CLIMATE CRUNCH
The point of no return?
TELI & the faculties’ MOOC partnership in 2017
Register now! http://online.hku.hk/

Dinosaur Ecosystems
Jurassic World Revisited: How did dinosaurs live?
The Gobi desert in the Erlian Basin of China was once the home of dinosaurs in the late Cretaceous -70-80 million years ago. In an adventure led by vertebrate palaeontologist Dr. Michael Pittman from HKU and joined by Prof. Xu Xing of the Institute of Vertebrate Paleontology and Palaeoanthropology (Beijing) and award-winning palaeoartist Julius T. Csotonyi, we have the chance to relive the world of dinosaurs and learn about their biology, co-inhabitants, living environments and the interactions between these aspects.
Join us on edX on Feb 8 2017

HONG KONG CINEMA
THROUGH A GLOBAL LENS
Prof. Gina Marchetti tells you: “Why is HK Cinema different from Hollywood and why does that matter?”
In this course, you will see from the eyes of insiders of blockbusters production from famous producers and directors such as John Sham and Andrew Lau of Infernal Affairs. You will be challenged to think in multiple perspectives and analyze the unique identities in Hong Kong films and consider how the local and the global intersect to make Hong Kong cinematic art an integral part of the world scene.
Join us on edX on Feb 7 2017

MAKING SENSE OF THE NEWS
News Literacy Lessons for Digital Citizens
Dr. Masato Kajimoto: “The need for news literacy has never been more urgent...”
News consumers are bombarded with a large stream of information from daily media – fake news, half truths, rumours, propaganda, hoaxes, and advertising – that make it difficult for us to distinguish facts from fiction.
Do you want to be a smart news consumer? The 6-week course, co-produced by the University of HK and Stony Brook University in New York, will help you learn how to make informed judgment of the reliability of information.
Join us on Coursera on Jan 9 2017
Our commitment to HKU’s innovative e-learning

Setting the Forefront in Flipping a MOOC in Architecture

HKU Architecture sets new heights in transforming two Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) in Vernacular Architecture into MOOC-based flipped classes. This aligns with the university’s continuing efforts to bring online components to on-campus teaching, engaging students in their learning through a “flipped classroom”.

Professor David Lung, Lady Edith Kotewall Professor in the Built Environment, shares his vision and insights on the merits and sustainability of MOOCs in on-campus blended learning, “Re-using the specialists’ teaching contents and multimedia lectures from a MOOC for in-class teaching not only enhance the learning experience of students, it makes good use of on-line contents to maximize the educational benefits and resources of the university.”

I really like the on-line classroom forum, before class, you have already seen what questions were raised, and when you come to class, everyone can just jump right into the point after discussion.

Haidee Ng, MArch Year 2

It is more self-directed learning. After watching the videos, we can find some research and ask other questions; while in lectures, we just listen and get the information in the lecture.

Christina Kong, B(Arts) Year 4

Pioneering Mobile Gaming in Epidemics MOOC

“Gamification in a world class course on infectious diseases?” Yes, you heard it right. Building on an enrolment of over 20,000 students from around the world, HKU’s Epidemics MOOC will integrate a mobile game into MOOC learning. With careful design in its education strategy and learning outcomes, this game enables students to enhance the breadth and depth of knowledge through gameplay.

Have an itch for this new MOOC-game edutainment? You can try it out in summer 2017.
P.04 ASIA’S GLOBAL UNIVERSITY
THE NEXT DECADE
Our vision for 2016-2025

P.09 Dentistry ranked No.1 in the world

P.11 Jockey Club Water Initiative on
Sustainability and Engagement
(JC-WISE)

P.12 Giving in Focus
Learn as you reach out: Gallant Ho Experiential
Learning Centre; HKU Horizons; A gift for combating
lung diseases; Project GrandMove to promote
healthy ageing; Y C Cheng Scholarship; D H Chen
Foundation Scholarship; The Art of giving;
Walking a 1,000 kilometers for love

P.22 DREAMCATCHERS

P. 36 Convocation

P. 38 HKU Mentorship

P. 40 Alumni Networks

P.28 Climate Crunch
The point of no return?
“We now have evidence that, with only a 1 degree Celsius
of warming globally, major impact is already being
felt in natural systems. Genes are changing, species’
physiology and physical features such as body size are
changing, species are moving and we see clear signs of
entire ecosystems under stress, all in response to
changes in climate on land and in the ocean.”
Convocation Newsletter
（香港大學畢業生議會通訊）
is a university magazine for alumni, teachers and friends.

Advisory Committee:
Professor Lee Chack-fan 李焯芬
(BSc(Eng) 1968; MSc(Eng) 1970)
Professor Cheng Kai-ming 程介明
(BSc 1966; BSc(Sp) 1967; CertEd 1981; AdvDipEd 1982; MEd 1983)
Professor Ying Chan 陳婉瑩
(BScSc 1970)
Mr Andrew Fung 馮可強
(BA 1969; DipEd 1972)
Dr Lawrence Fung 馮紹波
(BScSc 1972; Hon DScSc 2010)
Mr Man Cheuk-fei 文灼非
(BA 1987)
Mr Poon Kai-tik 潘啟迪
(BA 1975)

Managing Editor:
Director
Development & Alumni Affairs Office

Published by:
Development & Alumni Affairs Office
The University of Hong Kong

Circulation: 150,000

Views expressed in the Newsletter do not necessarily represent those of the University or HKU Convocation. Please acknowledge source when any part of the Newsletter is quoted or reproduced.

We welcome your articles, letters, updates and news. For pictures, we welcome prints, colour slides or computer graphics in JPG format (350 dpi and 15cm x 10cm), and digital photos (500 kb or above).

All correspondence and address changes should be directed to:
Managing Editor
Convocation Newsletter
Development & Alumni Affairs Office
The University of Hong Kong
Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong
Tel: 3917 1700; Fax: 2517 6351

alumni@hku.hk
www.alumni.hku.hk
www.facebook.com/100HKU

Convocation (香港大學畢業生議會)
is a statutory body of the University comprising all graduates and teachers of the University.
convocat@hku.hk
www.convocation.hku.hk

P. 42 May Hall
Forward ever, backward never

P. 46 Tradition Revived:
Morrison Hall Hobo Dance Party

P. 48 Class Notes
– Love, Write, Publish
– Running is my language  Running until I can’t
– The young ones  Never too old for love
ASIA’S GLOBAL UNIVERSITY

THE NEXT DECADE
Our vision for 2016-2025
Our simple but ambitious vision: it is to build on our internationally recognised accomplishments and become Asia’s Global University.

To achieve this, we will focus on what we call the ‘3+1 Is’: Internationalisation, Innovation and Interdisciplinarity, all converging on Impact. These themes will guide all the teaching and learning, research and knowledge exchange components of our work. Ultimately, impact must be the aim of everything we do; we all want our efforts to make a difference to society and humanity.

The vision document is deliberately high level, and implementation will be the key. We are already well-advanced with reforms which will underpin our ability to deliver the Vision.

We are grateful for your belief in the University and trust that we can continue to rely on your support as we endeavour to establish HKU as one of the greatest universities in the world.

Professor Peter Mathieson
President and Vice-Chancellor

INTERNATIONALISATION
To promote global citizenship and competitiveness, we plan to provide all students with at least one mainland China and one overseas learning opportunity by 2022.

INNOVATION
Is there life out there? Are we alone? We wish to continue encouraging critical questioning and thinking to innovate for change and social good.

INTERDISCIPLINARITY
By bringing together different and divergent minds, we aim to drive and catalyse new ways of thinking, new ideas and concepts and new ways of doing things.

IMPACT
From contributing to finding cures for the world’s greatest diseases, promoting oral hygiene in developing countries, to rebuilding homes in China, our aim is to embed impact into all of our academic and educational outcomes.

OUR THREE PILLARS
which provide the framework for our strategy

TEACHING AND LEARNING
RESEARCH
KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

Full document
FUTURE VISION

In today’s world of new technologies and globalisation, modern universities have fantastic opportunities to contribute knowledge and know-how and make an impact. But if they are to succeed in this, they must be fit for purpose. At the University of Hong Kong, we revisited our overarching goals in 2016 to consider how we can best harness our talents to take advantage of the opportunities. While HKU has done very well to date, it now faces a more competitive and dynamic global academic environment. To continue to be Asia’s leading global university, we need a sharper, more strategic focus: we must be more nimble and adaptable, more ambitious and ‘can-do’, more solution-orientated and more proactive.

The 2016–2025 blueprint outlines how we will achieve these aims, centred around the ‘3+1 Is’ – internationalisation, innovation and interdisciplinarity, all converging on impact. This strategic approach will ensure HKU, already one of the world’s finest universities, remains a strong, vibrant and relevant leader in the global academic community, today and for the foreseeable future.

INTERNATIONALISATION

HKU is already one of the world’s most international universities. In the 2016 Times Higher Education rankings, it scored 99.4 out of 100 on the measure ‘international outlook’. The University regards this not as an endpoint but an excellent platform from which to create education, research and cultural opportunities for students to become global leaders, professionals and thinkers, to amplify our global engagement with public and private partners, and to diversify our portfolio internationally and on campus. This will in turn strengthen HKU’s ability to tackle grand challenges such as the United Nations sustainable development goals and through that, find solutions to serve local Hong Kong challenges.

