"Full Circle" is about the story of a life transformed by long exposure to the peoples and cultures of China and East Asia. The stories of many people in Hong Kong, China and Japan are interwoven into this narrative account, as Ruth shares what it was like to live through a series of major transitions from the Cultural Revolution in 1967, to Hong Kong’s return to China in 1997. In 1997, Ruth became Director of the Hong Kong Institute of Education. Her life came full circle, as she again settled into the city where she had begun her teaching career 30 years earlier. She is now Professor at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education, University of Toronto.

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Alumni & Books

Terence Chang 張偉輝 (BA 1970)
As the headmaster of Diocesan Boys’ School, Mr Chang is also the advisor of "Inspiration." "It is indeed my pleasure to read all these wonderful pieces of literary works by our students. The articles, in one way or another, display the talent of the boys of DBS. Their skills in writing bring forth special effects of impress those who enjoy reading."

Dr Marion Fang 方心淑 (Hon DScSc 1995)
Dr Fang, who devoted her entire life to children with special needs, passed away on February 29, 2004. As a teacher and educator, Marion taught us that learning knowledge were not the privilege of a few, but the right of everyone, most especially those who were physically and mentally disabled. ... Marion taught us that education could be holistic and inclusive...

As a social worker, Marion taught us the importance of advocacy. ... Her tireless pursuit of linking social work and education is another of Marion’s legacies to Hong Kong... We will miss her leadership, her inspiration, her wisdom, her counsel and her guidance. She showed us how to believe in something whole-hearted and how to get things done. W e will also miss her elegance and her deep humility. W e will miss her friendship and her laughter and most of all, we will miss her cheerful nature and positive attitude."

Eulogy by Dr Rosanna Wong 王若瑜

Mrs Betty Lee 王華 (BA 1956)
Mrs Lee, a retired senior staff of the University Libraries, passed away on February 24, 2004. After graduating from HKU in 1956 with a first-class honor, Mrs Lee received a full scholarship to study library science in the United States. She worked at the University Libraries between 1980-90, 1992-93 and 1995-97. Mrs Lee was diagnosed with leukemia in 1999. Like a true librarian, she documented the treatment and progression of her disease and compiled a booklet of her case history. Deepest condolences to her family including her eldest sister, our former Registrar, Mrs Ellie Alleyne (BA 1952).

Dr Pauline Lai 賴寶川 (MBBS 1928)
The second female Medicine graduate of the University, Dr Pauline Lai, passed away peacefully on December 29, 2003 at the age of 100.

Dr Felix Mang Wai Look 陸孟 (MBBS 1946)
Dr Mang passed away on January 1, 2004. "陸醫生的好朋友都親熱地稱他為阿為。阿為在一九三一年入讀華仁，一九三八年考入香港大學醫科。一九四一年太平洋戰爭爆發，他和許多港大學生一樣，滯留內地，經醫學教授 Gordon King 協助，入讀上海醫學院，當時該院座落在重慶歌樂山，有許多港大學生就讀。他大概在一九四三年醫科畢業，學位後來得到港大認可。在重慶期間，阿為也曾服務於重慶醫院。戰後回港，在瑪麗醫院工作了一段短的時間，後到英國深造，一九五三年回港執業。他是一位堅毅及忠實的信徒，他太太可以說是一對模範天主教徒。"