

The University of Hong Kong
Faculty of Arts
Centre of Buddhist Studies
MBS Capstone Experience (2024-2025) Proposal Form

Notes to students:

1. Enrollment and add/drop of Capstone Experience must be done through HKU Portal during the course enrollment period and add/drop period.
2. Completion of this form will NOT enable course enrollment for Capstone Experience.

1. Please read the “[Capstone Experience--Explanatory Notes](#) and [Important Notes](#) for Course Selection 2024-2025” carefully before completing this form.
2. The duly completed form should be sent to capstone@hku.hk by **November 15, 2024**.
3. Your proposal for capstone experience will be considered by the MBS Programme Committee, results will be announced by **December 18, 2024**. You may be required to make changes for your proposal upon recommendation of the said committee.

University No.: _____

Name: _____

Academic Year: 2024-2025

Curriculum: Master of Buddhist Studies

Course Year: Year I / Year II / Year III/*

Mode of Study: Full-time /Part-time *

* delete as appropriate

I would like to conduct the MBS Capstone Experience by (please tick the appropriate option):

Option 1:

- Submission of a dissertation (Course code: BSTC8999) and
- I have attached an approval email from my supervisor for writing dissertation
(Please refer to page 2 for the list of potential supervisors)

Option 2:

Completion of an additional elective course (Course code: BSTC80_ _) together with the submission of a portfolio (Please refer to page 2 for the course list)

Proposed title for dissertation/ portfolio*

(* delete as appropriate)

Proposal for dissertation/ portfolio*

(* delete as appropriate)

(1,000-1500 words for dissertation; 300-500 words for portfolio)

Please use separate sheet for the proposal.

Date: _____

Signature: _____

Potential Supervisors for BSTC8999 Capstone Experience: Dissertation

1. Prof. Georgios T. Halkias (halkias@hku.hk)
2. Prof Klaus-Dieter Mathes (kdmathes@hku.hk)
3. Prof. Catherine Hardie (cehardie@hku.hk)
4. Dr. Xing Guang (guangxin@hku.hk)
5. Dr. G. A. Somaratne (soma@hku.hk)
6. Dr. Chung-hui Tsui (chunghui@hku.hk)

Please prepare the following when approaching your potential supervisors:

1. **A research proposal for the dissertation (1000-1500 words)**
2. **Brief literature review section**
3. **Related bibliography**

Additional Elective Courses for Capstone Experience (with submission of a portfolio)

Semester 1 Courses	
BSTC8044	Capstone Experience: History of Chinese Buddhism
BSTC8052	Capstone Experience: Study of important Buddhist meditation texts
BSTC8080	Capstone Experience: Chinese Buddhist art along the Silk Road
BSTC8120	Capstone Experience: Buddhist psychology and mental cultivation
BSTC8122	Capstone Experience: Yogācāra Models of Reality
Semester 2 Courses	
BSTC8003	Capstone Experience: Dunhuang Buddhist art and culture
BSTC8006	Capstone Experience: Counselling and pastoral practice
BSTC8013	Capstone Experience: Buddhism in Tibetan contexts: history and doctrines
BSTC8112	Capstone Experience: Buddhist ethics
BSTC8123	Capstone Experience: The concept of emptiness in Buddhist literature
BSTC8607	Capstone Experience: Buddhist liturgy and rituals

Please note that the two compulsory foundation courses and language courses CANNOT serve as the additional elective course. Besides, the additional course cannot be one of the regular elective course that you have chosen to complete the programme.