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THE HONG KONG
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SOCIETY HUB

HKUST(GZ) SOCIETY HUB

POSTGRADUATE
PROGRAMS



ABOUT SOCIETY HUB

Vision

We aim to become a leading force in the knowledge economy of a digital society.

Mission

To nurture socially-conscious talents with cutting-edge analytical skills and an open and growing mindset, ready to resolve socio-economic issues and contribute to the knowledge economy in a networked society and rapidly changing world.

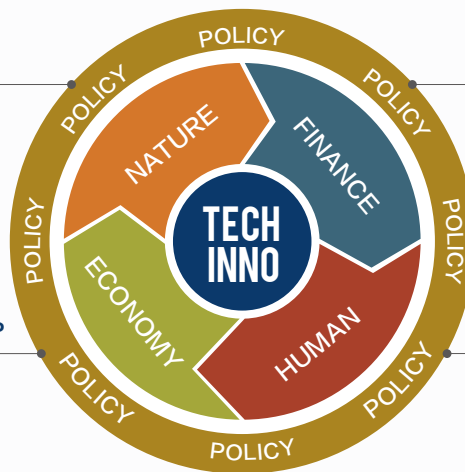


Prof. Ye Qi
Acting Dean
Chair Professor

CARBON NEUTRALITY AND CLIMATE CHANGE



INNOVATION, POLICY AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP



FINANCIAL TECHNOLOGY



URBAN GOVERNANCE AND DESIGN



**Innovative Cross-
Disciplinary
Framework**



**World-Class
Faculty**



**Excellent Scientific
Research Capability**



**Comprehensive
Talent Training
Plan**



**Close Industrial
Linkage**



**Superior Location
Advantage**
(Nansha, Greater Bay Area)



**HKUST
Degree**

WHY SOCIETY HUB?

OUR FACULTY

(As of May 2025)

We have a group of faculty with outstanding scientific research achievements and rich teaching experience graduating from world-class universities. We aim to integrate excellent scientific research capabilities, keen cross-disciplinary insights and innovative pedagogy to cultivate future talents.

100%

100% Faculty with PhD Degree
from World-renowned Universities

60 Regular Faculty



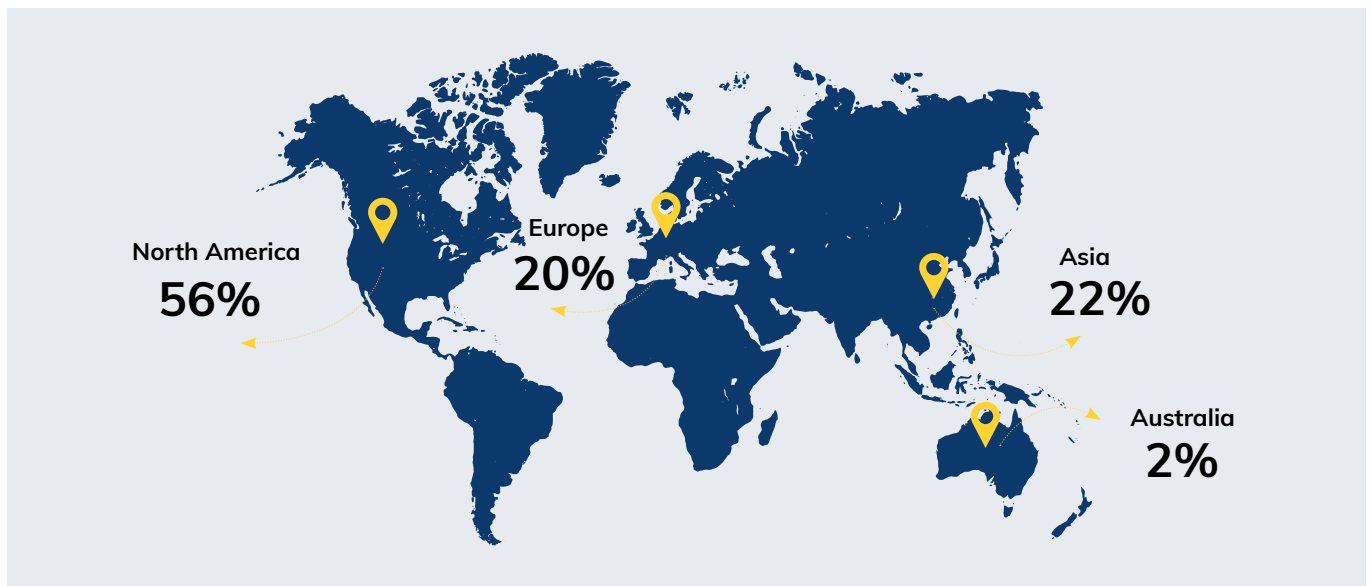
10 Professor of Practice



4 Adjunct Professor



Distribution of Final Degree Institutions



Graduate Universities

Logos are listed in alphabetic order.



