MASTER OF ARTS IN PSYCHOLOGY (FT/PT)

Admission Information (2020-21)

Department of Psychology
The Chinese University of Hong Kong

Objectives

- To provide university graduates who did not major in psychology an opportunity to pursue graduate studies in psychology in Hong Kong.

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- Graduates should:
  - Acquire a foundation in psychology with a strong theoretical and empirical understanding of psychology theories and methods.
  - Be able to communicate and apply their knowledge in real life situations.
  - Be able to design and conduct psychological research.

Features

Mode of Study Period	Full-time	Part-time
Normative Study Period	1 year	2 years
Maximum Study Period *(paid as continuing students)*	3 years	4 years
No. of Terms per Year	2 regular + 1 summer	2 regular + 1 summer
Tuition Fee	$125,000 / yr	$71,500 / yr
Continuing Fee	$4,630 / unit	$5,296 / unit
No. of New Students per year	approximately 70 in total (To be confirmed)	

Programme Structure

- Students are required to complete a total of **27** units
  - 24 units of 8 required subjects, plus
  - 3 units of an independent study on 1 out of 4 elective streams
- Classes are
  - Taught in English
  - Mainly held on weekdays' evenings (18:30 – 21:30)
  - Delivered in CUHK campus

List of Courses

- Required courses
  - PSYC5110 Statistics and Research Design in Psychological Science
  - PSYC5120 Psychological Testing and Measurement
  - PSYC5130 Biological Psychology
  - PSYC5140 Cognitive Psychology
  - PSYC5150 Developmental Psychology
  - PSYC5160 Social Psychology
  - PSYC5170 Abnormal Psychology
  - PSYC5190 Personality Psychology
- Elective Courses (1 out of 4)
  - PSYC5210 Independent Study in Cognitive Science
  - PSYC5220 Independent Study in Human Development
  - PSYC5230 Independent Study in Social Psychology
  - PSYC5240 Independent Study in Mental Health

Recommended Course Pattern

Course Code	Term		
	Full-time	Part-time	
		Year 1	Year 2
Eight required courses:			
PSYC5110 Statistics and Research Design in Psychological Science	1	1	
PSYC5120 Psychological Testing and Measurement	1	1	
PSYC5130 Biological Psychology	2	2	
PSYC5140 Cognitive Psychology	1		1
PSYC5150 Developmental Psychology	1		1
PSYC5160 Social Psychology	Summer	Summer	
PSYC5170 Abnormal Psychology	Summer		Summer
PSYC5190 Personality Psychology	2	2	
One elective course from the following:			
PSYC5210 Independent Study in Cognitive Science	2		2
PSYC5220 Independent Study in Human Development	2		2
PSYC5230 Independent Study in Social Psychology	2		2
PSYC5240 Independent Study in Mental Health	2		2

Teaching Timetable - Tentative (2020/21)

Course Code	Course Title	Term of Offering (1/2/S)	Language of Instruction	Units	Class Period
PSYC5110	Statistics and Research Design in Psychological Science	1	E	3	Mon 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5120	Psychological Testing and Measurement	1	E	3	Wed 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5130	Biological Psychology	2	E	3	Wed 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5140	Cognitive Psychology	1	E	3	Tue 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5150	Developmental Psychology	1	E	3	Thu 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5160	Social Psychology	S	E	3	Tue 6:30 – 9:30pm Thu 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5170	Abnormal Psychology	S	E	3	Mon 6:30 – 9:30pm Wed 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5190	Personality Psychology	2	E	3	Mon 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5210	Independent Study in Cognitive Science	2	C / E	3	Thu 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5220	Independent Study in Human Development	2	C / E	3	Thu 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5230	Independent Study in Social Psychology	2	C / E	3	Thu 6:30 – 9:30pm
PSYC5240	Independent Study in Mental Health	2	C / E	3	Thu 6:30 – 9:30pm

There are 3 consecutive terms, namely Term 1, Term 2 and Summer Term each academic year

Term Dates (Tentative): Term 1: 07 September 2020 (Mon) – 05 December 2020 (Sat)
Term 2: 11 January 2021 (Mon) – 24 April 2021 (Sat)
Summer Term: 17 May 2021 (Mon) – 03 July 2021 (Sat)

For PSYC5210, 5220, 5230 & 5240, students may have classes in Term 2 only while the thesis reports are required to be submitted at the end of Summer Term.

Career Prospect

- After graduation, students:
  - are eligible to apply for membership of the Hong Kong Psychological Society
  - are qualified to apply for postgraduate research and professional training programmes in Hong Kong
    - Our Department offers:
      - MPhil / PhD in Psychology
      - MPhil in Industrial-Organizational Psychology
      - MSSc in Clinical Psychology

Qualifications for Admission

- Possess a Bachelor's degree from a recognized university
- Fulfill the "English Language Proficiency Requirement"
  - obtained a degree from a university in Hong Kong or taken a degree programme of which the medium of instruction was English; or
  - achieved scores in the following tests:
    - TOEFL (not lower than 550 paper-based/ 79 internet-based); or
    - IELTS (Academic) (not lower than Band 6.5); or
  - obtained a pass grade in English in one of the following examinations: (i) Hong Kong Advanced Level Examination (AS Level), (ii) Hong Kong Higher Level Examination, (iii) CUHK Matriculation Examination; or (iv) General Certificate of Education A-Level / AS-Level
  - achieved Level 4 or above in the English Language subject of the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination; or
  - obtained a recognized professional qualification, provided that the examination was conducted in English.

Application

- Deadline: **03 January, 2020**
- For details, please visit Department of Psychology, CUHK
- Online application at the Graduate School
- Supporting documents required
  - Official Transcripts and grading schemes of all tertiary level studies (i.e., in officially sealed envelopes)
    - Applicants who obtained degrees from universities in Mainland China are required to provide an Online Verification Report of Higher Education Qualification Certificate (教育部學歷證書電子註冊備案表) issued by the CHESICC (學信網).
  - 2 Letters of Recommendation (either via e-system or in hard copy)
  - Copies of Certificates of Graduation and HKID
  - **Original score report** of TOEFL or IELTS (if needed) *(Only results obtained within not more than two years from the test date are considered valid.)*
  - Assessment report from the HKCAAVQ (if necessary)

Selection & Result

- Selection
  - Selection Panel will begin the selection process after the application deadline
  - Neither entrance test nor interview is required

- Result
  - Applicants may login the Application for Admission to Postgraduate Programmes and check the application results in the section of "View Application Result".
  - First Round offer will be announced in early March 2020.

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