

Jockey Club Global STEM Post-doctoral Fellowship for Translational Research and Application (2023/24)

Application Guidelines

Purpose

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust (“the Trust”) has set up the Jockey Club Global STEM Post-doctoral Fellowship for Translational Research and Application (“the Fellowship”) as a strategic initiative to support long-term innovation and technology development in Hong Kong. The Fellowship aims to attract non-local post-doctoral STEM talents to Hong Kong and nurture their aspiration to translate scientific research into industry application. The Research Grants Council (“RGC”) of Hong Kong is a Partner Organisation of this Fellowship.

Funding Scope and Project Duration

2. Up to 10 Fellowships will be awarded in each cohort. Each Fellowship will last for a maximum of four years comprising the following –

- a. a stipend of up to \$530,000 per annum for three years, with additional 15% gratuity to be offered upon completion of the Fellowship (including the industry attachment when applicable);
- b. conference and overseas lab attachment allowance: up to \$15,000 per annum for three years;
- c. academic development allowance: up to \$15,600 per annum for three years;
- d. research project seed funding: up to \$300,000; and
- e. translational research industry attachment subsidy in an eligible local organisation: the Trust’s contribution to be capped at 50% of the salary (up to \$30,000 per month) for a maximum of 12 months in addition to the three-year stipends.

3. The translational research industry attachment aims to help Fellows acquire hands-on experience in the process of commercialisation of new technology/ translational discoveries, while expanding their network with the industries and research users for future technology translation. Such attachment shall take place in an eligible organisation¹ which will host a translational research/commercialisation project related to the proposed research as agreed with the Fellow and his/her supervisor, and pledge to fulfil the aim of the attachment. Fellows should take the initiative in identifying suitable attachment organisation and solicit the support from his/her supervisor. All attachments should be approved by the respective Nominating University according to the relevant guidelines, and reported to the Trust at least two months before the start date of the attachment.

Eligibility

4. Eligible nominees must fulfil the following criteria:
- a. be non-Hong Kong Permanent Residents who have the legal right to work and reside in Hong Kong during the Fellowship period, OR Hong Kong permanent residents who are currently residing outside Hong Kong with full-time employment or full-time study in an award-bearing programme (normally at post-graduate level); **and**

¹ Including but not limited to Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute, tenants/incubatees of the Hong Kong Science and Technology Park Corporation and Cyberport, etc.

- b. have obtained/ been conferred a PhD degree or an equivalent qualification in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics disciplines not more than three years before the year of application; or will complete the required qualification before 1 December in the year of application; **and**
 - c. be supported by the nominating UGC-funded University at which s/he wishes to hold the Fellowship.
5. Nominees who wish to apply for other post-doctoral fellowships in Hong Kong in parallel should observe the eligibility requirement of other fellowship schemes. For instance, applicants nominated to this Fellowship will not be considered by the RGC Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme.

Nomination Process

6. All eight University Grants Committee (“UGC”)-funded universities may nominate up to 10 nominees for the Fellowship in this exercise. Applications without accompanying nominations from eligible universities will not be accepted. Each applicant should only be nominated by one UGC-funded University. Should one applicant be nominated by more than one university in this cohort, all applications (under the same applicant) will be disqualified.
7. Nominating Universities shall conduct internal assessments on each of the nominees before completing the University Nomination Form. Duly completed nominations (comprising the Application Form to be completed by the applicant and the University Nomination Form) should be endorsed by the Head of University (or his/her designated Vice-President) and submitted via the designate office of the Nominating University (please refer to the list of contact person in each of the UGC-funded Universities at Annex A) to the Trust by the specified deadline as set out below.
8. Both applicants and the Nominating University bear the responsibility to ensure that the nomination contains complete and sufficient information for evaluation. Incomplete nominations (such as those lacking University Nomination Form, missing data/ information required for evaluation, etc.) or inconsistent/ inaccurate information would lead to disqualification of nomination.
9. Nominations should be submitted to the Trust via the online platform of the Fellowship website by **5pm on 17 November 2023**. University’s cover letter and hard copies of each nomination with University chop shall reach the Trust (Address: The Hong Kong Jockey Club, One Sports Road, Happy Valley, Hong Kong. Attention: Mr Calvin Chan, Senior Manager, Charities) by 1 December 2023. Applicants should observe the internal deadline of respective University in order to go through the University’s internal selection and nomination process. Late submissions will not be processed.

