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Message from the Provost

Welcome to The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK).

Founded in 1963, CUHK distinguishes itself as a comprehensive research university with a unique mission to combine tradition with modernity and bring together China and the West. Over the years, it has evolved into one of the leading universities renowned for world-class education and research across diverse disciplines, achieving excellence both regionally and globally. CUHK has reached its historical high in the 2025 QS Asia University Rankings, achieving the 6th position in Asia. This significant achievement reflects the unwavering commitment of the University in its pursuit of excellence, demonstrating our continued influential role in Asia's higher education community.

As a research-led university, CUHK is devoted to advancing knowledge and striving for excellence for the benefit of humanity in a purposeful and responsible manner. With our notable strengths, especially in the areas of innovative biomedicine, information and automation technology, environment and sustainability, and China studies, CUHK is committed to spearheading interdisciplinary and impactful research that will contribute to sustainable future. We aim to cultivate a vibrant research and innovation ecosystem, planting the seeds of knowledge and passion that will yield a positive, lasting impact in the world.

CUHK actively promotes the creation and application of knowledge, fosters cross-sector collaborations, and explores the societal benefits of technology while championing diversity and inclusion. Our vision is to establish CUHK as a global talent hub, enhance alumni and community engagement, and foster international partnerships. With the aim to strengthen CUHK's reputation as a forward-looking, comprehensive research university with a global vision, we are committed to deepening scientific exchanges and collaborating with both mainland and global partners to enrich our research and innovation landscape.

CUHK is also committed to meeting standards of excellence in its educational programmes as encapsulated in the University's vision, to continuously enhancing the quality of teaching and learning, and to elevating student experience. Our extensive support system ensures students receive a wide range of services which effectively promote their personal, academic and professional development.

We invite you to join us in this effort and become a member of the CUHK community.

Prof. Wai-yin POON, JP

Provost
Wei Lun Professor of Statistics



Message from the Dean

Welcome to the CUHK Graduate School.

With more than 60 years of teaching experience since its establishment, the Graduate School now offers over 230 postgraduate programmes that award more than 7,700 postgraduate degrees, diplomas and certificates each year. The wide spectrum of programmes we offer contributes to CUHK's mission to be a world-leading comprehensive research university.

Postgraduate students at CUHK come from around the globe and are nurtured by our distinguished academics to become leaders in a world striving for both excellence and sustainability. Our cutting-edge learning resources and state-of-the-art hostel facilities on a green campus provide the perfect backdrop for young scholars to immerse themselves in a culturally diverse and intellectually stimulating environment.

As part of CUHK's commitment to world-class education and internationalisation, the Graduate School is dedicated to facilitating its Faculties in establishing collaborations with prestigious universities and research institutes both overseas and in mainland China. These collaborations provide students with innovative programme offerings such as dual degrees, joint PhD supervision, research attachment, exchanges and internships that will equip them well for their future dynamic and global careers.

In addition to a wide range of student awards and grants, we provide a rich array of scholarships, such as the Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship Scheme, to attract the world's best talent to join the CUHK family.

While Faculty supervisors will guide you through your academic endeavours, our colleagues in the Graduate School Office are committed to providing the necessary support and advice for your postgraduate studies.

I warmly invite you to explore the wealth of information available on our Graduate School website.

Prof. Anthony SO

Dean, Graduate School
Professor, Department of Systems Engineering and Engineering Management

Why Hong Kong?



A thriving education hub hosting distinguished scholars from across the globe



Rich resources and exceptional opportunities



Strategic gateway to mainland China



Dynamic international metropolis



Bilingual environment with English and Chinese (Cantonese and Mandarin) as official languages



Truly global perspective

1st

in Hong Kong
U.S. News & World Report
Best Global Universities
Rankings 2025-2026

9th

in Asia
Times Higher Education
Asia University
Rankings 2025

32nd

in the World
QS World University
Rankings 2026

Why CUHK?



No. 1 The Largest Campus in Hong Kong (138.4 hectares) with **9,800+** Hostel Places



7,600+ Research Output in 2023-2024 (Excluding Patents)



1,800+ Full-time Teaching Staff



298,100+ Alumni



34,500+ Undergraduate and Postgraduate Students



HK\$ 481M Scholarships and Financial Aid to Students in 2023-2024



HK\$ 1,270M External Research Funding 2023-2024



7 Libraries with Over **2.5 Million+** Books and **6.1 Million+** Electronic Books



Approx. **300** Research Institutes and Centres

Information in 2025, unless otherwise specified.



World-class Academic Excellence



Top 30 Worldwide

CUHK's programmes consistently achieve leading positions in Hong Kong and rank among the world's top 50. Our distinguished scholars are globally recognised pioneers who drive breakthrough discoveries in their research fields. Renowned for our commitment to research excellence, CUHK creates an ideal environment where aspiring students engage in transformative projects and meaningful knowledge exchange.



Other Top 50 Worldwide^{^*}@

(in alphabetical order of the subjects)

Accounting & Finance	Anatomy & Physiology	Architecture/ Built Environment	Business & Economics	Business & Management Studies
Classic & Ancient History	Clinical Medicine	Economics & Econometrics	English Language & Literature	History of Art
Hospitality & Leisure Management	Law	Life Sciences & Medicine	Marketing	Materials Science
Mathematics	Pharmacy & Pharmacology	Psychology	Radiology, Nuclear Medicine & Medical Imaging	Social Sciences & Management
Social Sciences & Public Health	Statistics & Operational Research	Theology, Divinity & Religious Studies		

[^] QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025

^{*} Times Higher Education World University Rankings by Subject 2025

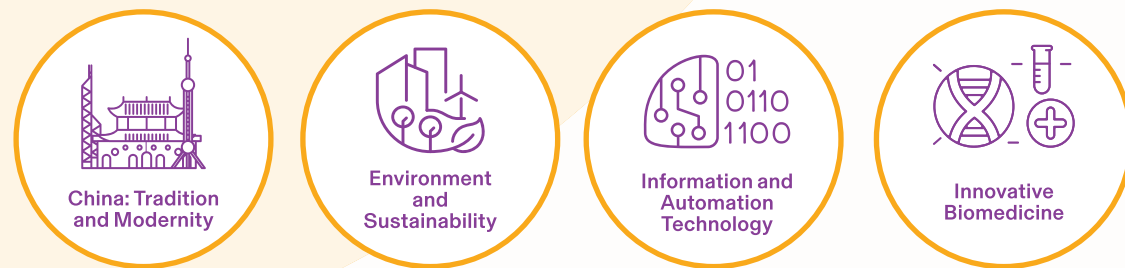
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Unrivalled Research Environment

CUHK stands as a prestigious, forward-thinking comprehensive research university, acclaimed for academic excellence both regionally and globally. Since our founding in 1963 as Hong Kong's second oldest university, we have maintained a legacy of innovation and achievement.

