

**Department of Linguistics and Translation**  
**City University of Hong Kong**  
**Call for Applications for Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme, 2022-23**

Established in 2009 by the Hong Kong 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 institutions.

The Department of Linguistics and Translation (LT; <http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lt>) at City University of Hong Kong is now inviting applications for the Scheme. Ranked by QS in the 43<sup>rd</sup> place in 2021, the Dept is internationally recognized for its world-class research in linguistics, with 18 faculty members conducting empirically based and theoretically informed research in the areas of theoretical linguistics, applied linguistics, intelligent language applications, corpus linguistics, computational linguistics, empirical linguistics, translation and interpretation.

Interested applicants are encouraged to apply, irrespective of their country of origin and ethnic background. They should demonstrate outstanding qualities of academic performance, research ability/potential, communication and interpersonal skills, and leadership abilities. The minimum academic qualification for the PhD programme is a first-class honours degree (or its equivalent) or a CGPA over 85 (out of 100). Applicants whose first language is not English must have a minimum TOEFL score of 88 (internet-based, with a minimum of 21 for Reading, 21 for Listening, 25 for Writing, and 21 for Speaking) or a minimum IELTS 6.5 for overall band score and for the sub-categories of Writing, Speaking, Listening and Reading. A research proposal setting out the aims, outlines, and methods of the proposed research should be submitted. Shortlisted candidates will be interviewed by a selection panel either face to face or via Zoom/Skype.

Fellowship awardees will receive a monthly stipend of HK\$26,900 (approximately US\$3,449) and a conference and research-related travel allowance of HK\$13,500 (approximately US\$1,731) per year for the awardees for a maximum period of four years.

The application deadline is 1 December 2021 (12 noon Hong Kong time). Results will be announced by the RGC in March/April 2022. A firm offer of regular admission will be given in January 2022 to selected CityU's nominees even if they are not awarded the Fellowship by the RGC. Details about the Scheme and online application forms can be found on the following websites:

Research Grants Council: <http://cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpfs/index.html>  
City University of Hong Kong: <http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sgs/hkphd>

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