INNOVATION

Innovation is at the heart of academic research, but in order to have impact, universities must set their sights beyond the scholarly world. They must seek novel ways to translate their knowledge into outcomes that meet societal needs; to identify and work with new partners outside the university sector and beyond Hong Kong; and to develop new paths and ways of teaching and learning. Innovation is also the main driver for productivity growth and economic development. For HKU to stay at the forefront in talent development in a knowledge-based economy, it must play a primary role in the modern world of open innovation.

HKU has adopted these aims and introduced programmes and units that will advance not only innovation, but an innovation mindset.

INTERDISCIPLINARITY

The complexity of the modern world requires new ideas and solutions that are frequently beyond the scope of a single discipline. Research around the world is increasingly focussed on bringing ideas and fields together that were once distinct entities, and creating new knowledge and impact from that. Other fields, such as industries and professions, are also putting a premium on interconnectedness and want graduates who can swiftly adapt to new and often unpredictable situations.

The University has promoted interdisciplinarity for some years through Strategic Research Themes and the Common Core Curriculum, and we are stepping up our focus in this area.
Connected Across the Globe

9,718 international students on campus  
(as of October 2016)

3,733 outbound HKU students in 2015–16

30,740 alumni living outside Hong Kong

2,284 active research collaborations  
(to the year ending November 30, 2015)

World’s Best*

#1 dentistry school in the world: HKU Faculty of Dentistry

* QS World Universities Rankings by Subject 2016

Asia’s Best*

#1 for Social Sciences  
(31st in the world)

#2 for Arts and Humanities  
(30th in the world)

#3 for Clinical, Pre-clinical and Health  
(39th in the world)

#4 for Business and Economics  
(29th in the world)

* Times Higher Education World University Rankings by Subject 2016–17
Margaret Leung 梁高美懿 (BSocSc 1975) is Chief Executive of Chong Hing Bank and a respected leader in the banking sector. She has served as Director of the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation and Chief Executive of Hang Seng Bank. She is a strong promoter of diversity and women in business and is a current Member of Council and the Treasurer of the University, and has lent her support and counsel to her alma mater in many capacities and serves on numerous public bodies. She was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2009 and awarded a Silver Bauhinia Star in 2012.

Professor Frederick Ma 馬時亨 (BA 1973) is the Chairman of MTR Corporation Limited, former Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury and former Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development of the Hong Kong SAR Government. He held different major positions at various local and overseas banks, financial institutions and major companies. He established the Frederick Ma Si Hang Scholarships at HKU and was appointed Honorary Professor in the School of Economics and Finance in 2008. He was awarded a Gold Bauhinia Star in 2009 and appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2010.

Man Cheuk-fei 文灼非 (BA 1987) is a distinguished journalist. He started his journalistic career in 1990 at Next Magazine as a political reporter, and joined the Hong Kong Economic Journal in 1992 as Editor/Writer of the Commentary section. He became Assistant Chief Editor in 2000, served as Chief Editor of HKEJ Monthly from 2001 to 2013. He launched Master Insight Media in 2014 and became its Publisher and Chief Executive Officer. During his undergraduate years, he participated in different student bodies, including the elected Internal Vice-President of the Students’ Union and a tutor of the Old Halls.

The Hon Abraham Shek 石禮謙 (DipManStud) is the Member representing the real estate and construction industry in the Legislative Council of Hong Kong. He is a current Member of both Court and Council, and has lent his support and counsel to his alma mater in many capacities, including inter alia, helping HKU in the expansion of technology transfer initiatives, the development of business and entrepreneurial opportunities for graduate students, and the strengthening of long-term industry partnerships for the University. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 1995, awarded a Silver Bauhinia Star in 2007 and a Gold Bauhinia Star in 2013.

Wong Kai-man 黃啟民 (BSc 1972; BSc(Sp) 1973) is an accountant with 32 years of experience in auditing, initial public offering and computer auditing, and is a Fellow of the UK’s Association of Chartered Certified Accountants and the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants. Wong is currently a Director of the Victor and William Fung Foundation Limited and a Member of the Financial Reporting Council. He has served various government advisory committees and statutory bodies. Wong is a current Court and Council Member, and has lent his support and counsel to his alma mater in many capacities. He was appointed a Justice of the Peace in 2002 and awarded the Bronze Bauhinia Star in 2007.

www4.hku.hk/honfellows/
The Faculty of Dentistry has presented an outstanding score of 91.5 based on ratings of academic reputation, employer reputation, citations and research impact of each research paper belonging to the Faculty. Dean of Dentistry, Professor Thomas Flemmig states, “It is a wonderful recognition of the hard work and academic contributions of both our staff and students.” He looks forward to collaboration with the dental profession, the government and other stakeholders to further advance the delivery of comprehensive oral healthcare for the people of Hong Kong.

To address the growing shortage of dentists in Hong Kong and the issue of its ageing population, the Faculty has decided to expand the number of undergraduate students admitted each year into the Bachelor of Dental Surgery programme by 40% (approximately 70 students per year). The Faculty is also actively recruiting distinguished academics from around the world to provide the best education for its students and to cope with the rising demand in capacity for effective teaching and mentoring. An instance of this is the recent setting up of Hong Kong’s first Infection Control Teaching Suite that provides hands-on training for future dentists and dental hygienists.

According to Professor Thomas Flemmig, Dean of Dentistry who is also the Director of the Prince Philip Dental Hospital, where the Faculty is located, the Hospital needs to undergo a significant reconfiguration within the existing resources and spaces provided by the Faculty in order to accommodate the greater student cohort within existing spaces provided by the Faculty. Four smaller clinics will be combined into two clinics to create a space large enough to accommodate the increased class size. Seminar rooms, research laboratories and staff offices all have to be reconfigured.

Established in 1982, the Faculty of Dentistry is the sole educational institution for dental practitioners and specialists in Hong Kong, offering undergraduate and postgraduate programmes in dental specialty areas such as community dentistry, endodontics, orthodontics, oral and maxillofacial surgery, pediatric dentistry, periodontology and prosthodontics.

Its internationally acclaimed staff and talented students from around the world; its academic and research achievements, as well as its vibrant and innovative spirit continuously attract world-wide recognition and interest. The Faculty has conducted territory-wide surveys and studies on oral and dental health among the population. Both the teaching staff and students are actively engaged in community projects, translational and basic research, and comprehensive patient care. As one of the pioneers in oral health care research, the Faculty will continue to contribute to international research achievements and to lead outstanding undergraduate and postgraduate education programmes.

http://facdent.hku.hk/
Two HKU collaborative projects are being recognised at the prestigious QS Stars-Wharton Reimagine Education Awards. The inter-institutional team, “Interprofessional Team-based Learning (IPTBL) for Health Professional Students”, led by Dr Chan Lap-ki (Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine) is the Bronze Winner for Discipline Award (Life Sciences). The international team, “Problem-based learning and Educational Technologies in Clinical Education – An Interactional Ethnography”, led by Dr Susan Bridges (Faculty of Education/ Centre for the Enhancement of Teaching and Learning) won the Bronze Regional Award (Asia). Both projects have the vision in realising how technology should be infused in teaching across multiple scales and the improvements in outcomes are supported by quantitative and qualitative research data.

Four HKU scholars received Croucher Awards

From left:
Professor Leo Poon 潘烈文
Professor, School of Public Health, 
Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine
Croucher Senior Research Fellowships 2017

Dr Carmen Wong 黃澤蕾 (PhD 2009)
Assistant Professor, Department of Pathology, 
Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine
Croucher Innovation Awards 2017

Professor Anskar Leung 梁如鴻 (MD 2006)
Li Shu Fan Medical Foundation Professor in 
Haematology, Clinical Professor of Department of 
Medicine, Associate Dean (Human Capital), 
Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine
Croucher Senior Medical Research Fellowship 2017

Professor Cui Xiaodong 崔曉冬
Professor, Department of Physics, Faculty of Science 
Croucher Senior Research Fellowships 2017

Professor Ron Hui 許樹源, Chair Professor of Power 
Electronics and Philip Wong Wilson Wong Professor of Electrical Engineering, has been named a Fellow by the prestigious Royal Academy of Engineering, U.K. His groundbreaking research focuses on power electronics, with emphasis on energy saving and reduction of electronic waste and his achievement involve fundamental engineering science and applications, influencing both academic and industrial worlds.
Being used to enjoying the convenience of obtaining cheap and clean water with a simple turn of the tap, we may not be aware that Hong Kong is inherently a water-short city. The Jockey Club Water Initiative on Sustainability and Engagement (JC-WISE) is a 3-year, HK$14.7 million project funded by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust and hosted by the Faculty of Social Sciences, HKU. It aims at raising the public’s awareness, and appreciation, of the importance of attaining long-term water sustainability for Hong Kong by:

**Water Footprint**

- Developing a Water Footprint Calculator – to help visualise the Water Footprints embedded in food items we popularly consume in Hong Kong
- Organising a Water Footprint Lab – to promote international best practices in the adoption and application of the Water Footprint concept in the corporate sector to help them reduce their operations’ water footprint
- Producing Water Footprint Videos – to illustrate the connections between local consumption and global water issues

**Rivers@hk**

- Establishing an interactive open-access GIS-based database on Hong Kong’s major rivers and associated river basins – to enhance the public’s knowledge and appreciation of the multiple values of water
- Formulating professionally designed and guided field-trips under the “My River, My Community” Scheme – to re-connect our community with Hong Kong’s rivers and river basins, centering around:
  - Kam Tin River 錦田河
  - Lai Chi Wo River 荔枝窩河
  - Lam Tsuen River 林村河
  - Ng Tung River 梧桐河
  - Shan Pui River 山貝河
  - Sheung Yue River 雙魚河
  - Tung Chung River 東涌河

**Public Education**

- Organising Public Forums, Water Fun Fests and an International Conference
- Producing a series of “River Stories” (e-Cases of selected rivers and river basins in Hong Kong) and Documentaries

**Impact Assessment**

Questionnaire surveys and Focus Group discussion
During the past 5 years
Over 3,000 students
From 69 courses and projects

Learn as you Reach out
A Life-changing Experience

Highlights of project themes:

“Bridging History and Future: Designing a Heritage Tour at Pokfulam Village and Its Vicinity”

“Shuilowa: Understanding the Evolving Linguistic Practices of the Fisherfolk”

“Building a Real Timber Structure Using Local Methods and Resources in Mainland China”
The Gallant Ho Experiential Learning Centre, established in 2012 with a generous gift from loyal alumnus Dr Gallant Ho 何耀棣 (BA 1965), collaborates with a wide network of local and overseas partners for students to create impact for communities. By expanding the classroom to the world and engaging all ten Faculties, students analyse and tackle real life issues globally and collaborate with stakeholders from diverse backgrounds.

“Construction of a Library and Library System in Vietnam by a Cross-disciplinary Team”


“Behind Fair Trade: How Tea and Coffee Inspire Glocal Changes”

http://ghelc.hku.hk/
The Lee Siu Lun and Ho Ting Sik Research Fund in Lung Health and Disease was established with a generous donation of HK$10 million from Mr Lee Siu-lun and Mr Ho Ting-sik to the Department of Medicine. The jointly named Research Fund embodies the admirable trust between the families of Mr Lee and Mr Ho in promoting lung health and in the fight against lung diseases.

Lung cancer is the leading cause of cancer deaths in Hong Kong. Through the detection of gene targets, lung cancer can be treated with molecular targeted therapy. Testing for lung cancer gene targets can be performed on cell-free tumour DNA found in the blood using different molecular biology methods.

The research project will aim to identify the different biomarkers of lung cancer and their changes, along with appropriate treatments. This will help refine the practice of personalised medicine, and will also enhance the understanding of the molecular pathology and clinical progression of lung cancer.

Dr David Lam 林志良 (BSc(BiomedSc) 1993, MBBS 1995, PhD 2007, MD 2014), Clinical Assistant Professor of the Department of Medicine and Principal Investigator of the Research Fund.
Project GrandMove

to Promote Healthy Ageing

With generous support from the Simon K Y Lee Foundation, the GrandMove Project耆力無窮, a structured exercise programme, was established with the aim of preventing and alleviating frailty among the elderly in Hong Kong.

Led by HKU Sau Po Centre on Ageing and in collaboration with the University’s Institute of Human Performance, the Department of Medicine and the School of Nursing, the project’s partnerships include the Institute of Active Ageing of Polytechnic University and nine NGOs. It is expected that this three-year project will train more than 70 “younger” elders to become coaches, and will benefit 400 pre-frail and frail elderly people. Following the project’s successful first year, an additional funding was supported by the Simon K Y Lee Foundation to expand the programme to promote exercising among elders in adult day care centres and in residential care homes.

While the frail or pre-frail state is common in Hong Kong elderly population, it is proven that effective intervention is possible simply by exercising.

Professor Terry Lum 林一星 (BSocSc 1988, MSW 1993), Henry G Leong Professor in Social Work and Social Administration, Head of the Department of Social Work and Social Administration, introduced GrandMove on a local news programme. The project is co-led by Professor Lum and Dr Gloria Wong 黃凱茵 (BA 1999, PhD 2011), Assistant Professor of the same department.

http://www.ageing.hku.hk/grandmove/
We Graduate therefore We Give

The Master of Buddhist Studies (MBS) Class of 2014 initiated a fundraising campaign with their graduating year as its driving theme. The class gift is based on individual pledges of $2,014 per year for the next ten years, or a one-off gift of $20,140. The Class also hopes the campaign can be a platform for graduates to stay connected with the Centre of Buddhist Studies.

To date, the MBS Class of 2014 have raised over $1.5 million in pledges. This fine giving tradition has also been passed onto the subsequent Classes of 2015 and 2016.

Y C Cheng Scholarship after 30 years

To pay tribute to their teacher and respected mentor, Professor YC Cheng (BSc 1963), former HKU Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Engineering, a group of his former students established the Y C Cheng Engineering Scholarship. 鄭耀宗工程獎學金.

The scholars will be on exchange to UCLA.

Giving in Focus
The Art of Giving

The HKU Class of 1971 initiated a fundraising project at the time of their 40th anniversary to donate a work of art to HKU in celebration of the University’s Centenary in 2011. Through a long and extensive selection process by the University’s Working Group on Art and Decoration, and with the help from the Hong Kong Arts Centre, local artist Danny Lee’s work named “Universe 萬象” was chosen. It is now installed on the lawn outside the Fitness Centre at the Centennial Campus.

Silver Jubilee Class Giving Tradition

The Class of 1971 is a class of pioneers. Not only did they initiate this creative project for their 40th anniversary, they also started the unique Silver Jubilee reunion and giving tradition 20 years ago. Since that time their support of HKU has never stopped and now, at their 45th anniversary, they are still tirelessly thinking of new ideas to contribute to their alma mater and are planning ahead for their Golden Jubilee reunion in 2021.

“Universe 萬象” was unveiled on October 27, 2016 by the Class of 1971, together with President Peter Mathieson and Executive Vice-President Steve Cannon.

The Class of 1971 started the Silver Jubilee reunion and giving tradition in 1996
Learning Beyond Hong Kong

To promote global citizenship and competitiveness, the University commits to increase opportunities and provide resources for students to gain exceptional learning experiences outside Hong Kong. The late Dr Robert Tam Yik-fong 譚益芳 (BA 1930) and his younger sister, the late Ms Tam Wun-tsun 譚蘊真, firmly believed in the value of education and had been staunch supporters of the University. The Tam Wun Tsun HKU Horizons Student Enrichment Award 譚蘊真才能拓展獎 was set up to support students’ participation in outbound learning activities.

By 2019, 50% of all undergraduates will engage in at least one learning experience overseas and one in Mainland China. The University aims to increase this overseas and Mainland China experience for 100% of our students by 2022.
Inspiring Today Impacting Tomorrow

The D. H. Chen Foundation Scholarship 陳廷驊基金會獎學金 is an initiative that recognises deserving students who combine their intellect and the humanitarian ethos of social service to drive impact for a better society. Apart from the financial assistance that covers the Scholars’ full course of studies and enrichment expenses, a diversity of programmes will also be offered to foster the Scholars’ social awareness and engagement, such as social service exposure, mentorship and scholars network.

“This Scholarship is a motivation for me to soar,” said Yuki Ip 黃可淇, (MBBS Year 2) who aspires to practice humanitarian medicine.

Walking a 1,000 kilometers for love

While Mr Sin Shui-fuk 洗水福 was suffering from Hepatitis B, he was taken good care by his wife and realised that women usually devote a lot of love and care towards their other halves, whilst they receive much less attention when they are sick. Therefore Mr Sin initiated a fundraising campaign and hopes his act may encourage men to show more caring towards their partners. By walking 1,000 kilometers within one year’s duration, he aims to raise funds for the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine to support research into ways to optimise well-being of cancer patients.

