

THE HONG KONG POLYTECHNIC UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF APPLIED SOCIAL SCIENCES

Post Specification

Chair Professor of Social Work (Ref. 95015)

The Department of Applied Social Sciences offers taught programmes in the fields of Social Work, Social Policy and Administration, Counselling, and Applied Psychology, as well as research degrees at MPhil and PhD levels. Currently there are 68 full-time academics, 32 research staff, 23 fieldwork supervisors and 25 colleagues in other categories, including research and administrative personnel. The Department has six thriving Research Centres: Centre for Social Policy Studies, China Research and Development Network, Network for Health and Welfare Studies, Social Work Professional Practice Centre, Centre for Third Sector Studies, and the Manulife Centre for Children with Specific Learning Disabilities, providing platforms for collaborative research and practice projects with government departments and NGOs. In the past decade, the Department has successfully expanded into the Chinese mainland. The Department currently offers a MSW(China) Programme in collaboration with Peking University and a Joint PolyU-PekingU Social Work Research Centre has been established to foster research in Social Work and Social Policy.

Please visit the website at <http://www.polyu.edu.hk/apss/> for more information about the Department.

The Department is now inviting applications or nominations for a Chair Professor of Social Work. The position is tenable immediately.

Job Functions

The Chair Professor will be expected to provide leadership in teaching and research in Social Work. We are seeking to appoint a senior academic with a demonstrated record in curriculum development in the post-graduate level, and in research and publications. The appointee will be required to provide academic leadership in internationalisation; and is expected to help in strengthening the international network of the Department and the University.

Qualifications

Applicants should have:

- (a) academic qualifications at doctoral level in Social Work and be conversant in other related disciplines;
- (b) outstanding abilities as an academic leader; and
- (c) an excellent track record in research and publications.

Remuneration

Initial appointment will be made on a fixed-term gratuity-bearing contract. Re-engagement thereafter is subject to mutual agreement. Remuneration package will be highly competitive.

Application

Applicants are invited to send detailed curriculum vitae with names and addresses of two referees to the **Human Resources Office, 13/F, Li Ka Shing Tower, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University, Hung Hom, Kowloon, Hong Kong (Fax: (852) 2764 3374; E-mail: hrstaff@polyu.edu.hk)**. **Recruitment will continue until the position is filled.** Candidature may be obtained by nominations. The University reserves the right not to fill this post or to make an appointment by invitation. General information about the University is available on the University's World Wide Web Homepage <http://www.polyu.edu.hk>, or from the Human Resources Office (Tel: (852) 2766 5327). Details of the University's Personal Information Collection Statement for recruitment can be found at <http://www.polyu.edu.hk/hro/jobpics.htm>.

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