THRUST AREAS AND PROGRAMS



Carbon Neutrality and Climate Change Thrust

We address key national priorities, train next generation of leaders who face global challenges of climate change, seize opportunities of the new industrial revolution, and develop technical, institutional and policy solutions for a shared sustainable future.

We currently offer :

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Program in Carbon Neutrality and Climate Change
- Master of Science Program in Carbon Neutrality and Green Finance (MSc CNGF)

✓ Cross-Disciplinary Focus Areas

- Carbon Science and Technology
- Climate Change and Governance
- Sustainable Energy Transition
- Climate Finance and Policy

CNCC Thrust: cncrpg@hkust-gz.edu.cn

MSc CNGF Program: msc-cngf@hkust-gz.edu.cn



Prof. Ye QI

**Chair Professor
Acting Head
CNCC Thrust**

✓ Research Interest:

- Climate Change and Environmental Policy and Governance
- Sustainability Science and Applications



Financial Technology Thrust

We nurture creative minds to explore frontiers in Financial Technology, to shape the future financial industry that promotes social-financial health.

We currently offer Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Program in Financial Technology.

✓ Cross-Disciplinary Focus Areas

- Blockchain Technologies, Smart Contracts, and Digital Currencies
- Robo-Advising, Quantitative Investing, and Risk Management
- Machine Learning, Artificial Intelligence, and Big Data Analytics in Finance
- Technological Innovations for Financial Services
- Regulatory Issues and Challenges in FinTech
- Digital Economy and Financial Inclusion

FTEC Thrust: ftect@hkust-gz.edu.cn



Prof. Ning CAI

**Professor
Head
FTEC Thrust**

✓ Research Interest:

- FinTech
- Financial Engineering
- Risk Management
- Green Finance
- Stochastic Modeling

THRUST AREAS AND PROGRAMS



Innovation, Policy and Entrepreneurship Thrust

We train a new generation of leaders in solving complex problems at the interface of technology and society. We place a specific focus on innovation in technology, institutions, policy and entrepreneurship, as well as cross-disciplinary approaches and real-world applications.

We currently offer :

- Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Program in Innovation, Policy and Entrepreneurship
- Master of Science Program in Technology and Policy (MSc TP)

✓ Cross-Disciplinary Focus Areas

- Science and Technology Innovation, Management, and Public Policy
- Entrepreneurship and Firm Governance
- Economic Theory, Decision-Making, and Experiments
- Health Policy and Health Care Management

IPE Thrust: ipet@hkust-gz.edu.cn

MSc TP Program: mstp@hkust-gz.edu.cn



Prof. Zhiyong LAN

**Professor
Acting Head
IPE Thrust**

✓ Research Interest:

- Public Administrative Theory and Government Reform
- Public Policy
- Political Economy
- Urban Governance
- Organizational Behavior
- Public Sector Information Technology Management and Policy (E-government)
- Organizational Learning and Innovation



Urban Governance and Design Thrust

We aim to train the next generation of leaders in conducting cutting-edge innovative research on cities through cross-disciplinary approaches to solve complex urban problems.

We currently offer Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) Program in Urban Governance and Design.

✓ Cross-Disciplinary Focus Areas

- Education, Employment and Labor Markets
- Migration, Inequality, and Social Inclusion
- Population, Health, and Ageing
- Regional and Urban Economic Development
- GIS and Spatial Analysis
- Smart City
- Transportation and Communication Infrastructure