Strategic Research Areas at CUHK

CUHK continues to strengthen its position as a hub of excellence for cutting-edge, interdisciplinary research with global impact. We transform innovative research findings into practical applications that make meaningful contributions to society. Our four research priorities address critical challenges for humanity in the 21st century:



Areas of Excellence

The University Grants Committee (UGC) of Hong Kong provides dedicated funding to local institutions to conduct cutting-edge research. CUHK researchers lead 15 of the 38 Areas of Excellence projects, including:

- 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
- Centre for Organelle Biogenesis and Function
- Centre for Plant and Agricultural Biotechnology
- Centre for Plant Vacuole Biology and Biotechnology
- Centre for Research into Circulating Fetal Nucleic Acids
- Chinese Medicine Research and Further Development
- Information Technology
- Institute of Network Coding
- Optimizing Early Childhood Development of Children from Low-Resource Settings by Leveraging Technology and Biological Data
- Probing the Fundamental Structure of Matter with High Energy Particle Collisions
- The Historical Anthropology of Chinese Society
- Using Data to Transform Diabetes Care and Patient Lives

Research Institutes and Centres

CUHK houses approximately 300 specialised research institutes and centres dedicated to advancing interdisciplinary research of exceptional quality. Through strategic partnerships with external academic institutions, we have established joint research units that combine resources to push boundaries across diverse fields of study.

State Key Laboratories

The Ministry of Science and Technology of China has authorised CUHK to establish five prestigious State Key Laboratories, where the nation's most distinguished scientists and scholars conduct groundbreaking research:

- State Key Laboratory of Agrobiotechnology (CUHK)
- State Key Laboratory of Digestive Disease (CUHK)
- State Key Laboratory of Quantum Information Technologies and Materials (CUHK)
- State Key Laboratory of Synthetic Chemistry
- State Key Laboratory of Translational Oncology (CUHK)

CUHK InnoHK Centres

CUHK has established six pioneering InnoHK Centres specialising in health, biomedicine, robotics and artificial intelligence. Launched under the Hong Kong Government's InnoHK initiative, these centres deliver innovations with measurable impact at local, national and global levels. Through leveraging CUHK's expertise and partnerships with leading global universities, our centres establish Hong Kong as an innovation powerhouse, bridging international research with the dynamic Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area ecosystem.

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



As Hong Kong's first graduate school established in 1966, CUHK Graduate School has cultivated exceptional scholars who advance human knowledge and meet society's evolving needs through innovative research. Our vibrant multicultural community now includes over 16,100 postgraduate students with international representation.

The CUHK Graduate School offers flexible study pathways tailored to diverse academic goals, including Doctor of Philosophy (PhD), Master of Philosophy (MPhil), taught doctoral degrees, taught master's degrees, postgraduate diplomas and certificates.



230+
Postgraduate
Programmes Offered by
60 Graduate Divisions



Over **80%**
Non-local Research
Postgraduate Students



16,100+
Postgraduate Students from
50+ Countries/Regions



Annual
Intake of **9,400+**
Postgraduate Students



6
Postgraduate Halls



Around **1,500**
On-campus Postgraduate
Hostel Places

Information as of 2025

Postgraduate Studies at

CUHK

Explore the Unexplored



FACULTY OF ARTS

Ranked 44th in the 2025 QS World University Rankings for Arts and Humanities, the CUHK Faculty of Arts is one of the most vibrant Faculties for humanities education and research in Asia. Embracing interdisciplinary approaches and global connections, the Faculty offers postgraduate training in many academic disciplines, ranging from Anthropology to Translation.

The Faculty has always been central to the University's founding mission of integrating Chinese and Western traditions and advancing bilingual education and humanities research. We believe that the study of languages, cultures, religions, creative arts, history and philosophy helps foster a humanistic spirit and foster one's ability to engage with a diverse global community. We take pride in being the intellectual home of many world-renowned scholars, especially in the study of Chinese thought and culture. Our excellent faculty and over 40 postgraduate programmes continually support and train new generations of scholars.

Areas of Excellence

The Faculty has many highly regarded academic departments, such as Chinese Language and Literature, Cultural and Religious Studies, History, Linguistics and Modern Languages, Philosophy and Translation. Among the eight UGC-funded universities in Hong Kong, we support the largest number of research and taught postgraduate programmes.

Our dedication to interdisciplinary studies is reflected in the curriculum of each programme. Many courses are crafted to showcase current research from various disciplines, enabling students to achieve a solid and comprehensive understanding of a topic or field from an interdisciplinary perspective. For example, the MA in Intercultural Studies leverages the knowledge of faculty experts in fields like film, digital media, gender studies as well as urbanism to encourage explorations into the intricate dynamics between different cultures.

Research Impact

One of our core missions is to pursue and generate innovative and impactful scholarship that not only deepens our understanding of the human experience but also addresses the pressing issues of the contemporary world. By fostering an environment that encourages creativity and critical thinking, we aim to contribute insights and solutions that have a meaningful impact on society.

Many research centres as well as affiliated departments and units are dedicated to supporting this core mission. In particular, the Research Institute for the Humanities aims at playing a leading role in advancing interdisciplinary research and the digital humanities. The Institute has series of programmes to support the broadening of postgraduate students' intellectual experience and their professional development.



International Collaboration and Student Exposure

The Faculty of Arts has developed partnership programmes with many universities around the world, including The University of Manchester, Peking University, The University of Tokyo, and The University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). Programmatic collaboration with these universities provide our students with rich international experiences and opportunities.

We are proud that our faculty members and students come from 30 countries. We actively pursue internationalisation by enrolling as many students from different countries and cultures as possible, as we believe diversity and inclusion lead to academic excellence.

Prof. Stuart MCMANUS

*Associate Professor,
Department of History
Director, Research Institute for the
Humanities
Associate Director, Centre for Comparative and
Public History*



My research interests span the history of cultural exchange, legal history, and the application of digital tools to historical questions. In my teaching, I aim to guide students towards a greater understanding of the hidden layers that lie beneath our modern national, regional, and transregional cultures.

