

(Note: Exit survey for RPg programmes has been incorporated into the final thesis submission stage)



## The Chinese University of Hong Kong Exit Survey Research Postgraduate Programmes

This exit survey is designed to support quality assurance and improvement of research postgraduate programmes. Your answers will be kept in strict confidence. The results are reported in aggregate form only. Individual responses cannot be identified.

0. Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of my programme and my experience of teaching and learning, as well as research, taking into account of the research culture, resources, student support, research skill development and supervision.

- 5 Very Satisfied
- 4 Satisfied
- 3 Neutral
- 2 Dissatisfied
- 1 Very Dissatisfied
- 0 Not available (i.e. no response)

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### 1. Admission

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1.1 How many institutions, including CUHK, did you apply to for admission?

Institution(s) in Hong Kong:

- One
- Two
- Three or more

Overseas Institution(s):

- None
- One
- Two
- Three or more

1.2 How many institutions, including CUHK, offered you admission to one or more postgraduate programmes?

Institution(s) in Hong Kong:

- One
- Two
- Three or more

Overseas Institution(s):

- None
- One
- Two
- Three or more

1.3 How important were the following reasons for your choice of CUHK?

	Not Applicable	Not important	Slightly Important	Moderately Important	Very Important	
a. The academic reputation of CUHK.		①	②	③	④	⑤
b. The academic reputation of particular CUHK faculty member(s).		①	②	③	④	⑤
c. Programme curriculum.		①	②	③	④	⑤
d. Relevant courses in my field of study were available.		①	②	③	④	⑤
e. Good supervisors in my field of study were available.		①	②	③	④	⑤
f. Attractive financial aid was provided.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
g. Learning support offered by CUHK (e.g., training workshops offered by different units) was good.		①	②	③	④	⑤
h. The learning environment and research facilities (e.g. laboratory, data archives, campus & hostels, library collection, etc.) were good.		①	②	③	④	⑤
i. CUHK alumni network.		①	②	③	④	⑤
j. Recommendations from friends/ relatives/ professors.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
k. I have personal contacts with CUHK academics.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
l. My application was handled promptly and properly.		①	②	③	④	⑤
m. Hostel places were available.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
n. I like the CUHK campus.		①	②	③	④	⑤
o. International diversity of the CUHK student body.		①	②	③	④	⑤
p. Others (please specify):		①	②	③	④	⑤

## 2. Development of Capabilities/ Competencies

Upon graduation, I feel confident about

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
2.1 my understanding of my research field.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.2 performing research independently.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.3 managing research projects.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.4 writing up research findings.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.5 presenting research findings.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.6 my communication skills.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.7 my critical thinking.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.8 my analytical skills.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.9 my problem solving skills.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.10 my ability to learn independently.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.11 working/ collaborating with other people.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.12 being academically honest.		①	②	③	④	⑤
2.13 my teaching skills.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
2.14 taking a leadership role in my field.		①	②	③	④	⑤

## 3. Programme of Study

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
3.1 Required courses were useful.		①	②	③	④	⑤
3.2 Elective courses have broadened my knowledge related to my field of study.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
3.3 Procedures to meet candidacy requirements/ qualifying examinations and progress to candidature were easy to understand.		①	②	③	④	⑤

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## 4. Research Supervision

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4.1 Did you have any co-supervisor(s)?

- Yes  
 No

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	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
4.2 My supervisor(s) was/were available when I needed him/her/them.	①	②	③	④	⑤
4.3 My supervisor(s) understood the difficulties I faced.	①	②	③	④	⑤
4.4 I was given adequate guidance in topic selection and refinement.	①	②	③	④	⑤
4.5 I was given adequate guidance in literature search.	①	②	③	④	⑤
4.6 My supervisor(s) provided helpful feedback on my progress.	①	②	③	④	⑤

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## 5. Training in Research and Teaching

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The training through the Improving Postgraduate Learning (IPL) courses listed below was appropriate.

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	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
5.1 Quantitative research methods	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.2 Qualitative research methods	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.3 Research ethics	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.4 Information search	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.5 Computer skills	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.6 Laboratory safety	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.7 Intellectual property and copyright law	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.8 Research Data Management	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.9 Thesis writing skills	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.10 Presentation	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.11 English language	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥
5.12 Working as a teaching assistant (TA)	①	②	③	④	⑤	⑥

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## 6. Intellectual Climate

	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
6.1 My faculty/department provided opportunities for me to contribute to the broader research culture.	①	②	③	④	⑤
6.2 I was integrated into my faculty/department community.	①	②	③	④	⑤
6.3 My faculty/department provided a good seminar programme for research students.	①	②	③	④	⑤
6.4 My faculty/department provided a supportive working environment.	①	②	③	④	⑤

## 7. Services and Facilities

	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
7.1 Computer and web-based facilities were sufficient.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.2 Laboratory facilities were sufficient.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
7.3 Library resources and facilities were sufficient.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.4 Library space and opening hours met my needs.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.5 Financial support was sufficient.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
7.6 Hostel conditions were satisfactory.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
7.7 Health services were satisfactory.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
7.8 Counselling on personal difficulties was readily available.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
7.9 Career guidance and employment information were readily available.	①	①	②	③	④	⑤
7.10 The administrative support provided by the faculty / department was satisfactory.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.11 The administrative support provided by the Graduate School was satisfactory.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.12 The campus was clean and felt comfortable.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.13 Transportation within the campus met my needs.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.14 The classrooms were easily accessible and well-equipped.		①	②	③	④	⑤
7.15 Canteen services met my needs.		①	②	③	④	⑤

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## 8. Overall Impression

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	Not Applicable	Strongly Disagree	Disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Agree	Strongly Agree
8.1 I am happy with my experience at CUHK.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.2 I am satisfied with my programme of study.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.3 I am satisfied with the training in research.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.4 I am satisfied with my research supervision.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.5 I am satisfied with my research experience.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.6 I am satisfied with my experience as a TA.	(0)	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.7 I am satisfied with the services and facilities of CUHK.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.8 I would recommend my programme to others.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)
8.9 The learning experience at CUHK met my expectation.		(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)

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## 9. Personal Information

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9.1 My last degree/ qualification

- Bachelor
- Taught postgraduate programmes (including postgraduate diploma, postgraduate certificate, Master's and doctoral)
- MPhil
- PhD

9.2 My last degree was obtained from an institution in:

- Hong Kong
  - Mainland China
  - Asia (other than Hong Kong and Mainland China)
  - Africa
  - North America
  - South America
  - Europe
  - Oceania
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## 10. Additional Suggestions

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10.1. Did you encounter any difficulties during your period of study at CUHK? If so, what were they?

10.2. Do you have any suggestions for improvement in relation to your programme of study at CUHK?

10.3. Do you have any other comments regarding your studies at CUHK which you would like to bring to the attention of the University?

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**This is the end of the exit survey. Thank you for your time.**