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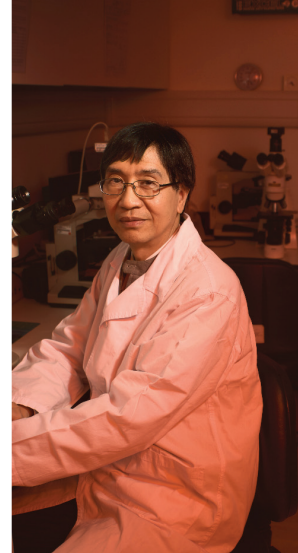


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Across The University of Hong Kong, experts are studying the vital links between animals, humans and natural habitats — in interdisciplinary research and innovation ranging from medicine to law, and from biology to social science.

They are finding real-life solutions for improving the welfare of both people and the other creatures who share our increasingly crowded and polluted Earth. HKU's breakthroughs in animal-borne diseases have saved lives, while legal advocacy has shielded pets from abusive practices.

Animal-related research at HKU has led to pioneering collaborations with the third sector: a legal scholar working alongside a University forensics lab to save African wildlife; a marine biologist working with a tech start-up on a mobile app to save reef fish; and a social scientist who uses therapy dogs to help at-risk youth.

HKU alumni have also dedicated their lives and careers to caring for animals, whether by documenting natural habitats as a photographer, or saving rescued wildlife at a sanctuary.

The researchers and alumni are working to discover new ways for humans to find accommodation with animals and nature, for the benefit and happiness of all.

Associate Professor **Amanda Whitfort** of the **Faculty of Law** uses her legal expertise to save animals locally and globally.

Her landmark 2010 *Review of Animal Welfare Legislation in Hong Kong*, co-authored with Dr Fiona Woodhouse, Deputy Director (Welfare) of the Society for the Protection of Cruelty to Animals, (Hong Kong), led to a new Hong Kong law being enacted in 2016 to protect animals from cruelty in the pet trade.

“We had a law enacted that has stopped the unlicensed breeding of dogs, which was taking place in appalling conditions. There were sick animals kept in cages, and then being sold online.” Whitfort explained her hands-on approach to investigating abuses: “I sent vets to slaughterhouses, farms, shelters and pet stores.”

Whitfort is now working to halt wildlife trafficking, a move that could have international impact, given Hong Kong’s role as a global hub between African habitats and lucrative Asian markets for endangered species.

She has been invited to feature in six training videos for the Hong Kong judiciary on the impact of wildlife crime, and is advocating for a change in Hong Kong law so that wildlife trafficking is recognised as an organised and serious crime.

At a conference co-organised by **HKU’s Centre for Comparative and Public Law** and ADM Capital Foundation (ADMCF), Whitfort spoke with two other

academics, **Honorary Professor Yvonne Sadovy** and **Dr Caroline Dingle** of the **School of Biological Sciences**, in a vivid testimony to the ongoing work on animal welfare across disciplines.

“To underpin effective law enforcement, we need reliable evidence identifying trafficked species provided by forensic scientists like Dr Caroline Dingle,” Whitfort said.

Dr Dingle uses technologies such as genetic identification to discover the origins of trafficked animals at **HKU’s Conservation Forensics Lab**, the first facility of its kind in Hong Kong.

Hong Kong seizures of precious ivory, rhino horn and pangolin scales since 2013 potentially equate to the deaths of 3,000 elephants, 51 rhinoceros and 64,000 pangolins, according to a report co-authored by Whitfort and published by ADMCF.

The government estimates the value of illegal wildlife seizures at HK\$87 million to HK\$142 million a year. Whitfort also pointed out that wildlife crime was linked to other crimes, such as violence against rangers in Africa.

“The global demand for wildlife products is at its highest in Asia. The average value of seizures is now second only to dangerous drugs. We have a responsibility to get this right.”

Photo: Anthony Fan 范家朗 (BSc (Surv) 2018)



**ADVOCATE FOR
ANIMALS**
AMANDA WHITFORT | LAW



DEPLOY TECH FOR OCEAN LIFE

YVONNE SADOVY | SCIENCE

Photo: Eric Clua

Professor Sadovy, a world-renowned expert in reef fish, has been working at HKU since 1993 to advocate protection for fishes that are threatened with extinction and to achieve sustainable management of reef fish fisheries.

In 1998, she founded the International Union for Conservation of Nature Specialist Group for Grouper and Wrasse (types of reef fish) and in 2000 co-founded Science and Conservation of Fish Aggregations (SCRFA), which she currently directs, and collaborates with bodies such as the World Wide Fund for Nature, TRAFFIC, and the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization.

In addition to her teaching and research at the School of Biological Sciences, she works at **The Swire Institute of Marine Science (SWIMS) at HKU**, a research facility at Cape D'Aguilar on the shores of Hong Kong's only marine reserve. SWIMS' research covers the waters from Southeast Asia to the Northwest Pacific.

"In a truly globalised world, large urban centres like Hong Kong are responsible for extensive trade connections, but also for ensuring that they do not threaten the fish and fisheries outside of the city that we import and depend on," said Professor Sadovy, whose field research at HKU has taken her to far-flung places such as Palau, Fiji and French Polynesia in the Western and Central Pacific.

Professor Sadovy is working with Corvidae, a tech start-up that was launched in 2016 at HKU's innovation and

entrepreneurship hub **iDendron**. They are developing an app called 'Saving Face' that Hong Kong enforcement officers are already trialling to identify illegally imported fish, just by pointing a mobile phone at a restaurant or wet market fish tank and photographing target fish.

"We have a problem in Hong Kong – a lot of fish are being brought in illegally, like 'so mei' 蘇眉", Professor Sadovy said, referring to the Chinese name for Napoleon fish, a species she has long studied.

The phone app can identify what Professor Sadovy calls "these incredible markings on the face of the animal we can use to distinguish among individual animals, just like we use fingerprints for people. We can track legally imported fish in this way"

"It's incredible – it's an adaptation of facial recognition. It's very exciting to work with this technology," she said. The app highlights that fish are individuals and have personalised faces that we can distinguish, just like humans.

"Ultimately this is not just about legal and sustainable trade. Conservation and good natural resource practices are about improving the relationship between humans and animals, and how we perceive and use other species. We must be sure not to threaten their populations so they are around for us to enjoy – whether to eat them or, as divers, to enjoy seeing them in the water, and knowing they will be there for the next generation".



RESPECT ANIMALS, SAVE HUMAN LIVES

YUEN KWOK-YUNG | MEDICINE

Photo: Anthony Fan 范家朗 (BSc (Surv) 2018)

“Seventy-five percent of emerging infectious agents are coming from animals. These include the bird flu, SARS, MERS and Rat hepatitis E virus,” said **Professor Yuen Kwok-yung 袁國勇** (MBBS 1981; MD 1998), Henry Fok Professor in Infectious Diseases and Chair of Infectious Diseases in the Department of Microbiology at the **Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine**.

Professor Yuen, an international expert in animal-borne illness, has been advocating improving human health by promoting animal hygiene and welfare.

“When we care for livestock and respect wildlife, both animals and humans benefit,” he said.

After the 2003 SARS epidemic, he and his team discovered that Chinese horseshoe bats (*Rhinolophus sinicus*) are the natural reservoir that carried the ancestral bat SARS coronavirus, which may have mutated and spread to civets before jumping into humans. He called on the public to refrain from eating civets, which were considered a delicacy in Southern China.

