



PROFILE

Professor Tse's research focuses on human services for individuals with severe mental illness and addiction, including bipolar disorder and problem gambling. He promotes recovery-oriented practices, such as Strengths Model of Case Management and peer mental health support services. Students and conference audiences consistently describe him as a dynamic and engaging teacher and speaker.

Samson has made significant contributions across three critical domains: 1) conducting complex psychosocial studies, 2) applying East-West integrative analyses across theories, and service practices, 3) bringing personal experience as a caregiver, shaping his empathetic approach to human services.

His research and leadership have garnered recognition locally and abroad, shaping mental health policies across diverse cultural and service contexts.

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SAMSON TSE'S CONTRIBUTIONS & SCHOLARSHIP HIGHLIGHTS

CONTRIBUTIONS

Samson Tse is currently the Associate Dean (Undergraduate Education) of the Faculty of Social Sciences. He also leads the Department's Master of Social Sciences in Mental Health and HKU's Co-operative Education Programme. He was formerly Dean of Student Affairs at HKU from 2020 to 2025. His work with students integrates experiential learning, character development, and holistic competencies through cross-institutional programmes. His scholarly work has contributed to the development of policies and practices within governmental and non-governmental committees at both local and international levels. In 2024, he received the University Grants Committee's Teaching Award in the Collaborative Team category, as well as the Mental Health Award for Excellence in Care from the Mental Health Foundation, Hong Kong. The following year, in 2025, he was part of the team honoured with HKU's Knowledge Exchange Excellence Award (Team).

BODY OF SCHOLARLY WORK

Competitive Research Grants

Prior to returning to Hong Kong, Professor Tse spent 20 years in New Zealand working in clinical services, teaching, and conducting research. His scholarly work has been supported by competitive research grants from Hong Kong and overseas, with a cumulative funding total exceeding HK\$30 million for projects he has led or actively contributed to since earning his doctoral degree in 2001.

Peer-reviewed Publications

Authored/ co-authored more than 200 peer-reviewed articles and book chapters in the field of mental health and addiction.

Samson's research is illustrated through five representative articles, showcasing a wide range of topics and populations of interest (sorted by no. of citations 29.12.2025):

1. Slade, M., Amering, M., Farkas, M., Hamilton, B., O'Hagan, M., Panther, G., Perkins, R., Shepherd, G., **Tse, S.**, & Whitley, R. (2014). Uses and abuses of recovery: implementing recovery-oriented practices in mental health systems. *World Psychiatry*, 13(1), 12-20. (1307 citations)
2. **Tse, S.**, Chan, S., Ng, K. L., & Yatham, L. N. (2014). Meta-analysis of predictors of favorable employment outcomes among individuals with bipolar disorder. *Bipolar Disorders*, 16(3), 217-229. (234 citations)
3. **Tse, S.**, Tsoi, E. W., Hamilton, B., O'Hagan, M., Shepherd, G., Slade, M., ... & Petrakis, M. (2016). Uses of strength-based interventions for people with serious mental illness: A critical review. *International Journal of Social Psychiatry*, 62(3), 281-291. (195 citations)
4. Doughty, C., & **Tse, S.** (2011). Can consumer-led mental health services be equally effective? An integrative review of CLMH services in high-income countries. *Community Mental Health Journal*, 47(3), 252-266. (169 citations)
5. **Tse, S.**, Hong, S. I., Wang, C. W., & Cunningham-Williams, R. M. (2012). Gambling behavior and problems among older adults: a systematic review of empirical studies. *Journals of Gerontology Series B: Psychological Sciences and Social Sciences*, 67(5), 639-652. (156 citations)