

Department of Real Estate and Construction 层地產及建設系

What is a PhD study, exactly?

- In my personal opinion (Your supervisor <u>overrides</u>)
 - A PhD study is a pre-career individual research training
 - No, it is not "force-feeding" training nor apprenticeship
 - Principal Investigator (PI): Yourself*
 - Responsible for a research, particularly the new ideas
 - Co-I: your supervisor(s)
 - Looking after the progress, pricking bubbles, networking, etc.



PI = Creator of many new ideas ≠ Res. Assistant (Photo source: Have ideas. *Public domain*. doi:10.1371/journal.pcbi.1007448.g001)

	HK RGC Early Career Sch	NSFC Youth Program	ERC Starting Grant	PhD (4yr) at HKU
Typical budget	HK\$ 800,000	RMB 400,000	€ 1,000,000	HK\$ 900,000
Typical period	3 years	4 years	4 years	4 years
Type of research	Individual / independent*			
Selection by	A Research Proposal, plus the team's records (e.g., your CV + your supervisors')			
Expected outputs	2~3 x World leading or excellent outputs (Reputed journal papers, books,), a final report (PhD thesis)			

RPg Induction

(*: Unless you are funded by supervisor's project with pre-determined goals.)²