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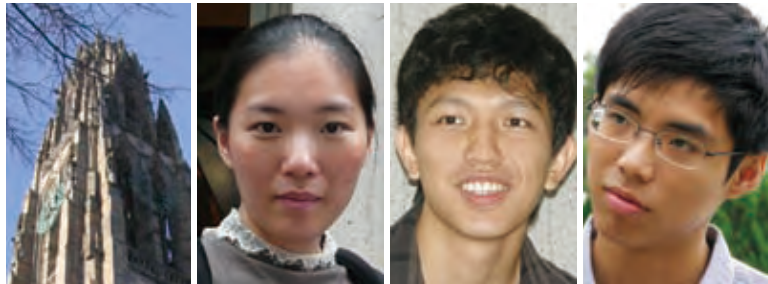
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From Freshman to Renaissance Man



Founded in 1963, The Chinese University of Hong Kong celebrates its 45th anniversary this year. During the past 45 years, the University has provided the Hong Kong community with over 100,000 graduates, many of them social leaders, such as Dick Lee Ming-kwai, former Commissioner of Police; Prof. Tsui Lap-chee, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Hong Kong; Connie Lau Yin-hing, chief executive of the Consumer Council; Timothy Tong Hin-ming, Commissioner of the Independent Commission Against Corruption; Vincent Cheng Hoi-chuen, chairman of The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd.; Stanley Hui Hon-chung, chief executive officer of the Hong Kong Airport Authority.

The public's impression of a university derives partially from the achievements of its graduates. The development of a university freshman to someone of stature requires more than academic training. It also necessitates the provision of a wide spectrum of non-formal education to develop their integrity and intellect and broaden their views of the world. This issue of the *Bulletin* offers readers a glimpse of the University's efforts at ensuring a rich and diverse learning experience for our students.





The Making of All-Round Intellectuals: **General Education**

The western ideal of the Renaissance Man, best exemplified by Leonardo da Vinci, refers to a person who has broad intellectual interests and accomplishments in both art and science. In ancient China, Confucius wanted his students to be versatile. He required them to master six basic arts, namely, rites, music, archery, chariot driving, literature and mathematics. However, modern times have seen an increasing rigidification of disciplinary boundaries, which has resulted in strict compartmentalization in universities.

Since its inception in 1963, the Chinese University has set much store by general education (GE). The aim is to offer a balanced education by introducing students to knowledge beyond their majors and instilling in them an understanding of the values of different academic disciplines.

The University General Education Programme is coordinated by the Office of University General Education. Introduced in 2004, the current curriculum consists of two parts: University General Education and College General Education. Currently, University General Education has over 200 courses for

It is obvious that general education does not play a supplementary role, but epitomizes the essence of university education.

Prof. Cheung Chan-fai
Director of University General Education

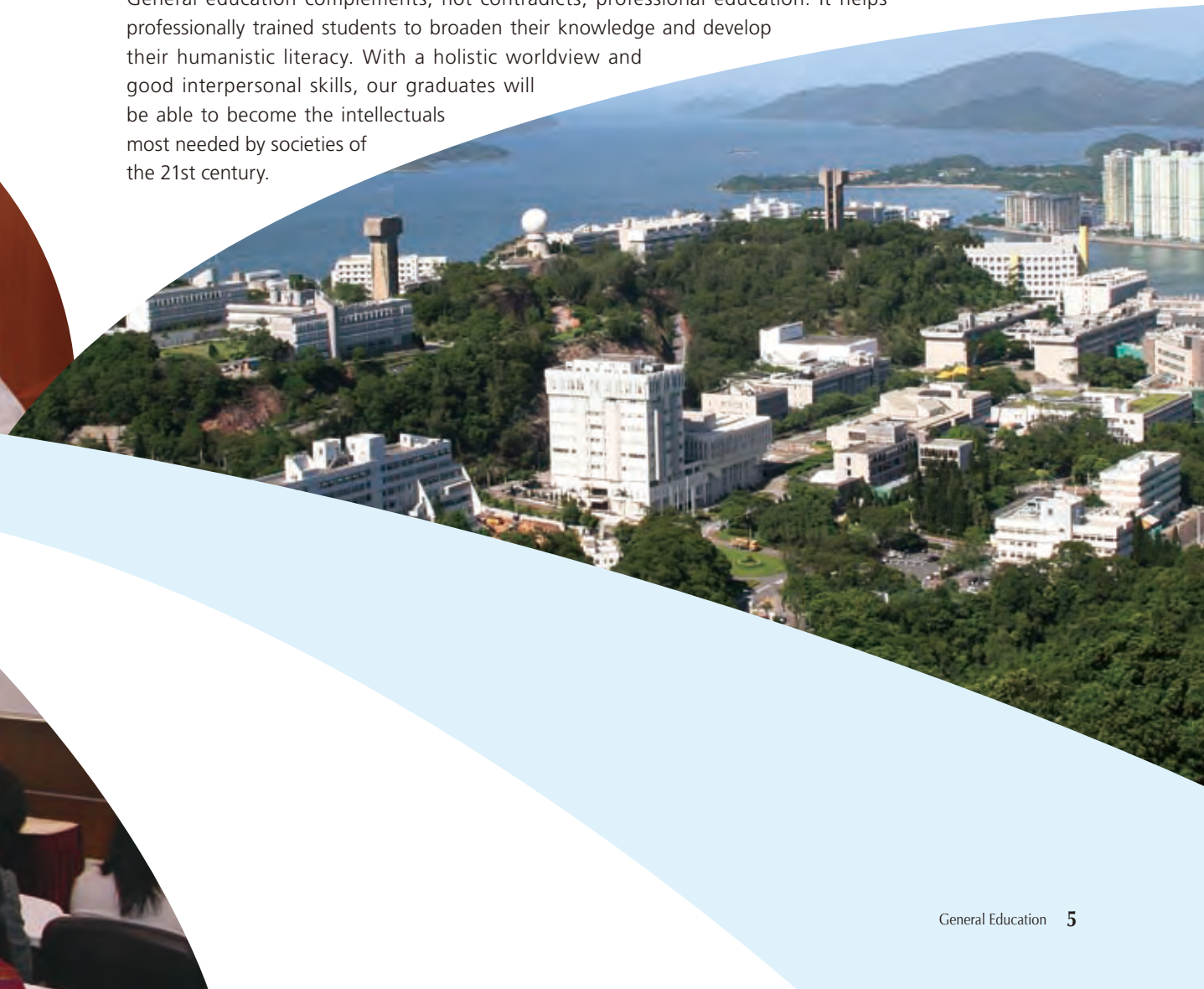


students to choose from. These belong to four categories: Our Own Heritage; Nature, Technology and the Environment; Society and Culture; and Self and Humanities.

Prof. Cheung Chan-fai, Director of University General Education, said, 'The new curriculum has evolved as a result of certain intellectual concerns. It is designed to respond to a core question in university education, that apart from specialized training in one's major subject, what does a university student in Hong Kong today need to emerge at graduation as someone who is educated, cultured and refined?'

In addition to GE courses, the office organizes a variety of activities, such as GE Salons, which invites experts from different fields to give talks on topics of common interest. It is hoped that these multidisciplinary and multicultural explorations can stimulate reflection on contemporary world issues and create a discursive atmosphere on campus.

General education complements, not contradicts, professional education. It helps professionally trained students to broaden their knowledge and develop their humanistic literacy. With a holistic worldview and good interpersonal skills, our graduates will be able to become the intellectuals most needed by societies of the 21st century.



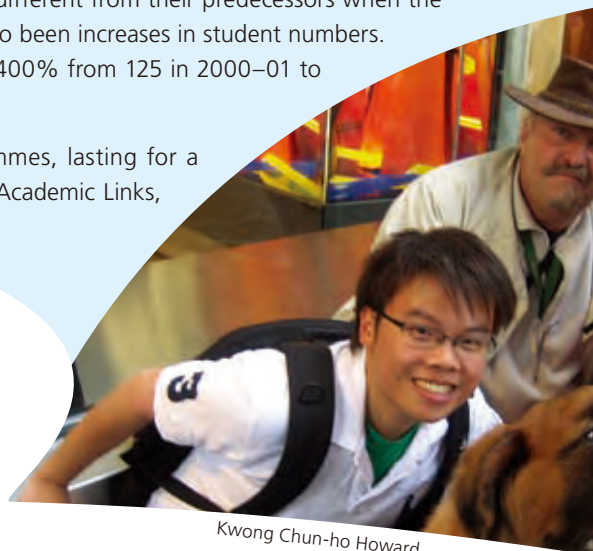
Packed and Ready to Learn: Overseas Student Exchange

Studying abroad is the dream of many students with a curiosity about other cultures or a yearning for different experiences. Here at CUHK, students can have a taste of life on the other side, thanks to student exchange programmes.

In 1965, CUHK signed its first agreement on student exchange with the University of California. Dr. Li Choh-ming, the founding Vice-Chancellor of the University, saw it as the 'beginning of a much wider programme of inter-university cooperation'. It was the first of many similar student exchange programmes to come. In 2006, the importance of student exchange programmes was stressed again in the CUHK Strategic Plan, echoing the idea put forward by the founding Vice-Chancellor some 40 years ago.

This year marks the 45th anniversary of CUHK. After over four decades of development, our student exchange programmes are very different from their predecessors when the University was still a fledgling. There have also been increases in student numbers. Outgoing CUHK students have risen almost 400% from 125 in 2000–01 to 619 in 2007–08.

Today, over 185 student exchange programmes, lasting for a term or a year, are offered by the Office of Academic Links,



Kwong Chun-ho Howard

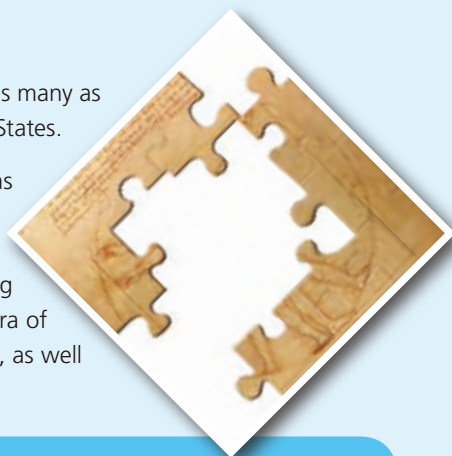
“ [The exchange programme with the University of California] enables our students and faculty members to have first-hand contact with overseas scholars...and thus to become directly involved in the world current of intellectual development. ”

Dr. Li Choh-ming
Founding Vice-
Chancellor of CUHK



the Colleges, Faculties and departments. Students can choose from as many as 26 countries, from Norway to Mexico, and from Japan to the United States.