“It would be important for us to respect the habitats of wild animals; maintain good farm and market biosecurity with no live poultry in the wet market in the long run; and control the rat and mosquito populations in the urban area,” Professor Yuen said. “Besides doing microbial surveillance, we have to research for broad spectrum antiviral drugs and universal vaccines to prepare for coming epidemics.”

For more than a decade, Professor Yuen has spoken out against live poultry sales and slaughtering at wet markets. He called the practice and conditions of keeping live chickens at the markets “abnormal”.

His research on animal-borne diseases dates back to the 1997 avian influenza outbreak, when his research on the H5N1 virus’ severity and mortality rate was published in *The Lancet*.

In February 2019, he warned that even healthy adults could be at risk of rat-to-human hepatitis E infection after Canada reported the first such case outside of Hong Kong. In 2018, Professor Yuen’s team revealed that world’s first two rat-to-human infections took place in Hong Kong, shedding light on hygiene problems in dense urban areas where animals and humans live side by side.

FIELD

TERMITES HELP RAIN FORESTS

A major new study, showing that termites help mitigate against the effects of drought in tropical rain forests, was published on the cover of *Science Magazine*, the authoritative US-based multidisciplinary research journal, in January 2019.

Dr Louise Ashton of HKU's **School of Biological Sciences**, is one of the lead researchers, along with researchers from the University of Liverpool, the Natural History Museum in London, and the University of Western Australia.

“Most people think that termites are a pest that can damage homes and crops. But we have shown that termites are essential in buffering the negative effects of drought in tropical rainforests,” Dr Ashton said.

Termites are abundant in tropical ecosystems, and are among the few living creatures that can break down cellulose found in plant material. Research findings show that they create temporary above-ground protective structures called “sheeting” which allows them to move about in the forest even during droughts.

Dr Ashton and fellow researchers worked in tropical rainforest in Malaysian Borneo, with a team of Malaysian research assistants who conducted regular field expeditions.

RESEARCH



SHARK TOURISM IN CEBU

Whale shark tourism in Tan-awan, Oslob, Philippines, has led to the degradation of the local coral reef ecosystem, according to a research project at the tourist hotspot, led by HKU's **Coral Biogeochemistry Lab**.

The research is a joint project with the University of Guam and the Large Marine Vertebrates Research Institute Philippines. Each year, more than half-a-million tourists flock to the seaside town, attracted by the year-round sighting of whale sharks. The sharks are maintained and fed by the local tourism association with up to 50 tons of shrimp annually.

The study is the first to investigate the impact of “intense provisioning” and tourism activity on the reef ecosystem. The research team urges the local authorities to mitigate the problems and risks associated with rapid tourism development.

The School of Biological Sciences conducts cutting-edge studies in cell biology; ecology & biodiversity; food for health; and plant evolution & adaptation.

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Photo: Peter Davis





Photo: Kadoorie Farm & Botanic Garden

“THE PUBLIC MAY NOT BE AWARE THAT THEY ARE TAKING PART IN ILLEGAL TRADE.”

Dr Gary Ades (PhD 1995), who completed his doctorate in ecology & biodiversity, has worked at the Kadoorie Farm & Botanic Garden for nearly 25 years. There, he heads the Fauna Conservation Department that operates a Wild Animal Rescue Centre, the only non-governmental facility of its kind in Hong Kong. Between 1994 and 2018, the Centre received over 47,000 animals in need of rescue. However, only about half could be successfully rehomed or returned to the wild in good health. Dr Ades described the “inhumane and cruel ways” in which animals were smuggled.

“Many are for the pet trade,” Dr Ades explained. “Members of the public may not be aware that they are taking part in illegal trade.” He cited examples such as owls, which became popular during the “Harry Potter craze”, and entire suitcases packed with turtles. Hong Kong Customs in 2007 also intercepted the smuggling of a rare live infant primate – a Siamang Gibbon valued at approximately US\$10,000 in the pet trade at the time.



“MY MISSION IS TO SHOW THE BEAUTIFUL SIDE AROUND US, AND TO PROMOTE CONSERVATION. WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE.”



Photo: Iris Yuen

Samson So 蘇毅雄 (BSc 1996; MPhil 2000; MJ 2008) combined the knowledge from his three HKU degrees in environmental science, ecology & biodiversity, and journalism to become a wildlife photographer and conservation advocate. As founder and director of Eco Institute, he leads regular trips to film animals in habitats around the world. He has recently travelled from Africa, Southeast Asia to South America to capture the exquisiteness of wild creatures in their natural surroundings.

“Through these eco-trips I share with my group members my passion and knowledge of wildlife watching and photography. This is how I do environmental education and conservation in an alternative way,” said So, who is also a course instructor and photo competition judge with *National Geographic*.



Photos: Samson So

BECOMING A VET

HKU students can study to become veterinarians through two avenues.

At the **Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine**, Bachelor of Biomedical Sciences students can apply for a Graduate Entry Programme for the Bachelor of Veterinary Medicine & Surgery (BVM&S) at The University of Edinburgh. This articulation programme, first announced in 2013, allows students to obtain two degrees from two universities, and earn qualifications as veterinary surgeons in seven years.

In October 2018, HKU's **Faculty of Science** announced a similar programme that allows BSc students to articulate into the Doctor of Veterinary Medicine (DVM) programme at the University of Melbourne. Graduates will be conferred two degrees from the two universities in no less than seven years. The internationally accredited programme will allow graduates to work as practicing veterinarians in many countries without further training.



MAN'S BEST FRIEND

Regulars at **HKU Libraries** have probably met Jasper, the loveable and shaggy resident Library Therapy Dog. The Old English Sheepdog, who was adopted from Hong Kong Dog Rescue by a Libraries employee, has been working since 2017 to help students cope with stress, particularly during exam periods.

But Jasper is not the only dog in town.

"If you are afraid of dogs... you can sit in the front. This is called 'flooding' in psychology", **Dr Paul Wong** 黃蔚澄, Associate Professor and a clinical psychologist at the **Department of Social Work and Social Administration**, said jokingly to his students as he led a canine friend into the classroom.



HKU'S HEALTHY CHICKENS 嘉美雞

Today, when you buy an all-natural, locally-bred Kamei Chicken 嘉美雞, you can have HKU innovation to thank.

In 1997, **Professor Daniel Chan** 陳鑛安 (BSc 1962; MSc 1965) a zoologist and Emeritus Professor, worked to develop a new local breed called Kamei Chickens, a collaboration with the Kadoorie Agricultural Research Centre, now known as the **Kadoorie Centre of The University of Hong Kong** in Yuen Long.

The chickens have relatively low fat content, are rich in collagen, and are free of added hormones, antibiotics and harmful chemicals.

"Kamei Chickens were first introduced to the market in 2001 and fully commercialised in 2003. The production and marketing operations are carried out in Hong Kong by Vital-Health Livestock Development Ltd, a spinoff company from the University, which uses pure breeding technology," explained **Dr S C Kim**, Director of the **Technology Transfer Office**. "Kamei Chicken has been well received by customers. Health-conscious consumers find it an excellent choice to satisfy both their appetites, as well as their food-safety needs."

"I want to share with my students that human-animal interactions are more powerful in our lives than we think," he said.

Dr Wong studies how well-trained therapy animals can help people who have difficulties dealing with modern life. He is particularly concerned with Hong Kong's estimated 20,000 to 40,000 "socially withdrawn youth", who lock themselves at home due to social fears. Dr Wong works with a non-profit social service organisation to use therapy animals to bring these youth out of their shell.



