

Master of Social Sciences in the field of Clinical Psychology

1. **The CLOSING DATE of application is 12:00 noon (GMT +8), 2 January 2026.**

Entry Requirements

2. Applications are invited for admission in September 2026 to the programme leading to the degree of Master of Social Sciences in Clinical 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 with a major in Psychology of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
 - (c) shall have demonstrated empirical research experience in the form of a dissertation completed in the Bachelor's degree programme or another equivalent programme in psychology, or first-authorship in published journal article;
 - (d) shall be eligible for the Graduate Membership of the Hong Kong Psychological Society;
 - (e) 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 high degrees as prescribed under [General Regulation G2\(b\)](#);
 - (f) shall preferably have relevant working experience; and
 - (g) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

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

Regulations and Syllabuses

3. The Regulations and Syllabuses can be viewed at <https://web.socsc.hku.hk/taught-postgraduate-regulations-and-syllabuses/>.
4. The curriculum shall extend over two academic years of full-time study and the intervening vacations, with a maximum period of registration of four academic years of full-time study. Candidates will have to spend considerable time during and between terms in clinical settings.

Application

5. Applications for this taught postgraduate programme and payment of application fee (HK\$600 per application) should be made through the HKU on-line application system at <https://portal.hku.hk/tpg-admissions>.

6. **[e-Form]** Applicants are required to answer additional questions in the online form **by 23:59, 2 January 2026.**
7. Each applicant is required to provide contact information of two referees (academic & professional) during the online application. Only referees with the provision of official university/company email/correspondence addresses are accepted. The University may approach referees and their affiliated university/company for verification. Upon the submission of online application, the referees will then receive an email invitation to complete an online referee survey.
8. We use multiple criteria in the selection of candidates. Among the criteria are: academic records, personal maturity and motivation, understanding of clinical psychology, clarity in the formulation of goals, and relevant work experience in the broad field of applied psychology. Decisions are based on multiple sources of information, including transcripts, test scores, and the personal statement.
9. Financial assistance is available for local full-time postgraduate students and enquiries should be made to the Student Financial Assistance Agency, 11/F & 12/F, Cheung Sha Wan Government Offices, 303 Cheung Sha Wan Road, Kowloon or to the Office of Student Affairs.
10. All applicants who possess the basic qualifications necessary for admission will be considered by the Clinical Psychology Programme Admissions Committee. Shortlisted applicants may be invited for written tests/interviews by the Admissions Committee. The Admissions Committee expects to make its final decisions around late April 2026.
11. Please first read the [FAQ](#) of the TPg admission website for further details. For additional enquiries, please send an email to msscp@hku.hk and quote your full name in English and application number in the email.
12. Please visit the programme website at <https://psychology.hku.hk/admission-master-of-social-sciences-in-the-field-of-clinical-psychology/> for more information.
13. Applicants fail to receive information from the Department of Psychology at msscp@hku.hk by 31 July 2026 can consider their application as unsuccessful.

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