Please support his cause!
Walk to Care 徒步千里 踏出關愛

www.med.hku.hk/fundraising/Walk-to-Care/index.html
HONORARY PATRONS
Mr Richard Wong Chung Tak
Chi-Li Pao Foundation

HONORARY PRESIDENTS
Ms Diana Chen Ningning
Astellas Pharma Hong Kong Co Ltd
Bio-Medical Engineering (HK) Limited
Novoheart Limited

HONORARY DIRECTORS
Mr Patrick Lee Wan Keung
Mr Jeffrey Liu
Ms Sarah Wu Po Chu
Globe Power Limited
Medtronic International Ltd
Moonchu Foundation

HONORARY ADVISORS
Mr Cheng Sai Hung
Anonymous
China Construction Bank (Asia) Corporation Limited
Colgate-Palmolive (HK) Ltd
The D H Chen Foundation
DKSH Hong Kong Limited
HKU MBuddStud Class of 2014
Hong Kong Shun Lung Yan Chak Foundation Limited
JS Foundation Limited
Oriental International Health Products Co Ltd
Po Lun Investment Co Ltd
RGA Reinsurance Company
The T S Lo Foundation
Thomas and Linda Lau Family Foundation

VOTING MEMBERS
Mr Jeremy Chan Siu Kay
Professor Allen Chan Zong Yee
Mr Kuan Kok Wai
Professor Nancy Law Luk Wai Ying
Mr Leung Kam Tim
Professor Luk Kam Biu
Mr Terence Ng Wai Man
Professor David Lee Phillips
Ms Edith Yen Ah Kam
A Menarini Hong Kong Limited
Allergan Hong Kong Limited
ChinaHongKong IP Limited
Future Seafood China Limited
HKU Dental Class of ‘85
Hong Kong Left Hand Drive Motors Association
Saint Glee International Foundation Ltd
Town Health International Medical Group Limited
The Wrigley Company (HK) Limited
Y C Woo & Co Ltd

SENIOR MEMBERS
Dr Cheung Hing Cheong
Ms Irene L P Chow
Professor Han Maoli
Dr William Ho
Professor Jao Yu Ching
Mr Kwok Hang Tat
Miss Winnie Kwok Siu Yee
Professor Anskar Leung Yu Hung
Dr Mak Wai Kit
Ms Olivia Nip Sai Lan
Bai Kay Property Investment Co Ltd
The Chartered Secretaries Foundation Limited
Hermès Asia Pacific Limited

Giving in Focus
Thank you!

HKU Foundation Members with new or revised membership from May 21, 2016 to November 30, 2016

於2016年5月21日至2016年11月30日加入或更新會籍之香大學基金會員

Ordinary Members

Dr Tommy Chan Chi Kwong
Mr Chau How Chen
Professor Kenneth Cheung Man Chee
Mr Choi Hin To
Mr Fong Chan Ko
Mr Fong Kwing Ching
Mr Hsieh Ying Chun
Mr Hui Hok Chee
Mrs Kwok Kwong Siu Hing
Mr Lam Chun Kit
Mr Eric Lee Chi Wing
Mr Eddie Lee Kwan Hung
Miss Lee Siu Wah
Mr Michael Lee Tze Hau
Ms Leung Ka Wai
Mr Alex Leung Wai Hung
Mr Alfred Lin Sun Leung
Ms Doreen Liu Heng
Mr Liu Jakun
Dr Liu Lit Mo
Mr Philip Ma Ching Yeung
Dr John Ma Hung Ming
Dr Ma Kai Cheung
Dr Ma Kai Yum
Mr Robert McCarthy
Mr Meng Jianmin
Dr Ng Chi Kit
Ms Angela Sun Kwai Lin
Professor Somsak Swadewudhipong
Mr Tan Cheng Kian
Mr Tang Hua
Mr Tong Ming

Mr Jacky Tsang Kwok Hing
Dr Sunny Tsui Hing Chung
Mr Wang Junyang
Ms Phibe Wong Chi Wan
Mr Wong Choi Hing
Mr Billy Wong Yan Shun
Ms Kitty Wong
Ms Xu Tianqian
Professor Zhang Lei
BUDA Group
Chan Shing Kee
Chun Wing Holdings Limited
CLLC Training Centre Limited
Cosmos Books Ltd
The Equilibrium Cultural Education Foundation Limited
The Hong Kong Mantra Institute for Lay Women Buddhist
Mrs Felicia Young Charitable Foundation
Sinka Limited
Sowers Action
UA Cinema Circuit Ltd

Honoraty Patron Level

Ms Nancy Hui Cho-Hing

Honoraty Director Level

Ms Betty Jamie Chung Yu Juen

Categories of Membership

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>類別</th>
<th>捐款 (HK$)</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Ordinary Member</td>
<td>$20,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Member</td>
<td>$100,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Voting Member</td>
<td>$200,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Senior Member</td>
<td>$100,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Ordinary Member</td>
<td>$20,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Founding Member</td>
<td>$5,000,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Honorary Patron</td>
<td>$5,000,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Honorary President</td>
<td>$2,000,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Honorary Director</td>
<td>$1,000,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Honorary Advisor</td>
<td>$500,000</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Founding Members 聲譽會長

Honoraty Patron Level

Ms Nancy Hui Cho-Hing

Honoraty Director Level

Ms Betty Jamie Chung Yu Juen

IN MEMORIAM

Ms Nancy Hui Cho-Hing

Sowers Action

UA Cinema Circuit Ltd

苗圃行動

娛藝院線有限公司

追思
HKU DreamCatchers 100K is a seed fund for entrepreneurial and innovative students and young graduates under the age of 35 to kick-start their business ventures. Submissions in ALL areas from business, technology, social innovations, arts and culture to media entrepreneurship are welcome.

106 Teams Applied  (Deadline in Dec 2016)
52 Students Teams + 57 Alumni Teams
IoT, E-commerce, FinTech, Human Performance and Health, Education, Advertising and Marketing, Hardware etc.

Jan
5-min Preliminary Pitch
For selected teams

Feb
Mentors-Mentees Meetup
Finalists will be assigned with mentors from the industries and entrepreneurship community

Apr
Final Pitch
Finalists will pitch in front of the judges and audience to compete for up to ten HK$100,000 awards

ORGANISERS

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
DEVELOPMENT & ALUMNI AFFAIRS OFFICE

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
Technology Transfer Office

JM SC

CEDARS
Final Pitch in August: 18 teams pitched for ten HK$100,000 awards

"If you haven’t won, come back and prove us wrong. It is very important to see the connection between research, technologies, businesses and the community as well as their impact.

Professor Andy Hor
Vice-President and Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research), HKU

"DreamCatchers provides a platform for students to learn and stretch their potential. This is an extremely valuable learning process for everyone of them.

The Hon Mrs Fanny Law
Chairperson of Hong Kong Science & Technology Parks Corporation

"I think quite a lot of the pitches I saw today reach the standard of VCs, CoCoon and in the commercial world where people really pitch for investments. I think the teams are doing a really good job.

Theodore Ma
Director of MaBelle Jewellery Co. Ltd, Co-founder of CoCoon

"It is fantastic to see a lot of concepts and projects helping people who are disabled and underprivileged. And Sino Group would like to connect to those teams to follow up.

Daryl Ng
Executive Director, Sino Land Company Limited
**Smileybox**

“Smileybox provides personalised educational toys and services for children through annual rental and purchase plans.”

**Person-in-charge:**
Han Sung II, Thomas 韓盛一 (BEng 2016; BBA Year 4)

---

**DNA Replicator**

“To provide an affordable and portable biotech device in schools for STEM education.”

**Person-in-charge:**
So Hon Fai, Danny 蘇浩輝 (BSc 2010; MPhil 2013; Ph.D Year 4)

---

**MedEXO Robotics**

“Wearable Soft Robotic Device for Healthcare.”

**Person-in-charge:**
Yin Fan Dennis Huen 賴永健 (MPhil 2016)

---

**Recipio**

“A retail technology enterprise, specialising in providing digital receipt solutions to help retailers in boosting sales, lowering costs and tracking reduced carbon footprint, while reducing the hassle of receipts’ storage and sorting for customers. Digital receipts will be a new digital marketing channel for retailers to engage customers.”

**Person-in-charge:**
Chan Yin Fan 陳彥勤 (BBA(IBGM), 2016)

---

**Movabar**

“A Platform (Web & App) and System for Off-Site Food & Beverages (F&B) Catering Services.”

**Person-in-charge:**
Cheung Hoii Kwun Dennis 楊凱臨 (BA(ArchStud) 2009; MSc(ConstProjectMan) Year 3)
Motion

“To enable an affordable solution for self-contained motion tracking and sports training for the general public and professionals alike.”

Person-in-charge:
Carlos Ma 馬嘉樂
(PhD Year 4)

Roots Food Co

“An online platform and e-commerce shop connecting traditional local food makers with modern food explorers.”

Person-in-charge:
Danielle Leann Chin 陳穎熹
(BA 2014)

Living Tissues Company Limited

“To develop an automated system to fabricate cartilage from stem cells and biomaterial for repair in-house with minimal human interference.”

Person-in-charge:
Chik Tsz Kit, Daniel 賴子傑
(BEng(MedE) 2007, PhD 2012)

Conzeb

“To build a fully automated instrumentation for easy and simple cancer screening.”

Person-in-charge:
Lau Kam Song, Andy 劉金成
(BEng(MedE) 2010, PhD 2015)

Chillazy

“A hammock lounge for working people to take a rest during the day.”

Person-in-charge:
Lee Kin Hei, Keevin 李健喜
(BBA(Accounting) 2012)

Winner of Qianhai Shenzhen-Hongkong Innovative Start-Ups Competition (awarded with HK$180,000) in December, 2016
I joined the DreamCatchers forum 2015 when I was a Year 1 student. Although we failed to win, we enjoyed the experience and learnt a lot from the process. And we will never give up our dream.

-Coinchanger

The Mentorship programme brings us closer to the real industry and chances to learn from practitioners.