As an institution that values global-mindedness, the University has always encouraged its students to go on exchange. International exposure not only helps them to master a second language and become independent, but also enables them to befriend young people from other cultures and develop a wider world view. In the era of globalization, these are indeed important qualities of a global citizen, as well as assets that will almost certainly improve one's career prospects.



My Days as an Exchange Student

I went on exchange to the University College Maastricht in the Netherlands in 2007-08. During that year, I interacted with students from different European countries on a day-to-day basis. Interactions both in and out of the classroom opened my eyes to how Europeans think and study. I also enjoyed being an ambassador of Chinese culture, taking every opportunity to introduce Chinese music, cooking and philosophy to the students and tutors of this liberal arts school.

My exchange life was rich and varied. Besides studying I took an active part in extra-curricular activities organized by student committees, such as city tours, Dutch Night, Arabian Night and public lectures. I was also an Open Day representative.

In March, I joined the 'Student Forum Maastricht', a five-day conference combining lectures, workshops on labour, migration, economics, education, justice, and a visit to the European Commission in Brussels. Meeting students from other European cities got me thinking about these issues in the context of a globalized world.

Another great experience was traveling. I enjoy travelling because it lets me relate what I learn in class about European history, art and other knowledge to reality. For example, when I went to Rome and Istanbul, I was so amazed by Roman and Ottoman cultures. The architectural heritage and museums there were fantastic. Touching them or observing them was itself a precious and unforgettable lesson in European history. It refreshed the knowledge I had acquired from books.

As a journalism student, knowing more about the world and meeting people are assets I need in order to gain a professional edge.

Kwong Chun-ho Howard
(School of Journalism and Communication)



Short and Sweet: Exchange Programmes of a Briefer Duration

In 2007–08, over 600 CUHK students went on term-long or year-long exchange, amounting to 22% of the University's annual student intake. Believing that international exposure is an important part of whole-person education, the University endeavours to give more students overseas experience through short-term exchange programmes, such as the New Asia College-Yale University Student Exchange Programme (YUNA).

Established in 1993, the YUNA programme is aimed at enhancing interaction between students from CUHK and Yale. Each year, eight selected students from each side are required to conduct theme-related research and visit each other's colleges to report their findings.

'Globalization and Social Identity' was the topic explored in the 15th YUNA programme in 2008. Eight NA students paid a two-week visit to Yale to report their findings at a symposium. During their trip, they also visited New York City and Washington, D.C. In March, the eight NA participants and the College staff played host to eight Yale students visiting Kong Kong. By means of a talk, symposium, a visit to the ICAC, a chat with Mrs. Anson Chan, the students explored the meaning and impact of globalization.



Chung Chi College Study Trip: Exploration of French Society



YUNA students during a hike in the Hong Kong countryside



They also experienced globalization from the ground up by visiting Chungking Mansions in Tsim Sha Tsui.

The competitive programme attracts a large number of NA applicants each year. On average one is picked out of 10 applicants.

In 2007–08, over 2,000 short-term exchange places were offered to CUHK students. Together with the long-term programmes, they enabled over 90% of the University's annual student intake to go on exchange.

Other short-term exchange programmes include the Summer Study Abroad Programme of Chung Chi College, which supports its students to study in prestigious schools like UC Berkeley; the Summer Programme at Utrecht University of United College, which supports its students to read European Cultures in this renowned university in the Netherlands; the Global Vision Award Programme of Shaw College, which funds its students to learn French and German in the Catholic University of Lyon and the University of Heidelberg.



Emily Wong

Emily Wong (New Asia College, CUHK)

In this two-week exchange, we had a taste of school life at Yale, American culture and much more. It was a very pleasant, inspiring experience.

Honestly, I was very impressed with Yale students. Intelligent as they are, many are in fact very serious about their studies and maintain an active extra-curricular life. On top of all this, they are also concerned about world politics and issues at large.

One of the most memorable parts of this exchange trip was a one-night stay at the house of a local family. I was really lucky to be assigned to a large, warm family with six lovely kids, one of whom had been adopted from China since birth. I could sense the presence of a strong bond and love among the family members. Indeed, this kind of ideal family is rare nowadays.

Colin McCarthy (Yale University)

Prof. Gordon Mathews of CUHK guided the YUNA exchange group through the building that he called 'the centre for low-end globalization'. When I think of cross-cultural exchange in the globalizing world, I am now reminded not only of these immigrant residents of Hong Kong, but also of the YUNA Exchange programme. YUNA, at its heart, is about bringing together 16 students from different backgrounds, each with their own identity, and fostering an environment of cultural interaction.

Through our respective trips to our campuses, we have each learned so much from our peers. From the Super Bowl to dim sum to Chungking Mansions, our experiences and interactions during the programme have allowed us to develop our own understanding of the changing world and tie ourselves closer to people we would never have had the opportunity to meet without YUNA.



重慶
CHUNGKING MANSIONS

For Workplace Entrants Aspiring to Go Global: Global Internship Programme

With a solid education and heads full of ideas, fresh graduates are the new blood of the workforce. However, workplaces and campuses are after all not the same thing. To the dismay of many graduates, what they learned from school may not be applicable to the 'real world'.

Internship and job placement services are increasingly important components of university education. CUHK firmly believes that early exposure to work experience can give students a smooth start in their careers. The Career Planning and Development Centre of the Office of Student Affairs provides advice on career development and offers a diverse range of internship programmes to students. One of these is the Global Internship Programme.

To give its students first-hand understanding of the socio-economic development and



workplace culture of mainland China, CUHK pioneered the China Career Development Award Programme in 1997. Riding on its success, the programme was expanded to overseas cities in 2006 and renamed as the Global Internship Programme, which now consists of a mainland part and an overseas part.

Programme participants are given internship opportunities during the summer break at mainland or overseas organizations according to their preferences and fields of study. Students on the mainland programme are offered internships in Beijing, Shanghai, Xi'an, Shenyang, Tianjin, Guangzhou, Ningbo, and other cities. Business sectors providing internship opportunities include advertising, airlines, banking, environmental protection, finance, hotel management, media, pharmaceutical and health.

The overseas programme offers students exposure to foreign cultures and first-hand experience of the workplace environment of host countries. They are given placements in multinational corporations or prestigious institutes in Melbourne, Brussels, Toronto, Paris, Dublin, London, New York, and other major cities.



“When Flames of the Forest bloom on campus in May and June, a new batch of graduates are about to enter a new stage of their lives. As the world becomes increasingly globalized, more and more CUHK graduates look beyond the boundaries of our city to mainland China and the world for employment opportunities.

The Global Internship Programme is a response to this new trend. It broadens students' work and life experiences by offering them internships in large multinational companies and other organizations and enables them to enjoy different kinds of exposure in China and other countries. Host companies can also take this opportunity to look for potential employees. I would like to see the programme go from strength to strength and benefit a bigger pool of students in the future.”

Prof. Ho Puay-peng
University Dean of Students



Croissants Anyone?

A month-long internship with BNP Paribas gave us a unique opportunity to work in a surprisingly diverse environment. The staff there were recruited from virtually all parts of the world!

Both of us knew little French but it did not keep our colleagues away. We were offered snacks like croissants on Fridays and invited to lunch. And when they saw us stuck in work, they would offer help. We really appreciated it as our colleagues were very busy people who had to work from 9 am to at least 8 pm. They couldn't afford longer breaks than running to a coffee machine nearby, but they still managed to squeeze time for us.

Placed under the Quantitative Research and Development team of Equities & Derivatives, we were charged with the responsibility of liquidity management and bank products research. These tasks were very rewarding and served well as a bridge between our studies and possible careers.

What else could we have asked for? To stay longer!

Lau Chi-nga Karen and Yang Wenjuan Lesley
(Quantitative Finance)



Karen with Mr. Stephane Tyc, her supervisor



Interning in the Capital

At the Office of the Hong Kong SAR Government in Beijing we were mainly involved in the promotional activities for Hong Kong, such as the Hong Kong and Macau Art Festival, which featured a painting exhibition at the China Millennium Monument, and performances by Hong Kong Dance Company and Hong Kong Repertory Theatre at the National Centre for the Performing Arts. We also took part in the Volunteer Oath Ceremony which kicked off the 30-day countdown to the Olympic Games.

In addition, we helped out on Open Day on 1 July and paid visits to Tsinghua University and Peking University with the deputy director of the office. We also drafted a report on creative industries in Beijing. This valuable internship experience enabled us to witness the evolvement of Beijing into a modern world-class capital.

Fung Hong-ki (Chinese Language & Literature)

Wong Hok-hin (Geography & Resource Management)



Fung Hong-ki

Wong Hok-hin



Beacon of Life: Mentorship Programmes

In Greek mythology, Mentor was a friend of Odysseus. When the latter left his home for the Trojan War, he entrusted Mentor with the tasks of looking after, educating, and protecting his son. From this source was derived the modern use of the word 'mentor': a trusted friend, counselor or teacher.

First launched in 1999, the Mentor Programme jointly organized by Chung Chi College and its alumni association invites only its alumni to be mentors. The programme is aimed at enriching social exposure, improving communication skills and enhancing the exposure of Chung Chi students through experience sharing and interactions with College alumni.

In the year-long programme, mentors and mentees meet on a regular basis and engage in a variety of activities. Mentees may visit their mentor's workplace. They may dine, hike or attend art performances together. Many develop a close and long-term relationship after the programme ends.

A great number of Chung Chi alumni participating in the programme hold important positions in society. Among others, Cheung Man-ye, former director of broadcasting;

Ko Tin-lung, artistic director of Chung Ying Theatre Company; media veterans Chang Ching-po and Leung Man-tao; Pang Yuk-wing, deputy chief executive of the Bank of East Asia; Prof. Chan Yuk-shee, President of Lingnan University of Hong Kong, have all been mentors of the programme.

This year sees the 10th anniversary of the Chung Chi Mentor Programme. In the past decade over 1,400 Chung Chi students received guidance from alumni through the programme. It is also instrumental in strengthening ties and cohesion among the College community.

Prof. Leung Yuen-sang
Head, Chung Chi College



To give its students new perspectives, the College often pairs them up with mentors from fields different from their own. In 2007–08 there were 98 mentees and 70 mentors.



A Surprise Mentor

When Chang Chui-ling, a fresh graduate of the Department of English, collected the notification letter of the Mentor Programme, the College staff who handed it to her smiled and said, 'Wow, your mentor is a heavyweight!' As soon as Chui-ling opened the letter, she realized why. Her mentor is the chief executive of the Consumer Council—Ms. Connie Lau Yin-hing (*below, right*), a choice she described as 'unexpected'.

