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Mind Hong Kong PhD Scholarship

Mind Hong Kong in collaboration with the University of Hong Kong are pleased to invite applicants for a fully-funded PhD programme.

Funding will cover either a 3- or 4-year PhD studentship, depending on the applicant's background and qualifications, commencing in September 2020.

The applicant will be tasked with the some, or all, of the following:

- Development and implementation of the evaluation of Hong Kong based anti-stigma programme (encompassing advertising campaign, speaker training, and speaker events);
- Analysis of data of baseline study into attitudes towards mental health and stigma in Hong Kong;
- Cross cultural comparisons of mental health/anti stigma programmes, between Hong Kong, the United Kingdom, and globally;
- Adaptation of resources from United Kingdom to the Hong Kong context, and evaluation of this;
- Supporting the evaluation of Mind Hong Kong's current adult mental health training programmes and resources.

The applicant should have strong quantitative and/or qualitative research skills, and a specific interest in mental health, with a background in mental health, public health, and social sciences research.

The applicant must be confident speaking and writing in English and Cantonese. Mandarin is not required but is considered desirable.

This PhD is a unique opportunity to work within different departments at the top-ranking University in Hong Kong and Mind HK (<u>www.hku.hk</u>), a fast-growing local mental health charity (<u>www.mind.org.hk</u>). The successful applicant will be registered with the School of English (HKU) and supervised by academic staff across relevant Faculties at the University of Hong Kong. The School's, and the University's vibrant research culture and the rapidly expanding cohort of full-time research students from many countries provides a stimulating intellectual environment.

There is ample opportunity for work with other international NGOs, including Mind UK (<u>www.mind.org.uk</u>). Opportunities for conference attendance are also available.

If you have a first degree from a university where the language of teaching and examination is not English, you must have obtained a score of 550 or above in the TOEFL (Test of English as Foreign Language) and a score of 4 or above in the TWE (Test of Written English). We also accept the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) but you must have at least a score of 7 with no subtest lower than 5.5. You will be expected to have a good academic reference.



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To apply, please email your CV, a 2-3000-word research proposal, and your proof of English score (if applicable) to Dr. Hannah Reidy at <u>hannah.reidy@mind.org.hk</u>, and Dr. Olga Zayts at <u>zayts@hku.hk</u>. To speed up the process, please ask your referee to send one reference letter by email directly and confidentially to Dr. Reidy and Dr. Zayts. Short-listed applicants will be required to submit a research proposal through Online Application System (<u>https://www.gradsch.hku.hk/gradsch/rola/overview-of-online-application</u>), interview and enrol at the School of English, University of Hong Kong, in order to secure this funding.

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Candidates who already hold a research master's degree (e.g., MPhil) are eligible for admission to a 3-year PhD programme. Candidates without a research master's degree programme are eligible to apply for a 4-year PhD programme.

General information about research postgraduate applications is available here: Graduate School, The University of Hong Kong: <u>https://www.gradsch.hku.hk/</u> Faculty of Arts, The University of Hong Kong: <u>http://arts.hku.hk/prospective-</u> <u>students/research-postgraduate</u>

Deadline for proposals to be considered: 1 December, 2019 or until a suitable candidate is identified, but not later than 30 April, 2020.