Scholarship for Master of Arts in Fashion and Textile Design (14097) – for 2019/20 intake

The above Programme will offer up to 3 scholarships annually with effect from the 2019/20 intake.

One full scholarship, covering full tuition fees (30 credits) for the awardee.

Two half scholarships, covering half of the tuition fees (30 credits) for the awardee.

To be eligible for the Scholarship, applicants must:

☐ Have completed a relevant and recognized degree with a grade of 2:1 and above.

☐ Have passed a Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) with a score of 80 For the internet based test, or 550 for the paper based test; OR achieved an overall Band Score of at least 6 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS) - If s/he is not a native English speaker. Individual cases will be considered on their own merit by the department. Applicants may be required to attend interviews or tests to further demonstrate their language proficiency.

☐ Not be in receipt of any other scholarship or bursary funding

☐ Be given an offer and also enrolled onto the MA Fashion and Textile Design course at HKPU, in the year of the award

☐ Attain satisfactory academic results by the end of the first semester in the 14097 MA Programme (in order to be eligible for the tuition fee scholarship).

Selection criteria:

An original, extensive and innovative portfolio content

A strong, purposeful and well considered personal statement

Excellent recent, relevant references

Academic merit

Applications will be assessed by the MA Programme Leader and members of the MA staff team. The MA Programme Leader will make the final decision to be endorsed by Head of Department.

No correspondence regarding the application will be entered into once the decision has been made.

Application:

All of the below must be submitted to ITC General Office via tcgeneral@polyu.edu.hk by 5pm, 31 May 2019. Late or incomplete submissions will NOT be considered: Applicants will be informed of the final decision via email by mid-June, 2019.

1. Scholarship Application form

2. Cover letter: Explaining why you are applying for the scholarship.

☐ Why have you selected to study on the Masters in Fashion and Textile Design at HKPU?

☐ What are you expecting to achieve on the MA Programme?

☐ Why are you applying for a scholarship?
3. **Curriculum Vitae:** listing work experience/ prizes / awards / media coverage and any other relevant information.

4. **Personal statement:** outlining aspirations and goals for your career in the fashion industry

   - Your past experience and how it may contribute to / enhance this future study. How would you intend to build on existing knowledge?

   - Define and discuss your main area of interest – fashion design / textiles or both.

5. **Recommendations:** Two academic and one from a present or former employer who has direct knowledge of your academic / work performance. Referees may be contacted by phone by the MA Programme Director to verify their comments.

6. **Portfolio:** A minimum of 15 pages of additional creative design development / experimental work, connected to the direction of study you wish to pursue on the MA Programme. This work must not be content which you submit with your original application. Provide the link to your online portfolio (preferred) or compress a PDF containing your portfolio *(which must be under 50MB).*

7. **Official transcript / certificate:** Confirming the grade and completion date of your degree.

**Please note**

The scholarship scheme may be terminated at the discretion of the department before the admission campaign.

Scholarship holders will be expected to attend all timetabled classes and supervision tutorials. Attendance will be strictly monitored, and any student with an unacceptable attendance record may risk the termination of their Scholarship and withdrawal of funds.

The award will be terminated if registration/enrollment lapses on any grounds, other than temporary suspension of study due to illness or genuine personal circumstances, which must be formally drawn to the attention of the MA Programme leader and with supporting documents.

PolyU reserves the right to change or withdraw the scholarship at any time. In case of any dispute/disagreement, PolyU’s decision is final.