Selection Criteria

10. Nominations will be assessed and selected according to the Trust’s peer-review procedure with the following criteria:
 - a. Applicant’s academic and research record;
 - b. Merit of the research plan (including university’s support such as mentorship/ supervision of the Fellow); and
 - c. Applicant’s long-term commitment to contribute to STEM development of Hong Kong.

11. The Trust will form a selection committee comprising internationally-renowned experts to oversee the assessment and finalise its selection result for the Trust's endorsement. Information of submitted applications may be shared with partner organisation(s) and/ or service provider(s) for eligibility check, assessment and selection purposes.

Announcement of Results

12. It is expected that universities concerned will receive the selection result in late March or early April 2024.

Disbursement and Monitoring of Fellowships

13. Nominating Universities of awarded Fellows will be the grantees of the Trust and will be responsible for the supervision of the Fellows. Funding from the Trust will be disbursed via the Nominating Universities concerned to awarded Fellows. Acceptance of the Fellowship should be signed by the President/ Vice-Chancellor of the Nominating University with an undertaking signed by each awarded Fellow.

14. The Fellowship will continue should the Fellow be advanced to a more senior position² in the Nominating University during the Fellowship period (with supplementary funding provided by the Nominating University). Nominating Universities should report to the Trust at least one month in advance should there be any changes on the appointment of the Fellows (including advancement, resignation, termination, etc.).

15. Awarded Fellows should submit, via the Nominating Universities, yearly progress reports and financial statements. In addition, awarded Fellows should prepare a final Impact Report, to be submitted at the end of the Fellowship, summarising the impact and social benefits created throughout the Fellowship period.

Key Conditions of Grants

16. Awarded Fellows will be named "Jockey Club Global STEM Post-doctoral Fellows," which should be used in all publications, programmes and other announcements related to the proposed research during the term of the Fellowship. Fellows should actively participate in the Fellowship forum and other Trust's events as set out in the result notification letter, and may also be invited to attend other Trust's talent development initiatives and events.

17. Nominating Universities are responsible for the monitoring of Fellows and should ensure that they will deliver the pledged output/ outcome and the expected impact. Nominating Universities are also responsible for any cost overrun of Fellows' research. Requests for change of Nominating University will not be considered save in very exceptional circumstances, and will be subject to the Trust's approval and agreement by the parties concerned.

18. Notwithstanding that the support by the Trust should be acknowledged in all publications and publicity materials during the Fellowship period, the Trust will not claim copyright nor other intellectual property right of the output/ work produced involving the Trust's fund in the Fellowship. The arrangement on all copyrights/ royalties/ intellectual properties arising out of any work during the Fellowship period shall follow the relevant and prevailing guidelines and policies of the Nominating University concerned.

² Except tenure-track positions

19. Should the application be successful, detailed conditions of grants will be provided to the Nominating Universities concerned.

Enquiries

20. All enquiries should be directed to the research offices of respective Universities in the first instance. Their contact details are provided at Annex A.

