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My Strategy in PhD Application

1. INTRODUCTION

I believe all lecturers do have a dream or desire to pursue their study to PhD level. Some of us may still considering again and again either to do it or not. Some may rethinking either it is worth or not. But again, the 'wanted PhD' feeling is there in their mind and heart.

I like to share my experience in my PhD application. My journey for PhD still far ahead but I like share what I had gone through with a hope, it will help and give some insight to others. It may sounds and seems familiar, but this is what I did. Construct your own life questions and find the answer with four 'W's and one 'H'.



2. 5W1H

There are more than one sequence how you can construct your riddle of life for PhD study. You may start with finding the reason WHY you need PhD at first or look for WHO you like to be supervised with.

Why ?

In our faculty, the answer WHY for PhD study is obvious either we like it or not. Since we are the one who will pursue and go through all the hardship in study, deep thinking and doing some 'homework' to justify the worth of doing PhD are unexceptional. Your reason may be about career development, promotion, self satisfaction or open up to a new opportunity and life experience. Regardless what your reason is, you have to reevaluate either it is worth with the return or not. For my case, I have delayed my own plan for PhD due to several commitments in my professional obligation and family readiness. I have no time to delay more and I have planned for more than a year for my PhD study.