Agnes SUNG

*from Hong Kong
PhD student in Anthropology
(HKPFS awardee)*



Pursuing my PhD at CUHK has been delightful, especially with the support of the prestigious HKPFS. The University's rich library resources and facilities have been invaluable for my archaeological and anthropological research. The supportive staff members also fostered an innovative environment, allowing me to explore cross-disciplinary ideas.

FACULTY OF

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION

Since 1963, CUHK Business School has led innovation in Asian business education, establishing the region's first BBA, MBA, and EMBA programmes. Our dynamic learning environment fosters knowledge creation and application, preparing graduates for leadership in the Asian century. With over 45,000 alumni—Hong Kong's largest business school network—we drive transformative change across Asia's evolving business landscape.

Research Impact

Our faculty generates groundbreaking insights through rigorous research and cross-disciplinary collaboration. Working through specialised research centres, we advance knowledge that supports Hong Kong's evolution into an innovation-driven economy while creating value for China and global business communities.

International Collaboration

We design immersive international exchanges and internships that provide students with deep exposure to diverse business cultures and practices. Our extensive partnerships with leading institutions across the US, Europe, Oceania, and Asia. We offer a dual MBA degree programme with HEC Paris and a dual master's degree programme with ESCP Europe. We also offer a joint postgraduate programme with Shanghai National Accounting Institute.

Corporate Partnership

CUHK Business School maintains strategic alliances with enterprises in Hong Kong and Greater China, from innovative startups to established corporations. Our comprehensive partnerships encompass collaborative research, impact case study, curriculum enrichment, business consultancy/practicum projects, scholarships, internship/placement opportunities, and experiential learning activities for students.



Prof. Lellei GAO

*Associate Professor,
Department of Marketing*



At CUHK Business School, our graduate students collaborate closely with faculty in a supportive environment, fostering growth and innovation. This dynamic partnership enhances research excellence and provides students with valuable opportunities for professional development.

Rosario ALBANESE

*from Italy
MSc graduate in Management*



The CUHK MiM Programme has significantly enhanced my business skills, equipping me with the tools and knowledge to navigate the fast-changing landscape. It has transformed my approach to problem-solving and leadership, enabling me to tackle emerging challenges effectively.

FACULTY OF EDUCATION

CUHK Faculty of Education is committed to serving and leading the education community through effective teaching, excellent and impactful research, innovation, and dedicated services.

The Faculty envisions nurturing the next generation of outstanding educators and passionate education leaders with local, regional, and global perspectives, empowering them to transform education responsibly as our society rapidly evolves.

The Faculty boasts over 100 full-time teaching and research professionals across four departments: Curriculum and Instruction, Educational Administration and Policy, Educational Psychology, and Sports Science and Physical Education, plus a Physical Education Unit. Serving more than 2,600 students, the Faculty offers comprehensive programmes including doctoral degrees, master's degrees, postgraduate diplomas in Education, and bachelor's degree programmes across various specialisations.

Research Impact

The Faculty of Education has established itself as a frontrunner in education research and training. Exemplifying its commitment to research excellence, CUHK Faculty of Education ranks 11th globally in the Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025 for Education. Additionally, 13 of our professors were recognised among the World's Top 2% of Scientists by Stanford University in 2024.

Currently, the Faculty advances research through RGC-funded projects exploring crucial areas such as AI integration in teacher professional development, the impact of secondary school curriculum reform on higher education and employment, and addressing generative AI challenges through innovative assessment design.

Research Collaboration

As a dynamic academic hub, the Faculty pioneers educational research and scholarship in Hong Kong, sharing insights with researchers, scholars, school leaders, and practitioners through conferences and seminars.

Through the Centre for University and School Partnership (CUSP), we maintain strong connections with over 2,000 educational institutions, including primary and secondary schools, early childhood centres, and special education facilities. With government and organisational support, CUSP has successfully completed more than 45 development and research projects, focusing on quality education, positive learning environments, small class teaching, strong curriculum leadership and development in kindergartens, financial literacy for children, and gifted education programmes.

International Collaboration

The Faculty maintains robust connections with leading global education institutes, regularly hosting international scholars for academic exchange. In early 2024-2025 alone, we welcomed over 60 academic visitors and students from more than 20 international higher education institutions, fostering knowledge exchange through collaborative meetings, talks, and workshops.



Global Achievement

In 2024, our Faculty's Robot for Autism Behavioral Intervention (RABI) project earned the Silver Award in "Access, Diversity, and Inclusion" at the QS Reimagine Education Awards, standing out among 1,300+ global entries. This groundbreaking technology transforms autism diagnosis through rapid screening and assessment, enabling earlier intervention and treatment.

Prof. Hongbiao YIN

*Chairperson & Professor, Department of Curriculum and Instruction
Director, Hong Kong Institute of Educational Research*

I am extremely proud of our postgraduate programmes in education. These programmes are meticulously designed to seamlessly integrate advanced theoretical knowledge with real-world practical applications. They nurture critical thinking and innovation, and prepare graduates to lead in the education domain.



Dr. Ma. Jenina N. NALIPAY

*from the Philippines
PhD graduate in Education*

CUHK has provided me with numerous opportunities to flourish as a PhD student and prepare for success after graduation. With excellent supervisors, state-of-the-art facilities, a conducive environment for learning and collaboration, and holistic approach to student development, my experience at CUHK has been invaluable as I pursue my career goals.



FACULTY OF ENGINEERING

The CUHK Faculty of Engineering provides one of the world's premier research environments. Our over 1,060 research students have access to cutting-edge facilities, including over 80 specialised laboratories, and benefit from rich interdisciplinary learning opportunities. The Faculty's professors rank among global leaders in their fields, with many elected as fellows of prestigious international societies including IEEE, ACM, ASME, Optica, IFAC and SPIE, or recognised as Highly Cited Researchers. According to Stanford University's Top-cited Scientists Database, 68 of our faculty members are among the top 2% researchers worldwide.

The Faculty consistently ranks among the world's top 100 engineering schools, reflecting our dedication to creating an environment that inspires and empowers students' research pursuits.

Research Excellence

The Faculty conducts pioneering research across key areas including Computer Science, Information Engineering, Electronic Engineering, Biomedical Engineering, Mechanical and Automation Engineering, Systems Engineering and Engineering Management. Many of our research initiatives align with Information and Automation Technology, a strategic focus of "CUHK 2025". Our expertise spans multimedia signal processing, robotics, computer vision, NLP, IOT, big data analytics, networks, communications, cybersecurity, network coding, photonics, electronic design automation, optimisation, operations research, biomedical engineering, financial engineering, and logistics management.

