Hong Kong Baptist University Invites Applications for Dual PhD Programmes

Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) partners with internationally-renowned universities to provide high-quality postgraduate programmes in interdisciplinary research collaborations. From 2014, the HKBU has worked hand-in-hand with the Ohio State University (OSU) from the U.S. and other research universities worldwide to foster joint PhD programmes in the following fields:

- Drug Discovery / Biomedical Science and Related Areas
- Media and Communication Studies

These programmes are carefully designed and fully assured in quality. With the wisdom of innovation, Hong Kong Baptist University aspires to produce world-class researchers who will own much of the intellectual property (IP) and will contribute significantly to the development of new ideas and new technology. Students will be guided by a panel of experienced academics from HKBU and an overseas university. They will spend time at HKBU Hong Kong campus, HKBU (Haimen) Institute of Science and Technology and the overseas institution.

Applicants should possess the following qualifications in related fields:
- Be a holder of a master's degree from a recognized university or comparable institution; or
- Be a research scholar (PhD student) at the postgraduate level from a recognized university or comparable institution.

Applicants are also required to:
- Write a research proposal of 3000-4000 words
- Submit two confidential recommendations
- Provide one copy of all official transcripts and degree certificates

The applications for the first round will be accepted from 1 September 2014 to 30 April 2015. The second round will be accepted subject to availability on a first-come, first-served basis from 1 May 2015.

Media and Communication Studies

1. Journalism Studies
   - To look into the sociology of media and communications, focusing on the rapidly changing media environment and the role of media in social change.
   - To explore the possibilities of enhancing the imaging quality of the agents for biomedical uses, which will help improve the existing medical equipment.
   - To develop and provide testable platforms for the screening of potential compounds to recapitulate the underlying mechanisms of human diseases. The investigation has so far focused on cancers.

2. Film Studies
   - To investigate the causes of cancer pathogenesis as well as novel therapeutic strategies by combining Chinese medicine/compounds and modern scientific technology.
   - To combine biological approaches, chemical approaches and clinical trials to address multiple aspects of the research on neurodegenerative diseases including Alzheimer's disease and Parkinson's disease, and to develop effective novel drugs for the patients.

3. Communications and Public Relations
   - To promote inter-disciplinary collaboration in translating basic scientific research findings into practical knowledge to benefit patients with bone and joint diseases.

Application Period

First round: 1 September 2014 – 30 April 2015
Second round: Applications will be considered subject to availability on a first-come, first-served basis from 1 May 2015.

Application Method

Applicants should follow the instructions stated in the online application form at "Dual (IST)" for both fields of focus.

Admission Requirements

Eligibility

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1. Drug Discovery / Biomedical Science and Related Areas
   - Media and Communication Studies

Admission Requirements

Applicants should possess the following qualifications in related fields:

- with first class honours from a recognised university or comparable institution.

- a minimum TOEFL score of 550 (paper-based) or 213 (computer-based) or 79 (internet-based).

- an IELTS score of 6.5 in each component.

- a research proposal of 3000-4000 words

- two confidential recommendations

- one copy of all official transcripts and degree certificates

Application Period:

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Second round: The application period will end on 28 February 2016

Application Method

Applicants must follow the instructions stated in the online application form at http://ist.hkbu.edu.hk and benefited from the expertise of the two universities. Upon graduation, students will be awarded two PhD degrees, one from HKBU Hong Kong campus, HKBU (Haimen) Institute of Science and Technology and the overseas institution

Focus on multi-disciplinary and inter-disciplinary research themes, HKBU’s academics of Science, Chinese Medicine and Communication, the media and communication studies programmes. Leveraging on the solid research strengths and expertise of both universities, HKBU and the partner university, the students will be able to make use of the state-of-the-art equipment and facilities. Students will be supervised by academics from both HKBU and an overseas university. They will spend two years in each university, and will complete the required coursework and dissertation writing phases at an overseas university. Students will have access to the expertise of both universities, and will have a unique opportunity to combine different research approaches.

Focused Areas of Research

Drug Discovery / Biomedical Science and Related Areas

- Media and Communication Studies

Applicants should possess the following qualifications in related fields:

- a bachelor’s degree with first class honours from a recognised university or comparable institution.

- English-language requirement:

  - must achieve a pass in the IELTS or TOEFL examination at the required level.

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  - two confidential recommendations

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Access the application forms online, or contact the programme office to obtain a copy.

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- Drug Discovery / Biomedical Science and Related Areas
- Media and Communication Studies

Admission Requirements:

Applicants should possess the following qualifications in related fields:

1. A master's degree from a recognised university or comparable institution; or
2. A bachelor's degree with first class honours from a recognised university or comparable institution.

English Language Requirement:

A minimum IELTS score of 6.5 (internet-based). A score of 6.5 in IELTS may also be accepted. A minimum TOEFL score of 550 (paper-based) or 213 (computer-based) or 79 (internet-based) in the TOEFL test is required. Other English language proficiency qualifications may be accepted as appropriate.

Drug Discovery / Biomedical Science and Related Areas

1. Drug Discovery

To probe the causes of cancer pathogenesis as well as novel therapeutic strategies by combining Chinese medicine/compounds and modern scientific technology.

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Diagnostic and Imaging

To explore the possibilities of enhancing the imaging quality of the agents for biomedical uses, which will help improve the existing medical equipment.

Disease Model for Drug Screening

To develop and provide testable platforms for the screening of potential compounds to recapitulate the underlying mechanisms of human diseases. The investigation has so far focused on cancers.

Computer-Aided Drug Design

Relying on computer-aided high-throughput virtual screening, to identify "hit" natural products by in vitro and in vivo assay.

Media and Communication Studies

1. Media and Communication Studies

To pursue research projects in advertising and related fields.

To look into the sociology of media and communication and public relations, organisational communication, the history and aesthetics of film, in particular in colonial and post-colonial settings, and the history and aesthetics of film, in particular in colonial and post-colonial settings, and the impact of new media on these fields.

To study and provide relevant knowledge for the training of potential communicators to accommodate the ever-changing and diversification of media environments.

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Communication and Health Communication

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- Media and Communication Studies

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Scholarship will be given to all successful applicants to support their tuition fees, daily subsistence, and other expenses during their study.

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**Application Method**
 Applicants must follow the instructions stated in the online application form at gs.hkbu.edu.hk (please choose Dual (1+1) for both fields of Degree Sought and Field of Study), including submission of the following documents (in English):
- one copy of all official transcripts and degree certificates
- two confidential recommendations
- a research proposal of 3,000-4,000 words

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