

HKUST(GZ) SOCIETY HUB



ABOUT SOCIETY HUB

Vision

To be a global leader in addressing societal challenges in the age of intelligence.

Mission

To prepare future leaders to address societal challenges through innovations in a world of unprecedented change.

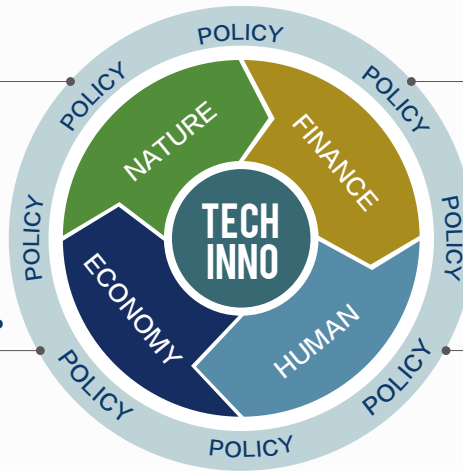


Prof. Ye Qi
Dean of
Society Hub
Chair Professor

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

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

80 Regular Faculty



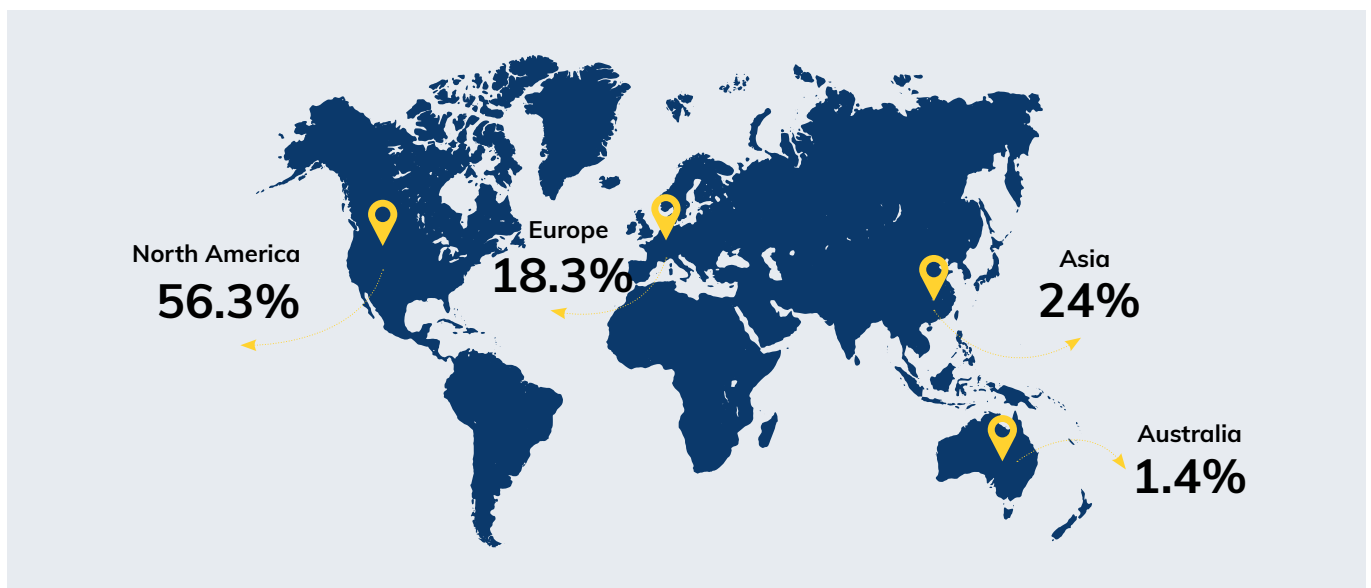
16 Professor of Practice



3 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 Philosophy (MPhil) 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

PhD in CNCC: cncrpg@hkust-gz.edu.cn

MSc CNGF: m-sc-cngf@hkust-gz.edu.cn



Prof. Kejun JIANG

**Professor
Head
CNCC Thrust**

✓ Research Interest:

- Energy Transition
- Integrated Assessment Model
- Policy Assessment
- Climate Change Mitigation
- Emission Scenarios
- Sustainable Development Option
- Assessment



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
- Master of Philosophy (MPhil) Program in Financial Technology
- Bachelor of Science (BSc) 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

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BSc in FTEC: ftecug@hkust-gz.edu.cn



Prof. Ning CAI

**Professor
Head
FTEC Thrust**

✓ Research Interest:

- FinTech
- Financial Engineering
- Risk Management
- Green Finance
- Operations Research
- Stochastic Modeling
- Applied Probability
- Statistics and Data Science

THRUST AREAS AND PROGRAMS

IPE

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

✓ Cross-Disciplinary Focus Areas

- Innovation and Technology Management
- Innovation and Public Policy
- Health Studies / Health Care Policy / Environmental Policies / Sustainability
- Experimental Economics and Decision Sciences
- AI for Public Administration and Management
- AI and Digital Economy
- Governance of Entrepreneurial Firms
- Corporate Governance and Sustainability
- Business Technology Forecasting and Evaluation
- Entrepreneurship



Prof. Xun WU

Professor
Associate Dean for Teaching
of Society Hub
Acting Head of IPE Thrust

✓ Research Interest:

- Water resource management
- Health policy
- Anti-corruption
- Policy design and innovations
- Technology policy

