

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship 2024/25



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.

What the Fellowship and CityU Offer?

In HKPFS 2024/25, each Fellowship recipient will receive:

- A monthly stipend of **HK\$27,600** (approximately **US\$3,538**)
- A conference and research-related travel allowance of **HK\$13,800** (approximately **US\$1,760**) per year for a maximum of three years
- An additional entrance scholarship of **HK\$89,496** (approximately **US\$11,473**) covering tuition and on-campus hostel accommodation fees for the first year of studies
- Additional financial subsidies/awards supported by RGC may be given to eligible Fellowship recipients

Why College of Science, CityU?

The College of Science, CityU has a strong international reputation in research.

► Nature Index 2021 Young Universities

By Subject

6th in Chemistry
9th in Physical Sciences

► Academic Ranking of World Universities (ARWU) 2022

By Subject

51st – 75th in Chemistry

► US News & World Report 2023

By Subject

11th in Physical Chemistry
15th in Condensed Matter Physics
19th in Optics
44th in Chemical Engineering
66th in Mathematics
75th in Chemistry

► Performance Ranking of Scientific Papers for World Universities by National Taiwan University 2022

By Subject

53rd in Chemistry
54th in Physics
71st in Mathematics

► Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings 2023

By Subject

139th in Mathematics



Entrance Requirements

Applicants seeking admission to PhD studies at CityU should satisfy the following minimum entrance requirements:

- Hold a higher degree by research (or equivalent qualification) from a recognised university; or
- Hold a Master's degree (or equivalent qualification) from a recognised university; or
- Hold a Bachelor's degree with first class honours (or equivalent qualification) from a recognised university.

English Proficiency Requirements

Applicants from an institution where the language of teaching is not English should satisfy the following minimum proficiency requirements:

- A minimum total score of 79 in one single internet-based test (sum of Reading, Listening and Writing section scores) in TOEFL*;
- A minimum overall band score of 6.5 in IELTS*.

*TOEFL and IELTS scores are considered valid for two years from the test date and must be valid at the time of submission of application to CityU.

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How to Apply to CityU?

Applicants should first submit an initial application at the **RGC's Online Application System** (www.rgc.edu.hk/hkphd) to obtain an RGC reference number.

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RGC's deadline: 1 December 2023
[12:00 noon GMT + 8 hours]



Applicants are required to submit a full application, including supporting documents, to **CityU's Online Admission System** (www.cityu.edu.hk/sgs/oas), and quote the RGC reference number.

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CityU's deadline: 1 December 2023
[23:59 GMT + 8 hours]

Announcement of Fellowship results by the RGC:
April/ May 2024

