

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Master of Social Sciences in the field of Psychology

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2018 to the programme leading to the degree of Master of Social Sciences in the field of Psychology. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University admission requirements and the programme specific requirements as listed below:
 - (a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#) and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
 - (b) shall hold a Bachelor's degree (in a discipline other than psychology and without completion of any other programme in psychology which is designed to bring the degree holder up to the standard of a graduate majoring in psychology) of this University or another qualification of equivalent standard from this University or from another comparable institution accepted for this purpose (in a discipline other than psychology and without completion of any other programme in psychology which is designed to bring the degree holder up to the standard of a graduate majoring in psychology);
 - (c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the following University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b)*;
 - (d) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination and interview if shortlisted; and
 - (e) shall preferably have more than one year of work experience.

An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.

* For General Regulation G2(b), please refer to <http://tl.hku.hk/quality-manual/appendices/>.

2. The curriculum shall extend over one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study, with a maximum period of registration of two academic years of full-time study or three academic years of part-time study. Candidates shall not be permitted to extend their studies beyond the maximum period of registration specified in the above regulations, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty.
3. Applications for this taught postgraduate programme and payment of application fee (HK\$300 per application) should be made through the HKU on-line application system at <http://www.hku.hk/tpg/>.
4. The closing date of application is **12:00 noon, January 26, 2018**.
5. The Regulations and Syllabuses can be viewed at <http://www.hku.hk/tpg/>. Further information is available on http://www.psychology.hku.hk/~main/?page_id=1686.

6. Applicants should write a **personal statement** (about 500 – 600 words) on their reasons for wishing to take this programme, including their plans for the future in which the study will play a part. The “Personal Statement” is placed under the category of “Further Information” of the on-line application form.
7. Besides submitting the form online by January 26, 2018, applicants are required to submit all the supporting documents (see “Instructions of submitting supporting documents”) by post to the Department of Psychology by Monday, 29 January 2018. Photocopies and scanned copies of transcripts and examination results are NOT accepted. Late or non-submission of original / certified true copy of academic transcripts may affect applicants’ chance for shortlisting.
8. Shortlisted applicants will be invited to take a qualifying examination and attend an interview to be held in March 2018. Details are available under “Admission” on http://www.psychology.hku.hk/~main/?page_id=1686.
9. Successful candidates will be notified of the application results by the end of June 2018. Applicants not shortlisted for the examination and/or interview can consider themselves unsuccessful.
10. Applicants may contact the Department of Psychology at (852) 3917 7122 or mpsych@hku.hk if they do not receive their application results by July 31, 2018.

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