EAST AFRICA ECO-TOUR

Dr Billy Hau 侯智恒 (BSc 1991; MSc(EnvMan) 1994; PhD 2000), Programme Director of the MSc in Environmental Management, will be curating and guiding an East Africa Wildlife Eco-Tour in July 2019 to see the Great Migration on the legendary Masai Mara in Kenya, considered to be one of the most spectacular natural events, as well as breathtaking views of Mount Kilimanjaro in Amboseli. Each participant will be paired with a Student Eco-leader.

Contributions will support the HKU Eco-Education Fund for Students, which enables students to take part in experiential field expeditions.

“What’s important is education through the environment and for the environment -- with field trips and experiences so students can learn for themselves,” Dr Hau said.



130 YEARS AT LUNG FU SHAN 龍虎山

“The Pulse of Nature” exhibit, which runs until June 9, marks the 10th anniversary of the **Lung Fu Shan Environmental Education Centre**, a project jointly established by HKU and the Environmental Protection Department in 2008.

“This Centre has come to play an important role in the creation of an environmentally aware society,” said **Professor Matthew Evans, Dean of Science**.

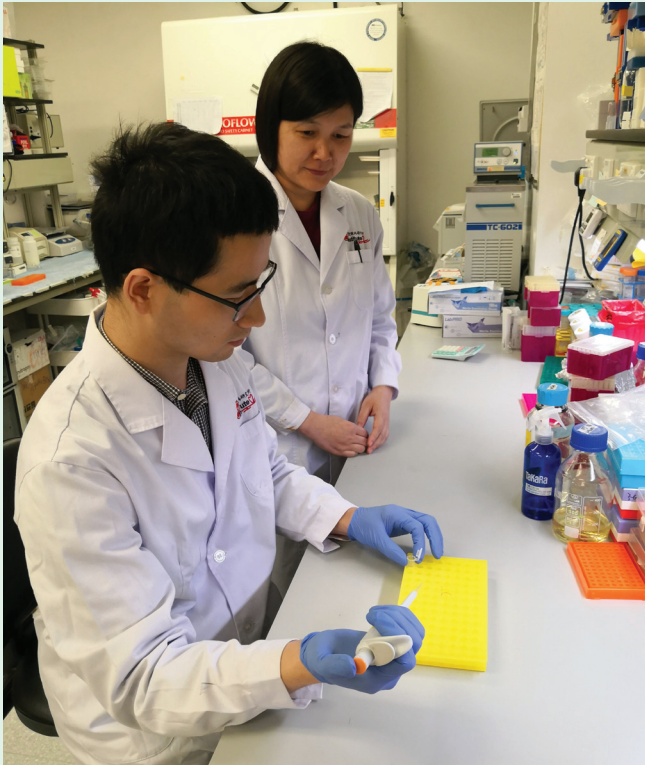
The area’s past stretches far beyond a decade. The exhibit will revisit the history of the bungalow at Lung Fu Shan, which has withstood 130 summers and winters. It follows the narrative of six artists, two writers, architects and former residents of this hillside retreat as they re-live the memories of the little house surrounded by city and mountain.

A bilingual book, “The Pulse of Nature – Mid-levels West 感知西半山——就是自然”, has been launched in conjunction with the exhibit. Its two covers feature two local species, the Jewellery Spider and the Brown Tree Frog. ■



Research Matters

SARS Acute Lung Injury



Dr Liu Li (back) supervising a student at the AIDS Institute.

A team led by scientists at the AIDS Institute and the Department of Microbiology discovered how host antibody response contributes to acute lung injury (ALI) during SARS coronavirus (SARS-CoV) infection. The findings were published in *JCI Insight*.

Patients who die of SARS develop acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS), the most severe form of ALI. Recent outbreaks of severe acute respiratory infections from emerging viruses – including MERS (Middle Eastern Respiratory Syndrome) and avian influenza – highlight the need to investigate the mechanisms responsible for virus-mediated ALI or ARDS.

The team provided evidence that anti-SARS-CoV spike antibody causes severe ALI by skewing macrophage responses during acute SARS-CoV infection.

The team is led by Professor Chen Zhiwei 陳志偉, Director of the AIDS Institute and Professor of Department of Microbiology, and conducted primarily by Research Assistant Professor Dr Liu Li 劉利. Key external collaborators include the Institute of Laboratory Animal Sciences at the Chinese Academy of Medical Sciences, Tulane National Primate Research Center, and the University of Iowa.

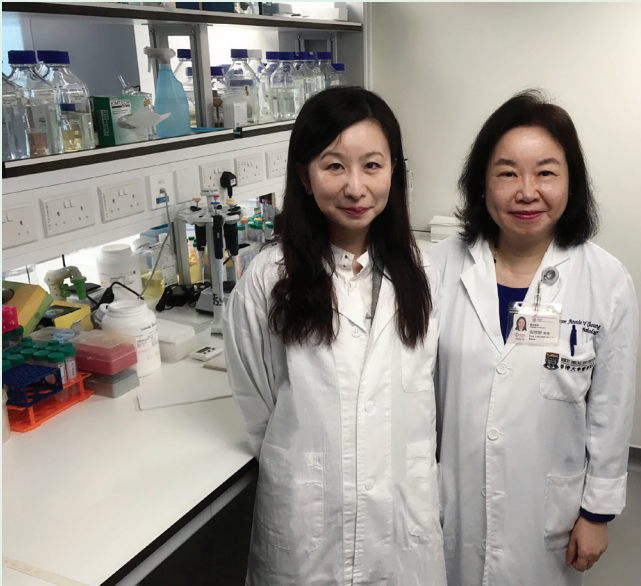
Heart Disease in Men

An international research team led by Dr Mary Schooling at the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine evaluated the impact of testosterone on the risk of blood clots, heart failure, and heart attacks in a large cohort study. It concluded that having a genetic predisposition to high testosterone levels could play a role in the development of major heart problems in men. The findings may also have implications for men who take testosterone supplements to boost energy levels and sex drive.

The study used a technique called Mendelian randomisation. Researchers analysed genetic variants that predict testosterone levels and their associations with blood clots, heart failure and heart attack in almost 400,000 men and women from a large genome study and the UK Biobank database. Heart conditions were identified from self-reports, hospital and death records, and results were validated using data from another large genome study.



Ovarian Cancer Treatment



Dr Lydia Cheung (left) and Professor Annie Cheung.

Medical researchers discovered a new genetic marker to guide targeted therapy for ovarian cancer patients, a major discovery that could lead to new treatment opportunities. The findings were published in *Nature Communications*.

Ovarian cancer is the seventh leading cause of cancer deaths among women in Hong Kong, and is one of the most challenging cancers to treat. Tumour DNA sequencing enables doctors to customise treatment based on each patient's unique genetic makeup. This is called precision medicine, in which genetic markers can help predict an effective drug to kill tumour cells.

The research was conducted by Dr Lydia Cheung 張慧婷 (BSc 2004; PhD 2009), Assistant Professor of the School of Biomedical Sciences and Professor Annie Cheung 張雅賢 (MBBS 1985; MD 1999; PhD 2011), Laurence LT Hou Professor in Anatomical Molecular Pathology at the Department of Pathology. International collaborators included researchers at the Knight Cancer Institute of Oregon Health & Science University, University of Texas MD Anderson Cancer Center, and Fudan University.

