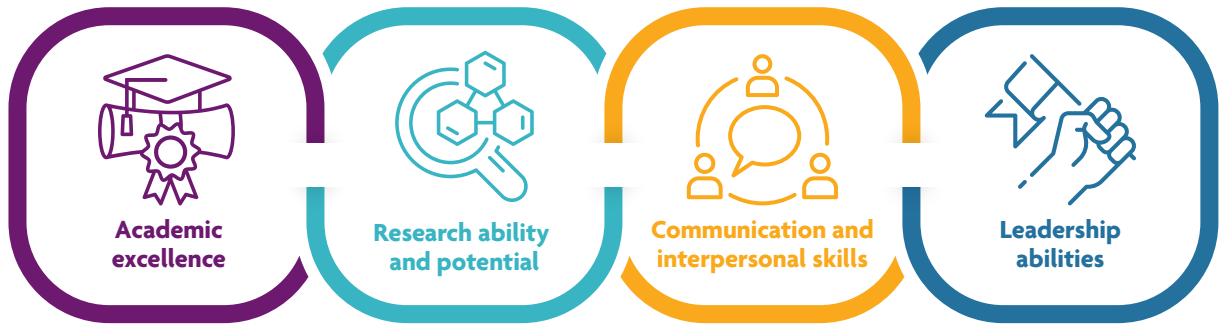
Huwen WANG

from China
PhD Student in Public Health

Studying PhD at CUHK's JC School of Public Health and Primary Care has been an incredible experience for me. With supportive supervisor and an innovative, collaborative research environment, I have gained valuable insights into producing high-quality research work. I highly recommend the programme to potential students who seek to enhance their research capabilities.

Requirements

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



Application Procedure and Timeline

1 Sep – 1 Dec 2023

Step 1

Submit an initial application via the RGC website



Step 2

Obtain an HKPFS Reference Number



Step 3

Submit an online application to CUHK that quotes the "HKPFS Reference Number"



Sep – Dec 2023

Step 4

Attend an interview, if shortlisted



Mar – Apr 2024

Step 5

RGC announces HKPFS results

Find out more



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