

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY**

**ADVISOR RESEARCH AREAS FOR CAPSTONE EXPERIENCE COURSES,
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No.	Advisors	Research Interests
1	Prof. Patrick ADLER Email: adler@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/p-adler	• Economic Geography • Cultural Geography • Urban Geography • Regional Policy • Linear Regression • Survey • Interviews
2	Prof. Wesley ATTEWELL Email: wlha@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/w-attewell	• The Infrastructures of Transpacific Empires • The Vietnam War in Hong Kong • Diasporic (sub)urbanisms • The Logistical Life of Global Asia
3	Prof. Yanjia CAO Email: yanjiac@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/yj-cao	• Hong Kong SAR or USA • Statistical approaches • Spatial analysis • Health care coverage • Disease distribution
4	Prof. Wendy Y. CHEN Email: wychen@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/wy-chen	• Urban China • Urban green and blue infrastructure • Social survey • Environmental management
5	Prof. Ben A. GERLOFS Email: bgerlofs@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/ba-gerlofs	• Urban Change/Culture/Politics • Ethnography • Visual Methods • Gentrification • Media and Perception
6	Prof. Ben L. IAQUINTO Email: iaquinto@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/bl-iaquinto	• Tourism • Household sustainability • Cultural dimensions of climate change • Practice theory, mobilities theory, cultural geography theories • Qualitative methods (eg. interviews, participant observation, ethnography)
7	Prof. K (Peter) KOH Email: peterkoh@hku.hk	• Health geography • Cultural geography • Economic geography

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9	Prof. Jinbao LI Email: jinbao@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/jb-li	• Climate Change • Paleoclimate • Drought • Water Studies • Forest Ecology
10	Prof. Jimmy LI Email: lijr@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/jr-li	• Eco-geomorphology and ecosystem dynamics • Dust, fine atmospheric particles, and human health • GIS and spatial analysis • Renewable energy (wind, solar etc.) and environment
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12	Prof. Becky P.Y. LOO Email: bpyloo@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/bpy-loo	• Sustainable transportation • Road safety • Walking and cycling • Surveys • Spatial analysis and behavioural modelling
13	Dr. Han MA Email: mahan@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/h-ma	• Land surface remote sensing • Vegetation dynamic mapping • Satellite big data • Data assimilation and deep learning methods
14	Prof. Liqing PENG Email: lqpeng@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/lq-peng	• Land use carbon accounting and policy • Forest and forest ecology • Agricultural GHG mitigation • Drought monitoring and evapotranspiration modeling
15	Prof. Junxi QIAN Email: jxqian@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/jx-qian	• Social and cultural geography • Urban geography • Cultural economic geography • Ethnographic methods

No.	Advisors	Research Interests
		Mixed quantitative and qualitative methods
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17	Prof. Frank VAN DER WOUDE Email: fydw@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/f-vanderwouden	- Economic development - Collaboration - Innovation - Technological change - Entrepreneurship
18	Prof. Junshi XU Email: junshixu@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/js-xu	- Transportation Decarbonization and Air Quality - Environmental Monitoring and Population Exposure - Machine Learning and Deep Learning Applications in Environmental Science - Sustainability, Equity and Justice in Urban Mobility - Urban Transport and City Dynamics
19	Prof. Zhenci XU Email: xuzhenci@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/zc-xu	- Sustainable Development Goals - Ecosystem service - Environmental footprint - Coupled human and natural system
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21	Prof. Peng ZHU Email: zhupeng@hku.hk Website: https://www.geog.hku.hk/p-zhu	- Agroecosystem modeling - Climate change impacts and adaptation - Environmental remote sensing - Food-water-carbon nexus