University Designated Office and Contact Person

Ms Pat Lam Research Grants & Contracts Office City University of Hong Kong 83 Tat Chee Avenue Kowloon Tong, Kowloon	Tel: 3442 6278 Email: pat.lam@cityu.edu.hk
Mr Ivan Lau Research Office Hong Kong Baptist University Kowloon Tong Kowloon	Tel: 3411 7751 Email: ro-rgm@hkbu.edu.hk
Ms Sharon Tam Office of Research and Knowledge Transfer Lingnan University 8 Castle Peak Road Tuen Mun, New Territories	Tel: 2616 7682 Email: sharontam@LN.edu.hk
Ms Gladys Chan Office of Research and Knowledge Transfer Services The Chinese University of Hong Kong Shatin New Territories	Tel: 3943 5428 Email: orkts_grant@cuhk.edu.hk
Professor Stephen Chow Research and Development Office The Education University of Hong Kong 10 Lo Ping Road Tai Po, New Territories	Tel: 2948 7671 Email: cfchow@eduhk.hk
Ms Carol Chan Research and Innovation Office The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Hung Hom Kowloon	Tel: 2766 7021 Email: l-c.chan@polyu.edu.hk
Ms Agnes Kwok Office of the Vice-President for Research and Development The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology Clear Water Bay Kowloon	Tel: 2358 6163 Email: vprdo@ust.hk
Ms Emily Lee Research Services The University of Hong Kong Pokfulam Hong Kong	Tel: 2241 5930 Email: esylee@hku.hk

Jockey Club Global STEM Post-doctoral Fellowship for Translational Research and Application

Application Form

(Recommended Browser: Google Chrome, Firefox, Safari)

Notes to Applicants

This form should be completed by the Applicant and submitted by the designated office of the Nominating University together with the University Nomination Form to the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust ("The Trust") by the submission deadline. Applicants should observe each university's internal submission deadline, listed on this page below the "Proposed Nominating University" dropdown field.

The Applicant should read the Application Guidelines of this Fellowship before completing this form, and provide the following in the application:

- 1) a complete curriculum vitae with a full list of publications
- 2) proof of academic qualifications
- 3) proof of professional qualifications, prizes and awards in editable PDF form for evaluation purpose. The total size of the three documents shall not exceed 8MB.

Notes to Nominating Universities

This form should be completed by the Applicant and submitted by the designated office of the Nominating University together with the University Nomination Form to the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust ("The Trust") by the submission deadline at 5pm on 17 November 2023.

The Nominating University bears the primary responsibility for prevention, detection and investigation of research misconduct, including but not limited to misuse of funds, data falsification, plagiarism and double-dipping. The Nominating University should conduct plagiarism check on the research plan before submitting the nomination form to the Trust. The Nominating University is responsible for checking the accuracy and authenticity of the Applicant's supporting documents for qualifications, awards, etc. before submitting to the Trust.

Reference No.:

Proposed Nominating University:

PART I PERSONAL INFORMATION

SECTION A - Particulars of Applicant

Title:

Email:

Surname:

Other Name:

(Please use the name as shown in the Applicant's identification document)

[This page will only be used for eligibility check and analytics, and will be masked/removed for the external review/assessment purpose]

Name in Chinese
(“N/A” if not applicable):

Hong Kong Permanent Residency¹: Y N Month of Birth:

Nationality: Ethnicity:

Country of Residence: Sex:

Open Researcher and Contributor ID (ORCID iD)
(“N/A” if not applicable):

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¹ As defined under the Immigration Ordinance at <https://www.immd.gov.hk/eng/services/roa/eligible.html>.

SECTION B - Academic Qualifications

1. Please give a complete profile from first degree in reverse chronological order starting from the most recent education (completed or otherwise). Kindly feel free to add more academic qualifications as necessary.
2. Please append the soft copies of each graduation certificate and official transcript, in one PDF attachment file with reference to Notes to Applicants and Nominating Universities on the first page of this nomination form.
3. If the Applicant has not obtained/ been conferred a PhD degree or an equivalent qualification at this stage, please provide (i) a letter preferably from the Registry/ Graduate School concerned, or from the Faculty/ School/ Department concerned, proving the status/ progress of the PhD degree with the expected year and month of award; and (ii) the transcript for the PhD study issued by the university concerned.
4. Please ensure that the soft copies provided are legible, the documents are authentic, and the information in this section is accurate. Falsification of qualification will lead to disqualification of this nomination.

