

## **Subject: Guidelines & Expectations to Prospective MPhil Students**

Dear Prospective MPhil Students,

This year I will take two categories of RBM students:

- 1. Research Oriented:** My primary interest currently lies in advancing research in our field. As such, students in this category are expected to dedicate the majority of their time to investigating cutting-edge research topics.
- 2. Engineering Oriented:** We have witnessed significant progress of large models, which lead to a great potential of new applications. Students in this category are expected to have solid programming skills and are willing to spend the majority of their time on developing LLM-based novel applications.

If you are considering apply the RBM program, please submit your application directly, you may request an offline meeting with me during your onsite interview. If you have already get an admission and are considering joining my group, please send me your CV to [liuh@ust.hk](mailto:liuh@ust.hk). Here are a few key expectations and working norms I'd like to share to ensure a beneficial and gratifying experience for everyone involved.

- 1. Personal Mentorship:** I deeply value the supervisor-student relationship, which allows for tailored guidance and comprehensive support. As a result, I consciously limit the number of students I supervise each year to ensure that every individual receives ample attention, promoting their personal and professional growth.
- 2. Study Outputs:** I expect all my students to have tangible and fruitful outputs before their graduation. This typically manifests in the form of published papers, research challenge awards, deployed ML applications, and other similar achievements. As such, please consider your willingness and dedication to contribute to research and development before deciding to join my group.
- 3. Mutual Understanding:** I value establishing a common understanding and shared interests before any formal commitment is made. It is important to ensure that we align in terms of research interests and work ethics. Therefore, I encourage you not to rush the process of asking me to be your supervisor.

Thank you for taking the time to consider these points thoughtfully. I truly believe in the potential of each student, and I look forward to collaborating with those who demonstrate a strong commitment to advancing our collective knowledge through rigorous research.

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