Connie invited Chui-ling to a press conference at the Consumer Council after their first meeting. Chui-ling was excited to be able to sit among reporters and observe how they worked behind the scenes.

The Consumer Council is charged with the responsibility of monitoring a wide variety of business activities. As its chief executive, Connie is naturally an expert on various practices in the commercial sector. Chui-ling has learned much from her in this regard. But more importantly, she is impressed by Connie's perseverance and enthusiasm for work. 'I was once asked in a written test for a job to write about the leader you most admire. Without thinking, I wrote about Connie. In our "profit-driven" society, it's impossible to imbue a small organization like the Consumer Council with such strong credibility and authority without huge determination and a sense of mission.'

Chui-ling remembered that she once asked Connie, 'Aren't you tired of working for the same organization for decades?' Connie replied, 'I learn something new every day and keep finding fun in my job.' Chui-ling is motivated by Connie's enthusiasm for work. 'Fresh out of college, rookies like us usually hold junior positions and are often assigned trivial tasks. Some people detest it. But I've learned from Connie the importance of looking on the bright side of your job.'

Chui-ling found the programme rewarding and hope that it will be expanded so that more students can enjoy the support of a mentor as they journey through life.

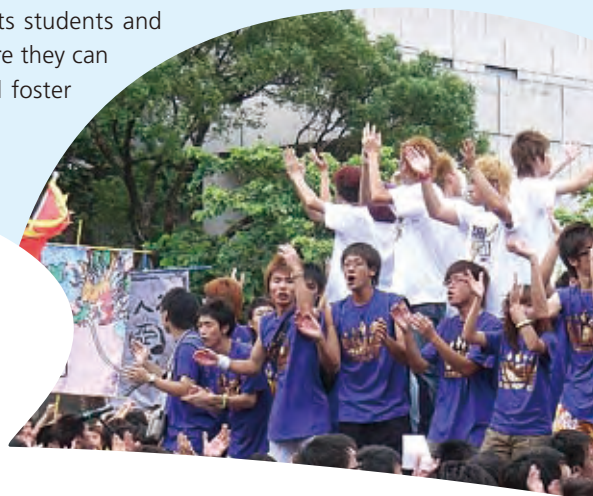


The Unique Collegiate Experience of CUHK

“ If I had to choose between a so-called University, which dispensed with residence and tutorial superintendence, and gave its degrees to any person who passed an examination in a wide range of subjects, and a University which had no professors or examinations at all, but merely brought a number of young men together for three or four years ... I have no hesitation in giving the preference to that University which did nothing, over that which exacted of its members an acquaintance with every science under the sun.”

John Henry Cardinal Newman

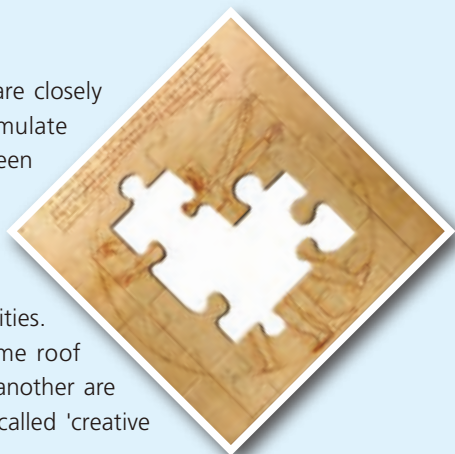
Universities today are expanding in size to meet the changing requirements of higher education. However increases in campus population sometimes occur at the expense of teacher-student interaction and the development of close relationships among peers. Thanks to its college system, a feature unique among local universities, CUHK is able to provide its students and teachers with a congenial environment, where they can maintain intimate and frequent contact and foster their sense of belonging.



College life is a one-of-a-kind experience at CUHK. The Colleges are closely knit communities which provide students with pastoral care, stimulate their intellect, cultivate their values, and facilitate interaction between teachers and students and among students. Non-formal education offered by the Colleges helps students to get their bearings and lay solid foundations for their future studies and lives.

All Colleges in CUHK have their own hostels, dining halls and amenities. Hostel life is an integral part of college life. Living under the same roof with other students, engaging in discussions, and supporting one another are contributing factors to what the German philosopher Karl Jaspers called 'creative cultural life' of a university.

Currently the hostels of the four constituent Colleges can accommodate about 50% of the undergraduate population. To meet the anticipated growing demands of hostel places after the reversion to the four-year curriculum in 2012, five new Colleges have been founded. These will accommodate extra students and add colour to a distinctive tradition.



A 360° Life: Whole Person Development Award Programme

Students who are academically able but socially inept get called all sorts of names. Clearly the worth of a university student no longer depends on academic performance alone. Involvement in extra-curricular activities, physical prowess, integrity, even good taste are all yardsticks for measuring the competence of a university student.

Recognizing this fact, United College introduced the Whole Person Development Award Programme in 2005 to encourage students to take an active part in both academic and non-formal educational activities. In the long run, the College hopes to encourage awareness and the pursuit of a richly balanced life in its graduates, and to groom well-rounded leaders for the community.

These aims echo the College motto 'Make one's virtues shine and renew the people' and connect with its mission to provide 'integrative education, pastoral care, and moral and spiritual enhancement of the young'. In 2008, the programme was renamed as the United College Fung Sun Kwan Whole Person Development Award Programme to acknowledge the generous support of Mr. Fung.

Participants are expected to join or organize activities categorized into five areas, namely, ethical, intellectual, physical, social and aesthetic.

Reception has been very good, as demonstrated by the rise in the number of participants from 123 in 2005–06 to 313 in 2007–08.



The students are expected to submit information of the activities they took part in to the College, which will then do the verification and tallying. Gold, silver and bronze awards and yearly prizes are awarded according to the scores received by the participants. Winners each receive a trophy or certificate, and a book coupon.

Scores are tallied throughout the students' undergraduate years, which means that they can plan their involvement and take part in activities of different natures.

A Colourful Life on and off the Record

Terence Lee Ho-kei joined the Whole Person Development Award Programme as soon as it was launched. The psychology major said, 'Though I've been involved in a spectrum of extra-curricular activities, I don't keep a record of them. The programme not only encourages us to take part in activities, it also helps us to record them. The certificate issued by the College will come in useful when we apply for jobs or further study.'

Although participants of the programme are required to become involved in five areas, it is natural that they are not all equally good in all five. A member of the College and University debate teams, Terence scores high in the 'Intellectual' category. And being an enthusiastic volunteer, Terence also performs well in the 'Ethical' category. He was a volunteer of the WTO Ministerial Conference, took care of children of South Asian descent and paid visits to 'young night drifters'. Sometimes his volunteer work continues into the small hours of the night. But Terence promptly added, 'I've never skipped one single class because of that.'

To Terence, time management is crucial. He said, 'Sometimes I may have to meet my debate team members five nights out of a week and discuss till midnight. Last year I spent nearly a thousand hours on volunteer work, three hours a day on average. That means I have less time to spend on other areas. Time management really is key.'

Nevertheless, Terence still strongly believes in the concept of whole person development. As our society moves ahead, it is not enough for people to possess only specialized expertise. They are also required to have multiple skills and exposure, as well as interpersonal skills and leadership. 'By joining the programme, I am better motivated to explore different activities and discover strengths and potentials in myself I might not have known otherwise.'



Mosaic of College Activities

The Colleges of CUHK provide their students with a wide spectrum of activities, ranging from overseas study tours and workshops, to seminars on languages, IT, leadership, culture and physical fitness, and community services.

The efforts of Shaw College exemplify the commitment shared by other Colleges of CUHK. Shaw College invites important and eminent figures of the community to speak at its assemblies. Speakers have included Mr. Donald Tsang Yam-kuen, Chief Executive of the Hong Kong SAR; Mr. John Tsang, Financial Secretary; Mr. Cheung Chi-leung, a famous film director; and Mr. Lam Chiu-ying, director of the Hong Kong Observatory.

Guest speakers are also invited to the College's high table dinners to share views on academic and life issues. They include Mr. Ching Cheong, a famous journalist; Mr. Tang Siu-pun, author of *I want Euthanasia*; Prof. Sydney Chung, former dean of the Faculty of Medicine; Mr. Chong Chan-yau, director of Student Development of the University of Hong Kong. The high table dinners are characterized by a casual atmosphere, which makes for relaxed interaction between teachers and students.



“ College is where tournaments are won, bonds are made and ideologies are forcefully put and repelled... yet after this, trust and friendship are built.”

Prof. Joseph J.Y. Sung
Head, Shaw College



To hone the leadership and organizational skills of Shaw students, they are put at the helm of a number of large-scale activities on Shaw campus. These include Orientation Camp, 'Shaw Lane' evening bazaar, College Founder's Day celebrations, and the Singing Contest. At these activities organized and run by students, the College takes a back seat, playing only a supportive role.

Hobbies! Hobbies! Hobbies!

Zhang Chao of the Qing dynasty lamented, 'Flowers are not complete without butterflies, hills without springs, rocks without moss, water without watercress, arbours without creepers, and men without hobbies.'

Indeed, how insipid life would be without hobbies!

Shaw College has a multitude of student societies and clubs organizing different activities for students. The College also seeks to provide them with the necessary resources.

The setting up of the first and only band room on campus is a case in point. Formed in 1998, the Shaw College Band Society, better known as 'Shaw Band', used to practise in a room without soundproofing. In order to minimize disturbance to students and staff, they limited their practice sessions to non-office hours. Realizing the needs of these students, in 2007 the College and the University allocated resources to build them a new band room with soundproofed walls. The room is not only used by Shaw Band, but also available for booking by all CUHK students.

Chung Fu-yuen, chairperson of Shaw Band:

The College has turned an activity room on the fifth floor of Wen Lan Tang into a band room, which is bigger and better equipped than the old one. Both current and previous society members and other CUHK users are happy with it. The new band room is air-conditioned and fitted out with better soundproofing foam. It is more comfortable and minimizes the noise impact on Wen Lan Tang.

Shaw Band members have classes to attend in the daytime, and after class, we have society affairs to take care of, such as performing or promotion of our activities. So, as often as not, we have to practise at night, sometimes into the small hours. If we were still using the old room to practise, it would definitely invite complaints. The new band room has made our lives much easier.



Learning to Lead: The Leadership Development Programme

First offered in 2001 by the Leadership Development Section of the Office of University General Education, the Leadership Development Programme (LDP) is aimed at developing and nurturing the leaders of tomorrow.

