Master of Social Sciences in the field of Criminology

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2019 to the programme leading to the degree of Master of Social Sciences in the field of Criminology. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University admission requirements and the programme specific requirements as listed below:

(a) shall comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
(b) shall hold a Bachelor’s degrees preferably with a major in the social sciences or humanities discipline of this University or another qualification of equivalent standard from this University or from another University or comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
(c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b)*;
(d) shall preferably have working experience in the criminal justice system, social welfare agencies, or in other work with offenders; and
(e) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.


2. The curriculum shall extend over one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study, with a maximum period of registration of two academic years of full-time study or four academic years of part-time study.

3. Applications for this taught postgraduate programme and payment of application fee (HK$300 per application) should be made through the HKU on-line application system at http://www.hku.hk/tpg/.

4. The closing date for application is 12:00 noon, March 6, 2019. (Extended to 12:00 noon, March 15, 2019)

5. The Regulations and Syllabuses for this programme can also be viewed at http://www.hku.hk/tpg/.

6. Applicants may contact the Department of Sociology by email at msscrim@hku.hk if they do not receive their application results by July 31, 2019.

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