The Origin of Feathers

Pterosaurs had at least four types of feathers in common with their close relatives the dinosaurs, pushing back the origin of feathers by some 70 million years, according to an international team led by Professor Baoyu Jiang of Nanjing University and including Dr Michael Pittman of the HKU Department of Earth Sciences. The study was published in *Nature Ecology & Evolution*.

Reptiles are generally known for their scales, but pterosaurs evolved a furry covering — often called “pycnofibres” — that was presumed to be fundamentally different from the feathers of birds and other dinosaurs, until now.

Dr Pittman, who leads the HKU Vertebrate Palaeontology Laboratory, said: “These exceptional pterosaur specimens were imaged by myself and Tom Kaye of the Foundation for Scientific Advancement using Laser-Stimulated Fluorescence (LSF), a technique we co-developed. The LSF images vividly revealed the form of the wing membrane, demonstrating that its generally ginger-coloured feathers were preserved in place.”



Behaviour in Children



Children with a connection to nature had less distress, less hyperactivity, improved pro-social behaviour, and fewer behavioural and emotional difficulties, according to a recent study. Children who took greater responsibility towards nature also had fewer difficulties with peers.

For the study, Dr Tanja Sobko from the HKU School of Biological Sciences and Professor Gavin Brown of the University of Auckland developed a questionnaire for parents to measure “connectedness to nature” in very young children. Almost 500 families with children aged 2 to 5 participated in the study.

Dr Sobko’s research-based programme Play&Grow is the first in Hong Kong to promote healthy eating and active playtime with preschool children by connecting them to nature. Launched 2016, it has so far included almost 1,000 Hong Kong families.

The new scale has attracted international attention and is being adopted by universities worldwide including Western Australia and Deakin Universities. In addition, the HKU-developed Play&Grow programme is also on track to be conducted in Australia.

Support for Transgender People

Only a minority of Hong Kong people (20%) said they did not accept transgender people, while a majority (80%) said they were either very accepting, moderately accepting, or a little accepting of transgender people, according to a survey published by the Centre for Comparative and Public Law (CCPL). In addition, 67% of people agreed that Hong Kong should have a law that protects transgender people from discrimination.

The research was led by Kelley Loper, Director of the CCPL, plus collaborators from the University of North Carolina School of Law, RTI International, and the Chinese University of Hong Kong. The team commissioned HKU’s Social Sciences Research Centre (SSRC) to conduct the survey.

“Our study reveals a gap between existing policy and public opinion,” said Loper. “Hong Kong lacks gender recognition legislation allowing transgender people to modify identity documents to reflect their gender identity. Hong Kong also has not introduced legislation to protect people from gender identity discrimination in the private sector.”



Ocean Park Collaboration

Ocean Park and HKU are collaborating on various education and research initiatives including the inaugural Ocean Park International STEAM Education Conference (June 21-22, 2019).

“This partnership enables research in areas such as conservation, virtual reality and environment to be translated and transformed into learning opportunities for students and life experiences for families and tourists,” said Vice-President (Research) Professor Andy Hor 賀子森. “The Park’s extensive resources on wildlife and edutainment also bring new research opportunities and challenges to our academics.”

Ocean Park will work with the School of Biological Sciences on zoology, wildlife and environmental conservation research. The Park will also collaborate on a new Summer Adventure camp with the Faculty of Engineering to develop secondary students’ interest in science. It will jointly create experiential learning programmes for future education professionals with the Faculty of Education.



Photo: Ocean Park

Big Data Analysis for the MTR



Vice-President (Research) Professor Andy Hor 賀子森 (left) and Adi Lau 劉天成 (BSc(Eng)-Civ 1982), MTR Operations Director, signed a Memorandum of Understanding to identify and collaborate on research issues related to railway operation and maintenance engineering. The MTR is looking for leading technologies to advance its capabilities in data collection and analysis; predictive and prescriptive maintenance; condition-based monitoring systems; artificial intelligence; and robotics.

HKU and the MTR will develop possible solutions to enhance railway operation and maintenance engineering, using methodologies such as image analysis, forecasting, big data analytics, plus image and data visualisation. The work will involve the Faculties of Engineering and Science, and Information Technology Services.

The two institutions will also identify and supervise suitable student research projects at the undergraduate and postgraduate levels.



Access for HK Astronomers



The HKU Laboratory for Space Research (LSR) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the Beijing Institute of Space Mechanics and Electricity (BISME). The MoU is significant, as it grants access rights for the first time for all Hong Kong astronomers to all ground-based Mainland facilities, as well as those available via international agreements. BISME is responsible for manufacturing the NJU-HKU No.1 satellite, due for launch as early as October 2019.

The LSR negotiated the agreement on behalf of the entire Hong Kong astronomical community, which includes about 60 active astronomy researchers, including about 25 at HKU. Hong Kong-based astronomers can now apply for time on any telescope that China has access to, similar to counterparts at Mainland universities.

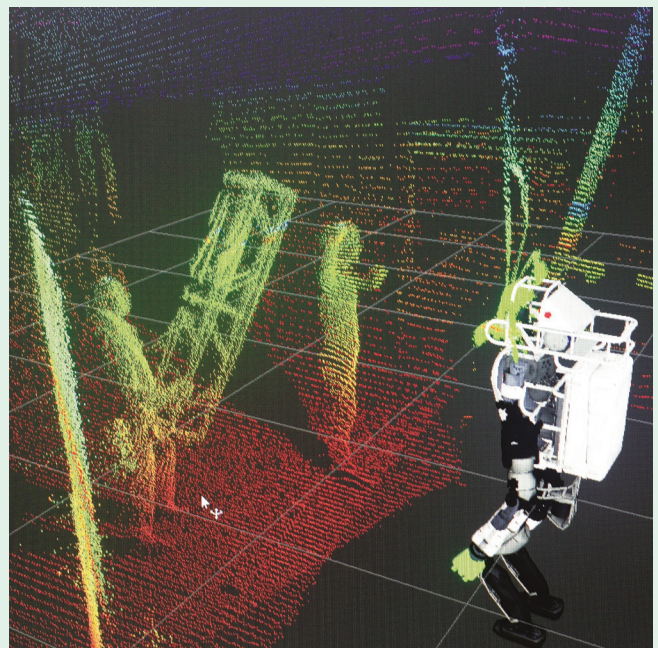
A HKU delegation to Beijing and Shanghai was led by Professor Quentin Parker, Director of the LSR, in March 2019. It has opened an avenue for collaboration with the National Astronomical Observatories of China (NAOC), and HKU was invited to become a member of the NAOC-led Chinese participation in the international Thirty Meter Telescope project. A MoU was also signed with the Shanghai Academy of Spaceflight Technologies (SAST).

AI Robots Save Lives

Fighting fires, rescuing disaster victims, caring for the elderly, and diagnosing medical problems: These are some of the life-saving tasks that could be aided by robots powered by artificial intelligence (AI).

In March 2019, HKU and Tohoku University in Japan (Tohokudai) announced a partnership that will transform and upgrade AI and robotics technology, drawing on the two universities' outstanding research and academic achievements. The strategic collaboration will open up cutting-edge technologies for the transformation of automation in the manufacturing industry and other applications for mega-cities. A Centre will be established with the theme Transformative AI / Robotics Technologies (TransART).

The team aims to develop smart and flexible robots with self-learning ability, which are adaptable to different environments and materials. Tohokudai, one of the top universities in Japan for robotics programmes, is recognised for cutting-edge applications such as human-friendly robots.



