Admission Requirement

- Graduated from a recognized university and obtained a Bachelor's degree in medicine, health or social sciences; or
- Completed a course of study in a tertiary educational institution and obtained professional or similar qualifications equivalent to an honor degree.
- All applicants must fulfill the general qualifications for admission and the English Language Proficiency Requirement prescribed by the Graduate School.

Graduation Requirement

For Postgraduate Diploma, 15 credit units are required (include 11 units from mandatory courses and 4 units from elective courses). For Master of Science, 31 credit units are required (include 19 units from mandatory courses, 4 units from elective course and 8 units from research project). All participants must attend at least 80% of lectures, seminars, tutorials, and practical sessions. All participants are required to meet IT Proficiency Requirement, all the programme requirements, pass all the assessments and obtain a cumulative overall GPA of at least 2.0 in order to graduate.

Directors

Programme Director: Professor Chiu Fung Kum Helen Deputy Programme Director: Professor Lam Chiu Wa Linda

Administrative Staff: Ms. Sarah Chia

Teaching Faculty

Professors and experienced adjunct teaching staffs of the Department of Psychiatry of the Chinese University of Hong Kong.



DEPARTMENT OF PSYCHIATRY
THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Master of Science in Mental Health Postgraduate Diploma in Mental Health 精神健康理學碩士 學士後文憑課程

Application procedure

Online - Please visit our department website or Graduate School's homepage.

By mail - Please send transcript submission covering sheet, official transcript of relevant Bachelor's degree, photocopy of university certificate of graduation, certificates of professional qualifications and HKID card to our office.

We will start accepting applications for 2011 intake in December 2010.

Deadline of application

30 April 2011

Contact us

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Director's Message

Welcome!

Mental health problems and mental disorders are highly prevalent conditions in Hong Kong.

Our postgraduate programmes are designed to provide medical practitioners and health care professionals with the fundamental skills, knowledge and competence in the care of common psychological problems in clinical practice.



Features

- We provide the first and the only postgraduate taught master programme in mental health in Hong Kong.
- Teaching faculty are experts in their specialized areas with teaching experience.
- Content are tailored for medical practitioners and health care professionals in practice.



Objectives

Master of Science in Mental Health

- Enhance clinical skills in assessment and management of common mental health problems and disorders in own professional and service settings.
- Understand different principles of basic research methodology, with special emphasis on psychiatric and behavioral research.
- Be able to critically appraise scientific work in related fields.
- Have an advanced knowledge of mental health care in own professional roles.
- Gain experience in carrying out mental health research.

Postgraduate Diploma in Mental Health

- Understand essential scientific basis for common mental health problems and disorders.
- Appreciate complex interactions between biological, cultural, psychological and social determinants of major mental health problems and disorders.
- Appreciate operation, characteristics and significance of multidisciplinary services.
- Appreciate principles of multi-dimensional approach for management of mental health problems and disorders.
- Assume basic psychotherapeutic techniques in the management of common mental health problems in the community.

Overview

Target Participants:

This course is suitable for medical practitioners and health care professionals who have interest in advancing knowledge in mental health studies, or who wish to equip with special skills in psychiatry. Those with service contacts with people with mental health problems will have a priority.

Topics:

Common Mental Health Problems

Severe Mental Disorders and Risk Assessment

Psychopharmacology

Psychotherapeutic Interventions

Old Age Psychiatry

Child and Adolescent Psychiatric Problems

Research Methodology

Mode of Teaching:

Lectures, interactive tutorials, seminars,

case studies and projects

Medium of Instruction:

English and Cantonese

Period of Study:

2 years part-time for Master of Science in Mental Health

1 year part-time for Postgraduate Diploma in Mental Health

Commencement Date:

September 2011

Schedule:

Saturdays (1:30pm-6:30pm), no class on public holidays

Venue:

The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin

Tutition fee

HK\$ 50,000 per year payable in two instalments (1 year for Postgraduate Diploma and 2 years for Master of Science)

Curriculum

Postgraduate	Diploma	and	Master	of	Science	in
Mental Health	1					

Code	Title
MHLS5101	Introduction to Mental Health and Related Issues
MHLS5102	Common Mental Health Problems and its Management
MHLS5103	Basic Psychopharmacology
MHLS5104	Fundamentals of Psychotherapeutic Interventions
MHLS5201	Severe Mental disorders & Risk Assessments (elective)
MHLS5202	Old Age Psychiatry (elective)
MHLS5203	Child & Adolescent Psychiatric Problems (elective)
MHLS5301	Introduction to Research Methodology

Master of Science in Mental Health

Code	Title
MHLS5105	Clinical Supervision and Practice 1
MHLS5106	Clinical Supervision and Practice 2
MHLS5302	Research Project 1
MHLS5303	Research Project 2

Assessment

Performance will be assessed in class (tutorial, presentation), assignment (report, essay) and written examination (MCQ). The Master of Science programme will also require satisfactory completion of a research dissertation.