LDP was the first conscious attempt among Hong Kong's universities to offer a comprehensive and systematic programme aimed at cultivating students to be future political, economic and community leaders.

The strength of the curriculum is the provision of countless opportunities for students to develop in areas including leadership potential, civic education and ethical and

Developing the Skills to Lead

For Eleanor Foo (2nd left), a music graduate and LDP alumna of 2001, the Leadership Potential module, which comprises a series of workshops on the essential leadership skills of communication, negotiation, team building and decision making, was the most useful as it enabled her to work on her biggest weakness—public speaking.

Then there was the Summer Study Tour to London. As part of the two-week stay, her group attended lectures at the University of London on the banking and political system of England, which sparked her interest in the challenges and policy concerns faced by other countries and societies. Her group also spent three days in Brussels where they visited the European Parliament and learned about the European Union. 'Having the opportunity to go to London and Brussels was definitely the most enriching aspect of the programme,' said Eleanor.



“The Leadership Development Programme provides a soft comprehensive platform that is structured and balanced for selective interested students to cultivate their full range of leadership knowledge, skills and attitude to enable them to become a competent global citizen with cross-cultural understanding, appreciation and compassion for mankind.”

Prof. Jack C.Y. Cheng,
Pro-Vice-Chancellor and
Chairman, Committee on
Leadership Development



aesthetic education. Yet, embarking on the programme is definitely no walk in the park. Students have to commit to the programme for two years and add a 20-plus credit load to their already hectic study schedule with their existing undergraduate studies. As Eddie Cheung, an alumnus of the programme, remembers, 'It was like I was studying for a double major.' So what motivated these students to apply for the programme and what did they eventually get out of it?



A Melting Pot of Ideas and Personalities

For Derek Chen, born and raised in Guangxi, one of the most rewarding aspects of the LDP was the opportunity to interact and work closely with students from other disciplines.

'As a science student I have a certain way of looking at things. The great thing about working with students from other disciplines is that they always give you a different perspective,' he said. This has proved particularly valuable in the courses and workshops he took as part of the Civic Education module, in which students develop the ability to analyse a social issue and understand its various intricacies in order to develop a solution. With such an eclectic group of students it was possible to analyse each issue with multiple perspectives and multiple solutions, which regularly presented a clash of ideas and the need to compromise. As Derek said, 'A good leader must be a good listener and also be able to work with people from different backgrounds and training.'



Getting Up Close and Personal with Leaders

Eddie Cheung, a graduate of the Professional Accountancy Programme, said, 'The programme is not only about developing leaders but also developing your all-round abilities, such as analytical ability, interpersonal skills and time management.'

But the most rewarding aspect for him was the many opportunities to actually interact with leaders on an intimate level. In the programme's Leader to Leader Talk Series and other organized guest lectures, Eddie had the opportunity to talk and interact with distinguished leaders from the government, NGOs and industry. Students in the programme are also assigned a mentor from outside CUHK to oversee their intellectual development.



Helping You to Spread Your Wings: Scholarships

A total of 3,411 scholarships and prizes with an aggregate value of HK\$79.6 million were offered by the University and Colleges to students with outstanding academic achievements in 2007–08.

Scholarships and prizes are awarded primarily on the basis of academic merit, while other criteria such as leadership and other personal qualities, financial need and services to the community may also be taken into consideration.

Target recipients and scholarship requirements vary, with scholarships for overseas postgraduate studies being the most competitive. And one of them is the Esther Yewpick Lee Millennium Scholarship.

Esther Yewpick Lee Millennium Scholarship

Established in 2001, the Esther Yewpick Lee Millennium Scholarship sponsors an outstanding graduate of CUHK each year to study at the University of Oxford. The scholarship covers all University and College fees at Oxford, as well as an annual personal allowance to take care of board and lodging and other maintenance costs. Transportation expenses to Oxford and back to Hong Kong are also provided.

Kan Ching-yeung Karita was the recipient of the scholarship in 2007. The philosophy major from New Asia College said, 'University and college life gave me a lot of opportunities to grow as a person. For example, I was involved in the organization of the 56th anniversary celebrations of the College, took part in the New Asia College-Yale University Student Exchange Programme and studied at the University of Pennsylvania in the US on a one-year exchange programme. These activities enhanced my planning and organizational abilities and honed my interpersonal skills.' Besides being academically sound, Karita is also a gifted English choral speaker, flautist, pianist, writer, and a dedicated volunteer. She left for Oxford to pursue a Master's degree in politics in September 2008.



Afterword

Grooming freshmen into Renaissance Men and Women is like creating sculptures out of unhewn marble. A wide variety of enrichment programmes and activities needs to be provided alongside specialized knowledge. Presented in the preceding pages are some of the better-known gems within the trove of educational opportunities offered by CUHK.



Seventh Honorary Fellowship Conferment Ceremony

The Chinese University of Hong Kong held its Seventh Honorary Fellowship Conferment Ceremony on 19 May. Four distinguished persons who have been closely associated with the University were conferred the title of honorary fellowship in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the University and the community. Dr. Edgar Cheng, chairman of the University Council, presided at the ceremony. Guests in attendance included Prof. Arthur K.C. Li, former Vice-Chancellor of CUHK; Dr. David W.K. Sin, Doctor of Social Science, *honoris causa*, CUHK; Dr. Fong Yun-wah, Doctor of Social Science, *honoris causa*, CUHK.

On the same day, a banquet in honour of the honorary fellows was held with some 80 guests in attendance. Speaking of the honorary fellows at the banquet, Dr. Edgar Cheng said, 'In their own fields or spheres of influence, each of them is a renowned figure who commands great respect and has made seminal contributions.' He continued, 'They have been champions, pioneers and overseers of the development of the University.'





Incarnation of the Confucian Spirit: Dr. Hui Yiu-kwan Dennis

Dr. Hui Yiu-kwan Dennis is a distinguished entrepreneur in Hong Kong. Currently the permanent director of Yeung Shing Land Investment Co., Ltd. and the managing director of Hui Yeung Shing Memorial Foundation, he is also the director of Confucius Hall Middle School. Dr. Hui studied medicine and practised in Canada for a few years before returning to Hong Kong and managing his family business. For Dr. Hui nothing is more meaningful and worthy than supporting the development and happiness of others. For years, Dr. Hui and his family have been distinguished benefactors of CUHK and New Asia College. They have funded the establishment of many facilities on campus and have supported various scholarship schemes and exchange programmes. Dr. Hui became a trustee of New Asia College in 2003.



For the citations of the four honorary fellows, please go to:
www.cuhk.edu.hk/cpr/pressrelease/080519citation_e.pdf



Modern-day Hua Tuo: Prof. Leung Ping-chung

Prof. Leung Ping-chung is an eminent expert in microsurgery and hand surgery. He has integrated Western and Chinese medical knowledge to introduce new medical practices. His research areas include surgery, orthopaedics, microsurgery, education, public health, Chinese medicine and Chinese pharmacology. He has also contributed significantly to CUHK and New Asia College by serving as the head of the College. He has been the director of the Institute of Chinese Medicine, CUHK since 2000. Since 1994, Prof. Leung has successfully organized orthopaedic surgeons and paramedical professionals in Hong Kong to provide treatment and care services to people with disabilities in remote, mountainous regions of China, in a project known as 'Operation Concern'. He possesses the skills and the charitable benevolence for which the ancient sage Hua Tuo has been revered.





Visionary Founding Curator of Art Museum: Prof. James C.Y. Watt

Prof. James C.Y. Watt is the Brooke Russell Astor Chairman of the Department of Asian Art, the Metropolitan Museum of Art in New York. He was educated at Oxford University and joined CUHK in 1971 as the founding curator of the Art Gallery (subsequently renamed Art Museum) of the Institute of Chinese Studies. During his time, he articulated the founding vision of the museum, defining its primary mission as rendering support to teaching and research projects at the University. Although he has been working in New York for the past twenty years or so, Prof. Watt has maintained close connections with CUHK. He has served as Honorary Adviser to the museum, making remarkable contributions to its development.



For Prof. Watt's speech, please go to:

www.cuhk.edu.hk/cpr/pressrelease/080519speech_e.pdf



Geographer Conversant with Both Theory and Practice: Prof. Yeung Yue-man

Prof. Yeung Yue-man is a renowned urban geographer and Emeritus Professor of Geography at CUHK. He joined the University in 1984 as Professor of Geography and chairman of the Geography Department. He has also made distinguished contributions to the development of CUHK by serving in various important positions, including registrar,



head of Shaw College, director of the Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies and director of the Shanghai–Hong Kong Development Institute. Prof. Yeung has travelled to over 80 countries for reconnaissance survey and research. Throughout the years, Prof. Yeung has actively participated in urban planning and development, devoting himself

to the service of mankind, putting his profound professional knowledge at the disposal of causes that would bring benefits and progress to the people of Hong Kong, mainland China, Asia and the world in the fields of housing policy, urban planning, and economic development.

Earthquake Relief Efforts: CUHK in Action



On 12 May 2008 a devastating earthquake measuring eight on the Richter scale hit Sichuan, rocking the province and reducing buildings to rubble. The whole nation was shocked and saddened by the widespread damage and tremendous loss of lives.

Right after the quake, Prof. Lawrence J. Lau, Vice Chancellor of the University, appealed to all CUHK members to donate for earthquake relief in an open letter. A bank account was set up for the purpose and HK\$1.28 million was received within two weeks.

A website (www.cuhk.edu.hk/iso/chinaearthquake/en/index.html) was set up to give the University community updates on the relief efforts of CUHK members. In addition to monetary assistance, members of the University devoted themselves to helping the victims.

On 15 May, Prof. Leung Kwok-sui, Professor of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, flew to Chengdu with the initial assessment team of the Hospital Authority. They assessed the needs of West China Hospital for further emergency deployment, and Prof. Leung operated on the victims.

Prof. Chan Ying-yang Emily (*top*, masked), assistant professor at the School of Public Health, left for Sichuan hard on the heels of Prof. Leung. She flew there with Médecins Sans Frontières on 16 May to take part in frontline emergency medical relief. Upon return in June, together with Prof. Lau Tak-fai Joseph of the school, she went with a CUHK team to conduct field-based research on the medical and mental health issues faced by the earthquake affected population. The study results will be disseminated to stakeholders and collaborating partners in China. The goal is help design appropriate interventions for long-term relief and rehabilitation programmes as well as to support emergency preparedness for reducing morbidity and mortality occasioned by natural disasters in China.

