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# Doctor of Philosophy



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The School of Design offers positions for applicants who wish to obtain doctoral degrees in design. The PhD programme aims to advance design knowledge by producing high-quality research through various methodologies, practices and theoretical positions, through hypothetico-deductive, interpretive, constructive and artistic research.

The PhD programme draws together global scholars to generate, exchange and discuss knowledge and ideas on contemporary questions within the pursuit of advanced academic work.



## Interdisciplinary Supervision Options

The PhD programme is a hybrid programme consisting of both coursework and research output criteria. Currently 33 Supervisors support the research of PhD research across 9 research labs.

- Research Laboratories
- Research Centre for Future (Caring) Mobility
- Asian Lifestyle Design Lab
- Digital Entertainment Lab
- Public Design Lab
- Asian Ergonomics Design Lab
- Creativity and Design Education Lab
- Information Design Lab
- Spatial Modelling & Urban Futures Lab

## Admission requirements

### Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)—(3-year full-time/6-year part-time)

Normally holds a Master of Philosophy (MPhil) or equivalent (a research postgraduate degree with a dissertation as an award requirement) and a Bachelor's degree, conferred by a recognised university.

### Doctor of Philosophy (PhD)—(4-year full-time/8-year part-time)

Normally holds a Master's degree and a Bachelor's degree, conferred by a recognised university; OR a Bachelor's degree with First Class Honours (or equivalent qualification), conferred by a recognised university.

## Collaborative and Engaging Research Settings

The PhD program annually features a seminar series with ten speakers, along with a Spring and Autumn School, engaging international experts to enhance PhD research. Furthermore, PhD candidates have opportunities for additional research exchange via conference participation, seminar organisation, and the publication of original research.