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**Dr Sdenka Zobeida SALAS PILCO, Graduated in 2017**

*It was a great experience to study in Hong Kong, for a Peruvian student that finished her PhD studies at the Faculty of Education, in a world-class university like HKU, it is like a dream come true. As Asia is playing a key role in the 21st century, HKU gave me the opportunity to expand my horizons personally and professionally, becoming a global professional combining East and West perspectives in an integral way.*

*I will be always grateful to all the people working at the University for their continuous support, I have learned from international experts in diverse fields and from all over the world, engaged in academic dialogue with world-class scholars, and shared many research insights with people from different fields and backgrounds that enriched my experience on all levels.*

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**Scholarships**

(1) **Hong Kong PhD Fellowships (HKPF)**
The Hong Kong PhD Fellowships are available for selected full-time PhD applicants with outstanding academic performance, research ability/potential, communication and interpersonal skills, and leadership abilities. The Fellowship provides a monthly scholarship of HK$20,000 and a conference and research related travel allowance of HK$10,000 per year during the normative study period.

(2) **University Postgraduate Fellowships (UPF)**
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(3) **Postgraduate Scholarships (PGS)**
Full-time MPhil and PhD students who hold a first degree at second class honours first division (or equivalent) or above are normally considered eligible to receive a Postgraduate Scholarship during the normative study period. The basic level of PGS is currently HK$16,330 per month. A PGS holder whose PhD probation has been confirmed will receive a higher PGS rate (HK$16,790) with effect from the following calendar month after his/her probation is fully confirmed. The amount of PGS is subject to annual adjustments.

**Application Procedures**

Before submitting your application online at http://www.gradsch.hku.hk/gradschonline/co-application-for-mphil-phd-admission, applicants are strongly advised to contact a potential supervisor with relevant research interests for advice on the research proposal. Please refer to the academic staff website of the Faculty at http://web.edu.hku.hk/foracademic for details of their research interests.

**Application Deadlines**

**Hong Kong PhD Fellowship (HKPF) Scheme and Main Round**
- Initial application to the Research Grants Council for the Hong Kong PhD Fellowships: Early December*
- Full application to the University of Hong Kong: Early December*

**Clearing Round**
- Late April*

*Please refer to our website at http://web.edu.hku.hk/programme/mphil-phd/application-deadlines for the confirmed deadlines. We strongly encourage you to submit your application in the main round when the majority of our student places will be offered. Also, it is only in the main round that PhD applicants may be considered for the Hong Kong PhD Fellowship and University Postgraduate fellowship schemes.

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- **Hong Kong PhD Fellowship Scheme:** https://cerg1.ugc.edu.hk/hkpfs/index.html
- **Graduate School, HKU:** http://www.hku.hk/gradsch
- **MPhil and PhD Programmes at the Faculty of Education, HKU:** http://web.edu.hku.hk/programme/mphil-phd/overviews
- **Resources for Non-local Students by the Centre for Development and Resources for Students, HKU:** http://wp.cedars.hku.hk/web/nonlocal

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