MPhil in Pharmacy / PhD in Pharmacy

The School of Pharmacy offers both MPhil and PhD programmes designed to prepare graduates for a challenging career in basic or applied research in innovative medicine.

Programme

**MPhil in Pharmacy**
This is a research-based degree programme, comprising coursework, seminar and research. Students have to complete a total of at least 26 units with a written thesis and the oral defence for graduation.

**PhD in Pharmacy**
The programme is research-oriented and has the aim of advancing pharmacy knowledge with the major requirement being the conduct and defence of a doctoral thesis. Student will also be required to attend and participate in research seminars and other activities organized by the School of Pharmacy. A total of at least 38 units with a written thesis and the oral defence are required for graduation.

Please visit the School’s homepage for more information.

Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the Graduate School,

**MPhil in Pharmacy**
Applicants should have Bachelor's degree in Pharmacy or related discipline (e.g. biochemistry, chemistry, chemical engineering, pharmacology, etc.), preferably with honours at second upper division or above, or equivalent.

**PhD in Pharmacy**
Applicants should have:

1. Master’s degree in Pharmacy or related discipline (e.g. biochemistry, chemistry, chemical engineering, pharmacology, etc.). Postgraduate students with a taught master degree are encouraged to apply via the MPhil Programme initially.
2. Bachelor’s degree, with honours at second upper division or above, or equivalent, and have been registered in a course of study for an MPhil degree at this University for at least one year and have demonstrated research ability.

Fields of Specialization

**Pharmaceutical Sciences**
- Pharmaceutics (Physical Pharmacy, Biopharmaceutics / Pharmacokinetics, Pharmaceutical Technology)
- Medicinal and Pharmaceutical Chemistry
- Pharmacogenetics / Pharmacogenomics
- Drug Delivery and Targeting

**Pharmacy Practice**
- Pharmacoeconomics
- Clinical Pharmacy

Additional Application Information

**Admission Advisor**
Prof. Joan ZUO

**Application Deadline**

1. **1 December 2016**
   For applicants who apply for PhD programme through the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme (HKPFS)

2. **31 January 2017**
   For applicants who apply for MPhil programme directly with CUHK

3. **31 January 2017**
   For applicants who apply for PhD programme directly with CUHK (i.e. non-HKPFS applicants)

1. For the general qualifications required for admission to the Graduate School, please refer to Graduate School’s homepage: www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk
2. For information on HKPFS, please refer to HKPFS homepage: https://cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpfs/index.html

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Our students are supervised by teachers who are experts in Pharmaceutical Science and Pharmacy Practice.

**Experts in Pharmaceutical Field**

- **Novel Drugs**
  - Prof. Joan Zuo
  - Prof. Albert Chow
  - Prof. Kenneth To

- **Developing Drugs**
  - Prof. Joan Zuo
  - Prof. Albert Chow
  - Prof. Teddy Lam
  - Prof. Thomas Lee

- **Diagnosis**
  - Prof. Joyce You

- **Using Drugs**
  - Prof. Joan Zuo
  - Prof. Kenneth To

- **Predicting Drug Response**
  - Prof. Joan Zuo
  - Prof. Joyce You
  - Prof. Kenneth To

- **Safety**
  - Prof. Joan Zuo
  - Prof. Kenneth To

- **Cost Effectiveness & Pharmacist Intervention**
  - Prof. Joyce You
  - Prof. Vivian Lee

**Exchange Activities & Conference Experiences**

**American Association of Pharmaceutical Scientists (AAPS) CUHK Student Chapter**

The AAPS CUHK Student Chapter was established in 2011 to promote pharmaceutical sciences, postgraduate research and education. Our MPhil and PhD students are the core members of this Chapter. Through activities such as seminars and workshops, the AAPS CUHK Student Chapter aims to equip the students with the latest skills and knowledge for the ever-changing pharmaceutical universe, specifically scientific advancement and career opportunities. In the past few years, the Chapter organized the AAPS@China Symposium in 2013, and arranged several exchange activities with Sun Yat-sen University, Fuzhou University, China Pharmaceutical University and Sichuan University. The students also actively participated in the AAPS Annual Meetings and other international conferences in U.S. and other oversea countries.

**Programme Requirements**

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