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Conferences

accommodation.

quarterly stipend.

All graduate students are encouraged to present

papers at local and international conferences.

Funding is usually available through the Mona Campus Committee for Research & Publications

and Graduate Awards to support travel and

The Institute offers two Departmental academic

awards each year to full-time MPhil. and PhD.

students in the Cultural Studies programme. The

Award covers tuition fees and provides a modest

The minimum requirement for admission to the

MA degree programme is a Lower Second Class

Honours degree or its equivalent. To be admitted

to the MPhil and PhD programmes, applicants must have attained at least an Upper Second Class

Honours degree or its equivalent from a tertiary

level institution. In exceptional cases, the Campus

Committee may accept applicants without a

degree who have acquired experiential

knowledge and can demonstrate competencies in

All applications for the MPhil and PhD degrees

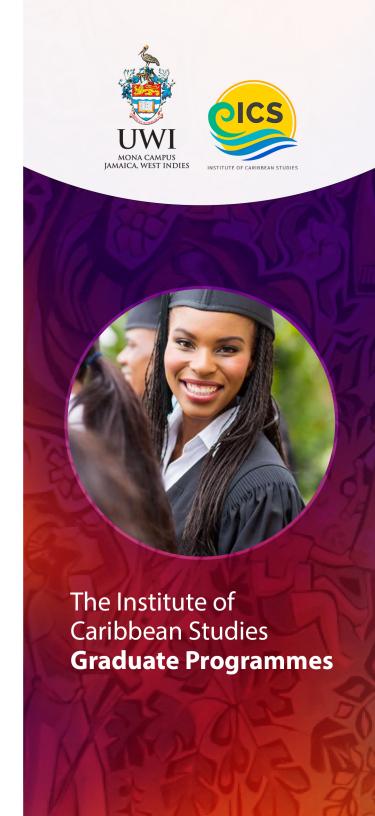
must be accompanied by a research proposal. An

interview will form part of the selection process.

Departmental Awards

Entry Requirements

the field of Cultural Studies.



ABOUT OUR GRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN CULTURAL STUDIES

The Institute of Caribbean Studies (ICS) offers programmes leading to the MA, MPhil and PhD degrees in Cultural Studies. Each programme is offered on a full-time and part-time basis and requires both course work and a research component.

Programme Details

COURSE WORK

Students pursuing the MA in Cultural Studies are required to take five courses (four compulsory and one elective). MPhil candidates must take two (2) compulsory courses. PhD candidates must take three courses (9 credits), two of which must be from the list of compulsory courses:

COMPULSORY COURSES

CLTR6000 Theory and Conceptualization of Culture

CLTR6010 Debates in Caribbean Cultural Identity

CLTR6030 Dynamics of Caribbean Culture (year long)

CLTR6100 Methods of Inquiry in Cultural Studies

ELECTIVES

CLTR6200 Language and Culture

CLTR6230 Caribbean Popular and Creative Culture

CLTR6250 Caribbean Cultural Diasporas

FINAL RESEARCH PAPER (CLTR6990)

MA students are required to complete a 15,000-word research paper. Before undertaking the undertakingndidates will submit a proposal for approval. Once the proposal has been approved, a supervisor will be assigned to guide the candidate in his/her research. Students must registeer for theee Research Paper (CLTR6990).



MPhil students are required to complete a thesis (maximum 50,000 words)

PhD students are required to complete a thesis (maximum 80,000 words)

In general when applying to the PhD programme, all students must first register for the MPhil. If, in the opinion of the supervisor and ICS staff, the evolving research project seems to be assuming the scale of a PhD dissertation, the student may apply to have the MPhil registration upgraded to PhD.

UPGRADING TO THE PHD

Postgraduate studentswho are registered for the MPhil Degree and who wish to be considered for the upgrading of their registration to the PhD must request the upgrading in their second (2nd) year of registration. Applications for upgrading will not be considered after the third (3rd) year of registration, given applicants should have completed all departmental coursework requireen courseworkrequirements by this time. Students should apply to the Assistant Registrar. (Admissions), School for Graduate Studies and Research to have this matter initiated.

For more information on the details of upgrading please contact the office of Graduate Studies and Research.

Supervision

Students enrolled in the MPhil and PhD programmes normally work with one or two supervisors and a two-member Advisory Committee. The ICS does not accept students for whom it is unable to provide adequate supervision. ICS students are usually supervised by UWI faculty members recruited from a wide range of departments, such as History; Language, Linguistics and Philosophy; Literatires in English; Sociology, Psychology and Social Work; Management Studies; the Caribbean Institute of Media and Communication; the Centre for Gender and Development Studies and the Department of Educational Studies.

Seminars

All MPhil and PhD students in the Cultural Studies programme are required to give at least one seminar presentations each academic year. Students who do not fulfil this requirement will not beawarded the degree.

Programme Duration

Full-time

The minimum period of enrolment for the award of the degree is one (1) year for the MA (based on student registration figures), two (2) years for the MPhil and three (3) years for the PhD. All full-time MPhil candidates are required to submit their theses for examination within three (3) years of their initial registration; and PhD candidates within five(5) years.

Part-time

For students who register part-time, the minimum period of enrolment for the award of the degree is two (2) years for the MA, three (3) years for the MPhil and five (5) years for the PhD. All part-time MPhil candidates are required to submit their thesis for examination within five(5) years of their initial registration; and PhD candidates within seven (7) years.