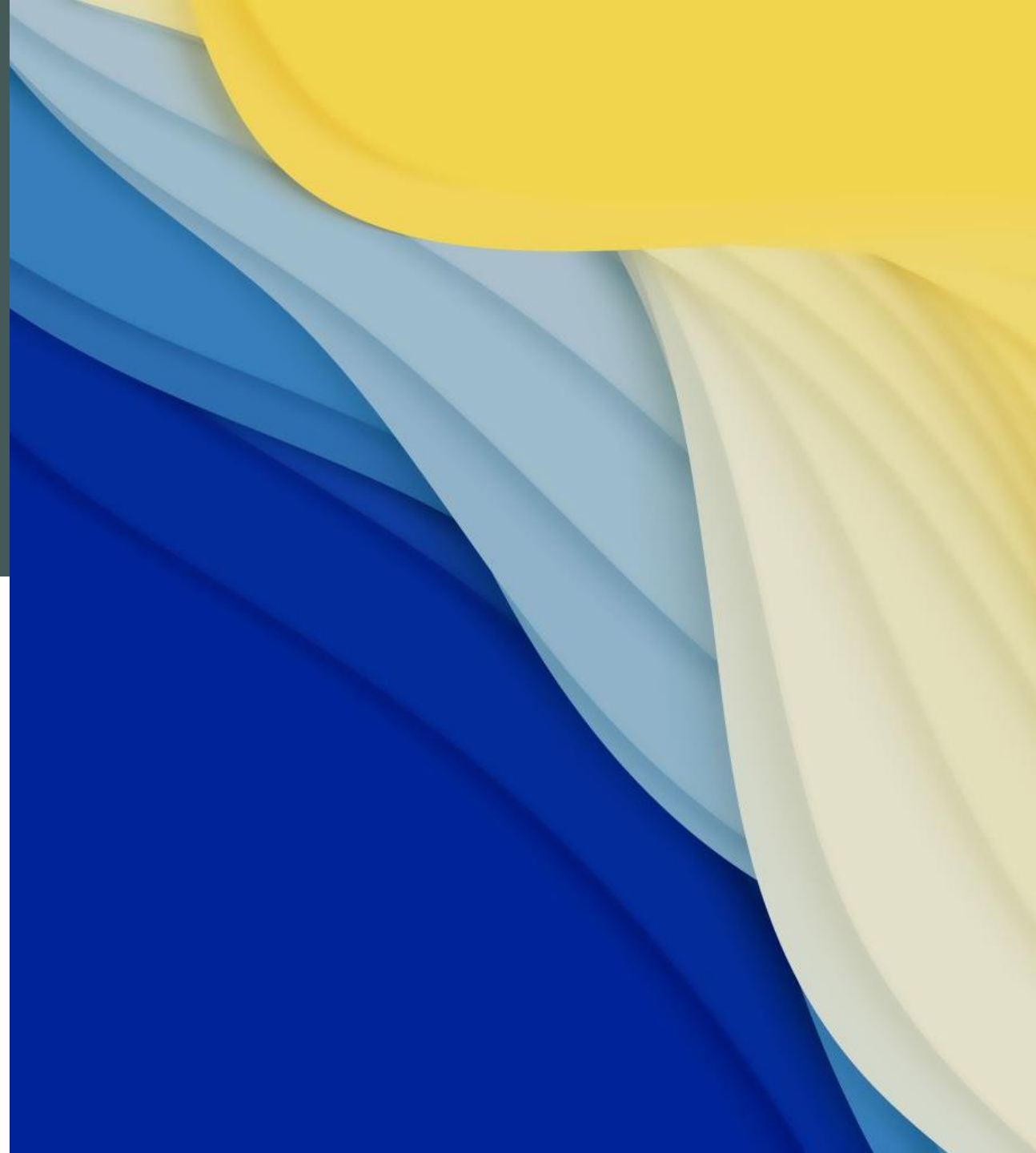


Road to a Research Degree

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Research Postgraduate (RPg) ?

Taught Postgraduate (TPg) ?

- **Research Postgraduate (RPg) degrees** are more independent in nature. You won't have as many timetabled units (in fact, you may not have any). Instead, you'll focus on one or more extended projects. You'll still receive support and guidance from one or two supervisor(s), but the focus of your programme will be on your research work.
- **Taught Postgraduate (TPg) degrees** are a lot like undergraduate programmes. You'll complete a series of modules following a set timetable of seminars, lectures and other activities. You'll be much more responsible for studying independently in your free time, but the academics in charge of your course will lead you through it.

