

Proposed Study Plan (tentative)

PROPOSED STUDY PLAN		
FULL-TIME (1 Year of Completion)	Year 1 Semester 1	3 core subjects, 1 elective subject Project Study
	Year 1 Semester 2	1 compulsory
		2 core subjects, 1 elective subject
		Project Study (could be extended to summer term)

PROPOSED STUDY PLAN		
PART-TIME (2 Year of Completion)	Year 1 Semester 1	2 core subjects
	Year 1 Semester 2	2 core subjects
		1 compulsory subject
	Year 2 Semester 1	1 core subject, 1 elective subject
		Project Study
	Year 2 Semester 2	1 elective subject
Project Study (could be extended to summer term)		

Entrance Requirements

- A Bachelor's degree in occupational therapy, physiotherapy, psychology, nursing, social work, speech therapy, education or related health care disciplines from PolyU or a recognised institution or the equivalent, preferably with one year of post-qualification work experience with people with developmental disabilities; OR
- A professional diploma in occupational therapy, physiotherapy, psychology, nursing, social work, speech therapy, education or related health care disciplines from PolyU or a recognised institution or the equivalent, with two years of work experience and evidence of continuous education over the past two years.

English Language Requirement

If you are not a native speaker of English, and your Bachelor's degree or equivalent qualification is awarded by institutions where the medium of instruction is not English, you are expected to fulfil the following minimum English language requirement for admission purpose, unless otherwise specified by individual programmes concerned:

- A Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 80 for the Internet-based test, or 550 for the paper-based test; OR
- An overall Band Score of at least 6 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS).

Individual cases will be considered on their own merit. Applicants may be required to attend interviews or tests to further demonstrate their language proficiency.

Application

For 2024-25 admission, the application period commences from October 2023.

Application will only be accepted online. Please visit:
<http://www.rs.polyu.edu.hk>

For more information about the programme, please visit:
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Enquiry

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The Hong Kong Polytechnic University
Department of Rehabilitation Sciences

Postgraduate Scheme in Rehabilitation Sciences

Master of Science in Rehabilitation of People with Developmental Disabilities



Aim of the Programme

This programme can enrich students' knowledge and leadership through a variety of subjects, both theoretical and practical, which are relevant to the global needs of people with developmental disabilities. You will find this programme intellectually helpful to your career development. The programme also enhances the application of inter-disciplinary team approach and evidence-based practice to develop attitudes and qualities appropriate for independent and partnership professional practice for people with developmental disabilities. On completion, you will be better equipped with an advanced knowledge for practice in the field of developmental disabilities.

Unique Features

Studies are multi-disciplinary and students are selected from different professional backgrounds sharing an interest in working with people with developmental disabilities. The teaching team includes multi-disciplinary member such as paediatricians, occupational therapists, physiotherapists, speech therapists, educators, social workers, psychologists. The programme's nature not only advances your knowledge of professional practice, but also expands your perspective in the field of rehabilitation.



Total Credit Requirements

30 credits

Tuition Fee

Local Students:
\$6,620 per credit

Non-local Students:
\$6,620 per credit

Normal Duration

Full-time: 1 year
Part-time: 2.5 years

(Summer terms are included)

General Topics

General topics include:

Evidence-based clinical practice
Inter-disciplinary team approach
Clinical research with state-of-the-art-facilitie

Core Subjects

RS537 Psychosocial Rehabilitation for People with Developmental Disabilities
RS593 Sensory and Motor Intervention for People with Developmental Disabilities
RS594 Recent Advances in Rehabilitation for People with Developmental Disabilities
RS520 Vocational Rehabilitation
RS5203 Case Management of People with Developmental Disabilities
RS606 Advanced Study in Autism Spectrum Disorder
RS5223 Management of Executive Function Deficits for People with Developmental Disabilities

Structure

2 Compulsory Subjects (9 Credits)

- Research Methods and Data Analysis (3 credits)
- Project Study (6 credits)

5 Core Subjects (15 credits)

2 Elective Subjects (6 credits)

Elective Subjects & Project Study

A number of elective subjects are available within the Postgraduate Scheme in Rehabilitation Sciences. Some examples are:

- Psychometric theories and practice
- Independent study

For the Project Study (group or individual work), students are encouraged to select a topic relevant to their professional and personal interests.

Core Teaching Team

Dr Cynthia Lai

Dr Bolton Chau

Dr Will Chien

Dr Georg Kranz

Dr Yvonne Han

Experts with different background in the field of developmental disabilities will be invited as guest speakers for various subjects.