UGOD Thrust: ugodt@hkust-gz.edu.cn



Prof. Ge Lin KAN

**Professor
Head
UGOD Thrust**

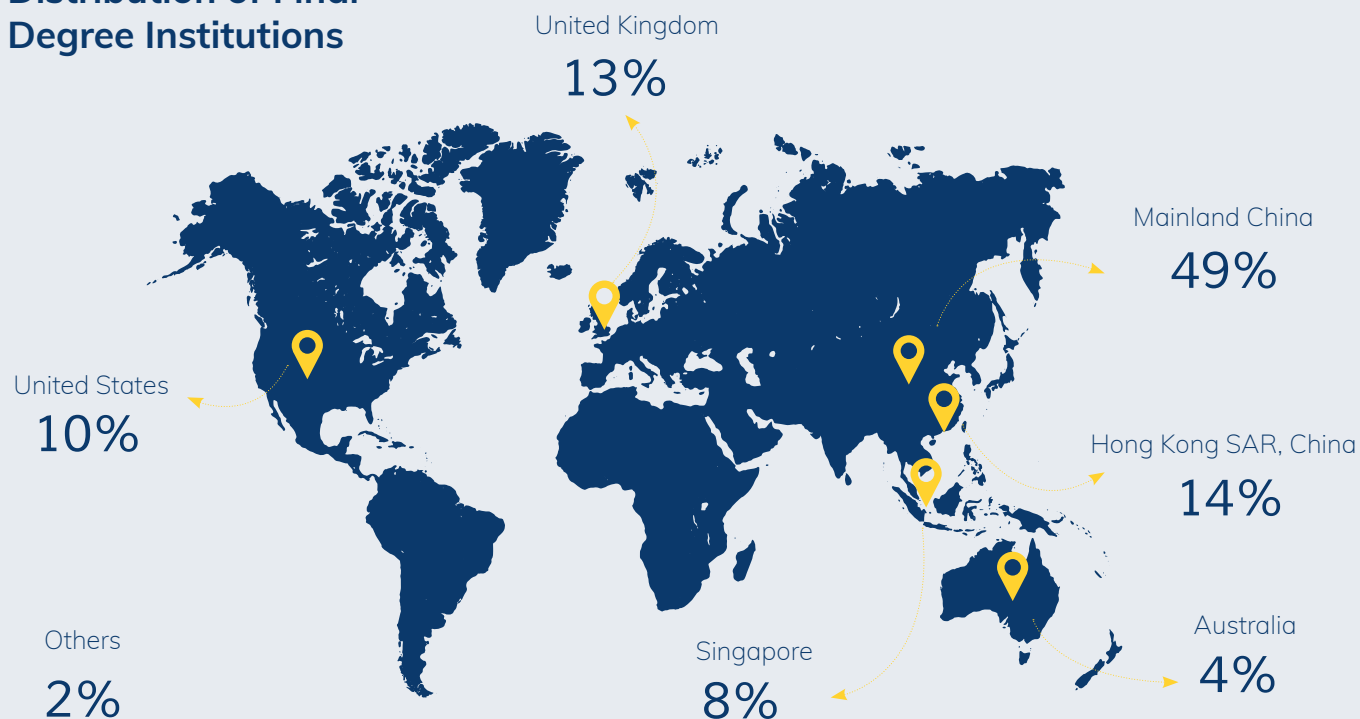
✓ Research Interest:

- GIS
- Spatial Epidemiology
- Data Integration
- Ageing and Urban Health
- Metaverse

OUR STUDENTS

(As of May 2025)

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ADMISSION INFORMATION

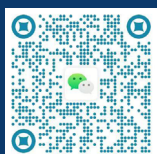
	PhD Programs		MSc Programs	
Program	PhD in Carbon Neutrality and Climate Change	PhD in Financial Technology	MSc in Carbon Neutrality and Green Finance	MSc in Technology and Policy
	PhD in Innovation, Policy and Entrepreneurship	PhD in Urban Governance and Design		
Tuition Fees	Full-time (with PGS): CNY 40,000 per academic year Full-time (self-financing): CNY 150,000 per academic year Part-time: CNY 150,000 per academic year		CNY 260,000 per program	CNY 230,000 per program
PGS and Scholarship	CNY 15,000 per month, up to 4 years for full-time PhD students.		Scholarship is offered for students with outstanding performances in academy, internship or competitions.	
Credits	21		34	48
Normative Program Duration	Full-time: 3 years (with a relevant research master's degree), 4 years (without a relevant research master's degree) Part-time: 6 years		Full-time: 2 years	
Medium of Instruction	English		English	
General Admission Requirements	Obtained a bachelor's degree with a proven record of outstanding performance from a recognized institution; or presented evidence of satisfactory work at the postgraduate level on a full-time basis for at least one year, or on a part-time basis for at least two years.		Obtained a bachelor's degree from a recognized institution, or an approved equivalent qualification.	
English Language Admission Requirements	Applicants have to fulfill English Language requirements with one of the following proficiency attainments: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• TOEFL-iBT: 80*• TOEFL-pBT: 550• TOEFL-Revised paper-delivered test: 60 (total scores for Reading, Listening and Writing sections)• IELTS (Academic Module): Overall score: 6.5 and All sub-score: 5.5* * Refers to scores in one single attempt only. Test at home option is not accepted. Applicants are not required to present TOEFL or IELTS score if <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Their first language is English, or• They obtained the bachelor's degree (or equivalent) from an institution where the medium of instruction was English.			
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Application Guidance	https://fytgs.hkust-gz.edu.cn/admissions/before-submitting-an-application			



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