Some differences

- **Nature:** RPg – Research / TPg – Coursework (+research)
- **Admission scale:** RPg – Small, especially MPhil (in my dept for 2023 intake: 7PhD+2MPhil)
- **Application materials:** RPg application requires additional materials, e.g., Research Proposal (it takes months to write a decent one), Writing Sample (Publications, FYP, etc.)
- **MPhil-PhD:** Well-performed MPhil can be transferred to PhD track, and get a PhD degree in 5-6 years in total; vice versa, unpleasant PhD student will be switched to the MPhil track
- **Supervisorship:** RPg students normally have one or two supervisor(s), one Chief Supervisor, and one Co-Supervisor
- **Teaching Assistant Duties:** 1-3 courses, sometimes need to lead tutorials or discussions for hour(s) long, and office hours to help undergrad students on course-related matters. – 2 courses for me (Learning Government and PA, The Arts of Leadership)

Courses I take in Semester 1

- **Methodology:**
 - **Qualitative Methods of Political Research** (Prof Carlos Lo)
 - Assignments: 1) Lead a seminar; 2) case study training (develop a case study template, do a case analysis paper, present your research); 3) interview training (design an interview, conduct it, record and transcript it, 40 min); 4) write a research proposal; 5) write a paper (7000-8000 words)
 - **Quantitative Methods of Political Research** (Prof Vivian Zhan)
 - Assignments: 1) Review one (MPhil) or two (PhD) quantitative political research article(s) and lead discussion; 2) prepare a quantitative research proposal (3000 words) and present it to all; 3) write a 7000-8000 words paper and present to all
 - Statistic/mathematics driven, RStudio
- Thesis Research

Research

Year 1: Lay a solid foundation for reading and writing 奠定坚实读写基础

Read materials smartly and effectively 可以有效阅读材料并从中提取精华

Write your assignment with “care and patience” --- learn from materials 认真写作业

Year 2: To learn what is research 学习研究的基本知识

Theory 理论学习

MR/ME

Methodology 方法论学习

GAD MR: Introduction to Research Methods – 介绍定性定量研究方法

GAD/DGS: GLD3063 Data Analysis for Social Sciences – 入门量化数据分析 (SPSS)

Academic English and Writing 学术英语与写作

FE: ENG3243 - Research Writing – 综合学术写作与出版知识入门课

Research

Year 3: Apply what you learn and seek opportunities 利用所学开始实践

3xxx courses require a higher level of research skills in individual and group projects and papers 研究技巧期待会越来越高，主动在作业和课程论文中利用所学的研究知识，展现你的研究潜能

若有老师招募研究助理 (RA)，可以主动申请，争取机会学习更先进研究技巧和实践

大量阅读， learning by reading

Year 4: Time to examine what you have learnt 检验所学

Final Year Project (FYP) 毕业论文

Research proposal 研究计划书/开题报告

Writing a “lengthy” academic paper: several thousands

Possible publication opportunities 可能的出版物

Application to graduate programmes, *especially research-oriented programmes* 研究生申请

Writing samples 写作样本

Research proposal 深造研究计划书

Research Opportunities

Student Research Grants, Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences

Individual (RMB 0-3,000) – *An advisor is needed*

Collaboration with Professor (RMB 0-8,000)

Research Assistantship

High value-added experience

Highly competitive

A limited number of vacancy

Other internal and external research opportunities

中介售卖的研究项目 – 谨慎

Some tips:

我要读什么？

- 兴趣
- 能力
- 就业趋势

我要去哪里读？

- 不同国家/地区有不同学制
 - Chinese HK/UK/Australia: TPg (1-1.5 year(s)) /RPg (2-5 years)
 - MPhil, MA, MSc, MSc, Master by Research...
- USA: Master (1.5-2 years) or “Graduate Program (PhD)” (5-7 years)
 - 一些学校一些学系没有单独招生的硕士项目，只有博士项目，过了QE之后颁发硕士学位

我能去哪里读？

GPA and comprehensive background

Budget

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How Western (and Chinese) Scholars Understand Chinese Policymaking in the Xi Jinping Era

Session 1 Public Lecture by Prof. Gunter Schubert

Time: 2:30 - 4:00 pm

Gunter Schubert, PhD, is Chair Professor of Greater China Studies and director of the European Research Center on Contemporary Taiwan (ERCCT) at the University of Tübingen, which he founded in 2008. He has more than 30 years of fieldwork experience in the PRC, Taiwan and Hong Kong. His research focuses on local governance and policy implementation, state-business relations and, more recently, foreign policy thinking and periphery politics in the PRC.



Session 2 TPg Master Programme Admission Q & A by Prof. Vivian Zhan & Prof. Carlos Lo | Time: 4:10 - 5:00 pm


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獨立思考 深度分析
面向世界 讀懂中國

課程特色

與一般中國研究文學碩士課程相比，本課程

範圍更廣

地理上覆蓋大中華兩岸四地，議題上聚焦政治制度與改革、公共行政、外交及國際關係、民主與法治、環境政治、國家社會關係、傳媒與政治傳播等

學者授課

由香港中文大學政治與行政學系教師團隊及中外知名學者授課

研究方法

突出社會科學的問題意識和研究方法

授課語言

授課語言為英語及普通話

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招生對象

對大中華地區的政府與政治有興趣或有志於公營機構就業的應屆大學畢業生

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希望對大中華地區政府與政治議題有更深入了解的資深專業人士

申請時間及報名方式

申請人可於即日起登入中大研究院進行網上報名，申請資格及程序請掃描以下二維碼以獲取更多資訊。



學費

2024/2025 學年的學費為港幣 170,000 (特批)，每額外修讀一科之學費為港幣 21,250。申請時亦須交港幣 300 元報名費。

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