I confirm that I am (will be) a PhD degree holder.

on:

Academic Qualification 1

Qualification Obtained/ to Obtain:	
University:	
Country/ Region of the University:	
Conferral Date:	
Study period:	
Major/ Field of Study:	
Mode of Study (e.g. full-time):	
Dissertation/ Thesis Title ("N/A" if not applicable):	

Academic Qualification 2

Qualification Obtained/ to Obtain:	
University:	
Country/ Region of the University:	
Conferral Date:	
Study period:	
Major/ Field of Study:	
Mode of Study (e.g. full-time):	

Dissertation/ Thesis Title (“N/A” if not applicable):	
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Academic Qualification 3

Qualification Obtained/ to Obtain:	
University:	
Country/ Region of the University:	
Conferral Date:	
Study period:	
Major/ Field of Study:	
Mode of Study (e.g. full-time):	
Dissertation/ Thesis Title (“N/A” if not applicable):	

Academic Qualification 4

Qualification Obtained/ to Obtain:	
University:	
Country/ Region of the University:	
Conferral Date:	
Study period:	
Major/ Field of Study:	
Mode of Study (e.g. full-time):	
Dissertation/ Thesis Title (“N/A” if not applicable):	

Please upload: 1) proof of academic qualifications

SECTION C - Professional Qualifications, Prizes and Awards

Please provide details of a maximum of five most representative professional qualifications, prizes and awards attained (in reverse chronological order) which may reflect properly the Applicant’s academic capability and research potential.

Please append all certificates and documents in this Section in one PDF attachment file with reference to Notes to Applicants and Nominating Universities on the first page of this nomination form.

Name of Award/ Prize/ Qualification	Name of Awarding Body, Country/ Region	How it is Obtained (e.g. by examination, competition)	Date of Award (mm/yyyy)
1.			
2.			
3.			

4.			
5.			

Please upload: 2) proof of professional qualifications, prizes and awards

SECTION D - Research Activities and Output

a) Research-related Work Experience

Date (mm/yyyy)		Name of Employing Institution	Position Held <i>(if part-time please state this clearly)</i>
From	To		

b) Publications

Please provide up to five most representative publications in reverse chronological order. Please ensure author(s) are listed in exact order as shown in the publication. Full list of published works should be provided with the CV. (max. 50 words for each box)

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- c) Other Innovation Experience (such as patents awarded, conference papers, start-up companies established, grants awarded, etc.) (max. 100 words)

SECTION E - Personal Profile

- a) Biography (max. 100 words)*

- b) About Your Work and Achievements (max. 300 words)*

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c) Mission (max. 30 words)*

d) Aspirations and Future Plans – describe your career plan and ambitions and how will you progress through this Fellowship. How is your career plan associated with the goals and objectives of the proposed project? Why do you choose this university to host this Fellowship? (max. 300 words)

* May be published on the official website of the Fellowship if awarded

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PART II DETAILS OF RESEARCH PROPOSAL

SECTION A - Project Information

(a) Project Title:

(b) Research Field(s):

Primary Field:

Secondary Field

("N/A" if not applicable):

(c) Research Abstract– Please provide an abstract of research comprehensible to a non-specialist. (max. 300 words)

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(d) Proposed Faculty/
School/ Department:

(e) Proposed Supervisor:

SECTION B - Stage of Translation to be Achieved

[Please use either Table (A) or (B) and tick '✓' in the appropriate box(es) to indicate the translational phase(s) to be achieved in the proposed research plan.]

Table (A) For Health-related Projects:

Pre-clinical and animal studies	Proof of concept Phase 1 clinical trail	Phase 2 & 3 clinical trails	Phase 4 clinical trial Clinical outcome research	Population-level outcome research

Table (B) For Non-health Related Projects:

TRL 1	TRL 2	TRL 3	TRL 4	TRL 5	TRL 6	TRL 7	TRL 8	TRL 9

- Technology Readiness Levels (TRL) 1: basic principles observed and reported
- TRL 2: technology concept or application formulated
- TRL 3: analytical and experimental critical function or characteristic proof-of-concept
- TRL 4: technology basic validation in a laboratory environment
- TRL 5: technology basic validation in a relevant environment
- TRL 6: technology model or prototype demonstration in a relevant environment
- TRL 7: technology prototype demonstration in an operational environment
- TRL 8: actual technology completed and qualified through test and demonstration
- TRL 9: actual technology qualified through successful mission operations

