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Chow Tai Fook Charity Foundation Public Health Scholarship for Bhutanese, CCOUC, Hong Kong, China

The Royal Civil Service Commission (RCSC) is pleased to announce the availability of 2 scholarships for the Master of Public Health at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK). This scholarship is for the officials working under the Ministry of Health (MoH).

A. Scholarship covers:

- Full tuition fee cost for Master of Public Health (Full time) of CUHK of HK\$158,400 (approximately US\$20,400);
- An annual stipend of HK\$94,000 (approximately US\$12,100)*.
- Round trip airfare (included in the stipend)

*Where possible and appropriate, collaborating centre for Oxford University and CUHK for Disaster and Medical Humanitarian Response (CCOUC) will facilitate the arrangements regarding accommodations in the University. The awardees should use the stipend to cover the accommodation expenses.

B. Eligibility as per CUHK and RCSC:

The applicants should:

- be Bhutan citizen;
- graduate from a recognized university with Bachelor's degree, normally with honours not lower than Second Class; or
- graduated from an honours programme of a recognized university with a Bachelor's degree, normally achieving an average grade of not lower than "B" ; or
- completed a course of study in a tertiary educational institution and obtained professional or similar qualifications equivalent to an honours degree.
- fulfil the entry requirements on the English Language Proficiency:
 - TOEFL (normally not lower than 550 Paper-based; 213 computer-based; 79 internet-based); or
 - IELTS (Academic) (normally not lower than Band 6.5); or
 - GMAT (Verbal, normally not lower than 21).



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- be committed to engage in capacity building or education of Public Health in Bhutan.

- BCSR 2012

- C. Application Procedures**

- **Prior to processing of online application, the application/nomination must be endorsed by the MoH (Study leave will not be approved if application is sent without the endorsement of MoH) :**
 - Candidate to seek **endorsement** from the MoH
 - After endosement is sought from the MoH, kindly fill in the ONLINE application form at CUHK Graduate School (https://www.gradsch.cuhk.edu.hk/onlineapp/application_form_noback.aspx)
 - **Submit the following documents (through online application):**
 - Official transcripts of all tertiary level studies*;
 - Copies of certificates of academic/professional qualifications;
 - Score reports/certificates showing you have fulfilled the English language proficiency requirement for admission to the Graduate School;
 - Confidential recommendations from two referees respectively*;
 - Application fee receipt (not necessary for credit card payment through online application system);
 - Copies of identity card or passport; and
 - Other supporting documents upon request of respective Graduate Divisions.
 - The University may require applicants to submit additional information or documentary proof if deemed necessary.
 - * *Official transcripts and confidential recommendations must reach respective Graduate Divisions directly from the University and referees, or in sealed envelopes and sent by the applicant with other supporting documents to the Graduate Divisions.*



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Note: MoH must entertain the online application to the eligible candidates only as per BCSR 2012.

D. Selection mode:

- Graduate Division, CUHK will begin the selection process upon receipt of the applications and supporting documents;
- Please write to Ms. Carol Wong: wongcarol@cuhk.edu.hk if the applicant has any enquiries regarding the application of Master of Public Health programme and the Scholarship;
- Shortlisted candidates will be invited for interview(s) by CUHK
- Offers will be made by Graduate School of CUHK
- Scholarships shall be awarded by the Chow Tai Fook Charity Foundation. CCOUC and the School of Public Health and Primary Care, CUHK will make recommendations on the awardees of the Scholarship.

E. Terms and Regulations (CUHK):

- The candidates must disclose their application form whether they have applied, or intend to apply, for any other scholarships or awards.
- Where the awardees are considering applying for or are offered additional funding after they have been selected, they must disclose this to the CCOUC as soon as possible.
- The awardees may retain funding or other benefits not specifically covered by the Scholarship and they may continue to be in receipt of a salary from their employer during the Scholarship.
- They must comply with the conditions of the visa, university regulations, and the conditions of award.
- Should the awardee chooses to leave Hong Kong prior to the end date noted on the award letter, stipend payments will stop on the date he/she departs from Hong Kong.
- The academic studies are of paramount importance and should be given due priority.
- **Travel during an award:**
 - The awardees must remain in Hong Kong (except for authorised absences) during their Scholarship.



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- They are not permitted to be outside of HK for either academic or personal reasons for more than 10 days throughout the entire period of their Scholarship subject to the discretion of the Director of CCOUC.
- Where you exceed the 10 day limit, your stipend will be suspended until your return. Absence for any reason in excess of 5 days requires the approval of CCOUC in advance.
- The awardees should also contact CCOUC at least two weeks in advance of your proposed departure for further information.

Amendments: Detailed terms and conditions will be circulated to the applicants of the Scholarship. CCOUC reserves the right to change the Terms and Conditions at any time.

F. Timeline

- Online application deadline for the Master of Public Health Programme to CUHK:
20th May, 2016
- Written application deadline for the Chow Tai Fook Charity Foundation Public Health Scholarship for Bhutanese: **25th May, 2016**

Note: The information on shortlisted candidate, dates for the interview and final result will be notified by the CUHK, Hong Kong, China

G. Post selection procedure:

- Agency shall upload the study proposal via CSIS only upon receiving confirmation of admission from the University via RCSC for the selected applicants.

H. Important Notes:

- Confirmation of scholarship/admission shall depend on the University.
- Civil servant who have already availed Long-term training and exhausted 36 months (max. ceiling) study leave with pay in the entire service period (Section 10.2.7.3, BCSR 2012), shall not be eligible for study leave with pay for this LTT;
- Agency should ensure that relevancy of the course and only eligible candidate fulfilling requirements as per the BCSR 2012 and CUHK are encourage to apply online application



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to CUHK on or before the deadline. In the event any discrepancies are found after the selection, respective agency shall be held accountable; and

- Agency shall upload the study proposal via CSIS only upon receiving confirmation of admission from the University via RCSC for the selected applicants.

I. General information

- For general information call at **322491 (ext. 107)** or email at tsheringlhamo@rcsc.gov.bt. Information about the MPH course/scholarship can be found at the following links:

- Master of Public Health Programme
<http://www.sphpc.cuhk.edu.hk/MPH/index.html>
- JC School of Public Health and Primary Care, Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong
http://www.sphpc.cuhk.edu.hk/cms/component/option,com_frontpage/Itemid,1/lang,en/
- Collaborating Centre for Oxford University and CUHK for Disaster and Medical Humanitarian Response (CCOUC) <http://ccouc.org/home>
- The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK)
<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/english/index.html> www.rsu.ac.th OR
<http://www.rsu.ac.th/education>

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