

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

**Master of Science (MSc) in the field of  
Food Safety and Toxicology**

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2024 to read for the degree of Master of Science (MSc). To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admission Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements as listed below:
  - (a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#);
  - (b) shall hold a Bachelor's degree in science of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
  - (c) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required; and
  - (d) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to high degrees as prescribed under [General Regulation G2\(b\)](#).

An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.

Preference will be given to those who hold a Bachelor degree in physiology, biochemistry, food science, biotechnology, chemistry, biological sciences, clinical laboratory science, environmental sciences, pharmacology or other related disciplines.

2. The MSc in the field of Food Safety and Toxicology is a multidisciplinary coursework programme commencing in September 2009. The programme will involve full-time study for one year.
3. The programme focuses on the study of chemical and microbial hazards; their interactions with organisms; and their prevention, management and counteraction. Special reference will be made to food safety evaluation and regulation. Instruction in general principles of toxicology; chemical and microbial hazards in food; toxicity evaluation, exposure assessment, risk assessment and risk management will be offered.
4. Applications for a taught postgraduate programme can be via our on-line application system at <https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/> or <https://www.scifac.hku.hk/prospective/tpg/FSTX>.
5. The Regulations and Syllabuses for the above programme can also be viewed at <https://www.biosch.hku.hk/teaching/taught-postgraduate-programmes/> (subject to approval).
6. The closing date for application is on **12:00 noon (GMT +8), April 30, 2024**. The results of the admissions exercise are expected to be announced as soon as possible but no later than late August 2024. For non-local students they are advised to apply as early as possible to ensure completing all entry visa requirements prior to the commencement of the programme (It may take up to 3 months to process the entry visa). Applicants who do not receive any notification of their application results in early September are welcome to contact School of Biological Sciences (Tel: 3917 3802; email: [biotpg@hku.hk](mailto:biotpg@hku.hk)) to enquire about their results.