-Movabar

Our mentor gives us lots of advice and it is great that we are invited to work with his fintech company.

-Recipio

Congratulations!

Snapask, founded by our science alumnus Timothy Yu (BSc 2012), has recently raised US$3M additional funding to move the startup company forward.

Snapask is one of the companies of Technology Start-up Support Scheme for Universities (TSSSU) at HKU. Timothy is the founder of HKU Alumni Entrepreneurship Club (HKUAEC) which has been a partner of HKU DreamCatchers. He was selected for the "Forbes 30 Under 30 Asia" list earlier this year.

Snapask is a mobile app for on-demand homework help which has over 150,000 students across Asia subscribing it. It now has a valuation of over HK$100M and operates in Hong Kong, Singapore and Taiwan. The upcoming plan is to expand the business to other markets including Indonesia, Malaysia, Thailand and Vietnam.
MedTech Hackathon
Co-organised by The University of Hong Kong and Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation

During the week of June 24-30, students from Stanford University and Hong Kong universities, and young professionals from HKSTP learnt about Stanford Biodesign methodologies, design thinking, business model canvas principle, and worked in teams to come up with prototypes of healthcare solutions with the use of technology.

40 Participants
32 Mentors
8 Unmet medical needs
5 Lectures

Highlights Video on Youtube:

Hackathon was led by 5 leaders:

**Dr Robert Chang**
Stanford University Medical Center

**Dr Carrie Ling**
Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation

**Dr Hayden So**
The University of Hong Kong

**Lily Truong**
Clear Ear (spin-off from Stanford University)

**Dr Ian Y H Wong**
The University of Hong Kong

Champion iDrop
To improve the ease of eye drop application in elderly patients to increase eye drop compliance.

1st Runner-up XX Enterprises
To significantly reduce menstrual pain in women in a discreet manner.

2nd Runner-up CareX
To reduce the frequency of catheter replacement to improve the patient’s experience and reduce labour required.
Butterflies on campus: 1, 6, 9. *Papilio memnon* (male) 美鳳蝶（雄性） 2. *Catopsilia pomona* 遷粉蝶
3. *Papilio memnon* (female) 美鳳蝶（雌性） 4, 8. *Hebomoia glaucippe* (male) 鶴頂粉蝶（雄性）

*Photos: Janet Chung and Olive Wong*
The point of no return?

The relationship between climate change and biodiversity has developed into an interesting phenomenon. As temperatures rapidly rise, requiring all our ecosystems, plants and animals to adapt, an outcome is that with global warming we are seeing new species emerging and biodiversity increasing.
The Butterfly Effect

As climate change affects the variety of life forms in the world, many scientists believe that the ideal animals to observe the effects of climate change are ectotherms, or animals dependent on external sources for heat. For this reason, butterflies have been used in studies to find out how an increase in temperature will impact on their species in the future.

Although it is a well-known fact that butterflies are usually more active in Hong Kong between March and November – when temperatures and humidity remain high - it comes as no surprise that there was a surge in butterflies across the HKU campus as Hong Kong has become relatively warmer all year round.

One of the reasons for the surge in butterflies on the HKU campus could be the abundance of Ixora (龍船花) which were planted on campus this summer, as described by Nelson So 蘇賜輝 (MSc(EnvMan) 2014). In fact, the increase in development of urban spaces around Hong Kong is promoting even greater diversity such that Hong Kong’s already growing collection of 250 butterfly species is multiplying.

The butterflies seen on the HKU campus are, Nelson explains, attracted by the distinct flowering plants found throughout the grounds. “The red flowers that butterflies like are called Ixora. It is a common nectar plant in Hong Kong that attracts butterflies. Nectar plants are the food source for adult butterflies who sip the flowers’ nectar using their proboscis, a long flexible tube-like straw that is the tongue of butterflies,” Nelson adds, who currently works at the Hong Kong Green Building Council.

Captivating the interest of many scholars at HKU, butterflies are the subject of further research at the University looking into how urban parks across Hong Kong serve as valuable habitats for butterflies. Though it was well-known that urban areas were not considered to be important habitats for species, it is now clear that greater plant cover in urban parks are associated with the occurrence of a higher number of species.

Dr Timothy Bonebrake, Assistant Professor at the School of Biological Sciences and Head of the Global Change and Tropical Conservation Laboratory at HKU, and his student, Toby Tsang 曾栢諾 (BSc 2012; PhD Year 3), spent months walking through the parks of Kowloon, and counted a total of 1,485 individual and 51 species during their study.

Common patterns spotted included the species Pseudozizeeria maha (酢漿灰蝶), while the Charaxes bernardus (白帶螯蛺蝶) seemed to be a rare discovery, having only been seen once during the entire study period at Kowloon Tsai Park.
Dr Timothy Bonebrake (left), Assistant Professor at the School of Biological Sciences, and his PhD student Toby Tsang found in their research: “Rare species in Hong Kong urban parks are likely unable to persist in the parks long-term. Spatial context and landscape configuration should be considered when conversing them in urban environments.”

*Pseuzizeeria maha* 醋漿灰蝶

*Argyreus hyperbius* 斐豹蛺蝶（雌性）

*Chilades pandava* 曲紋紫灰蝶

*Cyrestis thyodamas* 網絲蛺蝶
Edge of Evolution

Evolution is a continuous process and new species are always being found. This is precisely the case when an important discovery was recently made in the city of a new species of ant.

The Insect Biogeography and Biodiversity research group led by Dr Benoit Guénard at the School of Biological Sciences at HKU discovered, only a few hundred metres from campus on the foothills of Lung Fu Shan Country Park, a new species of the Hong Kong Paratopula bauhinia (紫荊花細腰屬家蟻), or the rare “Golden Tree Ant” (金樹蟻).

Previously unknown to science, this new ant species represents the 22nd ant species discovered in Hong Kong since records were first started in 1858. The last discovery was in 2000.

Unearthed during a night field course, the unusually large size of the ant (about 7mm long) and its golden appearance piqued the curiosity of Ying Luo 羅羽瑩, a research assistant at the School.

After further research and detailed inspection Luo, together with Dr Guénard, realised that not only did the specimen represent the first record of the ant genus Paratopula in Hong Kong and southern China, it was also a major breakthrough of a new species for science.

The ant is now considered native to Hong Kong Island and is recorded in Asian Myrmecology by Ms Luo and Dr Guénard, along with the first description of the queen of another arboreal species, Rotastruma stenoceps.
The idea of protecting our environment is becoming second nature to some of our HKU students, who are keen nature enthusiasts, and they appear to be developing a passion, love and support for wildlife and diverse creatures. Most recently, Sam Yue, PhD student in Ecology & Biodiversity at the HKU School of Biological Sciences, photographed wild snakes he encountered during his exotic travels around Asia to such places as Borneo, Taiwan, and even locally in Hong Kong. Through his lens, Sam was able to portray the sensitive side of snakes – with beautiful hues that shine – using a special flash setup.

Sam, a local nature photographer, won two honours in this year’s Prix de la Photographie Paris 2016, a prestigious international photo competition. Competed against photographers from over 85 countries, Sam’s entry titled “Serpent” received the second prize and an honourable mention in the nature category.

“This was my first time entering an international competition. I did not expect to win – I just wanted to try my luck. It’s so incredible that I won a silver and I was thrilled to represent Hong Kong,” said Sam.
When we look at the complexities of climate change, we can see the pressing need to protect endangered species and our habitats. We need to help biodiversity adapt to changing temperatures and offset any potential damage arising from climate change.

So what can we as individuals do to help slow the loss of biodiversity? To begin with, we must focus on restoring the habitats of endangered species. On simple terms, we have to work with nature, rather than against it.

Professor David Dudgeon, Chair of Ecology & Biodiversity and Director of the School of Biological Sciences, says that if climate change continues to be a threat, a particular type of endemic species – found nowhere else in the world but Hong Kong – will have only a small chance of survival.

In a recent study led by the University of Florida and published in the journal Science, co-author Dudgeon made reference to the Hong Kong paradise fish and short-legged toad as the most affected by climate changes. “They are not able to adjust their ranges due to intense urbanisations around the sites they occupy currently. If the current climatic conditions change, they will either have to adapt or perish,” he noted.

Another species, the Hong Kong newt which breeds only during the coolest months of the year, would also likely fall victim to global warming since warmer winter temperatures in the future might halt the reproduction of this species.

Mountain-top animals, such as the giant spiny frog, are already mainly confined to streams near the summit of Tai Mo Shan and globally vulnerable to the point of extinction. They would also have nowhere to migrate to as the climate warms, warns Dudgeon.

The research paper published on November 10, 2016 noted that out of a total of 94 ecological processes evaluated globally, 82% of them displayed evidence of impact from climate change.

Land, freshwater and marine ecosystems and species have all been all affected, which could lead to the increase of pests and disease outbreaks, unpredictable changes in fisheries, and decreasing agriculture yields.