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SECTION C - Research Plan

- (a) Goals and Objectives – state the goal and objectives of the project, which include details on the specific change to be created by this project and how realistic and ambitious the project is. (max. 200 words)

- (b) Timeliness and Novelty – provide background of the project; and describe why this research is important and should be conducted now (max. 250 words)

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- (c) Methodology – provide a detailed description of the exact work to be completed. Describe the programme of work, indicating the research to be undertaken and the milestones that can be used to measure progress. Detail the methodology to be used in pursuit of the research and justify this choice. What similar research is being/ has been undertaken nationally and internationally and how does your project differ? (max. 1,500 words)

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- (d) Images and Diagrams – upload any images and/or diagrams related to your project that add value to your application. Any images/ diagrams uploaded must be referenced in the application form. The images/ diagrams must be collated and uploaded as a single PDF in the order you wish them to be viewed. (Please upload one searchable PDF file, max. one A4 page)
- (e) Project Timeline – a Gantt chart or equivalent to show the schedule of activities for the duration of the Fellowship. Please include all annual reports (for the report period ending 30 September to be submitted on or before 31 October) and ensure major milestones are clearly plotted. (Please upload one searchable PDF file, max. one A4 page)
- (f) Potential Collaborator(s) in Hong Kong – please name the potential industry collaborator(s) you will create and/ or maintain during the Fellowship period. Provide details on how the collaborator will play a critical role in the project and actualise the pledged impact. The potential industry collaborator(s) may be the host of your translational research industry attachment. (max. 300 words)



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- (g) Translational Impact – explain the demonstrable contributions, beneficial effects, valuable changes or advantages that research qualitatively brings to the economy, society, culture, public policy or services, health, the environment or quality of life; and that are beyond the academia. (max. 400 words)

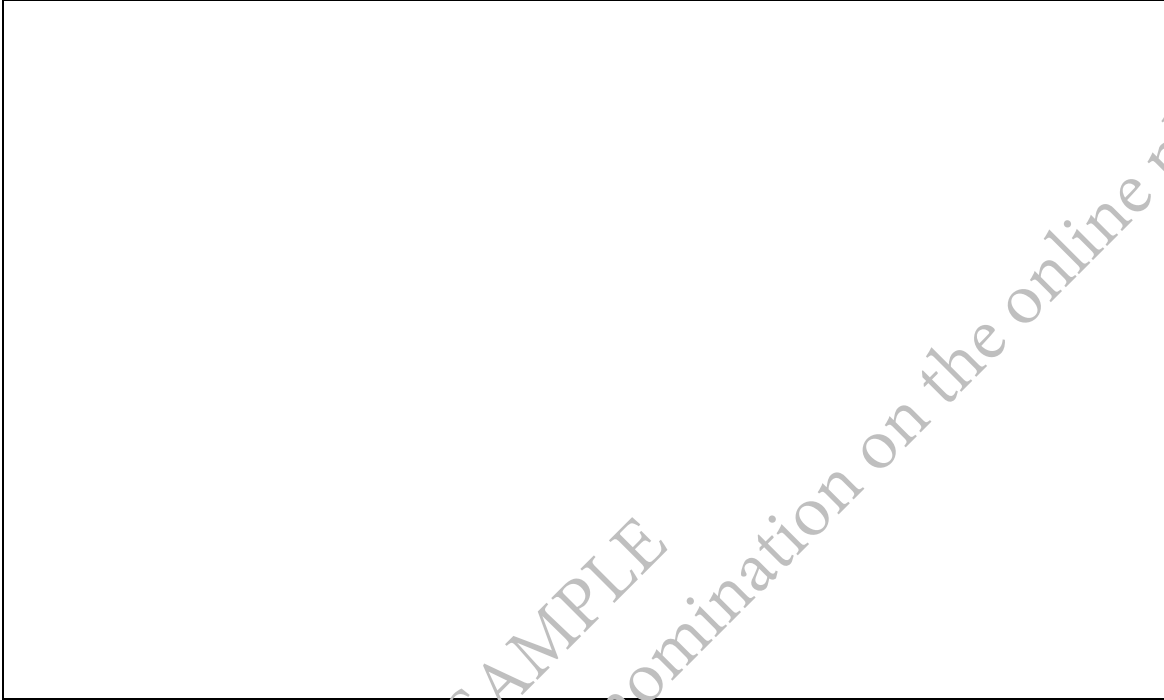


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- (h) Reference. (Please upload one searchable PDF file, max. two A4 pages for listing all publications cited in this Section. Full references should be provided, including all authors of each reference.)

