

Guidelines on Research Student Attachment Programme – Incoming

2023/24

1. **Introduction to Research Student Attachment Programme – Incoming**
Research Student Attachment Programme (RSAP) provides international PhD students with an opportunity for research attachment at PolyU to enhance their research experience.
2. **Period of attachment**
The period of attachment is from a minimum of three months to a maximum of one year.
3. **Eligibility**
 - 3.1 PhD students with good academic standing, whose home institutions are overseas (except mainland China, Macau and Taiwan), are eligible for application.
 - 3.2 Applicants and host supervisors should have common research interests for supervision purposes. For host supervisors at the rank of Research Assistant Professor, joint supervision with academic staff with supervisory experience is required.
 - 3.3 Applicants who have previously completed an attachment programme can re-apply.
4. **Application procedures and timeline**
 - 4.1 Applicants should seek consent from a potential host supervisor prior to application.
 - 4.2 Application can be made via online submission system. The application timeline is presented in the *Appendix*. Required submission documents include:
 - a supporting letter from the home supervisor or the affiliated department/faculty, specifying the full name of PhD student, the name of the home supervisor, the name of the host supervisor, and the period of attachment,
 - a copy of the academic transcript of the applicant,
 - a brief CV of the applicant with a list of representative publications, and
 - a brief CV of the host supervisor with a list of representative publications and PhD student supervision experience.
5. **Financial support**
 - 5.1 Successful applicants are not required to pay tuition fees to PolyU, but may be required to pay tuition fees to their home institution.
 - 5.2 Successful applicants are entitled to a subsistence allowance of HK\$12,000 per month (or a daily rate of HK\$400 for a partial month). The maximum allowance is capped at HK\$72,000 per trip, i.e., the maximum amount for six months.
 - 5.3 The aggregate amount for subsistence allowance per student is capped at HK\$72,000.
6. **Guidance notes to successful applicants**
Successful applicants should read the “[Notes to Incoming Visiting Students](#)”, detailing financial arrangement, insurance, visa application, accommodation and PolyU student accounts.
7. **Guidance notes to academic units**
Academic units receiving incoming visiting students should read the “[Notes to Academic Units on Handling Incoming Visiting Students](#)”.
8. **Visa/entry permit to Hong Kong for study**
The host department will arrange the student visa application upon receipt of your acceptance of

the offer. In accordance with the [Immigration Guidelines for Entry to Hong Kong](#) by the Immigration Department of the HKSAR, the application for visa/entry permit for study by nationals of Afghanistan, Cuba, Laos, Korea (Democratic People's Republic of), Nepal and Vietnam will not be considered.

9. **Intellectual property rights**

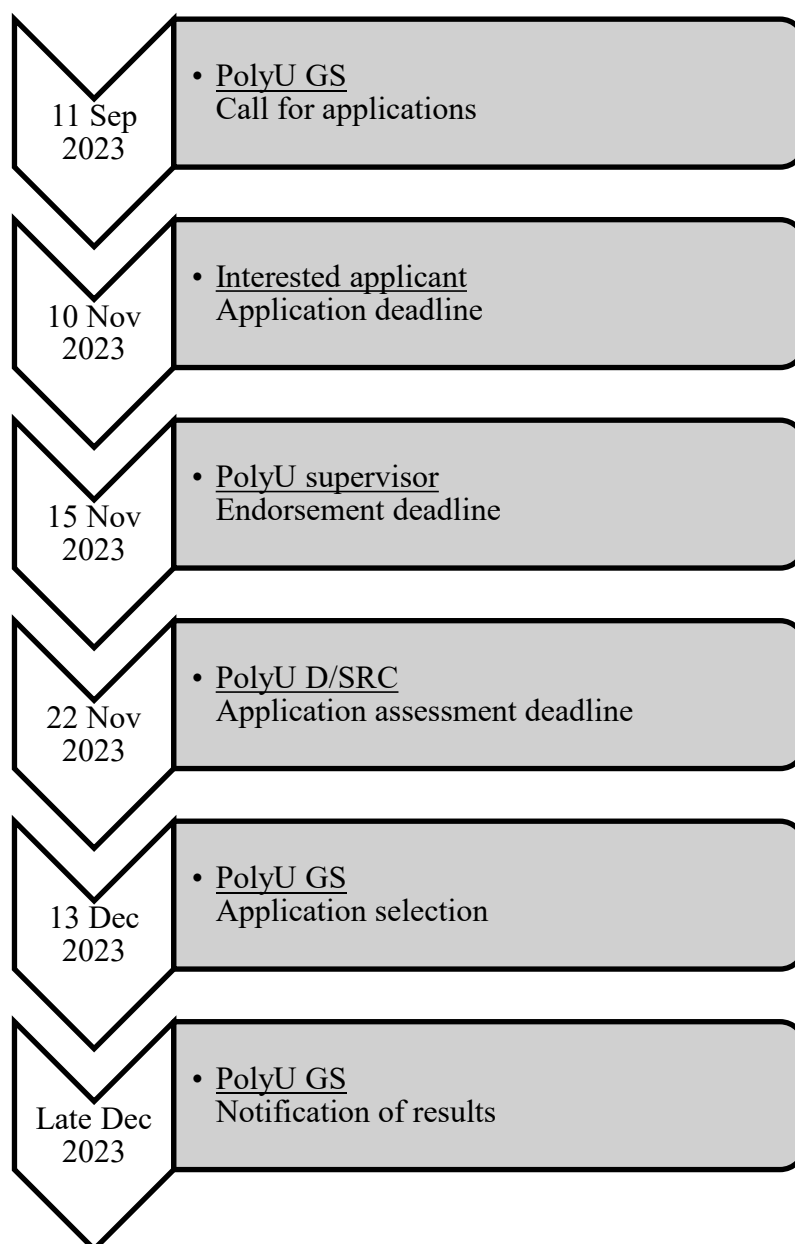
Arrangements regarding intellectual property management can be found on the website of [the Knowledge Transfer and Entrepreneurship Office \(KTEO\)](#). For details, please consult the KTEO by email at info.kteo@polyu.edu.hk

10. **Enquiries**

For enquiries, please contact the Graduate School by email at gs.attachment@polyu.edu.hk.

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Timeline of Application and Selection for Research Student Attachment Programme
2023/24 (1st Round)



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