“We now have evidence that, with only 1 degree Celsius of warming globally, major impact is already being felt in natural systems. Genes are changing, species’ physiology and physical features such as body size are changing, species are moving and we see clear signs of entire ecosystems under stress, all in response to changes in climate on land and in the ocean,” said study lead author Dr Brett Scheffers of the University of Florida.
Climate change will significantly affect economies and societies through its impact on ecosystems. And now is the time to reconnect with natural areas using green infrastructures and initiatives to restore the balance and health of ecosystems, allowing species to thrive across their natural habitats.

HKU is seeking to do just that and hopefully all of us will continue to advance the cause so we can eventually live entirely with nature and not harm, worse still destroy, the very system that allows us to exist.
Dear Fellow Convocation Members,

At this festive season, may I extend to all Convocation Members best wishes for good health, prosperity and happiness.

This is also the time we welcome all fresh graduates to the Convocation. I participated in some of the HKU congregations this year and enjoyed the opportunity to share the joy and pride of the graduates and their families at this important milestone of their lives. As members of the Convocation, they are joining the 168,000 other seniors in taking the privilege of continuing their connection with our alma mater. They can further their pride as HKU alumni by enhancing the value and image of HKU through suggestions, discussions and debates via Convocation forums, networking, donations, mentorship, representation and other means.

Representing Convocation members are 24 Standing Committee (SC) members. The retiring eight SC members at the Ordinary General Meeting held on June 23, 2016 were replaced by six new and two re-elected members (marked with * below). John Wan 溫頌安 (BSc 1970; MBuddhStud 2007) resigned his Convocation Chairmanship and SC membership on September 21, 2016. I was elected by the SC to succeed his position as the Chairman.

The SC then co-opted Dr Christian Fang, Clinical Assistant Professor of Practice, Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology to replace John and elected Ernest Wong to succeed me as Deputy Chairman of Convocation. Mona Tam's term of office as Clerk of Convocation expired on July 4, 2016 and Elaine Liu was elected by the SC to succeed her.

I would like to report some of the activities. A SC brainstorming session was held on August 21, 2016 with an aim to review the current position of the HKU Convocation and discuss strategies and plans for the coming year. A Fellowship Dinner was held in July 2016 to welcome new Standing Committee Members and thank the outgoing ones.

The University Affairs Subcommittee headed by Convenor Ernest Wong will organise three to four Convocation Forums this year. The Subcommittee and SC members also participated in collecting and giving opinions and suggestions to the HKU Governance Review Panel set up by the HKU Council and look forward to further work when the Panel's report is released.

Convenor Elaine Liu of the House Subcommittee led the work on reviewing the Convocation's Mission, Constitution and Rules. It also helped upgrade various administrative processes. Members would have noticed
the electronic voting procedure was simplified at the last Ordinary General Meeting. A process of review of SC members’ nominations to co-opt the SC and its subcommittee members was also established to help the SC make its decisions in filling new vacancies. This will ensure that these new vacancies are filled by Convocation members having the right competence to discharge their duties and responsibilities.

The **Member Relations Subcommittee** under the leadership of Convenor Andrew Kuet will embark on more innovative ways to enhance the relationships between Convocation members and HKU. The relatively large number of fresh graduates in the past decade would be an area of focus. The Subcommittee will organise SC visits to different areas of HKU to increase knowledge and understanding of HKU’s operations.

The **Communications Subcommittee** led by Convenor Andrew Fung handles the Convocation’s communications with the public and the media, including the enhancement of the Convocation’s web page and Newsletter in both its design and content. The use of social media is an issue being considered by the Subcommittee.

New SC member Mak Tung-wing is the Convenor of the **Finance Subcommittee**. The Subcommittee is studying the feasibility and implementation details of a proposal for Convocation Members to participate in a fundraising campaign to help the University. I, in the role of Deputy Chairman for the HKU Foundation for Educational Development and Research, welcome this idea and hope that Convocation Members can, once again, as in times past, help our students, teachers and researchers financially.

The latest Convocation activity was the **Convocation Forum** held on November 30, 2016 at which Council Chairman Professor Arthur Li (left in the photo) talked to our members under the theme of “University’s past, present and future”. His speech and the Q&A session chaired by Tai Keen-man can be viewed at [www.convocation.hku.hk](http://www.convocation.hku.hk).

The SC looks forward to working with all our members to achieve the Convocation’s Mission and help HKU realise its Asia’s Global University Vision. I have the fortune to be given the opportunity to lead the SC in this important endeavour. Although my leadership style is more a supportive than controlling one, my focus remains on building a SC that has a strong sense of responsibility, mutual trust and an insistence for excellence. We entered HKU with a great sense of pride and expectation from our family and society. We will strive to keep it throughout our lives.

Happy New Year!

Yours faithfully,

Patrick Poon
Chairman of Convocation
10,000 MENTEES
1,900 MENTORS
513,000 HOURS
since 1997

A salute to friendship & sharing

HKU Mentorship
www.mentorship.hku.hk
Connecting from East to West

Central USA Alumni Network

Silver jubilee banquet on September 3, 2016

November 19, 2016

Shanghai Alumni Network

October 30, 2016

25 Years of Friendship

HKUAA Northern California

“During the 1980s, more and more people migrated from Hong Kong to the United States. Many HKU alumni moved to live in Northern California especially in the San Francisco Bay area. With the encouragement of Professor Rosie Young and the support of alumni Dr Dexter Man and Edward Chan (Dr Man’s son-in-law), a few alumni who were active in the San Francisco area and Sacramento established the Northern California alumni chapter.”

- Dr Larry Ng 吳銘來 (MBBS 1965), Chapter’s Board Chair

The inaugural ceremony was held on September 28, 1991, with former HKU Vice-Chancellor Dr Rayson Huang (3rd right, sitting) as the guest of honour.

Silver jubilee banquet on September 3, 2016

www.hkaua.org/

What’s On alumni networks
Hong Kong University Graduates Association (HKUGA) 40th Anniversary


40th Anniversary Fundraising Gala Dinner on November 12:
Past Presidents and Exco members and alumni sharing on “人生選擇，世代深情”

www.hkuga.org
May Hall was the main residence for staff and students during wartime. Even the life of the University did not come to an end although no further teaching could be done. On January 1, 1942, a special Congregation for the conferring of degrees upon medical students who had passed their final examination in December 1941, was held in May Hall.
The Warden residences of May and Eliot Halls were damaged. Repairs were completed in 1968. May, Eliot and Lugard Halls were combined into one residential unit, renamed “Old Halls” which admitted its first batch of residents in 1969. The three buildings were renamed May Wing, Eliot Wing and Lugard Wing.

Old Halls closed in 1992. May Wing was used as hostel for postgraduate students and University teaching offices, including the General Education Unit and the Centre of Buddhist Studies.

It was listed as Grade 1 Historic Building by the Antiquities Advisory Board in 2009.

Before the torrential rain and landslides in 1966

The Warden residences of May and Eliot Halls were damaged. Repairs were completed in 1968. May, Eliot and Lugard Halls were combined into one residential unit, renamed “Old Halls” which admitted its first batch of residents in 1969. The three buildings were renamed May Wing, Eliot Wing and Lugard Wing.
Alumni reunion at May Hall which houses the office of the Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences (Incorporating the Centre of Asian Studies)

Centennial Celebration of May Hall Organising Committee

Chairman
Professor Yeung Yue-man 楊汝萬 (BA 1962)

Members
Dr Leung Kam-fong 梁錦芳 (BSc 1965; CertEd 1970)
Mr Mok Kwai-sang 莫桂生 (BSc 1967; BSc(Sp) 1968; MSc 1971; CertEd 1975)
Mr Tsoi Heung-sang 蔡香生 (BSc 1964; DipEd 1965; AdvDipEd 1978; MEd 1980)
Mr Lai Kam-biu 黎錦標 (BA 1963)
Mr Wah Yam-fook 華任復 (BA 1963; MA 1966)
Dr Chan Che-keung 陳自強 (MBBS 1966)
Dr Wu Ho-mun 胡可滿 (MBBS 1968)
「我們一有閒空，便沿梅舍後小徑經過莫禮遜舍向山上走，繞幾個彎，不到一小時就可以爬上山頂。在山頂上望一望海，吸一口清氣，對於我成了一種癮。……霎時間把腦袋裏一些重載卸下，做一個“空空如也”的原始人。然後再循另一條小徑下山，略有倦意，坐下來吃一頓相當豐富的晚餐。香港大學的生活最使我留戀的就是這一點。」

朱光潛 Zhu Guangqian (BA 1923; Hon DLitt 1985) who resided at May Hall during his studies at HKU from 1918 to 1922.

節錄自《一枝一葉總關情 — 回憶二十五年前的香港大學》
Tradition Revived: Morrison Hall Hobo Dance Party

In the 1950s and 1960s, life was exciting at the University and in their free time students were occupied with sports championships and the craze of dance parties. The dance culture at HKU at that time was fuelled by the Annual Dance, the Union Dance, the Barn Dance at Ricci Hall and, of course, the *Hobo Dance at Morrison Hall.

Morrison Hall was the first HKU hall to hold a “themed” dance event after the reopening of the University in 1946; other halls and student groups followed suit later. Also known as the Mountaineers’ Ball in the early 1950s, the Hobo Dance was the highlighted event of the Morrisonian social calendar.

