RPg End-of-Program Satisfaction Survey

Welcome to the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology (HKUST) End-of-Program Satisfaction Survey. As a graduating PhD/MPhil student, your feedback would be very helpful for us in identifying potential areas for continuous improvement!

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Part 1) Thesis Supervision and Support

1. Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree
a. My supervisor(s) stimulated my lateral and critical thinking and enabled me to create new knowledge and new discoveries.	O	O	O	O	O
b. My supervisor(s) stated to me clearly the standard of research and coursework expected.	O	O	O	O	O

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree
c. My supervisor(s) provided helpful feedback on my progress.	○	○	○	○	○
d. I learned much about research skills from my supervisor(s).	○	○	○	○	○
e. I received sufficient support from my Department Head and PG Coordinator.	○	○	○	○	○
f. Overall, I am happy with the thesis supervision received at HKUST.	○	○	○	○	○

Other comments or suggestions to improve the thesis supervision system of HKUST, if any.

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Part 2) Coursework and Seminars

Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree	0 - Not Applicable
a. The coursework I attended enhanced my knowledge and assisted in my research and/or helped with my personal and professional development.	○	○	○	○	○	○
b. The workload of my coursework is just right.	○	○	○	○	○	○

Other comments or suggestions (e.g. most/least useful course, course work too light/heavy etc.), if any.

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Part 3) Professional Development and Career Development

How useful was the professional development training in enhancing your transferrable skills.

	5 - Very Useful	4 - Somewhat Useful	3 - Neutral	2 - Not Very Useful	1 - Not at All Useful	0 - Not Applicable
a. Research Integrity (e.g. making judgment on ethics related issues)	O	O	O	O	O	O
b. English language proficiency	O	O	O	O	O	O
c. Presentation Skills	O	O	O	O	O	O
d. Writing Skills	O	O	O	O	O	O
e. Teaching Skills	O	O	O	O	O	O

Please indicate to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree	0 - Not Applicable
f. My department organized seminars that enriched my knowledge and expanded my horizons in my area of specialization.	O	O	O	O	O	O
g. Overseas research conferences provided me with great opportunities to network with other scholars in my field of study.	O	O	O	O	O	O

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree
h. My supervisor provided useful advice on my career plans.	○	○	○	○	○
i. My department provided good support to its research students in graduate placement.	○	○	○	○	○
j. The Career Center provided useful services/ advice on my career planning.	○	○	○	○	○

Other comments or suggestions on professional training and career development, if any.

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Part 4) Learning Outcomes

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree
a. I have developed sound research skills through my training at HKUST.	○	○	○	○	○
b. I have developed new knowledge and created new theories, methodology, or other research output in my field of study through my training at HKUST.	○	○	○	○	○
c. I become a critical thinker through my training at HKUST.	○	○	○	○	○

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree
d. I am able to conduct enquiries in my area of specialization in a professional, expert and ethical manner.	○	○	○	○	○
e. I am prepared to embark on an academic career, and to teach university-level courses in my area of specialization.	○	○	○	○	○

Other comments or suggestions on your study experience with HKUST, if any.

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Part 5) Overall Impression of HKUST

To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements.

	5 - Strongly Agree	4 - Agree	3 - Neutral	2 - Disagree	1 - Strongly Disagree
a. Overall, I am satisfied with the postgraduate program taken in the last few years.	○	○	○	○	○
b. I am proud to be an alumnus of HKUST.	○	○	○	○	○
c. I would recommend my program to those who are interested in pursuing research degree studies in my discipline.	○	○	○	○	○

Please indicate how satisfied you are with the following topic area.

	5 - Very Satisfied	4 - Satisfied	3 - Neutral	2 - Dissatisfied	1 - Very Dissatisfied
Overall, I am satisfied with the quality of my program and my experience of teaching and learning, as well as research, taking account of the research culture, resources, student support, research skill development and supervision.	O	O	O	O	O

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You have the right to request access to and correction of personal data held by us. If you wish to proceed, please send your enquiry / request with your name, student ID number, program of study to fytgs@ust.hk.

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