



Division of East Asian Studies

The Centre for East Asian Studies promotes interdisciplinary programmes about China taught and examined in English. Our MPhil and PhD programmes enable students to bring together different disciplinary approaches to conduct rigorous independent research in this increasingly important field.

MPhil in Chinese Studies / PhD in Chinese Studies

Code: CHE

Programme

MPhil in Chinese Studies

The MPhil student is required to complete a minimum of 18 units of courses, including

- Two required courses (a total of 6 units)
- Two elective seminars or courses offered by related programmes and departments (a total of 6 units)
- A Thesis Guidance course every term from the beginning of the second year of study until the Master's thesis is finally submitted (a total of 6 units).

Students are required to complete an M.Phil. thesis and to pass an oral defense of the thesis. English should be used in both the thesis and the oral defense.

At the completion of their programme students will be required to demonstrate ability to read Chinese articles in academic journals in the appropriate field of specialization.

PhD in Chinese Studies

The PhD student is required to complete a minimum of 27 units of courses, including

- Two required courses (a total of 6 units)
- Three elective seminars or courses offered by related programmes and departments (a total of 9 units)
- A Thesis Guidance course every term from the beginning of the second year of study until the doctoral thesis is finally submitted (a total of 12 units).

Students must pass the qualifying examination.

Students are required to complete a Ph.D. thesis, which should make substantial contribution to scholarship in the chosen field of specialization, and to pass an oral defense of the thesis. English should be used in both the thesis and the oral defense.

At the completion of their programme students will be required to demonstrate ability to read Chinese articles in academic journals in the appropriate field of specialization.

Please visit the Division's homepage for more information.

Admission Requirements

In addition to the general requirements of the Graduate School¹, applicants should have a good result in Chinese language paper in GCSE, A-level GCE, SAT 1, SAT AP or

equivalent public examinations and be able to demonstrate proficiency in Chinese to work on Chinese materials as needed for the thesis research.

MPhil in Chinese Studies

Applicants should have a good honours degree in an area related to Chinese Studies.

The following materials should be submitted together with the application:

- Documentary proof of the applicant's Chinese standard
- A thesis proposal, written in English
- A paper on a topic related to Chinese Studies, written in English.

PhD in Chinese Studies

Applicants should have a Master's degree in a related area of Chinese Studies.

The following materials should be submitted together with the application:

- Documentary proof of the applicant's Chinese standard
- A detailed English thesis proposal with areas of research interest indicated
- A copy of Master's thesis or a sample research paper, written in English.

Additional Application Information

Admission Advisor : Prof. King-fai TAM

Application Deadline : 28 February 2010

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1. For the general qualifications required for admission to the Graduate School, please refer to pages 18-19.