Honorary University Fellows 2018



(From left), Professor Chow Shew-ping, President and Vice-Chancellor Professor Xiang Zhang, Pro-Chancellor Dr the Hon Sir David Li (Hon LLD 1996), Council Chairman Professor the Hon Arthur Li, Ms Maisy Ho Chiu-ha and Professor Lee Chack-fan.

Professor Chow Shew-ping 周肇平 (MBBS 1968; MS 1988) is a world-renowned orthopaedic surgeon who performed the first successful microsurgical replantation of a severed thumb in Hong Kong in 1977. He joined the Department of Orthopaedic Surgery in 1973, and also served as Dean of Medicine and Pro-Vice-Chancellor.

Ms Maisy Ho 何超蓮 is the Executive Director of Shun Tak Holdings Limited. She continues her family's philanthropic tradition of supporting HKU endeavours through the Shun Tak Holdings – Dr Stanley Ho Hung Sun Foundation, which sponsored the Hong Kong Summit of Global Health Leaders in 2017.

Professor Lee Chack-fan 李焯芬 (BSc(Eng) 1968; MSc (Eng) 1970) is a distinguished professor of geotechnical engineering. He has served as a Chair Professor, Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Director of HKU SPACE. He is an Emeritus Professor and Deputy Chairman of the HKU Foundation. His passion for Chinese culture and the Buddhist faith led to the creation of two landmarks: the Jao Tsung-I Petite Ecole and the Centre of Buddhist Studies.

“Professor Chow’s tenure spans a remarkable 50 years of noble service to HKU, and he has answered his alma mater’s call to leadership time and again, always bringing his invaluable insights, resourcefulness, and passion for education to the table then, and as emeritus ever since.”

“We all find meaningfulness in our own way, and for Ms Ho that has meant being truly committed to making a difference in the lives of others, and in her own words: ‘to add a bit more warmth and caring to the community, and to make the world a bit better of a place to live.’”

“This standard-bearer. This alchemist. This man of steadfast principles who leads by example, and a tireless friend of those in need. Professor Lee is unassuming and compassionate, and his many achievements remind us of the values and commitment of generations of HKU alumni.”

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Auspicious Lotus Colour and ink on paper 百祿是荷 設色紙本, 195 x 960 cm, 1996



Good Fortune Ink on canvas 吉祥 水墨畫布, 50 x 60 cm, 2000

Searching through Teaching Professor Jao Tsung-i's 16 Years at The University of Hong Kong

Organised by University Museum and Art Gallery and Jao Tsung-I Petite Ecole
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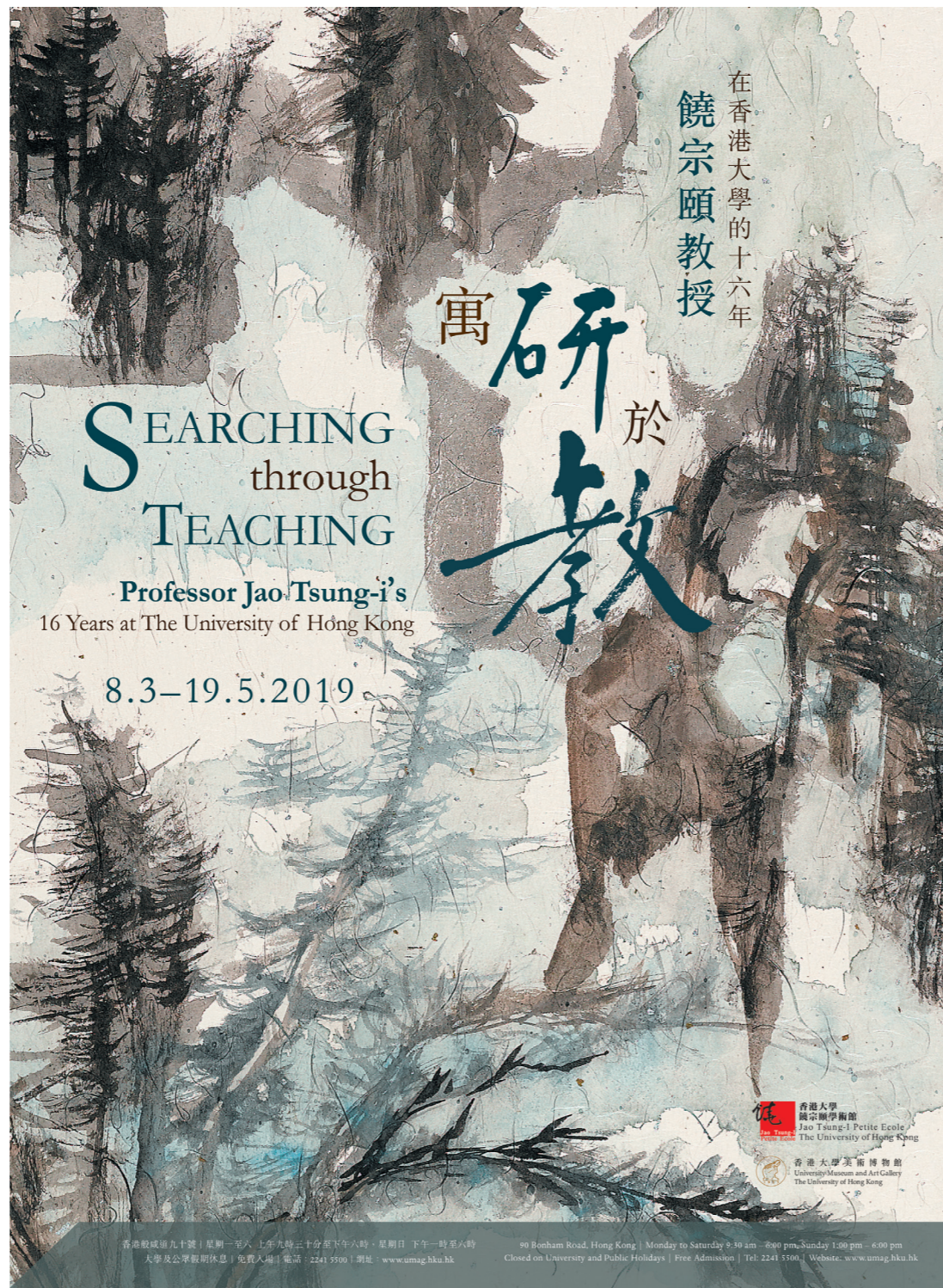
寓研於教 饒宗頤教授在香港大學的十六年

香港大學美術博物館 與 香港大學饒宗頤學術館 合辦



Professor Jao Tsung-i was awarded Honorary Doctor of Letters and appointed inaugural University Laureate by The University of Hong Kong in 1982 and 2014 respectively.

饒宗頤教授於 1982 年獲香港大學頒授名譽文學博士學位，並於 2014 年成為首位「桂冠學人」。



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At the age of 35, Professor Jao Tsung-i started teaching at The University of Hong Kong (HKU) and since then a number of his most significant accomplishments have been associated with the University.

The works on exhibit, which date from the late Professor Jao's 1952-1968 tenure at HKU, illustrate how this period of teaching, research and international exchange laid the foundations for his development as an internationally acclaimed scholar.