On June 26, 2016 at Loke Yew Hall, having prepared for over six months, young Morrisonians proudly presented the first Hobo Dance since 1968, when the old Morrison Hall was reluctantly closed down. They were also celebrating the 10+ anniversary of the rebuilding of Morrison Hall.

* Merriam-Webster Dictionary: Hobo is a homeless and usually penniless vagabond

The Dance began with a welcome speech by PH Mak 麥伯雄 (BA 1967), President of the Morrison Hall Alumni Association, the War Cry, and a toast with the Guest of Honour, Professor Andy Hor, Vice-President and Pro-Vice-Chancellor (Research).

The programme included a parade by 3/F boys who danced and sang old-school traditional songs, the Morrison Hall Band show, and a performance by the hall choir, Morrisingers. A Hobo King and a Hobo Queen, the most “hobo” couple, were elected, just as it was in the past. The party reached its climax with the Scottish Ceilidh dance in which all participants danced together to a wild Scottish rhythm. The party attracted more than 200 members and friends of the University, all of whom thoroughly enjoyed being hoboes.

Chris Wong 黃智聰 (BSocSc 2011; MPhil 2014)
Joyce Zhang 張瑩 (PhD Year 5)

“We prepared the Hobo Dance in December every year. The tickets were sold out quickly although they were probably the most expensive amongst student dance parties in those days. All attendees were in couples. The entrance was a dark tunnel large enough for two persons who had to spend at least 15 minutes on their hands and knees to go up the stairs leading to the dancing hall...Those were the good old days when we were young and carefree.”

PH Mak 麥伯雄 (BA 1967)

“I looked forward to this day, the unique Hobo Dance Party in the best of Morrisonian traditions. When Morrisonians get together I can almost guarantee what the favourite topic of conversation will be: the Hobo Dance.”

Dr Frank Yu 余宇楷 (MBBS 1959)

“The older generation, the middle and the younger ones can get together and have a good time, and make sure that the Morrisonian spirit will last forever.”

Dr Laurence Hou 侯勵存 (MBBS 1957)

“We were always able to get the best live bands in Hong Kong at the time. I remember we had Teddy Robbin and the Play Boys one year (the Twist years) and the Fabulous Echos (the Mashed Potato dance craze year) in another year.”

Dr Ho Lig-kang 何歷耕 (MBBS 1967)

“So pleased to witness the same strong Morrison spirit that I knew being brought back to life after almost 49 years since the last Hobo Dance in 1967.”

Stephen Hui 許桂然 (BScEng 1970)

“I’m so excited to witness this event. It’s like a miracle that an old tradition of Morrison Hall can resurface at HKU like this.”

Wong Sau-kit 王受傑 (BSc 2008; MScEng(IELM) 2011)

“This Hobo Dance Party is a very remarkable experience for us young Morrisonians to appreciate what Morrison Hall was 50 years ago. I am sure this is the best celebration of Morrison Hall’s 10+ Anniversary for all Morrisonians.”

Ricky Tam 譚嘉豪 (BBA(Acc&Fin) 2015)
Hobo Dance in the old Morrison Hall

It was called the “Hobo” Dance because Morrisonians would wear “Hobo” style clothing that was ragged and tattered. Morrison Hall would be decorated with paint, streamers, and wooden barrels. A truckload of hay would be strewn around the Common Room and Dining Room, the entrance and the staircase, taking advantage of the former Dairy Farm cowsheds nearby. The Morrisonians and their partners sat on the floor, covered with hay, chatting and indulged in the traditional music performed by the Morrison Band. At the end of the dance, a Hobo King and Hobo Queen would be “elected”, and were deemed the “stars” of the Dance. And sometimes, romance was in the air with some Morrisonians and their guests becoming lifelong partners.
The three years in HKU indeed is the happiest time in our lives. It is the place we acquired our knowledge and found the ‘one’ for the rest of our lives. We call it our ‘Eternity’.

Hotungnian Athena and Starrian Dennis first met each other at high school in 2005. But what brought them together was the Business Communication class at the Faculty of Business and Economics. They formed a team for a group project and this was when their love journey started.

Athena Sung 宋欣慈 (BBA(Acc&Fin) 2010)
Dennis Chu 朱偉斌 (BBA(Acc&Fin) 2010)

“...”
Never too old for love

19 elderly couples took wedding photos at HKU on October 30, 2016. It was part of the “Elderly Century Wedding” event organised by the Volunteer Space with full support from the University. The event has been running consecutively for 13 years particularly for those who did not have a proper wedding ceremony due to the war, social or family difficulties.
Love, Write, Publish

In the era of a visually dominant digital world, they still believe in the power of words and publications.

Alfred Ho 何尚衡 (BA(ArchStud) 2007)

《畕土》建築月刊創辦人

建築哲學「貼地」為本

「《畕土》希望邀請不同的建築學專業人士，作為平台，讓專業的聲音與大眾交流發聲，使艱澀的學術研究轉化成簡單的視點，令香港人了解自己當下面對的社會難題。

Alfred說，因他們受到《黴紙》啟發，故《畕土》只有八頁紙。走進數碼時代，人人慣於追看社交媒體的即時信息，閱讀長篇的能耐與信息接收的能力漸漸變差，於是八頁紙剛好足以載道，又不會太heavy。

《畕土》的文字工作由Alfred一力承擔，這並不是他頭一次寫作。在網上，他早已發表過不少與城市空間有關的文章，並以專業角度分析土地議題。但一夜之間，網媒「主場新聞」突然宣告結業，他才如夢初醒，明白網絡載文虛無縹緲——想到如果有天Facebook突然倒閉，他用心寫作的文章也會消失得一乾二淨，「那刻，我明白紙媒的重要，因為紙媒經過的程序較多，寫出來可能相對專業，而且也較嚴謹」，於是他們花時間訪問、打稿、排版，直到這八頁紙出現，方覺得實在。」

當年選擇建築，他說是因為它介乎感性與理性之間。何尚衡是思考型的人，而且天真，他沒有將建築想成花白的銀紙，而帶着近乎單純的真誠與熱愛。

「建築不是築樓，建築是哲學。」那是龍炳頤對他說的第一句話。中七的暑假，何尚衡參加港大建築系的暑假課程。「那時，他（龍炳頤）剛好走過，見到眼前一群年輕人，開口說了一段話，這句話往後留在我的心中，如果當年不是正好遇到他，他又那麼興奮，說出這句話，可能我要在往後很長的歷程才體會到建築是什麼。」同一年他到港大建築系面試，之前做了許多準備工夫。如果面試官問他最喜歡的香港建築是什麼時，他打算毫不猶豫地答中銀和匯豐銀行總行。到了面試那天，他卻不期然地答了一個奇怪答桉——在南丫島沙灘看到的發電廠。「試想想，在沙灘上見到一座發電廠——無論在氣氛和環境上都很特別吧？」最後，他考進了港大建築系。他記得，第一年系上的教授都不讓他們用電腦繪圖，要他們用手畫。「用電腦的好處是方便copy，但不好處一樣是方便copy。當一切太方便便會變成對一切無意識。用手畫的好處是下筆要想得很清楚，像以前的人拿毛筆寫字，太麻煩就不會寫廢話，不像現在的人用電腦打字，一篇文中有一千字都是廢話。」

節錄於明報副刊網頁版2016年8月16日
What’s at the Praya 海旁？

Non-local students have many ways to explore and leave traces of their vibrant university life in Hong Kong. Finance student Zhu Yiqing chose to found the Chinese literary magazine Praya 海旁 in 2014 with the aim of recording people’s lives and thoughts through authentic and profound words.

Yiqing and her team came together through social media. Students started their publishing journey by naming the magazine Praya after Kennedy Town Praya, which they see as a place for ambitious youth to gather to talk and share ideas. With Praya, they see it as an experiential platform through which literary ideas can be exchanged, and works in different literary forms are shared in each issue. So far, four issues have been published, each under a different theme: “No People are Uninteresting”, “How did We Fall in Love”, “The Golden Age” and “Farewell, Babel”.

Praya are available for sale through social media channels, such as WeChat, Facebook page (海旁 Praya) and the University Bookstore on campus.

Current Editorial Board members:
Zhou Fangwen 周方聞 (LLB Year 3); Angel Guo 郭雅楠 (BSc 2016; MPhil Year 1); Peng Fengjiao (BSc 2016); Pan Xuetan 潘雪譚 (BSc 2016); Hua Yunqing 花贇清 (BSocSc 2016); Wang Xinyi 王馨怡 (BA Year 3); Yang Demeng 楊德萌 (BA year 2); Wei Ziwei 魏子薇 (BA year 3); Zong Yiyao 宗毅遙 (BA(UrbanStud) Year 2); Chen Chen 陳晨 (BSocSc Year 3); Wei Yuxi 魏雨夕 (BA(ArchStud) Year 4); Chen Dongni 陳冬妮 (LLB Year 4)
Nancy Yung 容慧心 (BSocSc 2002)
Gary Leung 梁鈞浩 (BSc(ActuarSc) 2002)

Founding Red Publish

Nancy and Gary, now husband and wife who graduated nearly 15 years ago, spotted a gap in the market to found Red Publish 紅出版, one of Asia’s leading publishers.