Prof. Leung Ping-chung (*bottom*, 1st left), director of the Institute of Chinese Medicine, left for Sichuan on 22 May, leading a medical team called 'Operation Concern', which he had founded with the aim of providing treatment and care to people with disabilities in remote mountainous regions of China. As requested by hospitals in Sichuan, they brought along



drugs and provided manpower and technical assistance to the hospitals.

The Department of Psychiatry was invited by the Guangdong Provincial Institute of Mental Health to train mental health personnel in the province and to help look after quake survivors transferred from Sichuan to Guangdong. Prof. Chiu Fung-kum Helen (*top*), chairman of the department, and her team were invited to deliver a disaster mental health training workshop for mental health care providers in Sichuan.



Prof. Chan Kai-ming Cavor (*middle*, 1st right), Professor of Orthopaedics and Traumatology and chairman of the Chinese Speaking Orthopaedic Society, initiated the 'Stand TALL' project, which is aimed at helping Sichuan earthquake amputees achieve total rehabilitation and social integration.

A team of medical and allied health professionals led by Prof. Chan visited Guangzhou and Chengdu, providing amputees with technologically advanced prostheses. So far, over 100 victims have benefited from the project. Recently the project worked with the HKSAR government and the Hospital Authority to seek financial support for rehabilitation programmes in major centres in Sichuan.



The Department of Educational Psychology provided counseling and training to victims, volunteers and relief workers. It also put up a website offering relevant information on psychological reconstruction. Prof. Lau Siu-ying Patrick (*bottom*, standing), who was in Chengdu, said, 'What touched me most during my trip to Chengdu were the goodness, beauty and strength of humanity.'



In times of catastrophe, timely and accurate information is about as crucial as frontline relief work. The University's Institute of Space and Earth Information Science proved its worth by taking aerial pictures of the quake zones with remote satellites in collaboration with other parties. With the pictures, the institute could assess the devastation, and facilitate relief and reconstruction work.

In this tremor the University community was united in sympathy and action. Many CUHK members offered their assistance by donating money or applying their technical know-how to help the victims.

Prof. Joseph W.Y. Lau Appointed Master-Designate of Lee Woo Sing College

The Council of The Chinese University of Hong Kong has approved the appointment of Prof. Joseph W.Y. Lau as Master-Designate of Lee Woo Sing College.

A world-renowned expert on hepato-pancreato-biliary surgery, Prof. Lau is currently Professor of Surgery of the University and Academician of the Chinese Academy of Sciences. Prof. Lau has made enormous contributions to radical excision in cancers of the liver and the hilar bile, as well as to liver transplantation. Prof. Lau's medical achievements have made him fellow / honorary fellow of over 10 specialty colleges in China and overseas. And he has been invited to serve as honorary / visiting professor at over 20 renowned universities / hospitals the world over.

Prof. Lau is elated at being appointed Master-Designate of Lee Woo Sing College. 'I hope my experience can inspire students to have broader vision, higher goals, greater courage, and strength and resilience in realizing their goals.'

Prof. Lau believes in general education. The College will play host to a diverse range of activities. Its students will be encouraged to go on overseas exchange to enhance communication, interpersonal and leadership skills, and hence be equipped to contribute to Hong Kong and the country.





State Key Laboratory of Agrobiotechnology Set Up at CUHK to Tackle Food Shortage



The price hikes of rice earlier this year caused public concern and sparked panic buying in Hong Kong. Prices of other food have also risen to new heights globally, prompting United Nations Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon to warn of the looming food crisis in June at the High-Level Conference on World Food Security in Rome, 'Food production needs to rise by 50 per cent by the year 2030 to meet the rising demand.' One solution to food shortage is biotechnology.

CUHK obtained the approval of the Ministry of Science and Technology of China to set up the State Key Laboratory of Agrobiotechnology (CUHK). Researchers of the State Key Laboratory (SKL) will address important agricultural issues such as yield improvement, quality enhancement and stress tolerance by combining the strength of modern biotechnology and the traditional wisdom of breeders and farmers. Findings will be applied to other crops. The SKL will also train high-calibre technologists.

The laboratory will tap into Hong Kong's advantages in global networking, international human resources and modern management, and the mainland's strengths in economy, research capacity and natural resources. The SKL will operate independently while partnering with its counterpart at the China Agricultural University, the most prestigious agricultural university in China.

Housed in the complex comprising the Science Centre and the Centralized Science Laboratories Building, the laboratory is directed by Prof. Samuel Sun Sai-ming, a pioneer in agricultural biotechnology at CUHK. Taking pride in the establishment of the SKL, Prof. Sun said, 'This is an eloquent testimony to the fact that our efforts and achievements in agrobiotechnology are acknowledged and recognized by the country.'



Gao Xingjian

on Infinite Freedom of Expression within Limitations

“ Every form of art is confined to a finite set of limitations, that is, the key features that characterize its nature. In determining his/her own approach to creation, an artist must first acknowledge these limitations before exploring the infinite freedom of expression within them. ”





Dr. Gao Xingjian, the first Chinese Nobel Laureate in Literature, presented a Distinguished Public Lecture at Shaw College Lecture Theatre on 23 May. The event marked the opening of the Gao Xingjian Arts Festival, which was co-presented by CUHK and the Consulate General of France in Hong Kong and Macao as one of the events of 'Le French May'.



In a lecture titled 'The Finite and the Infinite: the Aesthetics of Creation', Dr. Gao shared his approach to artistic creation with a 500-strong audience.

Dr. Gao believes that one can raise fresh perspectives on art without premising one's ideas on the subversion of one's predecessors. In painting, for instance, one can find a fresh pictorial language and create fresh images without opposing two-dimensionality or getting rid of the frame and canvas—abstract painting is a case in point. He himself has found a new form of expression outside figurative and abstract painting that is neither a faithful representation of reality nor an expression of the artist's sentiments. It is something he terms 'suggestion' or 'revelation'. It carries an image that is completed by the spectator's own experience and imagination.

Dr. Gao also pointed out that creativity finds its source in the lifetime accumulation of knowledge, instead of a single book or one writer. He said, 'If you ask me to make a list of writers from whom I have benefited, I would say, it is the entire collection of a library, or all the books that constitute the history of literature.'

In addition, Dr. Gao's play *Of Mountains and Seas*, had its world premiere at the New Asia Amphitheatre from 26 May to 1 June. The drama was directed by Hardy S. C. Tsoi, Arts Administrator of the University. Finished in 1993, the play is, as Dr. Gao described, 'an attempt to find a modern form of drama by returning to the ancient Chinese theatrical tradition.'

The Best and the Brightest



Women's Team Clinches Intersarsity Cross-country Championship Again

The CUHK team captured the women's team championship, women's individual championship and overall second runner-up at the 21st University Sports Federation of Hong Kong Cross-country Race held on 4 November. The women's team was winning the contest for the second time, while Mak So-ning Tania (3rd left), a Year 3 student in psychology, was bagging the individual championship for the third year in a row.



The competition, featuring 170 athletes from 11 institutions, was held at CUHK. The 4.6 km route began at Sir Philip Haddon-Cave Sports Field, wound around Shaw College before making its way back to the Sports Field through the University Mall. Tania completed the route in 19'25", leading the runner-up by one minute.

Women's Table Tennis Team Lands Fifth Successive Victory

The CUHK women's table tennis team won their fifth successive championship title with a 3:1 victory over Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

The final of the 2007–08 University Sports Federation of Hong Kong Women's Table Tennis Competition was held on 1 March at the Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (Tsing Yi). With a determination to win, the CUHK women's team triumphed, enabling CUHK to make history again.





Handball Double Championship Recaptured

The CUHK men's and women's handball teams beat Hong Kong Polytechnic University and the Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education respectively on 23 March in the Handball Competition Finals of the University Sports Federation of Hong Kong to recapture the championship after two years.

The opponents of both teams were extremely strong as many were members of the official Hong Kong team.

Lau Wan-tat, a Year 3 student in statistics and captain of the CUHK men's team, attributed their success to the effort of the team members, their coach and the alumni.



Rowing Team Wins Seventh Consecutive Championship

The CUHK rowing team was the women's champion and the overall champion for the seventh successive year in the Jackie Chan Challenge Cup Hong Kong Universities Rowing Championships 2008. This year, CUHK also recaptured the men's overall championship title.

Over 190 rowers from eight local tertiary institutions took part in the event held on 12 and 13 July 2008.

Law Student Selected Top Oralist in Vis (East) Moot

Over 350 students from 52 law schools participated in the fifth Annual Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot in March in Hong Kong. Wong Yin-chuen Spencer, Juris Doctor student at CUHK, was selected top oralist in the Greater China region and was granted an internship to work at Lovells' Hong Kong this summer.

Vis (East) Moot is the biggest international arbitration competition on international trade law.

This year's moot court problem involved an order for top quality red wine. The claimant found unexpected ingredients in the wine and this gave rise to a dispute under the Convention on the International Sale of Goods. Appearing at least four times before internationally renowned arbitrators, the students argued on behalf of their 'clients' in a gruelling test of legal skills and knowledge.

The eight-member CUHK team comprised students from the Juris Doctor Programme and the Master of Laws Programme in International Economic Law.



CUHK Shines in Putonghua Debates

Zhang Dongshan (left) (Year 2, history) and Liu Ran (centre) (Year 2, sociology) of the CUHK Mandarin debate team were named best debaters in two intervarsity debates.

In November 2007, the CUHK team defeated the University of Hong Kong in the Intersvarsity Putonghua Debate Competition 2007 to capture its championship again and represented Hong Kong in the 13th Hitachi Cup. The cup, which featured eight participating universities, was held in December in Shanghai. Zhang Dongshan was selected the best debater.

The 2007 International Varsity Debate was held in late November in Beijing. Six institutions from Hong Kong, Singapore, Macao, Malaysia, mainland China and Taiwan took part. Liu Ran was named best debater.

CUHK Clinches Top Awards in Challenge Cup

CUHK swept top awards in the Hong Kong and Macao Cup of the 10th Challenge Cup National Competition of the Chinese College Students' Extracurricular Academic and Scientific Achievements with two projects.

The competition was held in November 2007. It attracted the participation of over 1,000 mainland institutions, including all national key institutions, and over 20 institutions from Hong Kong, Macao, Taiwan and Singapore. About 900 entries made it to the final.

The project 'A School to Learn' is designed by Kiang Ngai-sze Karen (*below, left*) and Yim Yin-kit Louis (*below, centre*), graduates of the Master of Architecture Programme. The objective was to build new premises for Hongdeng Primary School in Hongdeng village, one of the poorest villages in the Guangxi Zhuang Autonomous Region.