The exhibition is divided into four main areas: teaching, research, social circle, and books and artworks donated to the University by Professor Jao. These include his authored books, lecture notes, examination papers, letters, paintings, calligraphy and selections from his original collection of rare books and autographed editions. The exhibits are on loan from the Jao family, the University Museum and Art Gallery, and the Jao Tsung-I Petite Ecole of HKU. They elucidate how Professor Jao's 16 years at HKU led him from Hong Kong to the world stage, thus bringing a tremendous and lasting impact on the international community of sinologists.

饒宗頤教授三十五歲加入香港大學，自此，他人生中的許多重要事件都與港大有關。

「寓研於教——饒宗頤教授在香港大學的十六年」展覽由香港大學美術博物館與香港大學饒宗頤學術館於2019年3月8日至5月19日聯合主辦，展出饒教授在1952年至1968年於香港大學任教時的有關資料，顯示出他如何在這段時間，通過教學、研究及與國際間之交流，遂成為一位蜚聲國際的學者。

是次展覽將分為教學、研究、交遊及饒教授捐贈港大的書籍及藝術作品等四個主要區域，展品包括其著述、授課筆記、考卷、信件、書畫作品及部份其原藏之古籍與簽名本等。

本次展品由饒宗頤教授家屬、香港大學美術博物館及香港大學饒宗頤學術館等借出。透過各類展品，可見饒教授在港大的十六年間，是如何通過教研及國際學術交流活動，由香港走向世界，對當時乃至往後的國際漢學界產生鉅大影響。

饒教授一直十分感恩香港大學對他的造就，尤其對港大中文系的林仰山教授 (Professor F. S. Drake)、羅香林教授和賀光中先生等人的知遇和提攜。港大是一所很典型的教授治校、學術為主、重視自由的研究型大學，正因這種優良的制度，才使饒教授於港大任教的十六年間可專注於多個不同領域的學問。港大亦是一所國際性大學，提供了優越的文化交流的平台，使饒教授除了與港臺眾多學友交流外，還可更順利地走向西方漢學界，與一些享譽世界的漢學大家如戴密微 (Paul Demiéville)、霍克斯 (David Hawkes)、李約瑟 (Joseph Needham)、吉川幸次郎等頻密接觸，互相交流研究心得，並得以參加一些重要國際學術會議。這一切最終也成就了饒教授為一代大家。



“The statistics, the accomplishments, the many alumni who have made great achievements all evidence the remarkable development of the Faculty over the past 50 years. Yet, for me, all these facets of a successful faculty within a modern, prestigious university, important as no doubt they are, nevertheless do not represent the ultimate achievement of the Faculty. And this achievement can be described as the contribution it has made to the community and the Faculty’s proper role within it.”

The Honourable Chief Justice Geoffrey Ma
Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal

Law, Justice & Humanity: 50 Years and Beyond

Established in 1969, The Faculty of Law of The University of Hong Kong is the first law school in Hong Kong and one of the most prestigious law schools internationally. At its 50th Anniversary, a variety of celebration activities till the end of 2019 will be organized under the theme *“Law, Justice and Humanity: 50 Years and Beyond”*.

The Faculty kicked off its Golden Jubilee celebration with the Annual Conference of The International Society of Public Law (ICON-S 2018) on 25 June 2018. In the same evening, a ceremony was held and attended by conference participants, guests, friends, donors, supporters, partners, alumni of the Faculty. The Honourable Chief Justice Geoffrey Ma congratulated the Faculty on its success and achievements. Professor Michael Hor, Dean of Law, joined Professor Andy Hor, Acting President and Vice-Chancellor of the University in thanking all the stakeholders for their ardent support for the Faculty in the last 50 years, enabling the Faculty to make significant contributions in major areas of law and venture into new dimensions of development in the days to come.

“Our mission is to teach, research, and spread the news that law must always be in the service of justice and the best values of humanity, that’s what the school stands for.”

Professor Michael Hor
Dean of Law



The 50th Anniversary Kick-off Ceremony on 25 June 2018



Share. Inspire.

The Faculty has been organizing various academic events. As one of the celebration initiatives of its 50th Anniversary, the Faculty launched **The HKU Law Video Archive** (<https://video.law.hku.hk/>) in November 2018. The Archive houses video and audio files of important public lectures by eminent academics and judges, keynote speeches at conferences, as well as public speeches by international dignitaries and community leaders delivered on various occasions, including our own graduation ceremonies. The University is always a treasure trove of knowledge, and by making these public lectures available online to the public, it represents a modest step to make available this huge body of knowledge for the benefit of the community at large. We also hope to make a modest contribution to cultivate a better understanding of our legal system and its underlying values.

New entries of the Archive include the 50th Anniversary Distinguished Lectures and other feature conferences.



HKU Law Video Archive





- A *Professor Graeme Dinwoodie of Chicago-Kent College of Law at "Limitations on Trademark Rights from Comparative and Interdisciplinary Perspectives" Conference*
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- G *11th East Asian Conference on Philosophy of Law "Justice, Dignity and the Rule of Law"*
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- J *"Who Owns Your Body?" Conference*
- K, L *Keynote address by The Hon Andrew Li, First Chief Justice of HKSAR Court of Final Appeal at the 200th Congregation*

Connecting Alumni & Community

Celebrating with its alumni and the community

HKU Law at 50 Book Talk:
香港大學法律學院五十周年書話

拱心石下 公義路上

An Ongoing Journey

兩位法律學院的校友，陳文敏和溫文灝，最近二人合著了一本關於公義和法治的書。他們在九十年代的香港，陳文敏教授在《公義路上》(Paths of Justice)中，闡述法律與社會發展的關係。溫文灝教授在《拱心石下》(The Archstone)中，探討法律與社會發展的關係。這本書不僅是法律人的必讀之書，也是所有關心香港前途的人必讀之書。

This book talk brings together two prominent members of the faculty to talk about this recently published monograph on the path of justice in Hong Kong.

Speakers: Professor Johannes Chan (LLB 1981; PCLL 1982) and Dr Marco Wan (LLB 2005; PCLL 2006).
Host: Ms Cora Chan (BSocSc(Govt&Laws) 2004; LLB 2005; PCLL 2006).

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Book Talk: An Ongoing Journey

拱心石下 公義路上 11 October 2018



From left: Dr Marco Wan 溫文灝, Professor Johannes Chan 陳文敏 (LLB 1981; PCLL 1982), Dr Margaret Ng 吳麗儀 (BA 1969; MA 1975; PCLL 1988), Ms Cora Chan 陳秀慧 (BSocSc(Govt&Laws) 2004; LLB 2005; PCLL 2006)

Superwomen in Intellectual Property:

A Sharing Session 25 October 2018



From left: Ms Winnie Yeung 楊長華 (LLB 1987; PCLL 1988), Assistant General Counsel Microsoft, Ms Anna Wu 胡紅玉 (LLB 1974; PCLL 1975) Chairperson of Hong Kong Competition Commission, Ms Winnie Tam SC 譚允芝 (LLB 1983; PCLL 1984), Chairman of Communications Authority and Ms Annie Tsoi 蔡小婷 (LLB 1991; PCLL 1992), Partner, Co-Head of Intellectual Property Department, Deacons

The University of Hong Kong Law Alumni Choir presents

HKU LAW ALUMNI CHOIR CONCERT

Pop Through 50 Years

Jointly organised by
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17 November 2018, Saturday
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Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre, Centennial Campus
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"Pop Through 50 Years" 17 November 2018