Running a startup business is never an easy journey. "We lacked money and experience. Our revenue was not sufficient to break even. So, from meeting clients, editing and proofreading, typesetting, designing, marketing, accounting, administration, to Book Fairs and warehouse logistics, we did almost all the work by ourselves."

Currently, Red Publish is one of the top five publishers in Hong Kong by publishing volume. Their recent publications, one of which is about the famous cat named Tsim Tung Brother Cream 尖東忌廉哥 who lived in Tsim Sha Tsui East, have received a lot of media attention.

Yan Chi-ming 甄子明 (BEng 1976; DipManStud 1983; MBA 1985)

My inspiration to write

“When I was a little boy, I was surrounded by bookshelves and books. My father was a professional writer and he wrote Kung Fu novels, which were very hot in the 60s. He loved Kung Fu novels himself, so he had a stock of them written by other famous writers, especially Jin Yong 金庸. My first books were Kung Fu novels by Jin Yong and my father. I was 8.

Since then, I have never stopped reading.

At around 12, I began to try my hand at writing short stories and very ‘simple but naive’ poems for newspapers.
Unlock the poem, unlock the poet

“Poetry is like a riddle. You have to guess what I mean. And a good poem always has a key to unlock it.” Currently working as a medical doctor in a palliative care ward, Lut-ming has numerous encounters with different people, in which the human “touch” generates “feelings” that drive him to write poems.

Lut-ming started his “poetic” journey in 1999, and learnt to write poems from a discussion forum on the internet. Writing under the pen name 風緣, his first poem was published by the magazine《詩潮》in 2002. He and his classmates founded 港大詩社 (a student society for Chinese poetry in HKU) and his poems have appeared in various publications including《詩網絡》 and 《秋螢》. Asymptote, a premier site for world literature in translation, translated and published some of Lut-ming’s poems in 2015.

In 2016, he published a poetry collection《所望之事》, with the foreword written by poet Wu Yin-ching胡燕青 (BA 1978), whom he deeply respects and is grateful to. “I am grateful to my mentor Master Wu. Her poetry collection《攀緣之歌》inspired me most.”

就這樣，我們說好了

就這樣，我們說好了

每天走一樣的道路
踏著易碎的葉
照一面黃昏
擠攏的影

寧靜的橋
說些今日事
啞口無言乳酪
褪色的廈在原地

爭先恐後的招牌
雜貨漫延路邊
相同的稱謂
模擬議價

單線行車
趕快落批貨
響亮起彼落
沒擋住光線和影

就這樣，我們說好了

非常非常感謝胡燕青老師。我沒有這個福氣做她的學生，只是全世界的人都叫她胡老師
我也跟著叫。沒有上過她的課，也沒有認真跟過她學詩。她的書，我倒是有十幾本，我最多是個超級 fans。感謝她的序，我第一次看時在地鐵上，她 email 給我。我看得哭了，然後有人讓座給我。好不尷尬。感謝她切開剖開我的詩，讓我感到自己不錯。”

“When I was a little boy, Hong Kong and China seemed to be located on two different planets. China relied on Hong Kong for a lot of things, both materialistic and as a window to the world. Even as a teenager I understood some of the importance of Hong Kong to China. I often pondered why.

Hong Kong was unique, complicated, impossible to understand, but fascinating. My interest in Hong Kong has never died.

I wanted to paint a different (and possibly untold) picture of China and Britain after the Opium War, the story of which has seldom been revealed. I also wanted to tell the true story of Hong Kong, and its interaction with Britain and China. I believe Hong Kong’s unique influence on China has been underestimated by politicians, and somewhat neglected by historians. I have tried my best to retell stories of those few years from my own perspective.”

Extracted from “Finding my inspiration to write” at www.alumni.hku.hk/stories
Running is My Language

What began as a reunion of HKU’s Master of Science in Electronic Commerce and Internet Computing (MEICOM) in 2003 became a life-transforming marathon journey for Pauline. She went from being an office lady to a recently honoured champion of the World Marathon Majors, an accomplishment that requires completing the six largest and most renowned marathons in the world: Tokyo, Boston, Virgin Money London, BMW Berlin, Bank of America Chicago, and TCS New York City.

Pauline is one of a few Hong Kong runners who is in the Hall of Fame of the World Marathon Majors. It is indeed a prestigious honour because the qualifying standards of all six marathons are extremely high. The qualifying standard, for example, of Boston Marathon in 2016 for male and female runners aged 18 to 34 are 3’ 5” and 3’ 35” respectively.

Pauline looked back on what had been a sedentary life before 2003, having given up running after her primary school days. However, persuaded by MEICOM Programme Director and running enthusiast Professor Paul Cheung and other classmates at the reunion, she registered for the 10Km race of the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon in 2004.

“I joined a running clinic and struggled to finish a mere 800m. I was so out of breath I blacked out.” But, she never stopped trying. Finally, Pauline completed the 10Km in 1’ 3”.

In 2005, she finished her first full marathon (42.195Km) on the Mainland in 4’ 18’’.

Since 2006, Pauline has been fully occupied with marathon-related activities: founding the HKU Marathon Team together with Professor Paul Cheung, MEICOM friends and the Development & Alumni Affairs Office; receiving professional training; completing a master degree in Exercise Science; and working as a running coach. She also met her marathon targets one by one, which brought her the honour of the World Marathon Majors in 2016.

“All of those world-class marathons are well organised. I am impressed by the facilities and care offered to runners, and the culture of the citizens. For example, a shower area is available at the Berlin marathon, and the spectators at the Tokyo Marathon prepared sushi and fried pork fillet to cheer runners up.”

While Pauline enjoys taking part in these world-class marathons, she most treasures those times when she is part of the HKU Marathon Team. “Not only did HKU give me academic knowledge, it also provided me with the opportunity to understand myself better. Running is now my language to communicate with people around the world without any barriers.”
Kwong Hung-piu 鄺熊標 (PCEd 1993; MEd 1997; MEd 2000)

Running until I can’t

“Whenever I feel down or encounter difficulties in life, I cheer myself up and get recharged by looking at the HKU Marathon Team’s photos on my desk,” said 78-year-old Uncle Kwong (鄺伯伯), who has participated in the Standard Chartered Hong Kong Marathon (SCHKM) 10Km race as a member of the HKU Marathon Team for the past ten years. He is the most senior member of the Team.

“People feel for me, thinking I am too old to run. I don’t feel that at all. If I dare to try and can achieve the target, the joy I feel overrides the effort I put into it.” To Uncle Kwong, marathon running is not just for health, but is also a sport that boosts self-esteem. He had always been passionate about running, and first competed in a race back in 1989. However, work commitments meant he didn’t run again until HKU was recruiting for its first Marathon Team in 2006.

Having spent seven years at HKU for three postgraduate programmes, Uncle Kwong feels a strong sense of belonging to HKU and thus to the HKU Marathon Team. “I wasn’t confident at my first SCHKM race, but when I heard the cheers from the HKU Marathon Cheering Team, my energy picked up.”

In fact, “never give up” could well be his motto. He recalled running the 10Km at the SCHKM in 2011 when he hurt his leg few months before the race: “It was not just the pain in my legs, but the lack of strength in them that had me struggling to continue. I really wanted to give up in the middle of the race, but I kept telling myself that I am competing with myself, not the other runners. As long as I can reach the end point, I will have succeeded.” And, he did! Although he finished the race in 123 minutes, three minutes over the time limit, Uncle Kwong rightfully felt very proud of himself.

Perseverance is not just useful in the sports arena. Uncle Kwong finds his marathon spirit is beneficial in his daily work and has possibly been inherited by his grandson, who is a secondary school student and is also passionate about long-distance running. “I’m so lucky that my registration for the SCHKM 10Km for 2017 was successful. I just want to run until I can’t run anymore!”
感激沿途有你

1986年 - 自信的、迷惘的、雄心壮志的。各盡不同，卻都是帶著一臉的青澀和單純。

2006年 - 六四、回歸、金融風暴、沙士。經過努力和磨練後，當年的臉，都加上了醒覺和領悟。

2016年 - 事業的起起跌跌、身邊人的離離合合，原來都不過是人生路上的一點沙沙石石。為我們的臉，再加上了歲月和從容。

數十個小伙子，機緣巧合地在同一窗下，過了三年無憂無慮的日子。三十年過去了，際遇雖各有不同，但當年的情懷不變，仍然不時安排相聚，亦會偶爾聯絡一下互相問心。有二十多歲到五十多歲的日子，感激沿途有你。以後，仍然希望有你在旁，一同登「六」，再遊走古稀之年。
Newcomers to the Family of 200,000 HKU Alumni

At the 1st Congregation in 1916
Graduates: 23

At the 196th Congregation in 2016
Graduates: 8,499

3,877 Bachelors
4,131 Masters
491 Doctorates

www.alumni.hku.hk/newgrads
CLIMATE CRUNCH

The point of no return?