

Master of Philosophy and Doctor of Philosophy

哲學碩士及哲學博士

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Programme code **MPhil / PhD**
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Introduction

The degrees of MPhil and PhD consist of coursework and independent research studies culminating in the submission of a thesis. Research degree students will follow, under supervision, a course of study and research concurrently in an approved field for the prescribed period, during which they may not enroll in any other degree of the university or of any other comparable institutions.

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Programme Requirements

A research student is required to take some taught courses, which is determined on the basis of his / her specific needs. The objectives of taught courses are to improve the candidate's research techniques and to provide them with a wider and deeper understanding of related technical areas. The list of taught courses is available from the School of Graduate Studies.

The other important component of the research degree programmes is the submission of a thesis containing the results of the research studies in an approved area of investigation. A qualifying panel is established for each candidate by the Department. The Panel consists of the supervisor of the candidate who shall be its chairman, and two other members, one of whom is from the same Department. The panel identifies and prescribes coursework for the candidate, or recommends exemption therefrom, and assesses the results of performance in such coursework, together with the qualifying report. The qualifying report is a detailed survey of relevant literature in respect of a specific research topic, and contains information on the methodology and the expected results. The coursework requirements noted above should help in the preparation of such a report and, eventually, the thesis. Candidates will be required to submit the report within a prescribed period from the date of registration for the degree.

A MPhil thesis presents the results of a research investigation and gives evidence of a sound knowledge of the area of study, its context and applicability. A PhD thesis presents results which make a substantial original contribution to knowledge of the subject area concerned.

To be recommended for the award of an MPhil or PhD degree, a candidate must successfully complete the coursework requirements, satisfy the examiners in respect of the thesis submitted, participate in an oral examination on the thesis and area of study concerned, and in any written or practical examination or other test as required.

Period of Candidature

Programme of Study	Full-time	Part-time
MPhil	2 years	4 years
PhD (students who have obtained a research master's degree before admission)	3 years	6 years

PhD (students who have not obtained a research master's degree before admission)

4 years 8 years

Coursework Requirements

Students are normally required to fulfil the following courseworks requirements within their period of candidature :

Programme	Coursework requirements	No. of Credits
MPhil	SG8001 Teaching Students: First Steps	1
	EE8461 Research Seminar I	0.5
	EE8462 Research Seminar II	0.5
	EE8563 Research Seminar III	0.5
	EE8564 Research Seminar IV	0.5
	Two elective courses selected from the list of courses approved by SGS (at least one of the elective course is offered by EE)	6
PhD	SG8001 Teaching Students: First Steps	1
	EE8461 Research Seminar I	0.5
	EE8462 Research Seminar II	0.5
	EE8001 Guided Studies	3
	Four elective courses selected from the list of courses approved by SGS (at least two of the elective course is offered by EE)	12

PhD students are recommended to register in EE8001 in the second semester of their first year study.

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Admission Requirements

Please refer to the homepage of [Chow Yei Ching School of Graduate Studies](#) for admission details.

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Tuition Fee

The following are the major fees (tentative rates for 2011-2012) for MPhil/PhD programme. Please note that fees are subject to revision from time to time without prior notification, and any adjustments to fees will apply to both new and current students

Tuition / Continuation Fees (normally adjusted in September every year)

Type of Fee	Mode of Study		Remarks
	Full-time (3 - 4 years)	Part-time (6 - 8 years)	
Government-funded students :			
Tuition fee	HK\$3,508 per month	HK\$1,754 per month	Non-refundable; applicable to students within their stipulated study period
Continuation fee	HK\$877 per month	HK\$439 per month	Non-refundable; applicable to students who have been approved for an extension of their study period

Self-financing students :

Tuition fee	HK\$7,016 per month	HK\$3,508 per month	Non-refundable; applicable to self-financing students throughout their entire study period
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Other Fees (for all students)

Type of Fee	Mode of Study		Remarks
	Full-time (3 - 4 years)	Part-time (6 - 8 years)	
Membership fee for CityU Postgraduate Association	HK\$300	HK\$150	One-off payment covering a student's entire study period
(Re)Examination fee		HK\$1,000	Non-refundable
Graduation fee		HK\$400	Non-refundable upon study withdrawal or study termination

For more details or financial assistance, please refer to the homepage of [Chow Yei Ching School of Studies](#).

Enquiries

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