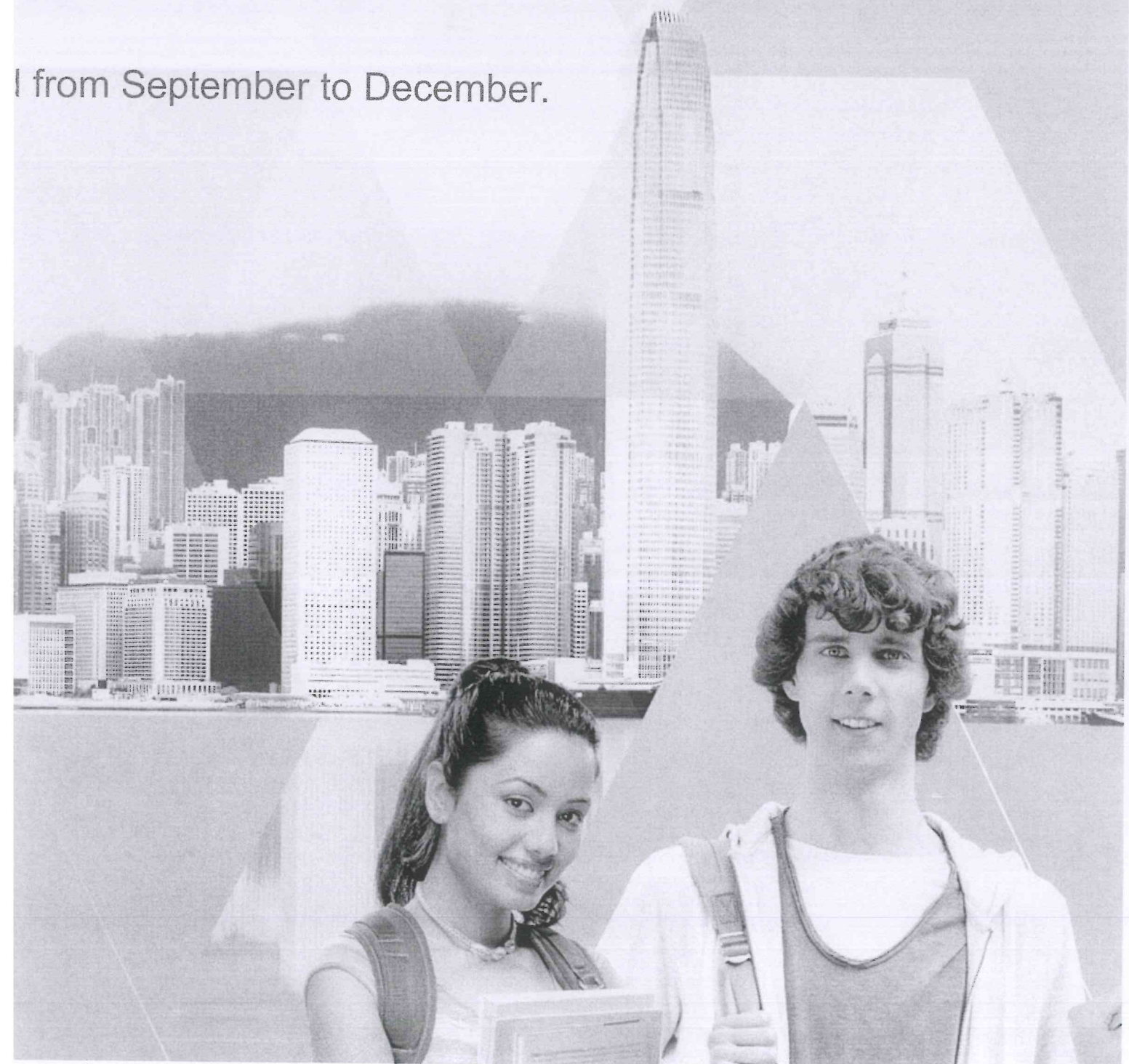


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HONG KONG PhD FELLOWSHIP SCHEME

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

2019/20



Welcome from the Chairman, Research Grants Council of Hong Kong

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 disciplines, with generous stipends and excellent support for the best and brightest students worldwide. On behalf of the RGC, I proudly present you the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme 2019/20.

Established by the RGC in 2009, the prestigious Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme has attracted about one thousand seven hundred top students from eighty countries/regions to come to undertake PhD studies in our world-class research universities in fields ranging from humanities, business and social sciences, to engineering, medical and physical sciences. Through the success in the first nine 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 Tenth Round, study awards of which will commence in the 2019/20 academic year.

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

Hong Kong's universities are extending the boundaries of various fields including sciences, engineering, humanities, arts, social sciences, medicine, biotechnology, business, and professions such as textile design, supply chain and manufacturing.

Hong Kong universities host some of Asia's – and the world's – best facilities and programmes, from world-class business management programmes to pioneering research in areas such as artificial intelligence, China studies, telecommunications, liver transplantation, Chinese medicine, and agricultural biotechnology and environmental studies. With English as the medium of instruction and research universities steeped in international collaboration, research and development opportunities abound.

Imagine you to learn more about Asia's World City and the opportunities our universities offer. A culturally rich, cosmopolitan city set amidst the sea and mountains, nestled against its rich heritage, Hong Kong and its research universities offer the world's best and brightest students an ideal place to study, live and work.

I would be welcoming you to Hong Kong.

