**AC Ph.D. Students’ Gathering and Experience Sharing**

On September 10, 2019, our AC Department held the 3rd Experience Sharing Gathering for our Ph.D. students, supervisors, and panel members. The event provided a platform for our Ph.D. students and colleagues to increase their collaboration, communication, knowledge, and experience sharing in a friendly and constructive environment. For senior Ph.D. students looking for jobs and completing their theses, the event offered a break from thesis-writing and a chance to share experiences of job seeking and thoughts on research-related topics. Everyone enjoyed the event immensely, talking freely to each other and sharing their thoughts with peers and faculty members.

In his opening remarks, Professor Jeong-Bon Kim, Head of Department, welcomed four new Ph.D. students from Singapore, Hong Kong and mainland China and three new joint-program Ph.D. students from Xi’an Jiaotong University and Renmin University of China to our AC Ph.D. program. Professor Kim also detailed our recent success in Ph.D. graduate placements at globally prestigious schools such as HEC Paris and the University of Science and Technology of China. Liu Boluo, a Year 4 Ph.D. student, shared the good news that he had received a “Revise and Resubmit” decision on one of his papers from *The Accounting Review*, one of the world’s top three accounting journals. These accomplishments exemplify the world-class quality of our Ph.D. program.

The casual nature of the gathering was appealing and put us everyone in a relaxed mood conducive to discussion. All of the attendees expressed that the sharing event was beneficial to Ph.D. students, and that they were looking forward to the next gathering.

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