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Subject: **Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme**

Research Grants Council of Hong Kong is launching the Thirteenth Round of the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (the "Scheme"). The Scheme aims to attract top international students to pursue PhD studies in Hong Kong's world-class research universities. The Fellowship provides an annual stipend of HK\$ 322,800 (approximately US\$ 41,400) and a conference and research related travel allowance of HK\$ 13,500 (approximately US\$ 1,730) per year for the awardees for a period of three years. 300 PhD Fellowships will be awarded in the 2022/23 academic year. The deadline for initial application is December 1, 2021. Further details regarding Eligibility & Assessment Criteria and Application Procedure can be found at <https://cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpfs/index.html> (poster also attached).

2- In aforesaid connection, I am directed to make request to disseminate / circulate information regarding the in-question Fellowship Scheme among eligible students of your esteemed Institution for perusal and further necessary action at their end.

3- There will be no financial liability on part of Higher Education Commission (HEC).

With Regards,

Encl: **As above**

Asst. Dir.
(Arslan Majeed)

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- i. **ES to Executive Director**, Higher Education Commission (HEC), Islamabad.
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Initial application deadline

1 December 2021 at 12:00 noon Hong Kong Time (GMT +8 hours)

Enquiries

For enquiries on the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme, please write to hkpf@ugc.edu.hk. For enquiries on admission requirements, eligibility criteria for research programmes, application methods and deadlines, regulations and policy of individual universities, please contact the relevant universities direct.

Further information

For further information, please visit the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme website at <http://www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd>.



City University of Hong Kong
<http://www.cityu.edu.hk/hkphd>
email: sgf@cityu.edu.hk



Hong Kong Baptist University
<http://www.hkbu.edu.hk/admission/hong-kong-phd-fellowship-scheme/introduction>
email: hkbu_rpg@hkbu.edu.hk



Lingnan University
<https://www.ln.edu.hk/sgf/ugc/hkphd>
email: rgf@ln.edu.hk



The Chinese University of Hong Kong
<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/hkphd>
email: gradschool@cuhk.edu.hk

After completing an initial application, applicants should submit full applications for their selected PhD programmes to the proposed universities (quoting their HKPFS Reference Numbers) before the deadlines of individual universities. As deadlines for submission of full applications to universities may immediately follow that for initial application, candidates should contact the relevant universities regarding the application deadlines to ensure that they have sufficient time to submit full applications.

Other useful information

Research Grants Council,
Hong Kong
<http://www.rgc.edu.hk>
About Hong Kong
<http://www.brandhk.gov.hk>

Hong Kong Higher Education
<http://studyinhongkong.edu.hk>
Postgraduate Studies in Hong Kong
<http://www.grad.edu.hk>

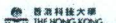
Immigration Policy on Study and Guidebook
for Entry for Study in Hong Kong
<http://www.immid.gov.hk/eng/services/visastudy.html>



The Education University of Hong Kong
<https://www.euhk.edu.hk/ugc/hkphd>
email: rgf@euhk.edu.hk



The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
<http://www.polyu.edu.hk/hkphd/fellowship>
email: re.student.matters@polyu.edu.hk



The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
<http://ugust.hkust.hk>
enquiry form: <http://ugust.hk/enquiry>



The University of Hong Kong
<https://www.gradsch.hku.hk/gradsch/graduate-student/scholarship-funding-and-facts2>
email: gradsch@hku.hk



HONG KONG PhD FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

Experience world-class academic programmes and research opportunities in Asia's World City

Established in 2009 by the Research Grants Council (RGC), 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.

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 September to December.



For details, please visit
www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd

2022/23

Welcome Message from the Chairman, Research Grants Council

The Research Grants Council (RGC) of the Hong Kong University Grants Committee (UGC) is committed to promoting world-class research in Hong Kong. Through our PhD Fellowships, Hong Kong's outstanding universities offer research opportunities in a broad range of PhD programmes, with generous stipends and excellent support for the best and brightest students in the world. On behalf of the RGC, I proudly present to you the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2022/23.

Established by the RGC in 2009, the prestigious Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme has brought about two thousand five hundred top students from around ninety countries/regions to Hong Kong to undertake PhD studies in our highly ranked research universities in fields ranging from humanities, business and social sciences, to engineering, medical and physical sciences. Following the success in the first twelve rounds, we are looking for talented people who wish to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong, and aspire to be research elites of the time to take part in the Thirteenth Round, study awards of which will commence in the 2022/23 academic year.

Hong Kong, long an international business and finance centre and a unique bridge between East and West, draws talent from all corners of the globe. Our research universities have strong dynamism and drive, with international faculty and students excelling in the forefront of research. Our Fellowship programme unites cultural diversity and a rich research environment.

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Professor Yuk-shan Wong
Chairman, Research Grants Council
Hong Kong, China

Who can apply

Candidates seeking admission as new full-time PhD students in the eight UGC-funded universities, irrespective of their country of origin, prior working experience, and ethnic background are welcomed to apply.

About the award

The Fellowship will provide a competitive annual stipend and a conference and research-related travel allowance per year up to three years. 300 PhD Fellowships will be awarded in the 2022/23 academic year.

How to apply

Eligible candidates should make their initial application to the RGC through the online system at <https://cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpbs/initialApplication.jsp> to obtain an HKPFS Reference Number before submitting full applications to their selected universities.

Universities in Hong Kong normally start their academic year in September.