Our research excellence is reflected in multiple top-50 global rankings:

U.S. News & World Report's Subject Rankings 2025-2026	#7 Artificial Intelligence	#7 Computer Science
QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025	#19 Data Science & Artificial Intelligence	#27 Computer Science & Information Systems
THE World University Rankings by Subject 2025	#30 Computer Science	
ShanghaiRanking's Global Ranking of Academic Subjects 2024	#11 Biomedical Engineering	#13 Telecommunication Engineering
	#35 Electrical & Electronic Engineering	#41 Computer Science & Engineering

Our PhD graduates achieve remarkable global recognition. Our alumnus Dr. Kaiming HE, currently Associate Professor of Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), received the prestigious 2023 Future Science Prize in mathematics and computer science for his groundbreaking work in artificial intelligence and deep residual learning. Our PhD students are recruited by leading universities such as MIT, The University of Hong Kong, Tsinghua University and Peking University.



Research Impact

CUHK pioneered Hong Kong's first Internet infrastructure and remains the central hub for the city's Internet traffic. Our faculty members are groundbreakers in artificial intelligence and network coding, achieving significant breakthroughs in information science.

Supporting Hong Kong's innovation agenda, CUHK established six InnoHK Centres under HKSAR's InnoHK initiative. The Faculty of Engineering leads three of these:

Centre for Perceptual and Interactive Intelligence

Hong Kong Centre for Logistics Robotics

Multi-Scale Medical Robotics Center



Prof. Raymond TONG from Department of Biomedical Engineering and his research teams won six awards at the Silicon Valley International Inventions Festival (SVIIF) 2024, including three special prizes, which were Prize of the United Inventors Association of America (UIA), Prize of the China Association of Inventions (CAI) and Prize of the Korea Invention Promotion Association (KIPA), and three Gold Medals

To transform research into societal benefits, our faculty actively collaborates with the Government and industry through various funding channels. In the first two rounds of Hong Kong Government's Research, Academic and Industry Sectors One-plus Scheme (RAISE+ Scheme) which advances R&D commercialisation, our faculty members secured nine RAISE+ funding projects—the highest in CUHK:

- **3D Vision-Driven Robots**
Led by Prof. Yun-hui LIU, Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering
- **Accessible Surgical Robotic System**
Led by Prof. Samuel AU, Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering
- **Development of Personalised Advanced Therapeutic Products (ATPs) - Engineered Osteochondral Tissue (eOCT) for Cartilage Regeneration Therapy**
Led by Prof. Barbara CHAN, School of Biomedical Sciences and Department of Biomedical Engineering
- **Evolving Interventional Endoscopy – An Endoluminal Robotic Platform for Early-Stage Cancer Resection and Defect Closure**
Led by Prof. Ka-wai KWOK, Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering
- **Intelligent Laser Sensing System for the Energy Industry**
Led by Prof. Wei REN, Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering
- **Intelligent Wearable Sensing Technologies for Eldercare and Prevention of Cardiovascular Diseases**
Led by Prof. Ni ZHAO, Department of Electronic Engineering
- **Low-Cost and Intrinsically-Safe Polysulfide Redox Flow Batteries for Long-Duration Energy Storage**
Led by Prof. Yi-chun LU, Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering
- **Network Coding for Next Generation Networks**
Led by Prof. Raymond YEUNG, Department of Information Engineering
- **Silicon Photonic Integrated Circuits for Sensing and Optical Interconnects**
Led by Prof. Hon-ki TSANG, Department of Electronic Engineering

With The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust's support, the Faculty spearheads these innovative STEM Labs:

JC STEM Lab of Advanced Wireless Networks for Mission-Critical Automation and Intelligence	JC STEM Lab of AI for Science and Engineering	JC STEM Lab of Integration of Machine Learning and Symbolic Reasoning
JC STEM Lab of Intelligent Design Automation	JC STEM Lab of Nature-inspired Precision Medical Engineering	

Our researchers' innovations have led to successful start-ups and spin-offs, including two unicorns valued over US\$1 billion: SenseTime and Cornerstone Robotics.



The innovation project titled "Unmanned Systems and AI Empowered High Performance Urban Environment Digitization and Management" led by Prof. Benmei CHEN and Prof. Xi CHEN from the Department of Mechanical and Automation Engineering has achieved remarkable success at the 15th International Invention Fair in the Middle East (IIFME), winning the Gold Medal with the Congratulations of the Jury

International Collaboration

The Faculty maintains strong partnerships with leading universities and research institutions such as MIT, the University of California, Berkeley (UC Berkeley), ETH Zürich, Johns Hopkins University, and global technology giants including Google, Microsoft, Huawei, Intel, SenseTime, and Tencent.

Our joint PhD training schemes with international and mainland partners enhance students' research experience and expand their professional networks. Through international collaborations, students gain valuable R&D experience in worldwide research laboratories. The Faculty's Overseas Research Attachment Programme provides additional financial support, enabling students to work alongside distinguished scholars in world-class laboratories such as MIT, Harvard University, Yale University, the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign (UIUC), Stanford University, UC Berkeley, the University of California, Santa Barbara (UC Santa Barbara), the University of Cambridge, Georgia Institute of Technology (Georgia Tech) and other locations around the world.



A collaborative study led by Prof. Martin STOLTERFOHT from the Department of Electronic Engineering identified a key degradation loss in perovskite solar cells that determines their operational lifetime. The findings, published in the journal *Nature Energy*, lay the foundation for new strategies to improve the lifetime of these next-generation solar cells

Prof. Farzan FARNIA

Assistant Professor,
Department of Computer Science
and Engineering



The CUHK Faculty of Engineering provides a truly world-class environment for teaching and research, including my field of computer science and AI. We are fortunate to have a faculty comprised of many renowned scholars and teachers. Equally impressive is the caliber of our students. They are highly motivated, intellectually curious, and consistently produce terrific research on challenging and exciting frontiers of engineering and AI. The collaborative and supportive atmosphere within the faculty and across the University allows the faculty and students to thrive, making CUHK an exceptional place to pursue cutting-edge research.

Mathias Billy MULJADI

from Indonesia
PhD student in Biomedical
Engineering



Embarking on my PhD journey at CUHK has been a transformative experience. The programme offers robust research training, supported by inspiring professors and peers. Getting to know many brilliant minds and collaborating with institutions within and beyond CUHK has also enriched my academic journey and shaped my future as a biomedical researcher.