PhD in IPE: ipet@hkust-gz.edu.cn

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

UGOD

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
- Master of Philosophy (MPhil) Program in Urban Governance and Design

✓ Cross-Disciplinary Focus Areas

- Urban Tech and Smart Cities
- Digital Urban Governance
- Human Centered Design
- Sustainable Urban Development (Population, Health, Economy, Environment)
- AI for Society



Prof. Ge Lin KAN

Professor
Head
UGOD Thrust

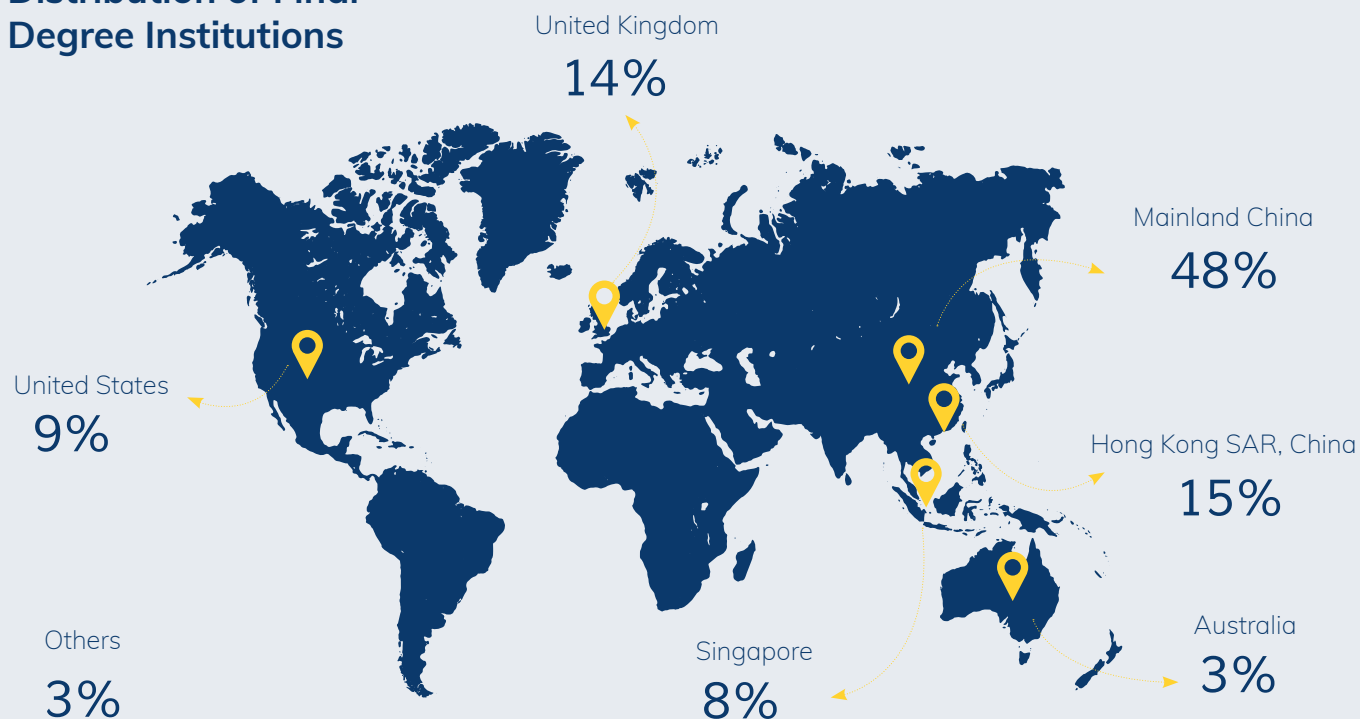
✓ Research Interest:

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

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OUR STUDENTS

Distribution of Final Degree Institutions



ADMISSION INFORMATION

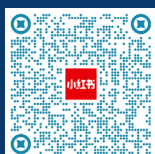
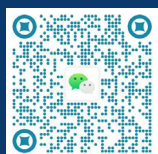
	PhD Programs	MSc Programs		MBA+ Program
Program	PhD in Carbon Neutrality and Climate Change	MSc in Carbon Neutrality and Green Finance		Master of Business Administration in Innovation and Entrepreneurship (MBA+)
	PhD in Financial Technology			
	PhD in Innovation, Policy and Entrepreneurship	MSc in Technology and Policy		
	PhD in Urban Governance and Design			
Tuition Fees	Full-time (with PGS): CNY 40,000 per academic year CNY 60,000 per academic year (for the 2027/28 intake and thereafter) Full-time (self-financing) & Part-time: CNY 150,000 per academic year	CNY 260,000 per program		CNY 450,000 per program
PGS and Scholarship	CNY 15,000 per month, up to 4 years for full-time (with PGS) PhD students.	Scholarship is offered for students with outstanding performances in academy, internship or competitions.		Progressive Awards Scheme
Credits	21	34	39	45
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		Part time: 2 years
Medium of Instruction	English	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: ●TOEFL-iBT: 80 (for tests taken prior to 21 January 2026) * 4.5 (for tests taken from 21 January 2026 onwards) * ● 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 ● 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			

For information regarding undergraduate programs, please refer to <https://ugadmissions.hkust-gz.edu.cn/en/discipline/discipline-introduce/>

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