



Department of Music

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RESEARCH POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

CUHK — 2025 Entry

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Research Postgraduate Degree Programmes in Music at The Chinese University of Hong Kong have the longest history in Hong Kong and a highly competitive intake. The Department of Music offers MMus and DMus degrees in Composition, and MPhil and PhD degrees in three concentrations, namely Ethnomusicology, Historical Musicology, and Theory. Across these concentrations, faculty members embrace the spirit of interdisciplinary research and are actively engaged in diverse modes of scholarly inquiry.

RPg, Department of Music, CUHK





APPLICATION

Application Deadline

Online Application

HKPFS* Applicants

1 December 2024

cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpfs

Non-HKPFS Applicants

www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions

* Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme



PROGRAMMES

Master of Music (MMus)
Doctor of Music (DMus)

Master of Philosophy (MPhil) in Music
Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Music

Fields of
Concentration

Composition

Ethnomusicology
Historical Musicology
Theory

Admission
Requirements

All applicants must fulfill the CUHK General Admission Requirements, English-Language Requirements for Admission, and Programme-Specific Admissions Requirements. Please visit the Music Department and Graduate School websites for details.

In addition, applicants should have majored in Music, or have attained equivalent standard.

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NORMATIVE STUDY PERIOD



Graduate School

www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions/



Music Department

www.cuhk.edu.hk/mus/

	Full-time	Part-time
MMus	1 Year	2 Years
MPhil	2 Years	3 Years
DMus/PhD	36 Months ¹	48 Months ¹
	48 Months ²	64 Months ²

¹Entering **with** a research master's degree

²Entering **without** a research master's degree

FACULTY

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B. A., M. Mus. (CUHK); LMusTCL,
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B.A. (CUHK); Cert. Japanese Studies (Kyoto);
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B.A. (CUHK); M.Mus (Indiana); Mag.Art. In
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B.M. (Toronto); ARCT (RCM, Toronto);
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TUITION FEE

The tuition fee for all research postgraduate programmes in 2025 - 26 regardless of study mode (part-time or full-time) is **HK\$44,500** per annum.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

The Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS)

Established by the Research Grants Council (RGC), the Scheme aims at attracting the best and brightest students from across the globe to pursue their PhD studies in Hong Kong universities.

The HKPFS package for the 2025-26 intake at CUHK includes financial support totalling up to HK\$1.716 million (~US\$220,974). Please visit the Graduate School website for details.

CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship

The Scholarship offers:

- An award of total **HK\$80,000** (~US\$10,260): HK\$40,000 in the first year of attendance and HK\$20,000 each in the second and third years, subject to satisfactory study progress
- Studentships of **HK\$224,700** (~US\$28,810) per annum within the normative study period; and
- Conference and Research-related Travel Allowance in a total of **HK\$30,000** (~US\$3,846) within the normative study period

PhD candidates who are nominated by CUHK to HKPFS but not selected by the RGC will be admitted to the University's regular PhD programme. They will receive studentships of HK\$224,700 per annum, a conference or research-related travel allowance of HK\$30,000 within the normative period, and in addition, the CUHK Vice-Chancellor's PhD Scholarship of HK\$80,000 subject to satisfactory study progress.

CUHK Postgraduate Studentships

Anyone who is registered for full-time studies in research degree programmes at CUHK and who has not been awarded a Hong Kong PhD Fellowship can be considered for CUHK postgraduate studentships. Students awarded studentships will receive a stipend for assisting in the teaching, research work, and other duties assigned during the normative study period. The provisional monthly stipend for Postgraduate Studentship (2024–25) is around HK\$18,725–19,275.

	Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme at CUHK	CUHK Vice-Chancellor’s PhD Scholarship Scheme	Postgraduate Studentships
Stipend*	HK\$28,100 per month	HK\$18,725 per month	HK\$18,725 per month
Conference & Research-related Travel Allowance*	Up to HK\$86,000 for the whole normative study period	HK\$30,000 for the whole normative study period	PhD/ DMus MPhil/ MMus HK\$30,000 HK\$10,000 for the whole normative study period
Lodging Award*	1 st Year HK\$40,000 Subsequent Years HK\$20,000 each during the normative study period	1 st Year HK\$40,000 2 nd & 3 rd Years HK\$20,000 each subject to satisfactory study progress	N/A
Tuition Fee Waiver	✓ during the normative study period	N/A	N/A
1 st Year Accommodation Fee Waiver & Guaranteed On-campus Accommodation	✓	N/A	N/A

*The amount shown in the table is the rate for 2024–25, which may subject to change in 2025–26.

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