Master of Medical Sciences

Application for Admission

Applications are invited for admission in September 2019 to read for the degree of Master of Medical Sciences. The curriculum extends not less than one academic year of full-time study, with a minimum of 69 credit units. There are provisions for part-time day-release candidates (two years).

Composition fees:  
(Subject to adjustment)  
Full-time: HK$146,000  
Part-time: HK$73,000 per year

Enquiries

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[Note: For candidates who wish to enroll into certain courses only, special application form can be obtained from http://www.med.hku.hk/images/document/03edu/taught/mmedscapp6.pdf]

Closing date for applications: May 31, 2019  
Application result will be announced: By the end of August 2019  
Course commencement: September 1, 2019

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Introduction

The purpose of the Master of Medical Sciences Degree (MMedSc), organised by the Medical Faculty, is to provide structured training in medical and clinical disciplines to enable postgraduates to embark on specialised studies or practice for career and personal development. Another objective of the programme is to provide a bridging mechanism for preclinical and clinical studies, and to promote integrated training in the fundamentals of basic and applied sciences.

The MMedSc curriculum is organised to cater for the needs and aspirations of individuals. Candidates can choose courses offered in the curriculum to meet their needs for professional development. Candidates successfully completing the MMedSc degree will have obtained in-depth knowledge of a particular discipline which will enable them to engage effectively in biomedical teaching, research or professional practice. The configuration of the course also permits those who wish to upgrade their professional knowledge but do not intend to seek the MMedSc qualification, to take only selected courses in the core subjects and/or specialised field of study. A certificate of attendance will be issued to these candidates.

To be eligible for admission, a candidate shall (a) possess the relevant necessary requirements which comply with the General Regulations G2 and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula, (b) hold a Bachelor's degree with honours or the degrees of MBBS of the University, or another qualification of equivalent standard from this University or from another University or a comparable institution accepted for this purpose, and (c) satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

The programme lasts for 1 year for a full-time or 2 years for part-time day-release candidates and consists of a minimum of 69 credit units (i.e. 12 credit units of Core Courses, 18 credit units of Specialised Courses; 39 credit units of Dissertation). Core Courses will be taught in the evenings or on Saturdays. As some Specialised Courses will be taught during the day, part-time candidates must ensure that they will be able to get sufficient time off from their employers to attend the courses. The schedules of teaching of Specialised Courses can be obtained from the Departmental coordinators concerned.

The MMedSc degree is a quotable qualification approved by The Medical Council of Hong Kong. Some Core/Specialised Courses have been accredited with CME/CPD points by some of the Colleges of the Hong Kong Academy of Medicine.
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Curriculum

INDUCTION COURSE
All MMedSc candidates will be required to attend the compulsory Induction Course on:
(a) Dissertation Writing (7.5 hours); and
(b) Biostatistics (2.5 hours)

RESEARCH ETHICS
Candidates will be required to pass the web-based learning courses for Responsible Conduct of Research in the CITI Program (Collaborative Institutional Training Initiative at the University of Miami).

CORE COURSES
Candidates will also be required to take 12 credit units/four 20-hour Core Courses of 3 credit units each. The Core Courses are categorized into 2 sections, i.e. Research Methods and Biological Systems. At least one Course should be selected from each section.

SPECIALISED FIELD OF STUDY
Candidates will be required to select a total of 18 credit units of Specialised Courses.


DISSERTATION PROJECT
Candidates will be required to undertake a selected research project of 39 credit units leading to a dissertation.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
To be eligible for admission, a candidate shall:
(a) comply with the General Regulations;
(b) comply with the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
(c) hold a Bachelor’s degree with honours or the degrees of MBBS of this University, or another qualification of equivalent standard;
(d) satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to high degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b), which stipulated that “an applicant 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 is required to obtain:
(i) a score of 550 or above in the paper-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) or a score of 213 in the computer-based TOEFL or a score of 80 in the internet-based TOEFL; or
(ii) a minimum overall band of 6 with no subtest lower than 5.5 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS); or
(iii) Grade C or above in the Overseas General Certificate of Education (GCE); or
(iv) Grade C or above in the International General Certificate of Secondary Education (IGCSE); or
(v) Grade C or above in the Cambridge Test of Proficiency in English Language”; and
(e) satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination, if required.

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