

Master of Social Sciences in Psychology (Schools and Community Settings) *MSocScP(SCS)*

Special Features

- Unique master's degree programme in Psychology designed for non-psychology degree holders and concentrated on schools and community settings
- Excellent education in psychological principles, application, and research training
- Bridging course offered to participants without prior training in psychology
- Recognition of prior learning
- Gateway to careers and further study in the field of psychology such as
 - Master / PhD in Clinical Psychology
 - Master / PhD in Educational Psychology
 - MPhil / PhD in Psychology
 - Master / PhD in Industrial and Organizational Psychology
- Pathway to apply for membership of the Hong Kong Psychological Society (HKPS)*
 - * Subject to HKPS approval for individual applications.

Participants

Non-psychology degree holders, especially educators or other community workers, who wish to embark on a path to professional training and career development in psychology.



Programme Structure

	Credit Points
Bridging Course*	(3)
Basic Principles of Psychology*	
Core Courses	30
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Biological Psychology • Human Development across the Lifespan • Research Methods in Psychological Studies • Personality Psychology • Cognitive Psychology • Social Psychology • Abnormal Psychology • Learning Theories and Processes • Statistical Methods in Psychological Studies • Educational Psychology 	
Elective Courses	6
(Students are required to choose one of the options.**)	
Thesis option:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Project in Psychological Studies 	
Non-Thesis option **:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advanced Seminar in Applied Psychology • Advanced Seminar in Contemporary Research in Psychology 	
Total	36

* Applicants who have a recognised Bachelor's degree but have not taken an introductory psychology course (or equivalent) must complete this bridging course before taking other courses in the programme. The credit points earned upon completion of this course will not be counted towards the total credit points of the programme.

** The Non-Thesis option may not be offered when majority of students choose the Thesis option.

Medium of Instruction:

The medium of instruction is English.

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General Admission Requirements

Applicants should normally hold a recognised Bachelor's degree and preferably have introductory psychology training at a recognised tertiary institution. Shortlisted applicants may be required to attend an interview / a test.

Applicants whose entrance qualifications were obtained from an institution in a non-English speaking system should normally fulfill one of the following minimum English proficiency requirements:

- IELTS 6.0; or
- Grade C or above in GCSE/ GCE OL English; or
- a TOEFL score of 550 (paper-based test) or 80 (internet-based test) or 213 (computer-based test); or
- Other equivalent qualifications.

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After working as a frontline teacher, I wanted to study psychology to gain a deeper understanding of how our brains learn and to examine ways of increasing our ability to comprehend and retain knowledge. This programme has equipped me with a well-rounded background knowledge of psychology as well as research skills to pursue professional training in educational psychology.



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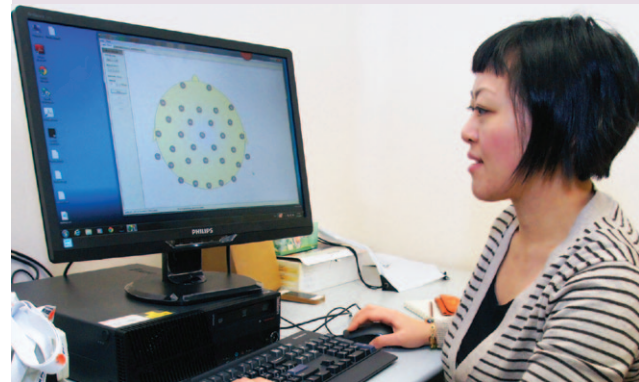
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Programme code : A1M083 (Full-time) /
C2M017 (Part-time)


Study Mode : One-year Full-time (Fast Track)^
One-and-a-half-year Full-time
Two-year Part-time

Tuition Fee : HK\$118,800
HK\$128,700
(for those who are required to take the
bridging course)



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^ Subject to programme leader's approval on individual cases