

**Lee Hysan Postgraduate Awards for
Sign Linguistics and Deaf Education
(2016/2017)**

Background and Aim

The emergence of Sign Linguistics in recent decades has led to a new model of deaf education based on the concept of Sign Bilingualism where deaf children are trained to become proficient in both signed and spoken language for purpose of access to education. This new model is gaining ground in many western countries with positive learning outcomes. In Hong Kong, oralism remains an overarching philosophy of deaf education and sign language research is called for in order to meet the challenges of revamping local deaf education. With the generous donation of Lee Hysan Foundation to the Centre for Sign Linguistics and Deaf Studies of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, an award is set up to support local deaf or hearing talents to receive postgraduate training in Sign Linguistics, with the ultimate goal of nurturing more professionals committed to working for the betterment of the Hong Kong deaf community.

Eligibility Criteria

Applicants must:

- a. be permanent residents of Hong Kong (priority is given to deaf applicants*);
- b. be proficient in English and Chinese, and some knowledge of Hong Kong Sign Language is preferred but not necessary;
- c. be responsible for completing all application procedures of the M.A Programme in Linguistics of the Department of Linguistics and Modern Languages, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, and fulfilling all admission requirements of the Programme, and be offered admission; and
- d. be agreeable to pursuing a specialization in Sign Linguistics of the Programme.

For further details of the M.A. Programme in Linguistics, please go to the website of the Department of Linguistics and Modern Languages, The Chinese University of Hong Kong. (http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/lin/new/en_index.html).

*Support services for the deaf award recipients include a) note-taking service; and b) the provision of FM system if necessary. Due to insufficient locally trained sign interpreters for deaf education at the tertiary level, sign interpretation will not be provided.

Value of Awards

The maximum is HK\$168,000 for full-time recipient and HK\$96,000 for part-time recipients.

Method of Application

Application forms can be obtained from The Centre for Sign Linguistics and Deaf Studies (CSLDS) at The Chinese University of Hong Kong, or downloadable from the website of CSLDS (<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/cslds/studentship>). Completed forms must be returned to CSLDS before the closing date by post or in person. (Applicants must also apply to the M.A. Programme in Linguistics through the Department of Linguistics and Modern Languages, The Chinese University of Hong Kong).

Dates of Commencement and Closing of Application

Commencement Date: 1 December 2015

Closing Date: 29 February 2016

Source of Further Information

Enquiries should be made to The Centre for Sign Linguistics and Deaf Studies, Room 104, Academic Building No.2, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (Tel: 3943-4178 and email: cslds@arts.cuhk.edu.hk).

利希慎手語語言學及聾人教育研究生助學金 2016/2017

背景及宗旨

隨著手語語言學近代來的發展，手語雙語已成為嶄新的聾人教育模式，為聾童提供手語及口語兩種渠道學習，已於許多西方國家取得成效。口語教育一直是香港聾人教育的主導教育理念，因此手語研究成為改善本地聾人教育不可或缺的部份。香港中文大學手語及聾人研究中心得到利希慎基金的慷慨贊助，成立「利希慎手語語言學及聾人教育研究生助學金」，支持香港手語語言學及聾人的有關研究，藉此培育本地聾人教育的專業人員。這項研究生助學金特別為資助本港有資質的聾健學生修讀香港中文大學語言學及現代語言系的語言學碩士課程（專修手語語言學），以及為他們提供有關的專業訓練。獲資助的學生在學成後，須參與本地手語研究或聾人教育的工作，為這方面的發展作出貢獻。

申請資格

申請人必須：

- a. 是香港永久居民（優先考慮聾人申請者*）；
- b. 精通中、英文，如有香港手語知識會較好但並非必要；
- c. 辦妥香港中文大學語言學碩士課程的各項申請手續和符合入學條件，其後並獲得取錄；
- d. 同意在修讀香港中文大學語言學碩士課程中專修手語語言學。

有關語言學碩士課程詳情，請登上香港中文大學語言學系網頁參閱資料簡介

(http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/lin/new/en_index.html)。

*如有需要會提供筆記服務和無線調頻系統。因現時並未有為聾人大專教育而設且在本地受訓的手語傳譯人員，手語傳譯服務暫未能提供。

助學金款額

2015/16 學年，全日制學生助學金最高金額是港幣 168,000 元，兼讀制學生助學金最高金額是港幣 96,000 元。

申請辦法

在此項計劃接受申請期間，申請表格可到香港中文大學手語及聾人研究中心索取，或於香港中文大學手語及聾人研究中心網頁下載 (<http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/cslds/studentship>)。表格填妥後，須在截止日期前交回香港中文大學手語及聾人研究中心。（申請者必須同時報讀香港中文大學語言學及現代語言系的語言學文學碩士課程。）

接受及截止申請日期

開始接受申請日期： 2015 年 12 月 1 日

截止申請日期： 2016 年 2 月 29 日

查詢更詳盡的資料

如有查詢，請與香港中文大學手語及聾人研究中心聯絡。

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