FACULTY OF LAW

Established in 2004, CUHK Faculty of Law stands as a truly international faculty, with academic staff from over 20 jurisdictions. CUHK LAW not only led Hong Kong's law domain in both of the UGC's Research Assessment Exercises (RAEs, 2014 and 2020), but also achieved the highest worldwide score for 'International Outlook' in the 2018 Times Higher Education World University Rankings (Law).

Our comprehensive programme offerings include the Bachelor of Laws (LLB), Juris Doctor (JD), Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL), five specialised Master of Laws (LLM) programmes, and two research postgraduate programmes: MPhil and PhD in Laws. Our specialised LLM programmes cover Chinese Business Law (CBL), Common Law (LCL), Energy and Environmental Law (LEL), International Economic Law (IEL), and Legal History (LLH).

The LEL Programme, launched in 2018–2019, pioneered Hong Kong's first dedicated study of energy security and sustainability law, and has consistently ranked among the top five in 'Energy and Natural Resources in Far East Asia' since 2019. Our innovative LLH Programme, introduced in 2022–2023, represents one of the few global programmes dedicated to transnational legal history research. The LEL, IEL and CBL Programmes have been awarded UGC's Hong Kong Future Talents Scholarship Scheme for Advanced Studies in 2025–2026 and 2026–2027, with the CBL Programme maintaining its position as best in 'International Business Law in Far East Asia' between 2017–2023 (Eduuniversal), and IEL claiming this top spot in both 2024 and 2025.

With students from over 60 countries and regions, CUHK LAW provides world-class legal education within a truly global learning environment.



Research Excellence

CUHK LAW maintains exceptional standards in both research and teaching. We led Hong Kong's law faculties in the UGC's 2014 RAE and maintained this position in 2020, with 83% of our research rated as 'world leading' or 'internationally excellent'.

In 2020, we established the Centre for Comparative and Transnational Law (CCTL), supporting collaborative research through eight specialised clusters: Comparative Public Law Research Forum, Corporate Law and Governance Cluster, Environmental, Energy and Climate Law Cluster, Obligations Lab Asia, Private International Law Group, Tax Law and Policy Forum, Transnational Economic Law and Dispute Settlement Group, and Transnational Legal History Group. Our Centre for Legal Innovation and Digital Society (CLINDS), evolved from Centre for Financial Regulation and Economic Development (CFRED), drives innovative research in law and technology.

Research Impact

Our academics actively contribute to society through impactful scholarship, focusing on beneficial changes to economy, society, culture, public policy, health, environment, and quality of life. This commitment to societal impact forms the cornerstone of our research mission, particularly advancing the rule of law in Hong Kong, Greater China, and beyond. Detailed impact projects are available at www.law.cuhk.edu.hk/app/impact.

International Collaboration

Our global excellence is reflected in prestigious partnerships, including dual degree programmes with The Dickson Poon School of Law, King's College London. These include an LLB-JD programme and LLB-LLM study option, enabling students to earn two degrees from world-class institutions in four years. Graduates gain potential access to legal practice in both the UK and Hong Kong SAR, opening diverse global career opportunities.

Prof. Jennifer HENDRY

Professor, CUHK LAW

CUHK LAW integrates its research excellence into its teaching provision, encouraging students to engage with the deeper issues and principles underpinning the doctrinal content. Our graduates have an awareness not only of the detail of the law, but how it developed, the values that underpin it, and how this can vary across different jurisdictions and legal systems.



Shaimerden CHIKANAYEV

*from Kazakhstan
PhD student in Laws*

CUHK LAW offers an ideal setting for my doctoral dissertation, with excellent library resources and a distinguished faculty. Additionally, studying in Hong Kong provides unique opportunities for kayaking, cycling, and hiking, allowing me to enjoy the city's stunning natural beauty while enhancing my research skills in a vibrant, multicultural environment.



FACULTY OF MEDICINE

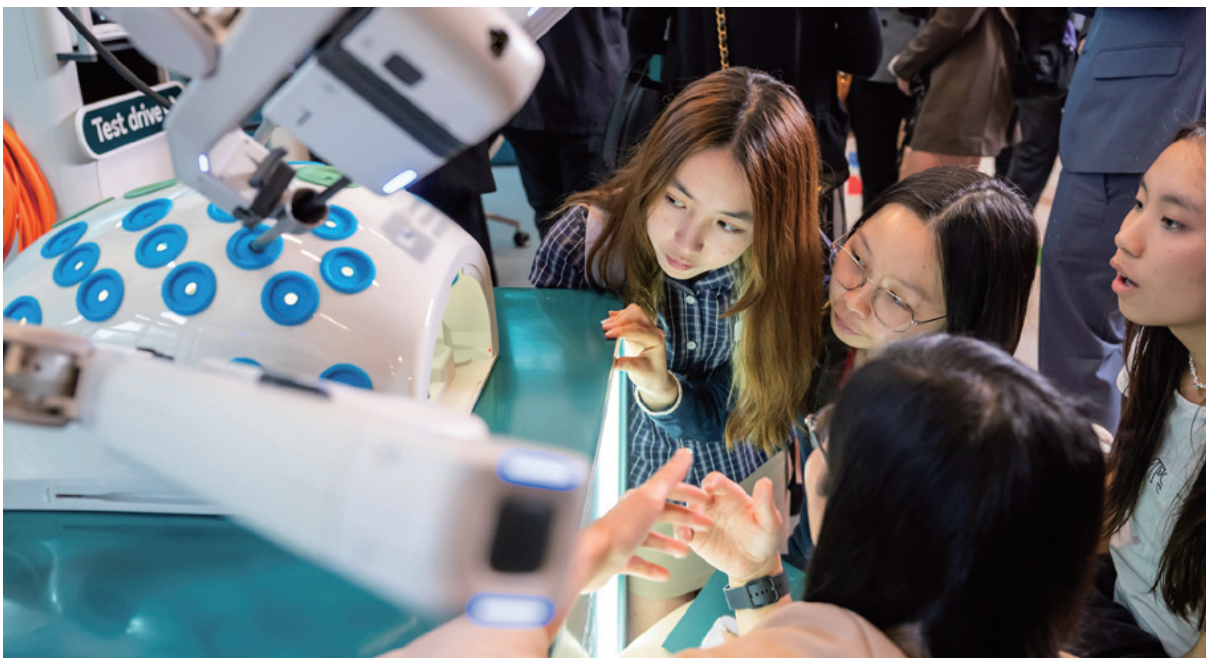
Established in 1981, CUHK's Faculty of Medicine (CU Medicine) was created to serve society by developing caring, competent medical practitioners through exceptional professional training. Though relatively young among global medical institutions, CU Medicine has achieved remarkable success, ranking 1st for Clinical Medicine and 2nd for Nursing in Asia in the 2024 Global Ranking of Academic Subjects (GRAS). Our Clinical Medicine ranks 14th globally—the only Asian medical school in the top 50. We have also secured prestigious positions in the 2025 rankings: 25th in QS World University Rankings and 24th in Times Higher Education World University Rankings.

