



THE HONG KONG
UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE
AND TECHNOLOGY
(GUANGZHOU)



RED BIRD MPHIL PROGRAM

COLLEGE OF FUTURE TECHNOLOGY





ABOUT HKUST(GZ)

Formally established in June 2022, The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (Guangzhou)(HKUST(GZ)) is a cooperatively-run university between the Chinese mainland and the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region. HKUST(GZ) has obtained approval from the Ministry of Education (MoE) and become the first legally-independent educational institution co-established by the Mainland and Hong Kong since the announcement and implementation of the “Outline Development Plan for the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area” and the “Overall Plan for Deepening Globally Oriented Comprehensive Co-operation amongst Guangdong, Hong Kong and Macao in Nansha of Guangzhou”. With a spirit of pioneering innovation, HKUST(GZ) charts new territories in cross-disciplinary education and explores new frontiers in pedagogies, aiming to serve as a role model of the mainland-Hong Kong integrated educational development and become a world-famous high-level university, endeavoring to nurture future-oriented, high-level and innovative talents.

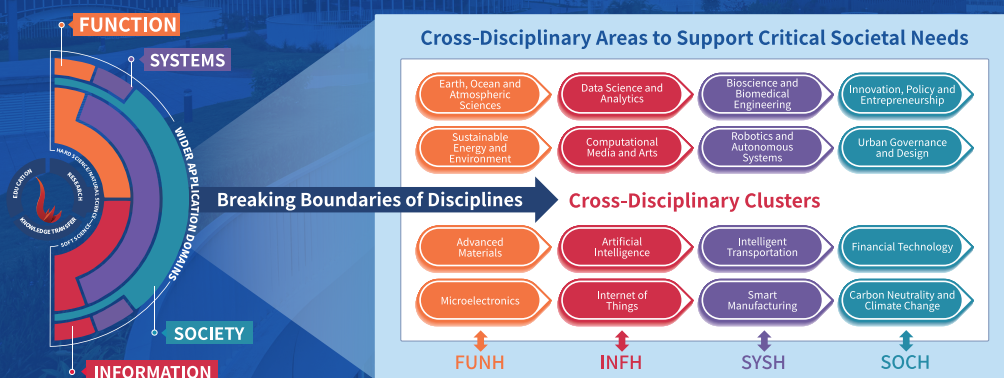
For more information, please refer to: <https://www.hkust-gz.edu.cn/>

COLLEGE OF FUTURE TECHNOLOGY (CFT)

Founded in February 2023, the College of Future Technology (CFT) at the HKUST(GZ) operates under the Office of the Vice-President (Teaching and Learning) and oversees the Red Bird MPhil Program, with full responsibility for talent cultivation and quality assurance.

Drawing on HKUST(GZ)’s distinctive “Hub-Thrust” academic framework, CFT brings together three signature divisions—Base of Red Bird MPhil, Red Bird Maker Space, and the Lab of Future Technology—to build a talent cultivation framework that integrates interdisciplinary learning and innovation.

HUBS & THRUSTS





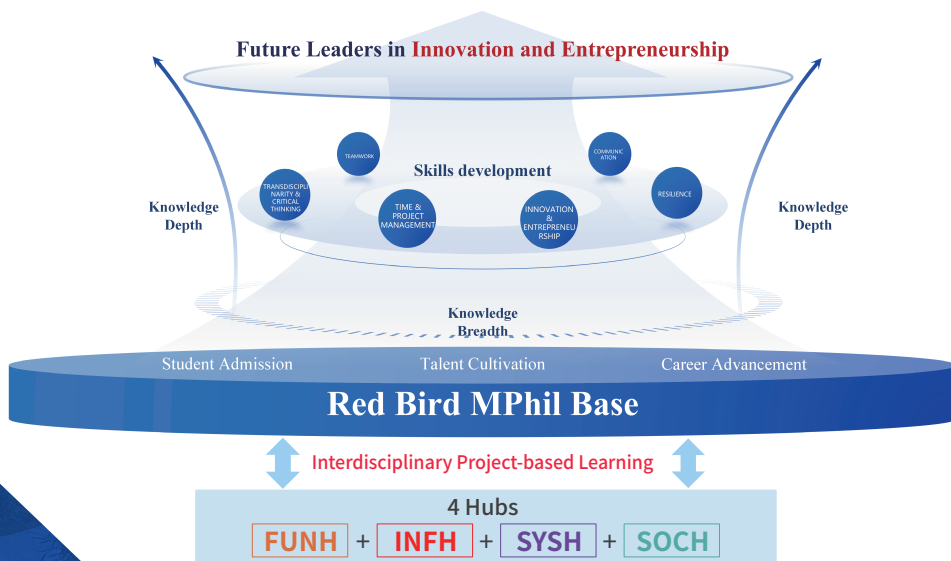
RED BIRD MPhil PROGRAM (RBM)