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- (i) Choice of Nominating University – explain your choice of Nominating University, host laboratory and supervisor. You may wish to comment on the facilities and expertise that will be available to you. You should also cover what experience you have had and/or plan to gain from other institutions throughout the fellowship period (including but not limited to the translational research industry attachment). (max. 300 words)



Please upload: 3) a complete CV with a full list of publications (please highlight the Applicant's name in all publications in **bold**)

PLEASE COMPLETE APPLICATION AND NOMINATION ON THE ONLINE PLATFORM

SECTION D - Privacy Policy Statement

[Please tick '✓' in the appropriate box.]

Please refer to the Trust's Privacy Policy Statement at https://www.hkjc.com/home/english/corporate/corp_privacy_hkjct.aspx.

This is to confirm that the Applicant has read and fully understands and agrees with the collection and use by the Trust of the Applicant's personal data as set out in this form for purposes of the Fellowship and in accordance with the Privacy Policy Statement of the Trust.

This is to confirm that the applicant has not applied/ is not applying for the Research Grants Council's Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme in parallel.

Signature of Applicant: _____

Name and Title: _____

(in BLOCK letters)

Date: _____

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University Nomination Form

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4. The Nominating University is responsible for checking the accuracy and authenticity of the Applicant's supporting documents for qualifications, awards, etc. before submitting to the Trust.

SECTION A - Basic Information

Nominating University:

Faculty/ School/ Department/
Division:

Proposed Supervisor of the Applicant:

Host Laboratory (if any):

SECTION B - Support Package for Fellow

Please set out the guidance and support to be provided to the Applicant (including facilities, mentorship, research leave, etc.) for the professional development and proposed research plan. (max. 500 words)

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SECTION C - Interview Assessment

[Please tick '✓' in the appropriate box.]

Face-to-face interview has been conducted with the Applicant on:
(dd/mm/yyyy)

Video conferencing interview has been conducted with the Applicant on:
(dd/mm/yyyy)

Interview Panel Membership
(Please provide each interviewer's full name with title and post):

- (a) Panel Chair
- (b) Other interviewer(s)
(“N/A” if not applicable)

(a)

(b)

Did the proposed supervisor(s) of the Applicant join the Interview Panel? Yes No

If No, please confirm whether the proposed supervisor(s) has/ have assessed the application and will supervise the Applicant as proposed? (“N/A” if not applicable)

If the Applicant is a Hong Kong permanent resident, is the Interview Panel satisfied that s/he is pursuing a formal full-time job/ study outside Hong Kong which is meaningful and relevant to his/ her research career?

Yes No N/A (if not applicable)

Comments (max. 100 words):

SECTION D – Panel’s Comment on Applicant

[Please tick ‘✓’ in the appropriate box.]

- (1) Would the University rate the academic excellence of the Applicant as top 10% of the post-doctoral researchers recruited in the same discipline/ field of study? Please provide the detailed assessment. (max. 500 words)

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- (2) Would the University rate the research competence and track record of the Applicant as top 10% of the post-doctoral researchers recruited in the same discipline/ field of study? Please provide the detailed assessment. (max. 500 words)

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- (3) Please provide the University's assessment on the Applicant's readiness for conducting the proposed research in Hong Kong. How well could s/he articulate the research plan in the interview? To what extent can s/he conduct the proposed research independently or with minimal supervision? (max. 500 words)

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- (4) Please provide the University's assessment of the Applicant's career aspiration. To what extent are you convinced by the explanations on his/ her research interest and career plan? Based on your evaluation, how thoroughly has s/he considered about pursuing a long-term career in Hong Kong? (max. 500 words)

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- (5) In the University's assessment on the Applicant's research plan, with reference to the University's policy, when would be the appropriate time for the Applicant to take the industry attachment year? Please recommend the company/ organisation that the attachment should take place and what kind of training should the Applicant acquire through the attachment. (max. 500 words)

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Both the Applicant and the Nominating University are responsible for the authenticity of the Applicant's supporting documents for qualifications, publications, prize(s), award(s), etc., and the accuracy of information in Application Form Part I Sections B, C and D.