Our structure encompasses five schools and 14 departments, offering nine undergraduate and more than 50 postgraduate programmes. We extend our reach through continuing education for healthcare professionals while fostering a dynamic student community, strong alumni network, and culture of innovation.

Research Excellence

CU Medicine drives innovation through interdisciplinary research excellence, forging partnerships with global centres of excellence and industry leaders. We strengthen our educational and research impact through strategic collaborations with leading international universities offering complementary expertise.

Our research focuses on pressing health challenges in Asia and Hong Kong, including regional cancers, gut microbiota, metabolic diseases, surgical robotics and pioneering work in circulating nucleic acids for non-invasive diagnosis.



Our distinguished cancer research tradition is enhanced by our State Key Laboratory of Digestive Disease and State Key Laboratory of Translational Oncology. These facilities advance CUHK's scientific achievements, extending research benefits to Chinese and Asian communities while fostering international cancer research collaboration.

Drawing on over two decades of diabetes epidemiology research in Asia, we have made significant advances in diabetes prevention and treatment strategies.



Research Impact

CU Medicine remains dedicated to transforming global health through advances in healthcare delivery, medical education, and research. Our core mission focuses on enhancing human health and reducing disease-related suffering.

We lead breakthrough developments in genomics and non-invasive prenatal testing. Our innovative non-invasive prenatal diagnostic method now serves over 10 million pregnant women annually across more than 100 countries. We are also pioneers in advanced surgical technologies, including robotics and minimally invasive procedures.



International Collaborations

Our collaborative activities include joint research projects, symposia, and academic and student exchange programmes. We have established the Global Alliance of Medical Excellence (GAME), a strategic international network comprising 10 medical schools from nine countries or regions. GAME enables member institutions to achieve strategic, cross-disciplinary and impactful collaborations in research and education while reinforcing global networks of research excellence across complementary fields and disciplines.

Prof. Owen KO

*Assistant Dean (Research)
Associate Professor, Department of
Medicine and Therapeutics
Director, Gerald Choa Neuroscience Institute*

As a clinician-scientist with a focus on bridging basic science discoveries and clinical applications, I am dedicated to developing and managing research programmes. At CUHK, we cultivate a research ecosystem that prioritises personal growth and collaboration, emphasising interdisciplinary partnerships for impactful advancements in science and healthcare.



Kar Wei CHIN

*from Malaysia
PhD student in Medical Sciences*

Pursuing a doctorate at CUHK has greatly broadened my vision. The programme and many dedicated staff gave me invaluable support, and I have access to advanced facilities. The research opportunities have facilitated connections with brilliant minds globally, broadening our perspectives on international research and fostering collaboration.



FACULTY OF SCIENCE

Established in 1963, CUHK Faculty of Science (CUHK Science) encompasses six core teaching units: Chemistry, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Life Sciences, Mathematics, Physics, and Statistics. With over 160 teaching staff, we deliver more than 20 postgraduate programmes.

Our scientists conduct pioneering research across diverse fields, from astronomy and meteorology to medical and scientific innovation. In just six decades, CUHK Science has established itself as a leader in scientific discovery and academic excellence, becoming a cornerstone of scientific advancement in Asia and globally.



World-renowned Scientific Leaders



Prof. Chen Ning YANG

Nobel Laureate
Distinguished Professor-at-Large of Physics



Prof. Henry Nai Ching WONG Prof. Zuowei XIE

Members of the Hong Kong Academy of Sciences



Prof. Shing Tung YAU

Honourees of Fields Medal & Shaw Prize in Mathematical Sciences
Wolf Prize Laureate
Distinguished Visiting Professor-at-Large of Mathematics



Prof. Renbao LIU

New Cornerstone Investigator



Prof. Yilin WU

The XPLOER PRIZE
(Advanced Interdisciplinary Studies)



Prof. Thomas Chung Wai MAK Prof. Henry Nai Ching WONG Prof. Chi WU Prof. Keqing XIA Prof. Zuowei XIE Prof. Chen Ning YANG

Members of the Chinese Academy of Sciences



Prof. Bangti JIN Prof. Xinhui LU Prof. Jianfang WANG Prof. Po Keung WONG Prof. Jimmy Chai Mei YU

Highly Cited Researchers by Clarivate



Prof. Samuel Sai Ming SUN

Member of the Chinese Academy of Engineering



Prof. Ying WANG

MIT Technology Review Innovators
Under 35 Asia Pacific 2022 Honouree

Research Achievements

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National Science Fund (NSFC) for Distinguished Young Scholars

9

NSFC China's Excellent Young Scientists Fund (Hong Kong and Macau)

17

Ministry of Education
Higher Education Outstanding Scientific Research Output Awards

9

State Natural Science Awards

14

Croucher Senior Research Fellows

4

Croucher Tak Wah Mak Innovation Awards
(formerly known as 'Croucher Innovation Awards')

6

RGC Research/Senior Research Fellows

9

Research Grants Council (RGC) Early Career Awards

Research Excellence

The Faculty consistently secures competitive research grants from local, mainland Chinese, and international funding bodies.

State Key Laboratories

State Key Laboratory of Quantum Information Technologies and Materials (CUHK)

State Key Laboratory of Agrobiotechnology (CUHK)

State Key Laboratory of Synthetic Chemistry (Partnership)



Our scientists at the State Key Laboratory of Agrobiotechnology (CUHK) have developed breakthrough genomic sequencing technology and molecular markers to create genetic identities for local heirloom rice varieties, *Fa Yiu Tsai* and *See Mew*, enabling authentic variety identification.