Dr Benjamin Wah
Chairman, Research Grants Council
of 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 work experience, and ethnic background are welcomed to apply.

About the award

The Fellowship will provide a competitive annual stipend of HK\$301,200 (approximately US\$38,600) and a competitive research-related travel allowance of HK\$12,600 (approximately US\$1,600) per year for each awardee for a period of three years. 250 PhD Fellowships will be awarded in the first academic year¹.

How are awardees selected?

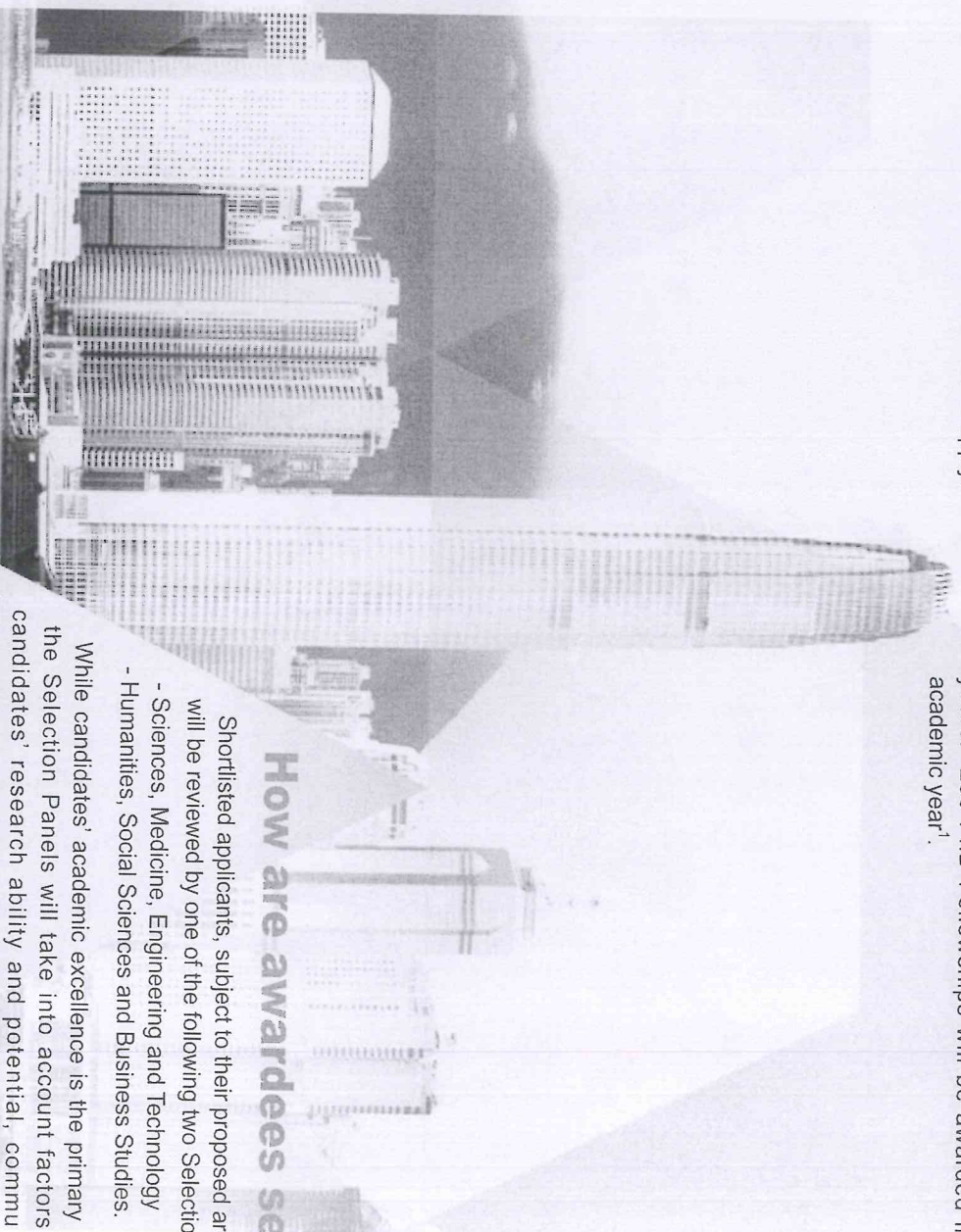
Shortlisted applicants, subject to their proposed awards being approved by one of the following two Selection Panels, will be reviewed by one of the following two Selection Panels:

- Sciences, Medicine, Engineering and Technology
- Humanities, Social Sciences and Business Studies.

While candidates' academic excellence is the primary factor in the Selection Panels will take into account factors such as candidates' research ability and potential, communication skills as well as leadership abilities.

How to apply

Eligible candidates should make their initial application to the online system at <https://icerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpf/initialapplication> and obtain an HKPFS Reference Number before submitting full applications to the relevant universities.



Initial application deadline

1 December 2018 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>.



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The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
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The Chinese University of Hong Kong
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The University of Hong Kong
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email: gradsch@hku.hk

After completing an initial application, applicants should submit full applications for their selected PhD programmes to the proposed universities (quoting their **HKPFS Reference Number**) before the deadlines of individual universities. As deadlines for submission of full applications to universities may immediately follow that for initial application, candidates should consult 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
<https://www.immd.gov.hk/eng/services/visas/study.html>