



POLYU Junior Researcher Mentoring Programme 2024



Code:	JRMP2024_10
School / Department:	Department of Applied Social Sciences
Name of Research Team Member(s):	Dr Yu Lu, Associate Professor Dr Zhu Xiaoqin, Assistant Professor Dr Zhou Xiaohua, Postdoc Fellow
Research Topic:	Newly arrived adolescent immigrants from mainland China to Hong Kong: How they can thrive
Short Description of the Research Project:	<p>Young immigrants from mainland China are important stakeholders in Hong Kong’s future. However, this community faces significant adaptation challenges while receiving inadequate attention and support.</p> <p>This project will systematically explore the developmental trajectories of adolescent immigrants from mainland China during their first two years in Hong Kong, with a focus on the physical, psychosocial and educational domains. It will identify protective factors at multiple levels and their impact on the adaptation process of these adolescents. The project will adopt a mixed-methods longitudinal design encompassing questionnaire surveys and individual interviews.</p> <p>The participating students will engage in various stages of the research process, including the literature review, preparation of the questionnaire and interview protocols, data collection, data entry, analysis and report writing. They will also receive training in basic research skills and academic writing.</p>
No. of Places Offered:	3
Frequency of Meetings:	Bi-weekly
Special Requirement(s):	The participating students should have an interest in applied social sciences (such as psychology, social work, education and social policy) and a good knowledge of statistics. Proficiency in both Cantonese and Mandarin will be advantageous.

* The information presented above is subject to change.