

**THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG**  
**Department of Cultural and Religious Studies**  
MA in Religious Studies – Student Manual

**1. What shall I do after accepting the offer?**

<https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions/registration/how-to-register>

**2. Orientation Day (Online) for MA in Religious Studies Students**

Date: Aug 29, 2020 (Sat)

Time: 2:30pm - 4:00pm

Venue: Online via ZOOM - *Details will be released later*

**3. Orientation Programme for New Postgraduate Students 2020-21**

- Students who are interested in the “*Online Orientation Activities*” organized by Postgraduate Student Association of CUHK (CUPSA) and the Chinese Students and Scholars Association, CUHK (CSSA@CUHK), please send register at <https://bit.ly/30dvCYc>.
- You can learn more about CUHK via a series of tailor-made videos made by the Office of Student Affairs at <https://lces.osa.cuhk.edu.hk/pgso/>.
- Read “*Compass for Incoming Student*” at:  
<https://lces.osa.cuhk.edu.hk/non-local-services/non-local-compass/>
- Read “*A Guide for New Students Journey@CUHK*” at:  
<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/journey/2018-19/CUHK%20journey@cuhk%202018-19-ENG.pdf>

**4. Student ID Card (CU Link)**

If you have fulfilled all admission condition(s) and completed your online registration, you may collect your Student ID Card from the CU Link Card Centre located at Room 804, 8/F, Wu Ho Man Yuen (WMY) Building. For details, please visit <http://www5.cuhk.edu.hk/culink/>.

**5. Student Fee**

Notification e-mails will be sent to students two weeks prior to the payment due date. Students have to check their @Link mailbox and login CUSIS to enquire the details of the fee debit notes.

**6. Email Account**

- The Department, Graduate School and other units of the University will send announcements and notices to you via @Link mailbox (<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/o365>). Please check your @Link mailbox regularly.
  - ✓ Login ID: student-ID@link.cuhk.edu.hk
  - ✓ Password: OnePass (CWEM) Password
- For Technical problems (e.g. login ID, password, use of MyCUHK), please contact ITSC Service Desk (<https://servicedesk.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/> or 3943 8845).

## 7. Guidelines to Academic Honesty

- The University places very high importance on honesty in academic work submitted by students, and adopts a policy of zero tolerance on cheating and plagiarism. Any related offence will lead to disciplinary action including termination of studies at the University. Students should read through the University guidelines: <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/policy/academic honesty/>
- All assignments should be submitted to VeriGuide (<https://academic.veriguide.org/academic/>) for checking and accompanied by a signed declaration statement when handing in to teachers.

## 8. Graduate School Website

- Please go to <http://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/> for all policies related to postgraduate students especially:
  - ✓ Postgraduate Student Handbook  
<https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/page/PostgraduateStudentHandbook>
  - ✓ Code of Practice (Taught Postgraduate Studies)  
<https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/page/CodeofPracticeTPg>
  - ✓ General Announcement  
[https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/general\\_announcements](https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/general_announcements)
  - ✓ Preparation for the new academic year  
<https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/page/PreparationforNewAcademicYear>

## 9. Study Scheme

- **Coursework Requirement:**

Students are required to complete a minimum of 24 credit units (**one core course** and any **seven elective courses** from the four Areas prescribed in the course list with at least TWO Areas chosen from Area 1, 2 and 3) for graduation.

  - Core course – RELS5005 Theories of Religious Studies
  - Area 1 (Religion, Heritage and Context)
  - Area 2 (Religion, Society and Culture)
  - Area 3 (Religion, Life and Wisdom)
  - Area 4 (Special Topics in Religious)
- **Other Requirements:**
  - Minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0.
  - Students must take at least one course per term throughout the normative study period stipulated in the “General Regulations Governing Postgraduate Studies”.
  - Students must fulfill the Term Assessment Requirement of the Graduate School. For details, please refer to Clause 13.0 “Unsatisfactory Performance and Discontinuation of Studies” of the General Regulations Governing Postgraduate Studies which can be accessed from the Graduate School Homepage: <https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/>.

## 10. Term and Course Registration

Term	School Term	Course Registration Period	Add / Drop Period
1	Sep 7 – Dec 5, 2020	Aug 18 – 21, 2020 (select courses for both term 1 and term 2)	Sep 7 – 21, 2020
2	Jan 11 – Apr 24, 2021		Jan 11 – 25, 2021

- Online Guide on Course Selection: <https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/page/CourseSelectionAddDrop> and <https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/page/CourseSelectioninCUSIS>
- The enrolment priority of courses offered by the Programme is given to part-time students at their last year of studies or full-time students.
- Please refer to the course’s website / Blackboard for the most updated timetable.
- Assessment scheme and course outlines of RELS-coded courses can be found at <http://www2.crs.cuhk.edu.hk/programmes-courses/course-outlines>
- If you wish to register course(s) outside your prescribed study scheme i.e. not appear on the course list under ‘My Requirement’(courses with \* in the following table), please complete **Form CS-1** and obtain approval from the parties concerned during the course registration or add/drop period.