Areas of Excellence (AoE) projects

Centre for Plant Vacuole Biology and Biotechnology (2026–2030)

(Project coordinator: Prof. Liwen JIANG)

Probing the Fundamental Structure of Matter with High-Energy Particle Collisions (2019–2027)

(Project coordinator: Prof. Ming Chung CHU)



"Probing the Fundamental Structure of Matter with High-Energy Particle Collisions" AoE project team

Centre for Genomic Studies on Plant–Environment Interaction for Sustainable Agriculture and Food Security (2017–2025)

(Project coordinator: Prof. Hon Ming LAM)

Centre for Organelle Biogenesis and Function (2014–2021)

(Project coordinator: Prof. Liwen JIANG)

Centre for Plant and Agricultural Biotechnology (2000–2011)

(Project coordinator: Prof. Samuel Sai Ming SUN)



Research Impact

CUHK Science prioritises research with tangible societal benefits. Key achievements include:



Chemistry

Pioneering research in new materials and cancer marker detection has yielded commercial success through spin-out companies.



Earth and Environmental Sciences

Our studies on global warming's effects on South China extreme precipitation and Sichuan Basin earthquakes have informed government policy and industrial practices.



Life Sciences

Breakthrough research in neurodegenerative disorders, molecular nutrition and genomics, biodiversity, stress-tolerant soybeans, and Chinese medicine molecular authentication has advanced human health, education, and agricultural practices.



Mathematics

Innovative pavement analysis methods enhance road safety, while AI-driven imaging advances support industrial applications.



Physics

Our discoveries in astrophysics, cosmology, and particle physics have impacted local science education, while nanomaterials research has advanced ultrahigh-sensitive sensor technology.



Statistics

We have developed commercial deep learning algorithms for risk management and created new data analytics approaches benefiting FinTech and InsurTech partners.

Prof. Hairong LYU

Vice-Chancellor Assistant Professor,
Department of Chemistry



At CUHK Science, supervising research postgraduate students is both rewarding and inspiring. We focus on curiosity-driven research in a collaborative, inclusive environment. This approach nurtures academic excellence and transformative discoveries, preparing our students to excel and lead in their scientific endeavours. Join us for an exciting journey of growth and innovation.

Warren TAM

From Malaysia
PhD student in
Molecular Biotechnology
(HKPFS Awardee)



I am very grateful for the opportunity to pursue my PhD studies at CUHK with HKPFS support. The interdisciplinary and diverse academic faculty combined with a collaborative research environment ensures students have the opportunity to work with professionals from different fields and diverse backgrounds, which is a highly enriching experience!

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SOCIAL SCIENCE

CUHK Faculty of Social Science drives innovative education and research that illuminates society and deepens our understanding of today's complex world.

Comprising three schools and five departments, we offer expertise across Architecture, Economics, Geography and Resource Management, Governance and Policy Science, Journalism and Communication, Psychology, Social Work, and Sociology. With multiple disciplines ranked among the global top 50, we pursue excellence in scholarship, discovery, and innovation to create far-reaching social impact.

QS World University Rankings by Subject 2025

#12	Communication & Media Studies	#18	Sociology	#19	Geography	#32	Psychology
#35	Architecture/ Built Environment	#37	Economics & Econometrics	#47	Social Sciences & Management		

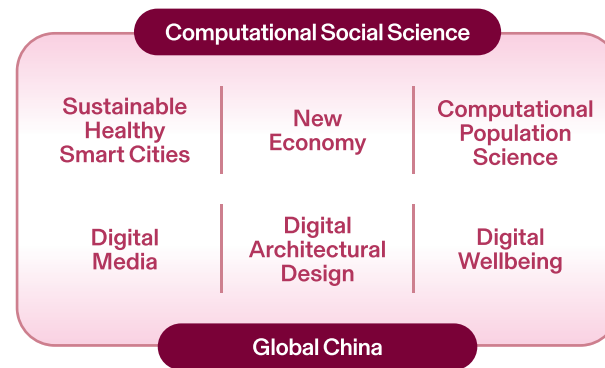
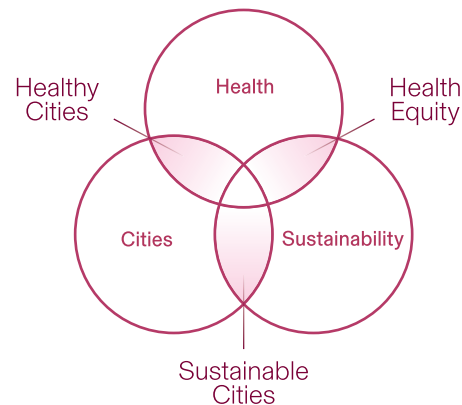
Our students thrive in an environment rich with intellectual and cultural diversity, fostered by our Faculty's interdisciplinary approaches. We empower them to become engaged global thought leaders capable of addressing complex social issues.

Research Excellence

'Nothing is so practical as a good theory; nothing is so theoretical as a good practical problem.' — Kurt Lewin

Practical challenges inspire theoretical innovation, while a theory's ability to solve complex, real-world problems determines its lasting value in the marketplace of ideas. Theories that endure are those offering robust solutions to significant questions. We collaborate with knowledge partners to co-learn, co-create, and develop actionable social knowledge.

Our research areas are illustrated in the following diagrams:



Prof. Henry YEUNG

Choh-Ming Li Professor of Geography and Resource Management



With over two decades of experience in mentoring PhD students, I hope to nurture the next-generation scholars to reach their fullest potential for a productive career as capable and independent researchers in Hong Kong and elsewhere. My core interests are in the New Economy and Smart Cities focusing on industrial policy, geopolitics and technological change, and changing global production networks in East Asia.