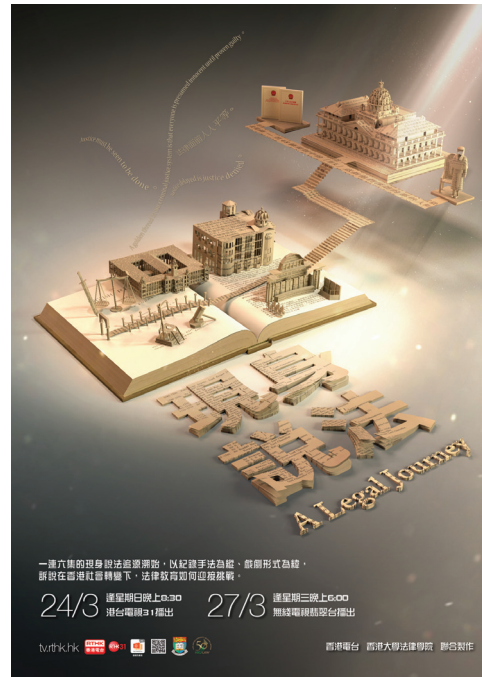


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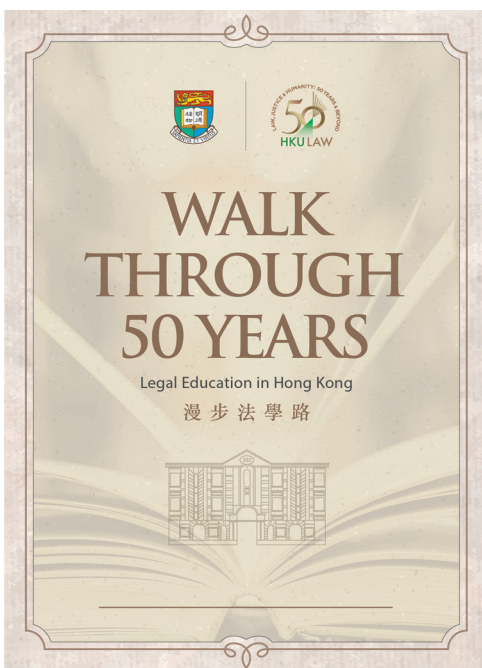
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The Science of Human Wisdom

Institute of the Mind launched with \$150 million donation



HKU will establish an Institute of the Mind to take on the grand challenge of studying the science and art of human wisdom, and harness it in the form of mind technology and neuromorphic computation.

The Institute has been made possible thanks to a generous donation of HK\$150 million by Dr the Hon Lee Shau-kee 李兆基 (Hon LLD 1998), GBM, Chairman of Henderson Land Group, through the Lee Shau Kee Foundation.

President and Vice-Chancellor Professor Xiang Zhang 張翔 spoke of Dr Lee's foresight towards research that will extend the boundaries of brain studies and neuro-science. "The Institute will establish a technology platform with a human-society-machine interface.

Cross-faculty and inter-disciplinary research teams can be assembled to study qualitative and quantitative human wisdom."

Dr Lee has a passion for education and has been a staunch supporter of HKU for decades. The Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre, which opened in 2012, is the centrepiece of the Centennial Campus. Its Grand Hall, with state-of-the-art acoustics, has become the focus for world-class concerts, international conferences, and graduation ceremonies. The student residence Lee Shau Kee Hall is home to 300 young scholars. The Lee Shau Kee Scholarships have supported over 700 local and international HKU undergraduates and postgraduates since 2009.



President and Vice-Chancellor Professor Xiang Zhang and Dr the Hon Lee Shau-kee.

“ It will lead to the next generation of information technology, and re-define multiple core industries including automobile, internet, medical diagnosis, energy, and foster social advancement.”

Professor Xiang Zhang
President and Vice-Chancellor

“King” of Engineering



Former students: (From left) Watt Chi-ngong 屈志昂 (BSc(Eng)-Elec 1964), Wong Che-kee 黃志基 (BSc(Eng)-Elec 1970) and Lau Man-chung 劉文忠 (BSc(Eng)-Elec 1964).

Colleagues and alumni who remembered HKU in its struggling post-war days revered the late **Professor S Y King 金新宇**, former Pro-Vice-Chancellor and Dean of Engineering, as the “King” who revived and developed the Engineering Faculty.

Dean of Engineering Professor Christopher Chao 趙汝恒 (BSc(Eng)-Mech 1988) lauded Professor King’s “confidence in the power of engineering. Nothing is impossible in engineering.”

Professor King’s legacy lives on in the **S Y King Memorial Scholarship in Electrical and Electronic Engineering**. Funds have been raised by more than 100 alumni, ranging from the Class of 1968 to the Class of 1983.

Lionel Lau 劉善榮 (BSc(Eng)-Elec 1971) spoke about the importance of financial aid. “I was the recipient of a government bursary which helped me change my life. So I know how important financial help is for students from poor families. One purpose for the funds will be for exchange programmes.”

Legacy of Learning

The family of the late Ir **Dr Joseph Chow 周明權** (BSc(Eng)-Civ 1964) has supported the Undergraduate Research Fellowship Programme (URFP) with the **Joseph Chow Education Fund**. It is designated for engineering and Hornell Hall students, to honour Dr Chow’s affiliations with the faculty and the hall.

Dr Chow was the Founding President of the HKU Engineering Alumni Association and the Hornell Hall Alumni Association. He also served as the University’s Court Member and was an Honorary University Fellow.



“To say that Joe was instrumental in reviving Hornell Hall does not begin to give him the credit he deserves. Joe showed us what it takes to be a leader and a team player.”

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... and more

TOUGH ROAD TO SILICON VALLEY



PAUL LEE
(BBA 2015)

Paul co-founded GoTalents at iDendron in 2017. A year later, the South Korea native was in Silicon Valley pitching to venture capitalists at Y Combinator, a top seed accelerator in the US.

Q. What does your app do?

A. It's like a LinkedIn for creatives, which allows creators to find work opportunities nearby and showcase talents to fans directly using visual content. The platform helps artists and freelancers monetise and collaborate without middlemen. We launched a beta version in December 2018, and within the first few weeks already had 500 users.

Q. How did you prepare for your Y Combinator pitch?

A. I looked up Y Combinator alumni and studied their companies. We made the final interview after two rounds. We had a Skype interview with the head of admissions, who acknowledged our market perspective and vision. We were invited to a fully-paid five-day trip to Mountain View, California.

Q. What surprised you during your Silicon Valley trip?

A. Things appeared less about formalities and idealism. Things stay down-to-earth and practical. I appreciate that Y Combinator gives applicants a yes or no, the very same day as the interview. They recognise how important time is to start-ups. They personally write emails with tailor-made feedback, that same day.

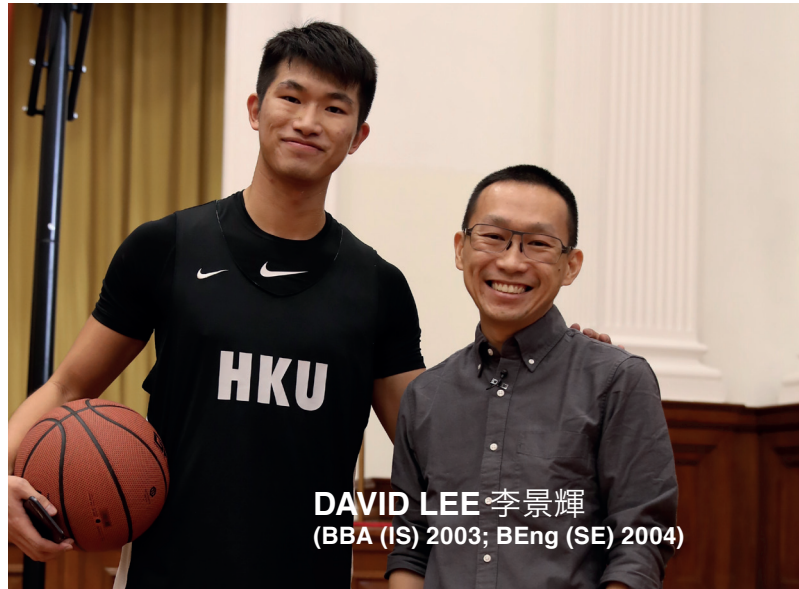
Q. How have you dealt with setbacks?

