

Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fellowships and Scholarships 2019/20

Purpose and Background

In recognition of academic achievement of students, Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fund Council administers a scholarship scheme offering annual scholarships for full-time students pursuing undergraduate studies and fellowships for postgraduate studies by research.

1. There are three categories of awards open for nominations/application:
 - (a) the Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fellowships for Postgraduate Research Students
 - (b) the Sir Edward Youde Memorial Scholarships for Undergraduate students
 - (c) the Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fellowships / Scholarships for Disabled Students
2. There will be about 3 fellowship awards. Each successful candidate will receive a one-off grant of HK\$50,000.
3. There will be about 6 scholarship awards. Each successful candidate will receive a one-off grant of HK\$40,000.
4. There will be 1 Fellowship/Scholarship for Disabled Students. A fellowship recipient will be offered a one-off grant of \$50,000. A scholarship recipient will be offered a one-off grant of \$40,000.
5. Candidates from the University have to compete with those from other tertiary institutions for the fellowships/scholarships.

Eligibility

The candidates for fellowships/scholarships should be full-time students, be permitted to stay in Hong Kong without restriction and have resided in Hong Kong for at least three years as at 1 September 2019.

Criteria

1. For undergraduate students:
 - (a) high standards of academic performance and intellectual qualities;
 - (b) leadership qualities as demonstrated in their involvement in extra-curricular activities and/or community services;
 - (c) proficiency in the language in which the course is undertaken;
 - (d) relevance of the course which the candidates undertake as to their contribution to Hong Kong; and
 - (e) other personal qualities or potentials, including expected future contribution to Hong Kong.

2. For postgraduate students:

Criteria (a) – (c) specified for undergraduate scholarships are applicable

- (d) strategic importance of the research to the social, economic and technological development of Hong Kong;
- (e) whether or not the research has been or is being done in Hong Kong;
- (f) possible completion of the research within 2 years for a master or 3 years for a doctorate degree; and
- (g) other personal qualities and potential, including expected future contribution to Hong Kong.

Selection Procedure

1. The Student Services Centre will invite nominations respectively from Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Business and Faculty of Social Sciences. The fellowships/scholarships shall be open for application as well.
2. Candidates for fellowships/scholarships shall be interviewed by the Standing Panel of Scholarship of the University. The Panel comprises Associate Vice-President (Student Affairs) as convenor, one academic staff from each of Faculty of Arts, Faculty of Business and Faculty of Social Sciences and Director of Student Services as members, as well as one representative from the Students' Union as observer.
3. The decision of the University scholarship selection panel shall be final, and shall not be subject to appeal from students.
4. The shortlisted candidates will be invited to attend an external interview conducted by the Sir Edward Youde Memorial Council **in person** in December 2019.
5. The results of the awards will be announced in around February/March 2020. Institutions will be notified of the results.
6. Fellowship/scholarship monies will be remitted to the University, which will be requested to make disbursement to the award recipients.