

## 嶄新虛擬學習體驗

### New Dimension of Teaching and Learning

理大師生在新學年不但可以在校園內見面交流，還可以透過Second Life這個虛擬世界溝通接觸。Second Life 是由Linden實驗室開發的網上平台，現時世界各地許多大學都已經在Second Life建構自己的虛擬校園，理大是全港第一間在Second Life建構虛擬校園的大學，超過500位理大師生已經在Second Life進行虛擬講課和導修課、設計虛擬習作及進行虛擬實習等，積極提升他們在教與學方面的經驗。

虛擬校園讓老師和學生創造嶄新的教學環境，豐富了各學科的課程內容，並鼓勵學生在課堂外自主學習，又提供平台讓教職員與世界各地的學者和研究人員交流合作，師生亦可以輕鬆地參加虛擬課堂及研討會，在模擬實際環境下增強學習體驗。

這個創新的意念由酒店及旅遊業管理學院建構虛擬教學酒店開始，現時理大在Second Life的虛擬校園，則由來自應用社會科學系、電子計算學系、酒店及旅遊業管理學院、設計學院、教學發展中心及包玉剛圖書館合作建成。



理大在Second Life建構的虛擬校園  
PolyU's virtual campus in Second Life

In the new academic year, PolyU's faculty members may interact with their students not just on the campus, but also via the virtual world of Second Life. Second Life is an online platform developed by Linden Lab. Many universities around the world have already created their own virtual campus in Second Life. PolyU is the first institution in Hong Kong to have an entire virtual campus in Second Life. Across the PolyU campus, over 500 staff and students are already actively engaged in enhancing their learning and teaching experience on this platform through virtual tutorials and lectures, virtual assignments and placements.

The use of Second Life has enriched the curriculum of various courses of many disciplines and facilitated independent learning. It also provides academic staff with new tools for collaboration with other academics and researchers worldwide. Students and staff can also attend virtual lectures, conferences, and meetings with peers from around the world within the Second Life environment.

The whole pioneering endeavour started with the idea of building a virtual hotel environment for the use of the School of Hotel and Tourism Management (SHTM). The subsequent establishment of the virtual campus is a collaboration of various departments including Applied Social Sciences, Computing, SHTM, School of Design, Educational Development Centre and the Pao Yue-kong Library.



虛擬圖書館內同樣可以獲取各式各樣的資料  
A wide variety of library materials and information  
can also be accessed via the platform

## YouTube理大頻道

### PolyU YouTube Channel

<http://www.youtube.com/HongKongPolyU>

為加強與年青一代社群的聯繫，理大早前特別在視像短片分享網站YouTube開設頻道，利用網上平台向全球互聯網使用者介紹理大的科研成就、校園生活、學系特色與發展等。歡迎登入理大頻道，欣賞精選視像短片！

To strengthen its link with the younger generation, PolyU has recently launched a dedicated channel on YouTube. The videos uploaded include PolyU's research achievements, campus life as well as development of various faculties and their specific features.