### Term 1

Area	Course	Lecturer	Weekday	Venue
3	RELS5323 Life & Death in World Religions	Dr. CHOW Wai Yin	Mon 7:00pm - 9:30pm	Online Teaching (Refer to the course outlines for details)
3	RELS5328 Taoism, Health and Nourishing of Life	Dr. LUK Tsing Tsing Crystal	Tue 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
1	THEO5906 Methods & Paradigms of Christian Studies	Teacher B	Tue 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
Core	RELS5005 Theories of Religious Studies	Prof. HUANG Weishan	Wed 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
1	RELS5219/ THEO5919 Hebrew Bible in Contexts	Dr. LI Kwan Hung Leo	Wed 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
1	RELS5118 Studies on Chinese Buddhism	Prof. Douglas Matthew GILDOW	Thu 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
2	*THEO5958 Special Topics on Christianity in China I: State-Church Relationship in PRC	Prof. YING Fuk Tsang	Sat 9:30am – 12:15pm	

### Term 2

Area	Course	Lecturer	Weekday	Venue
2	THEO5242 History, Practice and Theology of Christian Worship	Prof. NG Wai Man Andrew	Mon 2:30pm - 5:15pm	TBA (Will be released in Oct / Nov)
1	THEO5226 Theology and Feminism	Prof. WONG Wai Yin Christina	Mon 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
4	RELS5322 Research Paper in Religious Studies	Dr. CHOW Wai Yin	Tue 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
2	RELS5325 Christianity in Chinese Literature	Prof. LAI Tsz Pang	Wed 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
1	*BUDS5001 Pure Land Buddhism	Prof. CHEN Chien-Huang	Wed 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
1	THEO5910 New Testament in Contexts	Prof. IP Hon Ho Alex	Wed 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
2	RELS5143 Contemporary Issues in Ethics, Society and Religion	Dr. LAM Wing Kwan Anselm	Thu 7:00pm - 9:30pm	
1	RELS5312 Hindu Visions of Divinity	Academic Visitor	Fri 7:00pm - 9:30pm	

**Medium of Instruction:** Cantonese, English or Putonghua

## 11. Useful Platforms

### ➤ MyCUHK and CUSIS

You can access different information related to the University and study via MyCUHK (<https://portal.cuhk.edu.hk/>). You can update your contact information, perform course registration, view academic results and other study related matters via CUSIS.

### ➤ Graduate School Platform – Student

You may login the GS Platform (Students) by using your Student ID and CWEM password at [https://www.gradsch.cuhk.edu.hk/pgstudent/login\\_cwem.aspx](https://www.gradsch.cuhk.edu.hk/pgstudent/login_cwem.aspx), various application forms are available for download, e.g., Course Registration Form CS-1, Leave of Absence, Change of Expected Graduation Date, etc.

### ➤ CU eLearning System

You may download the course materials and conduct online discussion of each course via CU eLearning System – Blackboard Learn (<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/eLearning>)

### ➤ CUHK Mobile App

Including detailed information (calendar, map, restaurant, timetable of shuttle bus etc) about CUHK. (<https://campusapps.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/store/login.aspx?ReturnUrl=%2fstore>)

## 12. Useful Links

### ➤ Campus Map

<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/english/campus/cuhk-campus-map.html>

### ➤ University Almanac 2020-21 (Term dates and holidays)

<https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/page/Calendar>

### ➤ General Arrangement for Typhoons and Black Rainstorm Signal

<https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/download/IX-C.pdf>

### ➤ Postgraduate/Part-time Student Application for Parking Coupon

<http://www.scu.cuhk.edu.hk/>

### ➤ University Health Service

<http://www1.uhs.cuhk.edu.hk/>

### ➤ Information Technology Services Centre

<https://www.itsc.cuhk.edu.hk/>

### ➤ Office of Student Affairs

<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/osa/>

### ➤ Office of Admission and Financial Aid

<http://www5.cuhk.edu.hk/oafa/>

### ➤ Centre for Learning Enhancement and Research (CLEAR)

<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/clear/>

### ➤ Independent Learning Centre

<https://www.ilc.cuhk.edu.hk/EN/>

## 13. Inquiry

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