Metaket Dagne ABE

*From Ethiopia
PhD student in Economics
(HKPFS Awardee)*

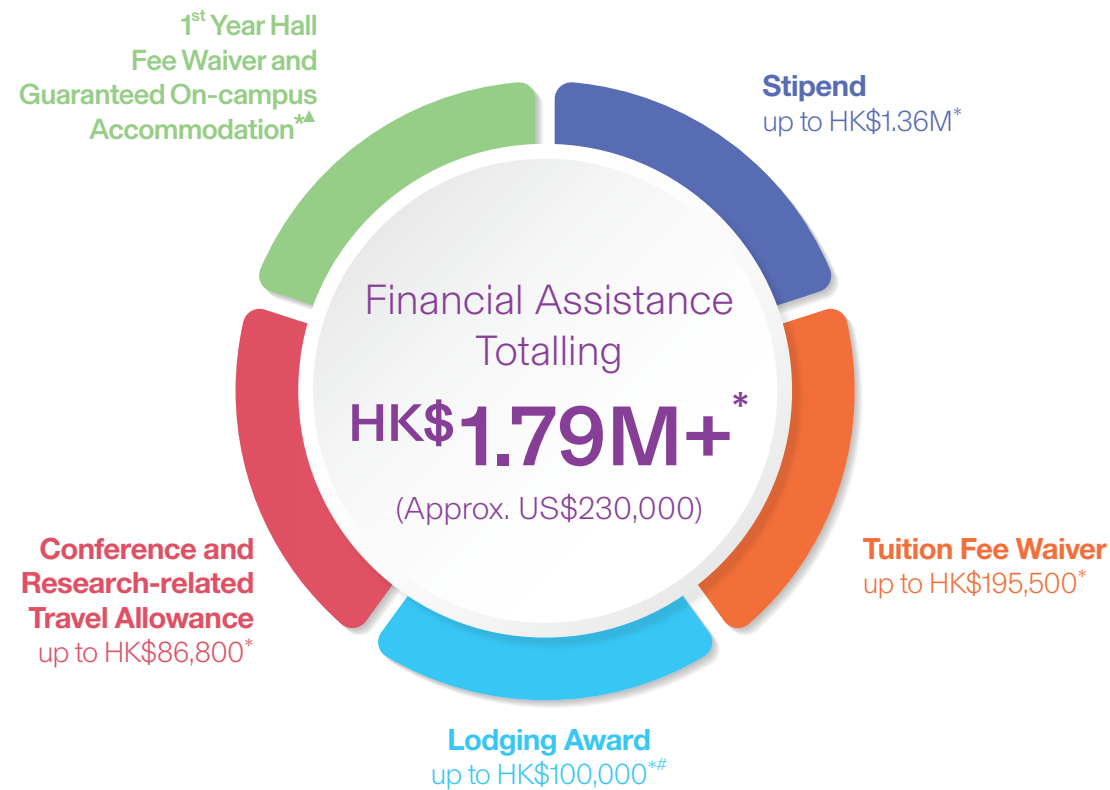


My PhD journey at CUHK has been both productive and enjoyable so far, as I have had the privilege of working with outstanding professors who are not only highly skilled but also passionate about mentoring students. The financial support provided by HKPFS has enabled me to attend conferences and conduct research activities abroad.

Scholarship and Financial Assistance

Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS)

The Research Grants Council (RGC) established HKPFS to attract outstanding global talents for doctoral studies at Hong Kong's universities.



PhD candidates nominated by CUHK for HKPFS but not selected by RGC will receive admission to our regular PhD programme with postgraduate studentship. These candidates are qualified for the **CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship of HK\$80,000** (disbursed in three instalments), subject to satisfactory academic performance.

* Available to students within their normative study period

** Includes HK\$40,000 for first-year lodging and HK\$20,000 annually in subsequent years during the normative study period

▲ For HKPFS awardees who complete hall registration and application procedures on time

Research Postgraduate Studies (MPhil and PhD)



Research Postgraduate Studies (MPhil and PhD)

- Available to full-time research postgraduate students
- 2025–2026 annual stipend: **HK\$229,200 (approx. US\$29,400)**
- Guaranteed throughout normative study period



Postgraduate Scholarships

The Reaching Out Award, CUHK Research Postgraduate Student Grants for Overseas Academic Activities and other funding schemes are available to support full-time MPhil and PhD students who are conducting their academic activities abroad.



Tuition Waiver for Local Research Postgraduate Students

Since 2018–2019, the UGC provides full tuition waivers to all local full-time students in UGC-funded research postgraduate programmes throughout their normative study period

Taught Postgraduate Studies

Hong Kong Future Talents Scholarship Scheme for Advanced Studies

Established by the UGC in 2025–2026, the Hong Kong Future Talents Scholarship Scheme for Advanced Studies (FTSS) provides scholarships for local students to pursue designated taught postgraduate programmes in areas of strategic priority for the development of Hong Kong. The awardees will pay a minimum tuition fee of HK\$47,000 for the programme, and the difference will be subsidised by the scholarship subject to a cap of HK\$100,000 per student for the entire programme.



Other Scholarships and Awards

Additional funding opportunities include the PhD International Mobility for Partnerships and Collaborations Award, Young Scholars Thesis Award, Belt and Road Scholarship, and CUHK Convocation Postgraduate Admission Scholarships. Detailed information is available through the **Office of Admissions and Financial Aid** (<https://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/fees-financing-your-studies/fees/>), **Office of Academic Links** (www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/scholarshipsandfinancialaid), and the **Graduate School** (www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/scholarship).



Student Life at CUHK

Our comprehensive campus facilities support and enhance both academic pursuits and personal development, ranging from artistic expression to athletic achievement.

Accommodation

Six modern Postgraduate Halls provide around 1,500 affordable housing options (single and shared rooms) for full-time research postgraduate students and those in UGC-funded taught postgraduate programmes.

For details, visit www.pgh.cuhk.edu.hk.

Facilities and Resources

CUHK delivers a comprehensive learning environment through state-of-the-art facilities, including:

- Centre for Learning Enhancement And Research
- The Independent Learning Centre
- English Language Teaching Unit
- Yale-China Chinese Language Academy
- Libraries
- Museums and Galleries
- University Health Service
- Sports Facilities
- Bookshop
- Restaurants and Cafes
- Banks, Supermarket and Hair Salon



About Admissions

General Requirements

For PhD and Taught Doctoral Programmes:

- A master's degree from a recognised university

For MPhil 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'

For Taught Master's Programmes:

- A bachelor's degree from a recognised university, normally with at least second-class honours or an average grade of 'B' or higher; or
- Professional or similar qualifications equivalent to a bachelor's degree from a tertiary educational institution for having completed a course of study

For Postgraduate Diploma Programmes:

- A bachelor's degree from a recognised university

English Language Requirements

- A qualifying score on any one of the following recognised English language tests;[#] or

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

- A degree from a Hong Kong university or a programme with English as the medium of instruction; or
- A recognised professional qualification achieved in an examination that was conducted in English

[#] TOEFL and IELTS scores are considered valid for two years from the test date. GMAT scores are considered valid for five years from the test date. Some programmes may stipulate additional English language requirements for admission.

Programme-specific Admission Requirements

Individual programmes may require additional qualifications. Visit www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/requirements for detailed programme requirements.

Student Visas

Non-local students must obtain valid student visas before beginning studies in Hong Kong. For more information, visit www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/visa.

Application Procedures and Deadlines

Applications must be submitted online. Find comprehensive information about study options, application procedures and application deadlines at www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions.



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