The 'Millimetre-Scale Turning Centre' project was designed by Chan Ngai-shing Sunny (*below, right*), a master's student in automation and computer-aided engineering. The centre is capable of machining miniature components with complicated features.



MArch Students Win Recognition for Eco Designs

Two projects by master's students of the Department of Architecture won respectively the first prize and an honourable mention in the graduate category of the Hong Kong Institute of Architects Sustainable Design Student Project Award 2007 last December.

The project winning the first prize, 'A Pilot Study of Urban Ventilation and Wall Effects of Buildings – An Experience of Hong Kong', was led by Kiang Ngai-sze Karen, Millie Lam and Echo Yuen. It was a scientific study on the perceived visual wall length and effective wind wall length of high-rises.

The project receiving an honourable mention was 'Hainan Forest Reserve Visitor Centre Adaptive Reuse Proposal of the Abandoned Army Camp' (*bottom right*). Conducted by Millie Lam and Echo Yuen for Kadoorie Farm and Botanic Garden, it aims at turning an abandoned army camp in the Hainan Yinggeling Reserve in China into a visitor centre.





12 Math Whizzes Receive Full Scholarships from Top Universities



Twelve undergraduate and MPhil mathematics students of CUHK received full fellowships / studentships from top North American universities to further their studies in September. Five of them had entered CUHK via the Early Admissions Scheme on the merit of their outstanding HKCEE results.

Top universities generally provide each student with a five-year scholarship of US\$40,000–\$50,000 per year. The fellowships / studentships received by the 12 CUHK students amounted to more than HK\$20 million.

Chairman of the Department of Mathematics, Prof. Lau Ka-sing (front row, 3rd left) is heartened by the students' performance. 'We are very happy to have 12 students receiving full scholarships from famous institutions. The mathematics departments of these universities usually accept only a handful of overseas graduates per year and our students are on the list. This is recognition of their academic ability.'

In the past, over 20% of CUHK mathematics graduates chose to further their studies—a very encouraging percentage compared to any top university in the world. During the past three years, over 20 CUHK graduates have received full scholarships from famous universities in North America and Europe such as Princeton University, the University of Waterloo and the Tinbergen Institute in the Netherlands to further their studies.

News in Brief

Appointments

New Council Member

Prof. Andrew C.F. Chan has been elected by the Assembly of Fellows of Shaw College as a member of the Council for a period of three years from 1 August 2008, succeeding Prof. Hau Kit-tai.



New/Reappointed Pro-Vice-Chancellors

- Prof. Michael K.M. Hui (*right*) has been appointed as Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University for a period of two years from 1 January 2009.
- Prof. Ching Pak-chung has been reappointed as Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University for a period of two years from 1 August 2008.
- Prof. Jack C.Y. Cheng has been reappointed as Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University for a period of two years from 1 October 2008.



New Associate Pro-Vice-Chancellor

Prof. Xu Yangsheng, Assistant to the Vice-Chancellor (Mainland Affairs), has been appointed as Associate Pro-Vice-Chancellor on a concurrent basis for a period of three years from 1 August 2008.



New Registrar

Mr. Eric S.P. Ng, Director of Registry Services, has been appointed as Registrar of the University on a concurrent basis for the period from 1 August 2008 to 25 March 2010.



New/Reappointed Faculty Deans



- Prof. Wong Tak-jun (*left*) has been appointed as the dean of the Faculty of Business Administration from 1 August 2008.
- Prof. Mike McConville (*right*) has been appointed as the first dean of the Faculty of Law for a period of three years from 1 August 2008.
- Prof. Paul S.N. Lee has been reappointed as the dean of the Faculty of Social Science from 1 August 2008.

Reappointment of University Dean of Students

Prof. Ho Puay-peng has been reappointed as University Dean of Students with effect from 1 February 2008.*

Reappointment of College Head

Prof. Leung Yuen-sang has been reappointed as head of Chung Chi College for three years from 1 August 2008.

Emeritus Professors



- Prof. Samuel S.M. Sun (*left*) has been awarded the title of Emeritus Professor of Biology with effect from 1 August 2008.
- Prof. Clive Stewart Cockram (*right*) has been awarded the title of Emeritus Professor of Medicine with effect from 1 August 2008.

* Prof. Dennis K.P. Ng will succeed Prof. Ho Puay-peng as University Dean of Students from 1 February 2009.

Professorial Appointments



(Above, from left)

- Prof. Chen Pingyuan has been appointed Professor of Chinese Language and Literature with effect from 2 January 2008.
- Prof. Zhao Zhenkai (Bei Dao) has been appointed Professor of Humanities with effect from 2 May 2008.
- Prof. Lau Yun-wong James has been appointed Professor of Surgery with effect from 19 May 2008.
- Prof. Zhao Guoping has been appointed Professor of Microbiology with effect from 27 June 2008.



(Above, from left)

- Prof. Leung Ki-che Angela has been appointed Professor of History with effect from 1 August 2008.
- Prof. Lutz-Christian Wolff has been appointed Professor of Law with effect from 1 August 2008.
- Prof. Yu Cheuk-man has been appointed Professor of Medicine and Therapeutics with effect from 1 August 2008.

Prof. Xu Yangsheng Elected Member of Chinese Academy of Engineering

Prof. Xu Yangsheng, Professor of Automation and Computer-aided Engineering, has been elected member of the Chinese Academy of Engineering in recognition of his ground-breaking achievements in the fields of engineering science and technology.

Prof. Xu is a world-renowned expert on robotics. He has made significant contributions to the advancement of intelligent control systems in China's space technology.

He has also made down-to-earth inventions that have wide application and vast potential. These include 'intelligent eyeglasses' offering instantaneous translation to tourists, and a 'smart wheelchair' that improves the quality of life of the physically challenged.



Geography Professor Receives State Natural Science Award

Prof. Leung Yee, Professor of Geography, has won the second-class award of the 2007 State Natural Science Award with his novel research on the analysis of complex data. The theoretical results and algorithms of his research can effectively help to discover seismic belts and active seismic episodes from spatial and temporal earthquake data.

The research capitalizes on the power of human intelligence and machine efficiency to model highly complex data through the integrated employment of methods in geography, mathematics, statistics, and information science on the basis of cognitive and biological laws. It puts forward a theoretical construct for applications in identifying land covers and natural resources hidden in remote sensing, as well as radar data.

Two Scholars Named Croucher Senior Research Fellows

Prof. Michael R.T. Lyu (1st right) of the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, and Prof. Tony K.M. Shing (1st left) of the Department of Chemistry, were awarded Senior Research Fellowships by The Croucher Foundation.

Prof. Lyu is a world-renowned researcher in software reliability engineering. He and his team's latest work enables the application of 3D computing technology on various digital entertainment such as Wii games.

An internationally renowned expert in organic synthesis, Prof. Shing's research interest is the development of novel methods for the syntheses of organic molecules with chemotherapeutic potential, namely, anti-cancer, anti-viral, or anti-diabetic activities, using sugars as starting materials.



Prof. Lin Hui Participates in National Lunar Exploration Programme



Prof. Lin Hui (right), director, Institute of Space and Earth Information Science (ISEIS), was appointed by the China National Space Administration as an expert of the Scientific Application Committee of China Lunar Exploration Programme. Prof. Lin was pleased to be appointed and said it was an honour for himself and a gesture of support for the ISEIS.

As a member of the Lunar Topography and Structure Expert Group of the Committee, Prof. Lin will be able to work with other experts to take priority in analysing data from the lunar orbiting exploration programme. His newly received honour will help to accelerate the institute's planetary programme which may begin ahead of time.

Medical Practitioners Recognized for Enhancing Human Wellness



Prof. Chan Ying-yang Emily (*left*), assistant professor at the School of Public Health and the Department of Community and Family Medicine, and Prof. Dennis Lam Shun-chiu (*right, right*), Professor of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, have been selected for the Hong Kong Humanity Award 2007.

Co-organized by the Hong Kong Red Cross and Radio Television Hong Kong, the award is the first of its kind in Hong Kong and is aimed at recognizing individuals who have made outstanding contributions to humanitarian causes, such as protecting human life and caring for the health of the vulnerable.



Prof. Chan, a pioneer in Asia in providing medical humanitarian assistance, was the organizer of the first international medical assistance team to provide public health education to minority groups in Hong Kong. Prof. Lam is a strong advocate for blindness prevention and has been fully committed to helping patients see again.

Gastrointestinal Research Group Wins State Progress Award



The gastrointestinal research group of the Faculty of Medicine has won the second-class award of the 2007 State Scientific and Technological Progress Award.

The project entitled 'Innovative Non-surgical Treatments of Peptic Ulcer Bleeding' was conducted by Prof. Joseph Sung, Prof. James Lau, Prof. Francis Chan, Prof. Enders Ng, Prof. Philip Chiu and Prof. Lee Yuk-tong of the Faculty of Medicine, and former Dean of Medicine of CUHK, Prof. Sydney Chung.

The research has led to major advancements and new medical standards in the treatment of peptic ulcer. With the development of novel non-surgical treatment of ulcer bleeding and pioneering use of anti-bacterial treatment in curing peptic ulcers without acid suppression, the peptic ulcer bleeding mortality rate has dropped from 10% to 4.4% over the past two decades and the need for surgery, blood transfusion and hospital stay, as well as ulcer occurrence and relapse, have gone down.

CUHK Project on Air Ventilation Assessment Bags Fifth Award

A CUHK research project entitled 'Feasibility Study for Establishment of Air Ventilation Assessment Method in Hong Kong' led by Prof. Edward Ng (2nd right), professor in the Department of Architecture, was honoured at the Royal Institute of British Architects Research Awards 2007. It emerged as the first runner-up in the Outstanding University-led Project category, among projects by over 100 architecture departments in universities around the world. This was also the project's fifth award.



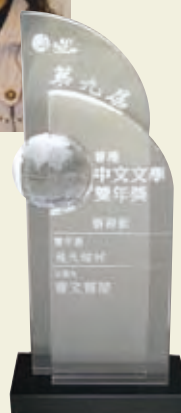
The study had received four other awards earlier: the Hong Kong Institute of Architects Research Award 2005, the inaugural Professional Green Building Council Grand Award 2006 – Research and Planning Studies category, the Best Paper Award of the 23rd International Conference on Passive and Low Energy Architecture, and the Certificate of Merit of the Hong Kong Institute of Planners 2006 – Research and Planning Studies category.

Lok Fung Wins Poetry Award

Prof. Natalia Chan (Lok Fung), assistant professor in the Department of Cultural and Religious Studies, author of *Flying Coffin*, won the Biennial Awards for Chinese Literature (Poetry). Penned between 1992 and 2005, the award-winning collection of poems talk about the opacity of life, perceptions of death, love, and the rhythms of the city.



