



## Division of History

The postgraduate programmes of PhD in History and MPhil in History are research oriented higher degree programmes offered by the Graduate Division of History to provide qualified students with rigorous academic training of advanced world levels.

### MPhil in History / PhD in History

Code: HIS

#### Programme

##### MPhil in History

Students are required to complete at least 24 units (for full-time students) / 30 units (for part-time students) of courses and the MPhil thesis, and to pass the oral examination for graduation.

##### PhD in History

Students are required to complete at least 33 units (for full-time students) / 39 units (for part-time students) of courses. They are also required to study a third language, other than Chinese and English, with satisfactory result. Students who have completed a total of 12 units of courses (besides "Thesis Guidance") shall take and pass an oral qualifying examination before advancement to the PhD candidature. PhD candidates should complete the PhD thesis and pass the oral examination for graduation.

Please visit the History Division's homepage for more information.

#### Fields of Specialization

- History of Traditional China
- History of Modern China
- Pre-modern World History<sup>1</sup>
- Modern World History<sup>1</sup>
- History of Hong Kong
- Comparative History
- Public History



#### Admission Requirements

1. Applicants should have majored in history or a related field.
2. In addition to the general requirements of the Graduate School<sup>2</sup>, applicants should submit the following materials together with the application:

##### MPhil

- a. A study plan in either Chinese or English;
- b. An essay / term paper on history in either Chinese or English.

##### PhD

- a. A detailed study plan in either Chinese or English;
- b. Master's thesis or an academic essay in either Chinese or English; and
- c. Evidence of language proficiency as indicated below (CUHK graduates are exempted from this requirement):
  - I. First Language Requirement:
    - i. Either Chinese or English may be chosen as the first language;
    - ii. In the case of Chinese, applicants must provide adequate evidence of proficiency in Chinese such as public examination results or academic record;
    - iii. In the case of English, applicants from non-English-speaking countries are required to submit TOEFL scores. Those from English-speaking countries should submit SAT or GCE results instead.
  - II. Second Language Requirement:
    - i. It may be any Asian or Western language which is closely related to the intended fields of study; and
    - ii. Applicants must provide adequate evidence of proficiency in that language such as TOEFL scores, public examination results or academic records.
3. An interview may be required by the Division.

#### Additional Application Information

Admission Advisor : Prof. YIP, Hon Ming

Application Deadline : 28 February 2010 (MPhil)

Applications are accepted throughout the year but selection is normally made in March (PhD)

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1. The field of world history covers Europe, America, Japan, Korea, Southeast Asia and the Asia-Pacific.  
2. For the general qualifications required for admission to the Graduate School, please refer to pages 18-19.