[Please tick '✓' in the appropriate box.]

This is to confirm that the qualifications, publications, prize(s), award(s), etc. are supported by authentic credentials in Application Form Part I Sections B, C and D attained by the Applicant.

SECTION E - Plagiarism Checking (on Application Form Part II Section C only)

[Please tick '✓' in the appropriate box.]

This is to confirm that plagiarism checking has been conducted on the information of proposed research submitted by the Applicant in Application Form Part II Section C.

This is to report that NO suspected plagiarism is detected in the information of proposed research submitted by the Applicant in Application Form Part II Section C.

If the Selection Committee appointed by the Trust confirms that the nomination comprises plagiarism or plagiarised text, the nomination may be disqualified. The judgment of the Trust is final in respect of such disqualification.

Please provide detailed justifications if the nomination is recommended with suspected plagiarism. ("N/A" if not applicable)

SECTION F - Recommended Budget

Please indicate the proposed Fellowship amount with breakdown as follows:.

Budget Item	Year 1 \$	Year 2 \$	Year 3 \$	Attachment Year \$
1 Stipend (with one-off relocation allowance)				
2 Gratuity [^]				
3 Conference and Overseas Lab Attachment Allowance				
4 Academic Development Allowance [@]				
5 One-off Research Seed Funding				
6 Translational Research Industry Attachment for a maximum of additional 12 months				

Total Amount: \$

[^] A Fellow is eligible for the gratuity if s/he completes the Fellowship within four years. Any extension of the Fellowship period beyond four years would require prior approval by the Trust and no further costs should be incurred for such extension.

[@] The Academic Development Allowance should support the Fellow to attend conferences, workshops, training, courses, etc., during the Fellowship period.

[#] The Translational Research Industry Attachment Subsidy should be utilised within the Fellowship period (normally after the first 12 months), subject to the endorsement of the University's management and the Trust. Stipend will be suspended during the Translational Research Industry Attachment period.

SECTION G - University's Statement of Submission

[Please tick '✓' in the appropriate box.]

I ensure that:

- (a) the Applicant has obtained/ been conferred a PhD degree or an equivalent qualification **not more than three years (i.e. in or after July 2020)**, or will complete the requirement of a PhD degree or an equivalent qualification **on or before 1 December 2023**; and
- (b) the Applicant has obtained a PhD degree in the relevant field of the research projects/ activities to which he/ she has proposed for this Fellowship.
- (c) the Applicant has not applied/ is not applying for the Research Grants Council's Postdoctoral Fellowship Scheme through the University in parallel.

I confirm that if the Applicant is awarded the Fellowship:

- (a) the Applicant will obtain/ has obtained a legal right to work and will reside in Hong Kong during the Fellowship period;
- (b) the University will offer the Applicant (Awardee) a full-time appointment throughout the Fellowship period;
- (c) the University will support the Applicant's (Awardee's) appointment with a package no less than the Trust's provisions as set out in nomination form throughout the Fellowship period;
- (d) the University and the Applicant (Awardee) undertake to comply with the monitoring/ reporting requirements as or to be set out in the relevant Terms and Conditions in the result notification letter, including but not limited to the key condition of grants and monitoring requirements provided in the Application Guidelines; and
- (e) the University and the Applicant (Awardee) will abide by all relevant guidelines of the Trust.

Signature of Head of University
(or his/ her designate) :

Name :

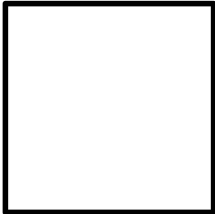
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Title :

Name of University :

Date :

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