The biennial competition is co-organized by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department and the Hong Kong Arts Development Council for local literary writers. The five categories, namely, poetry, prose, fiction, literary criticism and children's literature, attracted a record-breaking 200 entries in 2007.



Two QEF Projects Receive Outstanding Awards

The Quality Education Fund selected 20 outstanding projects and awarded certificates of merit to another 101 out of 7,000 applications over the past 10 years. Among them, two outstanding awards and seven certificates of merit went to CUHK faculty.



The two outstanding projects were 'Accelerated Schools for Quality Education' led by Prof. John C.K. Lee (*left, centre*), Faculty of Education, and 'V-China—Enhancing the Effectiveness of Teaching and Learning Using Video Conferencing Activities' headed by Prof. Wong Po-choi (*below, centre*) of the Department of Information Engineering.



The Accelerated Schools project received over HK\$60 million in 1998, and was aimed at enhancing school education by means of a university–school partnership model in three dimensions: school administration, curriculum and teaching, parents and community. It is estimated that the three-year project served 50 schools and benefited over 60,000 teachers, students and parents.

With HK\$2.5 million, the V-China project organized remote learning activities in schools in mainland China and Hong Kong through advanced video-conferencing technology, with a coverage of over 300 local, mainland and overseas schools. The project enables students to gain knowledge of China through remote cultural exchange with mainland schools and also improve their Putonghua.

Clinical Pharmacy Services Reduce Risk of Coronary Heart Disease

To evaluate whether clinical pharmacy services can benefit the treatment outcomes of hyperlipidaemia and reduce the risk of coronary heart disease (CHD), a 24-month study was conducted by the School of Pharmacy.



During the period, a total of 300 patients with high lipid profiles and difficulty in controlling lipid levels were recruited and divided into intervention and control groups. In the former group, apart from routine physician care, patients attended educational clinic visits conducted by a clinical pharmacist.

At the end of the study period, the intervention group achieved much more mean reduction in low-density lipoprotein cholesterol, total cholesterol and triglyceride levels respectively, compared to the control group. Prof. Lee Wing-yan Vivian, assistant professor, School of Pharmacy, pointed out that following pharmacist intervention, patients achieved a 30–45% reduction in the risk of CHD, compared to 10–15% in the control group.

New Technique for Evaluating Patients for Epilepsy Surgery

It is estimated that at least 30,000 people in Hong Kong suffer from epilepsy. In 30% of the sufferers, anti-epileptic drugs cannot control epilepsy. Some of these sufferers may benefit from epilepsy surgery which removes the brain tissues responsible for causing the seizures.



Doctors from the Faculty of Medicine now apply a new method called intracranial EEG monitoring to locate the origin of the seizure before performing surgery.

The sophisticated method involves an operation to place electrodes on the brain surface or in the brain substance. In addition, doctors can use these intracranial electrodes to 'map' brain areas with important functions, such as body movement and language, so that these areas will not be removed in the operation.

HK\$76 Million Research Grants for 70 Projects

Grants totalling some HK\$76 million from various local and overseas sponsors for projects undertaken by CUHK researchers were recorded during the period December 2007 to June 2008.

Sponsors	Amount Involved (HK\$)	Number of Projects Supported
2007 Guangdong–Hong Kong Technology Cooperation Funding Scheme	1,602,000	1
2008 Individual Grant—Society of Actuaries' Committee on Knowledge Extension Research	93,688	1
Action for Vision Eye Foundation — AFV Ophthalmic Research Grant	100,000	1
AIDS Trust Fund	1,525,337	6
AO Research Fund	93,988	1
Automotive Parts and Accessory Systems R&D Centre Limited	1,630,010	1
Beat Drugs Fund	2,995,590	1
China Academy of Sciences and the Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China	340,508	1
Collaboration with the Hong Kong R&D Centre for Logistics and Supply Chain Management Enabling Technologies Limited	1,999,965	1
Community Participation Scheme 2008–09	13,636	1
Consulate General of France in Hong Kong and Research Grants Council	31,100	1
Environment and Conservation Fund	788,600	1
European Commission —The Seventh Framework Programme on Research, Technological Development and Demonstration	762,664	1
Germany Academic Exchange Service of Germany and Research Grants Council	68,200	3
Health and Health Services Research Fund	1,583,400	4
Health Care and Promotion Fund — Non-Research Health Promotion Projects	529,653	2
Hong Kong Arts Development Council	900,000	2
Hong Kong College of Community Medicine — Training and Research Scholarship	50,000	1
Hong Kong Jockey Club Institute of Chinese Medicine Limited	7,348,000	1
Innovation and Technology Fund	25,029,116	5
Language Fund	727,380	1
Lord Wilson Heritage Trust	164,465	2
Merck Sharp & Dohme (Asia) Ltd.	430,560	1
Michael and Betty Kadoorie Cancer Genetics Research Programme II	4,112,648	3
Ministry of Commerce of the People's Republic of China	56,793	1
Nano and Advanced Materials Institute Limited	608,696	1
National High Technology Research and Development Programme of China (863 Programme)	567,928	1
National Natural Science Foundation of China and Research Grants Council	2,590,000	4
Natural Orifice Surgery Consortium for Assessment and Research Covidien Research Grant	40,000	1
Ocean Park Conservation Foundation	47,500	1
Osteosynthesis & Trauma Care Foundation	780,730	2
Oxford—Li Ka Shing Foundation Collaborative Research Programme	1,564,021	1
Public Policy Research Funding Scheme, Research Grants Council	698,000	1
Quality Education Fund	510,800	1
Research Fund for the Control of Infectious Diseases	788,504	1
Research Grants Council Central Allocation 2007–08	9,000,000	1
Research Grant from the National Institutes of Health	852,376	1
S K Yee Medical Foundation	888,610	2
Sustainable Development Fund	571,210	1
The Alzheimer's Drug Discovery Foundation	390,365	1
The Croucher Foundation	800,000	3
The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust	1,492,000	1
University of Oxford	679,877	1
World Health Organization, International Agency for Research on Cancer—Collaborative Research	156,146	1

CUHK Appoints Award-winning Architect to Chart Campus Development

Campus development at CUHK takes a major step forward with the announcement on 22 February 2008 of the appointment of Aedas Limited and its overseas partner Edward Cullinan Architects as the professional consultants for the Campus Master Plan (CMP).

Co-chairman of the Steering Committee on CMP and Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Prof. Ching Pak-chung (centre), said that the selected consultant will start work after the appointment. They will survey the campus, conduct technical and planning assessment, and hold a series of workshops to learn about the concerns of University members, before drafting a CMP.

Mr. Edward Cullinan (1st left), chairman of Edward Cullinan Architects and 2008 RIBA (Royal Institute of British Architects) gold medalist, said, 'When designing for educational institutions, I always study what is there already and try to work with it and respond to it.'



Double Degree Programmes by Law School and Sociology Department

Starting from the 2008–09 academic year, the Faculty of Law and the Department of Sociology are jointly offering two new double degree programmes, namely the LLB–BSSc (Sociology) and the BSSc (Sociology)–JD.

Students of the double-degree programmes will benefit from the combined strengths of the Sociology Department and the Faculty of Law—the rigorous training in research methodology provided by the former and the teaching of legal research skills plus development of skills of argumentation and analysis by the latter. The programmes will aim to produce sociologists with intimate knowledge of the law, legal experts who get to the heart of social problems, and individuals passionately involved in both areas.

Celebrating 10-year Partnership with Local Schools



This year marks the tenth anniversary of the Centre for University and School Partnership. In June, the centre held the kick-off ceremony cum sharing session on school-based experience. Over 200 participants from the education sector were in attendance.

Six secondary and primary schools introduced the positive results they have received in terms of school culture, teaching professionalism and development of students' potential while a dozen schools shared their experiences in improving class teaching, collaborating with the University and forming learning communities.

CRATE Set up to Promote Technology Education



The Faculty of Engineering held an inauguration ceremony on 26 January for the Centre for Robotics and Technology Education (CRATE). The aim of the centre is to promote technology education among primary and secondary schools.

Prof. Liu Yunhui, director of CRATE, talked about some of the exciting new projects and activities of the centre during the ceremony, including the Internet Robotics Innovation Park (IRIP). 'Not every single secondary and primary school is equipped with a laboratory to support students in realizing their robotic designs. IRIP is designed to give students an online platform to share and improve their robotic projects. Successful designs will also be implemented in our laboratories,' he said.

Free Bowel Cancer Test for Citizens

To raise public awareness of bowel health and promote periodic screening, the Institute of Digestive Disease of CUHK launched the five-year 'Bowel Cancer in Hong Kong: Education, Promotion and Screening' project. The programme will allow 10,000 asymptomatic individuals aged over 50 to undergo free bowel cancer screening tests.



The details of the project include the establishment of the CUHK Jockey Club Bowel Cancer Education Centre. Through the centre's education programmes, it is hoped that the public will have a better understanding of the disease, its associated risk factors, treatment methods and means of prevention.

Bowel cancer is the second most common malignancy in Hong Kong. The institute recommends people aged over 50 to undergo a fecal occult blood test once a year or a colonoscopy once every 10 years.

Participating in Italy's 'Research to Business' Exhibition

CUHK joined delegates from 31 countries to display its latest technological innovations in the 'Research to Business' (R2B) 2008 exhibition held in Bologna, Italy in June.



Participation in overseas exhibitions is one of the major platforms for CUHK to develop technology transfer. 'The R2B exhibition in Italy is a new channel for presenting the University's technological innovations to overseas business communities. It is also an ideal platform for exchanging experiences with overseas universities in the areas of technology transfer and promotion of industrial collaboration,' said Prof. Wong Kam-fai, director of Centre for Innovation and Technology at CUHK.

In Support of the Olympics Spirit



CUHK held various activities along the theme of the 2008 Beijing Olympics and these attracted over 12,000 participants. There were the 'Fun Horse-riding' activity in March and the CUHK Sports Carnival in April. The largest event was the CUHK Carnival—In Support of the Olympic Spirit held in August, which featured different kinds of performances, exhibitions, talks and competitions on campus.