The College of Future Technology (CFT) Red Bird MPhil Program (also known as RBM) is the first step in our university's commitment to promoting the integration of the "Hub-Thrust Concept". It aims to cultivate "top talents and future leaders in academia and industry". Students in RBM have the opportunity, based on their personal interests, educational background, and future career plans, to engage in independent academic exploration within the first six months of enrollment. During this time, students define their research direction, select their collaborative team and academic supervisors (through mutual agreement), and subsequently register in the Thrust Area of their academic supervisors upon approval. RBM places a strong emphasis on student-centered learning. Through a teaching model guided by team projects, students collaborate with academic supervisors from various Thrusts, project supervisors, or industry supervisors to collectively complete group-based projects.

For more information, please refer to: <https://cft.hkust-gz.edu.cn/admission>

FEATURES & INNOVATION

- Two-Year Master of Philosophy Program (Full-Time)
- English Teaching Environment
- Attractive Postgraduate Studentship
- Major Selection after Admission
- Cross-disciplinary Project-Based Learning
- Comprehensive Innovation & Entrepreneurship Support





STUDENTS' VOICE



FABIAN WANGSA SAPUTRA



(2025/26 COHORT RBM STUDENT)

Being an international student isn't always easy. You're far from home, figuring out a new culture, food, and language. But what really stood out to me here at HKUST(GZ) is just how kind and genuinely helpful people are. Even when there's a language barrier, everyone tries their best to communicate and make you feel welcome, which makes settling in so much easier. The campus itself is amazing, with super advanced labs and a really unique project-based master's program. And while it might seem far from the city, I've actually come to love it. It encourages you to get on a bike and discover the local villages and incredible food nearby. You don't just study here; you get to have a truly authentic experience. My motto is to live like a local.



KOLCHIN STANISLAV



(2025/26 COHORT RBM STUDENT)

As an international student, I really love studying here. I feel completely included and free. With English spoken fluently everywhere, I never feel alone. It's easy to connect with people, and I always have someone to talk to. Academically, I am encouraged to explore real-world problems related to my research interests. This makes me feel free and valuable in my decisions, enhancing my ability to think not only about my research but about the world in general. It's a place that truly supports my growth, both personally and academically.



CHEW LER YIN



(2024/25 COHORT RBM STUDENT)

Hello! My name is Ler Yin, and I am from Malaysia. I am part of the RBM second cohort, majoring in Innovation, Policy, and Entrepreneurship (IPE). The RBM program has truly empowered me to explore freely with the support of faculty, resources, and facilities. I have also met teammates who share the same passion, and together we've worked on projects, research, and even gained hands-on experience in starting and running a company. It is such a pleasure to pursue my master's degree at HKUST(GZ).



ADMISSION

Admission Requirements

▶ General Admission Requirements

Obtained a bachelor's degree from a recognized institution, or an approved equivalent qualification.

▶ English Language 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
- Their bachelor's degree (or equivalent qualification) was awarded by an institution where the medium of instruction was English.

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*Please select "Master of Philosophy(General)" when choosing the RBM program.



Tuition Fees

Full-time Research Postgraduate Programs (with PGS)

CNY 60,000 per academic year (for the 2027/28 intake and thereafter)

Postgraduate Studentship (PGS)

CNY120,000 per year, up to 24 months for full-time MPhil students.

FAQ

<https://cft.hkust-gz.edu.cn/admission/admission-faq>

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*The information published on the official website shall prevail





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