Honorary Fellowships

The Honorary University Fellowships were created in 1995 as a mark of the distinction and esteem with which the recipients are held by the University and to better relationships with the community. Five outstanding individuals received the honour in December 2003.

The Hon Mr Justice Patrick Chan (LLB 1974; PCLL 1975) is Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal. As an alumnus of the University, he has made many contributions to his alma mater. He is a member of the University’s Council and has been actively involved in the review of the University’s governance and management. In particular, he has rendered invaluable service to the Faculty of Law.

Mr Lim Por Yen is a successful businessman and renowned philanthropist. He is founder of the Lai Sun Group. His generosity has seen him donate more than HK$600 million to charity over the years. He has supported education, healthcare and culture in Hong Kong and China. He is one of the Founding Honorary Presidents of HKU Foundation. His donation of HK$20 million was an enormous boost to the University’s SARS Fund and to the establishment of the Jao Tsung-I Petite Ecole.

Mr Moses Cheng (LLB 1972; PCLL 1973) is a practicing solicitor. He has distinguished himself as an active member of the Hong Kong community. He is a former legislative councillor, a member of the Education Commission of Hong Kong, Chairman of the Council and Councillor of the Baptist University and a member of the Court and Convocation Standing Committee of HKU.

Professor Loke Yung Cheong is a leading paediatrician and a former Chief Executive of Princess Margaret Hospital. He is an Honorary Professor in the Faculty of Medicine who has been actively involved in planning educational activities under the new medical curriculum and is a member of the Faculty’s Medical Education Unit. Professor Loke has played an instrumental part in founding the University’s Medical Alumni Association and has been a member of the Association’s Executive Committee since its formation in 1999.

Mr Linus Cheung received the honour in December 2003. As an alumnus of the University, he has rendered invaluable service to the Faculty of Law. He is a member of the HKU Social Sciences Alumni Association. Mr Linus Cheung is the current President of the HKU Social Sciences Alumni Association.

Mr Lim Por Yen (back left) and Dr James Wu (front right), aged 94, grandson of Mr Loke Yew, visited HKU with his friends Dr B L Wong (front left) and Dr James Wu (back middle).

World’s First China Brain Bank

Brain is the last frontier of research on the human body. Brain research relies heavily on animal models in the past as human brains are hard to access directly with most research tools. Although there are several important postmortem brain banks in the world, these collections, however, are not accompanied by detailed medical records or psychological profile of the patient which are important information to the interpretation of data.

In order to foster human brain research, intensify the understanding of diseases and encourage academic collaboration, the University of Hong Kong and Central South University have jointly established the world’s first China Brain Bank with comprehensive medical record, and psychological profile of human kind.

The Brain Bank will be administered by both universities under a collaborative agreement. A signing ceremony was held on February 20. Donors will be recruited after informed consent for organ donation and will receive psychiatric/psychometric evaluations. Donated brains will be collected and stored according to established protocol.