



# <u>Fact Sheet on the Application for the Entry Scholarship of Faculty of Humanities</u> (Academic Year 2019/20)

# 1. Programme introduction

Founded in 1937, the Hong Kong Polytechnic University is a government-funded public institution. The medium of instruction is English. The Faculty of Humanities (FH) offers two 4-year undergraduate programmes, namely BA(Hons) in Chinese and Bilingual Studies and BA(Hons) in English Studies for the Professions. Both programmes admit students through the "Broad Discipline of Language, Culture and Communication". Students will study a wide range of subjects related to language and culture in Year 1. In Year 2, students can enter either a Single Major or Double Majors. The two majors emphasize on practical knowledge, with courses covering corporate communication, translation, interpreting and linguistics, etc., connecting classroom knowledge to workplace applications. Students can also learn other foreign languages and choose a minor in other disciplines. More details of the programmes can be found here: <a href="https://www.polyu.edu.hk/fh/BDLCC/">www.polyu.edu.hk/fh/BDLCC/</a>

## 2. Learning resources

- a. **Student exchange:** International students are eligible for joining one semester exchange programme with PolyU's sponsorship. With the aims to broaden horizon and gain intercultural experience, about half of the FH students went on exchange to countries such as the UK, the US, etc.
- b. **Internship:** All PolyU students should complete an internship in order to fulfil graduation requirements. Through the internship, students can apply their knowledge to the real world and understand the development of the industries in Hong Kong or overseas. Over half of the FH students had their internship overseas to experience multicultural workplace settings, such as Europe, the US, Japan, Korea and China, etc.
- c. Other resources: PolyU encourages students to contribute to the society through providing various social services, such as teaching children. The Youth Leadership Programme nurtures young leaders with a global perspective and creative mind in solving problem. FH encourages students to take part in international competitions such as those for translation, with our students wining a number of awards. Apart from Entry Scholarship, students with excellent performance are also eligible for various types of post entry scholarships. All FH students will be assigned to an academic staff who provides academic advice on study.

# 3. Career path

- **a. Further studies:** International students may go further studies in Hong Kong or overseas (the UK and the US). For example, a FH graduate was admitted to MA and PhD programmes in linguistics in the Oxford University in the UK.
- b. **Career:** International students can stay in Hong Kong for one year after graduation without any conditions. Most of our students are employed within six months after graduation or even before graduation. Our graduates are employed in various sectors including:
  - IT company Nexstgo (Head of Corporate Marketing)
  - Luxury retailer DFS Group (Senior Manager, Merchandise Business Process & Transformation)
  - US news and media company Bloomberg (News Automation Analyst)
  - Pharmaceutical company Pfizer (Regional Operations Administrator)
  - Hong Kong Government (Police Translator)

#### 4. Expenses

- a. Total living expenses per year (10 months): HKD 203,500 (~USD 26,000):
  - Tuition fees per year (2019/20): HKD 140,000
  - Student dormitory fees per year: HKD 12,500
  - Personal expenses and miscellaneous fees: HKD 51,000
- b. Living expenses may vary.





# 5. Entry Scholarship

Categories of Entry Scholarship provided by the Faculty of Humanities:

- a. **Full scholarship:** HKD 180,000 200,000 per year (~USD 23,000-25,000; for 4 years)
- b. **Half scholarship:** HKD 70,000 133,500 per year (~USD 8,900-16,500; for 4 years)
- c. One-off scholarship: HKD 70,000 (~USD 8,900)

#### 6. Scholarship renewal

Recipients of Entry Scholarship should obtain a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.2 at the end of each year in order to renew the scholarship for the next year. The maximum period of receiving the scholarship is 4 years. Recipients should focus on his/her study and graduate on time.

# 7. Eligibility

- a. English requirements:
  - TOEFL score of 80 for the Internet-based test or 550 for the paper-based test; OR
  - An overall Band Score of 6 in IELTS
- b. Scholarship requirements: It depends on interview performance, high school and/or public exam results.
- c. For students who were admitted to the Faculty of Humanities, they usually had the following results:
  - An average of 70 marks (out of 100) in high school study; OR
  - IB: 30 or above; 4 in two higher level subjects; OR
  - GCEAL: BBB in 3 AL subjects; OR
  - SAT: 1650 in SAT Reasoning Test; OR
  - ACT: composite score of 24; OR
  - AP: grade 3 in two subjects.

# 8. Application period

The application opens on 12 September 2018 and will close on 15 March 2019. PolyU will consider the applications in the extended round if there is still vacancy after the main round. Interested students should submit application as soon as possible.

Round	Deadline
Early round	20 November 2018
Main round	15 January 2019
Extend round	15 March 2019

# 9. Application procedures

- a. You can still apply if you have not obtained the public exam results.
- b. Go to the website of Hong Kong Polytechnic University: (https://www38.polyu.edu.hk/eAdmission/index.jsf),
  - → Select "Create an account" on the right of the page and create your account.
  - → Click "Login" and fill in the application form online.
  - → Choose "Language, Culture and Communication-Broad Discipline" for "Programme Choice".
- c. Upload your latest school results/report to the application system.
- d. Applicants should download a separate scholarship application form from the system and upload to it upon completion.
- e. Settle the application fee of HKD450 by Visa or Master credit card. Print out the Application Summary for reference upon successful submission and payment.
- f. Applicants will be invited for a Skype interview and written tests conducted in English via the Internet.
- g. Application results will be announced during January to May 2019.
- h. Applicants with conditional offer should provide public/final exam results upon receiving the results.
- i. New semester will start in September 2019.

## 10. Enquiry

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