

Applicant's Name: _____

HKPFS Ref. No (if applicable): PF22 -

Research Plan and Vision Statement

Important Note: Please refrain from mentioning the name of proposed university in any part of the research plan and vision statement. All contents in this section are subject to a plagiarism checking. In the event that plagiarism or plagiarized text is detected in any part of this form, the Research Grants Council reserves the ultimate right to disqualify this nomination.

Please do not include any diagram, table, formula, special symbol and special letter in the below content.

(i) Past Research Experience and Proposed Research Plan

The terminology and the language used in this section should be clear and should be understandable by scholars in different disciplines

1. Past Research Experience - Please describe your experience or participation in research projects (*if any*) in max. 7500 characters including spaces:

2. Proposed Research Topic - Please describe your proposed research topic in max. 500 characters including spaces:

- 3. Proposed Research Plan - Please describe your proposed research plan with detailed objectives and methodology for doctoral research (if any), please also provide references or citations*, if applicable, in max. 7500 characters including spaces.** The description should include the general field of the research; the specific research question(s) or project aims; the research methodology or approach; the applicant's experience, participation in research projects, or preliminary results that support the feasibility of the work (*if applicable*); the significance, originality and/or anticipated impact of the work.

(ii) Vision Statement

Please provide your statement on, but not limited to, the following in not more than 8000 characters in total:

1. Reasons for wishing to pursue PhD studies in Hong Kong (max. 2000 characters including spaces)

2. Long-term career plan, aims and interests for future development after graduation (max. 2000 characters including spaces)

3. Contribution that the applicant would like to make to the development of research in Hong Kong and to society (max. 2000 characters including spaces)

4. Other remarks in relation to the application for Hong Kong PhD Fellowship (max. 2000 characters including spaces)

*Examples and elaboration of "full-citation"

- *Full citation in American Psychological Association (APA) format:
Jameson, J. (2013). E-Leadership in higher education: The fifth "age" of educational technology research. British Journal of Educational Technology, 44(6), 889-915. DOI: 10.1111/bjet.12103*
- *Apart from APA format, other standard formats are also acceptable, e.g. MLA, Harvard, IEE, or Chicago styles.*
- *For STEMS papers, full citation should include the authors names (all surnames, initials are fine for other names), the year of publication, the title of the paper, the journal volume and page numbers. Some indexing services such as Pubmed also provide numbers that make it easier to find the paper PMC numbers if the published paper is available through free databases like PMC, or PMID numbers e.g. PMID: 30135490 for others*