CUHK members were also involved in the games. Students Yu Chui-yee, Yiu Chun-kan (*top right*) and Mak So-ning Tania and Prof. Lam Shun-chiu, chairman of the Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, were chosen as the torchbearers and took part in the torch relay on 2 May. Twelve CUHK elite student athletes (*top left*) joined the visiting tour organized by the Physical Education Unit in August to cheer for China at the Olympics. The delegation watched the games and visited some of the sports facilities. Tania (*middle right*) and Chui-yee (*bottom left*) took part in the triathlon and wheelchair fencing respectively and the latter won one gold and one silver medal in the Paralympics. Mr. Tam Sau-sum (*middle left, right*), Assistant Director of Personnel, served the games as a volunteer in Beijing.

Nobel Laureates on Campus

Sponsored by Sun Hung Kai Properties, CUHK invited Nobel Laureates to speak to a broad cross-section of the community to promote the discovery and the dissemination of knowledge, professional and entrepreneurial expertise and contributions to humanity.

Date: 15 April 2008

Speaker: Prof. Erwin Neher, 1991 Nobel Laureate in Physiology or Medicine

Topic: Current Frontiers in the Neurosciences

Contents: He applied precise electrophysiological and fluorimetric techniques to a very special synapse, revealing details of the intricate mechanisms by which calcium signals control synaptic transmission and its short term plasticity.



Date: 15 April 2008

Speaker: Prof. Eric S. Maskin, 2007 Nobel Laureate in Economic Sciences

Topic: Mechanism Design: How to Implement Social Goals

Contents: He gave a brief introduction to the theory of mechanism design. The theory characterizes when, given a social goal, it is possible to find an institution, procedure, or mechanism that achieves that goal. The theory allows us to distinguish situations in which markets work well from those in which they do not.



Date: 21 May 2008

Speaker: Prof. Carl E. Wieman, 2001 Nobel Laureate in Physics

Topic: Science Education in the 21st Century: Using the Tools of Science to Teach Science

Contents: He explained how new practices and technology promise to be better options in gauging the learning process and demonstrated how the new practices conform to the findings of cognitive science. He showed particular concern for improving how physics is taught to students who do not intend to become physicists.



First Academicians Lecture Series



Five academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) visited CUHK from 28 January to 2 February to host the first lecture series by CAS academicians.

The five academicians including Prof. Liu Yixun (Institute of Zoology, CAS), Prof. Sun Handong (Kunming Institute of Botany, CAS), Prof. Zhang Yonglian (Institute of Biochemistry and Cell Biology, Shanghai Institutes for Biological Sciences [SIBS], CAS), Prof. Zhao Guoping (Institute of Plant Physiology and Ecology, SIBS, CAS), and Prof. Ju Gong (Institute of Neurosciences, Fourth Military Medical University), delivered public lectures. Over a hundred participants attended the event.

World Bank Chief Economist on Development and Transition



Prof. Lin Yifu Justin, the Senior Vice President and Chief Economist of the World Bank, presented a public lecture on 'Development and Transition: Idea, Strategy and Viability' on CUHK campus on 31 March.

Prof. Lin shared his scholarship with over 400 CUHK staff, students, alumni and members of the political and commercial sectors. He analysed why the dominant social thinking about the modernization of developing countries in the 1950s and their transition in the 1990s was incorrect, and how they had shaped government policies and established institutions in these countries.

Prof. Benjamin Tsui Serves as Chung Chi Visiting Fellow

Chung Chi College has invited Prof. Benjamin M.W. Tsui to serve as Siu Lien Ling Wong Visiting Fellow 2007–08. Prof. Tsui is a Chung Chi physics graduate from the '70s. He is currently the director of the Division of Medical Imaging Physics of John Hopkins University.



Prof. Tsui visited the College from 20 January to 2 February. He addressed the theme 'Advances and Challenges in Contemporary Biomedical Sciences' in the highlight event—the Annual Education Conference of the College on 26 January.

Prof. Hsu Cho-yun on Ancient China Core Culture



Chung Chi College, New Asia College and the Department of History jointly hosted the 'Yu Ying-shih Lecture in History' in November 2007. Prof. Hsu Cho-yun, Professor Emeritus at the University of Pittsburgh and academician of the Academia Sinica, Taiwan, was the first speaker and shared his view on the formation of core cultural areas in ancient China.

Former UC Head Prof. T.C. Chen on Life

Over 1,300 students attended the Professor T.C. Chen Lecture, held by United College on 28 March 2008. Prof. T.C. Chen, a former head of the College, spoke on 'The Path to be Taken', quoting important theories and examples to provoke students' reflection on their life path. He encouraged them to open their minds and find their own meaning and objectives in life.



Prof. Cheng Siwei on Chinese Economic Development

Prof. Cheng Siwei, vice-chairman of the Standing Committee of the 10th National People's Congress, presented a public lecture entitled 'A Situation Analysis of the Chinese Economy' at CUHK on 21 April. He analysed how the world economy affects the development of the Chinese economy, the challenges faced by the Chinese economy and the strategies to cope with them.

The lecture attracted an audience of over 370 CUHK staff, students, alumni and members of the political and commercial sectors.

Prof. Cheng has fostered the development of venture investment on the mainland, which earned him the name 'The Father of Venture Investment in China'. The 12-member delegation led by Prof. Cheng also visited CUHK to learn about the latest developments of the University.



Lecture by Chancellor of the University System of Taiwan

Prof. Ovid J.L. Tzeng, Chancellor of the University System of Taiwan and academician of Academia Sinica, spoke on 'Uplifting Higher Education in Taiwan: Excellence with a Soul' on 20 February. About 100 guests attended the lecture, including CUHK staff and students, and representatives of various academic institutions.

Cambridge Deputy VC Visits CUHK

Prof. Gordon Johnson, Deputy Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cambridge and President of Wolfson College, and Mrs. Johnson paid a return visit to CUHK on 20 March to learn about the University's latest developments, following the visit by a CUHK delegation to Cambridge in February this year.



School of Public Health Builds Mainland Links



A number of memoranda of understanding (MOUs) were signed in April between centres at the University's School of Public Health (SPH) and academic institutions or health service organizations in mainland China.

The Centre for Clinical Trials of the SPH signed an MOU with the School of Pharmacy of Fudan University. The memorandum allows the two parties to develop collaboration in research and other academic activities. The Stanley Ho Centre for Emerging Infectious Diseases of the SPH signed an MOU with the Institute of Microbiology, Chinese Academy of Sciences and pledged to consolidate collaboration in scientific research.

The SPH entered into a partnership with Chongqing Municipality in China and the city of Cardiff in the UK. Following the signing of the MOU, the trio will arrange visits, doctor training, and research collaborations. Prof. Sian Griffiths (front row, 1st right), director of SPH and Dr. Tony Jewell (front row, 2nd right), chief medical officer of Wales, believed closer working links will be established between these places.

Chinese Psychologists Gather on Campus

Over 360 scholars from mainland China, Taiwan, Macau, Japan, Korea, Malaysia and the US took part in the Sixth Chinese Psychologist Conference in June, organized by the Department of Psychology at CUHK and co-organized by the Department of Applied Social Studies, the City University of Hong Kong and the Hong Kong Psychological Society.



The conference featured plenary sessions, state-of-the-art sessions, symposia, individual oral presentations and workshops under four categories: cognitive science, education and human development, social and industrial-organizational psychology and psychology and health.



The HK • Huangdi Neijing Conference

To promote the exchange of knowledge in the seminal medical text *Huangdi Neijing* among local and non-local scholars, the 'HK • Huangdi Neijing Conference' was organized by the CUHK School of Chinese Medicine on 7 and 8 June.

The conference drew over 100 academics and students from the three local Chinese medicine institutes, and scholars and world-renowned *Neijing* specialists from China, the US, the UK, Japan and Taiwan.

The free and highly interactive forum was one of the highlights of the conference. It encouraged liberal argument and expression of opinion on the research and interpretations of *Neijing*. By pooling minds, new light was expected to be shed on the study of *Neijing*.

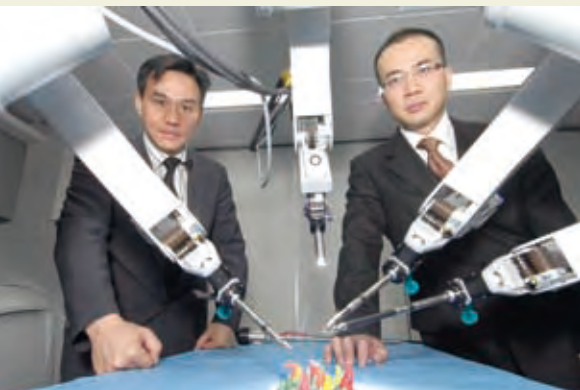
HK\$73.8 million for Gerontological Education Programme

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust has donated HK\$73.8 million to the Nethersole School of Nursing to undertake the five-year interdisciplinary and territory-wide CADENZA Training Programme in general and professional gerontological education for the general public, caregivers, and professional social and health care workers working with the aging population in Hong Kong.



The kick-off ceremony cum symposium for the CADENZA Training Programme was held on 28 March. Various training activities are offered to different target audiences.

HK\$18 million for Installation of Latest Robotic Surgical System



An anonymous HK\$18 million donation has allowed the Faculty of Medicine to purchase the latest version of the world acclaimed da Vinci® Surgical System for robotically assisted surgery at the University's teaching hospital, the Prince of Wales Hospital, to improve surgical outcomes.

This latest version incorporates high definition endoscopic video technology. The surgeon at his control console now sees a superior 3D high definition image of the operating field. Large interactive plasma display panels provide assisting staff with exceptionally clear high contrast images of the same field.



HK\$28 Million for Yao Chung Kit Diabetes Assessment Centre

The Hong Kong Institute of Diabetes and Obesity, CUHK, received a generous donation of HK\$28 million from the Yao Yiu Sai Education and Charitable Memorial Fund to establish the Yao Chung Kit Diabetes Assessment Centre. The official opening ceremony and establishment of the Lioa Wun Yuk Diabetes Memorial Research Fund was held in March at the Prince of Wales Hospital.

The centre offers a diabetic complications assessment programme at only HK\$480, 25% of the market price. The programme allows doctors and diabetics to make informed decisions and save waiting time.

Charity Concert Raises HK\$1 Million for Faculty of Medicine



Jointly organized by the Hong Kong Representative Office of Nanjing University, the CUHK Convocation and the Office of Institutional Advancement of CUHK, a charity concert was held at Sha Tin Town Hall to a full house on 12 May. The event was made possible by the generous sponsorship of the Si Yuan Foundation.

The principal performers were drawn from Nanjing University's Traditional Instrument Orchestra and the Music Ensemble of the CUHK Department of Music. The concert raised close to HK\$1 million for the University's Faculty of Medicine to support the development of its Sleep Assessment Unit and the Yao Chung Kit Diabetes Assessment Centre.



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