A. I recall my father once told me that sometimes you gain the most clarity in times of difficulty. I am keeping that in mind as we try for this round of fundraising.

Q. What advice did Y Combinator give you?

A. To create a repeatable growth mechanism, to have more focus, and to apply again.

Two alumni at different points of their careers – one a budding start-up, one a Silicon Valley CEO – talk about the ups and downs of being entrepreneurs.



DAVID LEE 李景輝
(BBA (IS) 2003; BEng (SE) 2004)

David, right, who grew up in a working-class family in Sham Shui Po, launched his first start-up as an HKU student more than 15 years ago. He is now the CEO of Silicon Valley company NEX Team.

Q. As a student, you seed-funded your first start-up on the HKU Main Building roof?

A. We had an idea, so we decided to start a company. Eight of us went up to the roof for a picnic, eating sandwiches and strawberries. We each pitched in HK\$2,500.

Q. How did you get support in those days?

A. We asked the Department of Computer Science if starting a company qualified as our internship – and then asked to borrow some servers. We asked the School of Business to borrow a classroom. We signed up the HKU Computer Centre as one of our first customers, along with other HKU departments. So in a summer, we had a company, a client, an office, servers and a team of five.

Q. Your HomeCourt app has been backed by NBA luminaries. Why a basketball app?

A. It was a technical challenge – the excitement of starting something from scratch, the excitement of solving a problem with AI and a mobile. Our goal is to make something useful and fun, and to create new experiences.

Q. What advice do you have for young entrepreneurs?

A. Treat people fairly. Build a cluster of great people for your team and do good work. What attracts talent is talent. The most difficult moments are when you want to pivot – to change direction. I didn't know in the beginning if HomeCourt would work, but you just need to keep moving.

Great Minds in FinTech

Connecting with Tencent on innovation, teaching & research



HKU and the **Tencent Finance Academy (Hong Kong)** (TFAHK) announced a collaboration to promote FinTech development. The opening ceremony on March 6, 2019, “Connecting Great Minds for FinTech Excellence”, highlighted how the project will build on the two institutions’ strengths: the University’s outstanding academic foundation and Tencent’s practical industry experience.

The ceremony was officiated by Financial Secretary the Hon Paul Chan 陳茂波 and Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury the Hon James Henry Lau 劉怡翔. It was also attended by the then-Provost and Deputy Vice Chancellor Professor Paul Tam 譚廣亨 (MBBS 1976) and Vice-President (Teaching and Learning) Professor Ian Holliday.

Jim Lai 賴智明, Vice President of Tencent, President of Tencent Financial Technology and Dean of Tencent Finance Academy, said, “Through relevant training, internship opportunities, and a series of research projects, we will work together with HKU to promote FinTech development in Hong Kong.”

“FinTech has become a global development trend,” said Dean of Engineering Professor Christopher Chao 趙汝恒 (BSc(Eng) 1988). “With the integration and sharing of knowledge and resources, it will definitely help our students in developing cross-industry knowledge and skills in FinTech.”

In the 2019-20 academic year, HKU will launch a new BAsc (FinTech) undergraduate programme to nurture innovative talent in different aspects of FinTech, preparing its graduates to conduct research in the field.



The Memorandum of Understanding was signed by Dean of Engineering Professor Christopher Chao 趙汝恒 (left) and James Li 李子樹 (BChinMed 2014), Senior Director of Hong Kong, Macau & Cross-border Financial Affairs, Tencent.

3 Major Areas

- TFAHK will enhance HKU’s **BAsc (FinTech)** programme, which will begin in September 2019.
- TFAHK will provide **internship opportunities** for HKU students.
- The **FinTech & Blockchain Lab** of the HKU Department of Computer Science will collaborate with TFAHK on **research and development.**

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Glorious Years of Home to Science



1910s

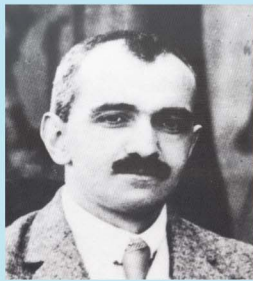
- Subjects of Pure and Applied Mathematics, Physics and Chemistry were offered when the University was founded
- Department of Physics was established in 1914



Dr Rayson HUANG as Vice-Chancellor of HKU in 1982

1942

Wartime degrees were conferred to two final year students:
Miss Yung-tai LAM (林蓉第) and
Dr Rayson HUANG (黃麗松)



1939

Professor Walter BROWN
The first Dean of Science

Founding of Faculty of Science with four departments: Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics and Physics; Professor Walter BROWN as the first Dean of Science

1946-1947



Northcote Science Building

The Faculty of Science reopened and classes resumed after Second World War

(Image courtesy of the University Archives, The University of Hong Kong)

1941



Dr Hsing Tsung HUANG (middle)

Graduation of the first and only Science student: Dr Hsing Tsung HUANG (黃興宗)

1950

The first postgraduate student was admitted in Science



Graduands heading for the Congregation

1958

Department of Biology split into two departments: Botany and Zoology

First batch of graduates under BSc (General) & BSc (Special) degrees



1959

- Three-year pass degree renamed as BSc (General) degree
- Four-year honours degree renamed as BSc (Special) degree

The Faculty of Science is celebrating its 80th birthday in 2019! Walking through the years, footprints of generations of alumni, staff, teachers and students form diverse paths, impacting the world with their unique strengths and visions. It is a momentous time to reunite, reminisce the stories of HKU Science family members, and to review the achievements in teaching and research. It is an anniversary of all and the celebration belongs to everyone.

1967

Department of Statistics and Actuarial Science was established; joined the Faculty of Science in 2004



2012

4-year undergraduate degree curriculum was launched under the education reform in Hong Kong



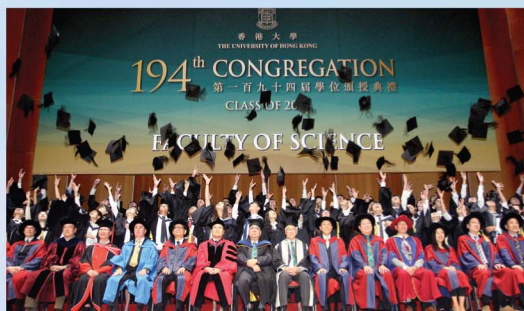
1990

Swire Marine Laboratory in Cape d'Aguilar opened, later renamed as Swire Institute of Marine Science (SWIMS) in 1994



2015

- Worldwide alumni number hit 20,000
- Total number of Chinese Academy of Sciences (CAS) academicians reached 4



1994



- Chong Yuet Ming Chemistry and Physics Buildings completed and opened
- Department of Ecology and Biodiversity was established

1995

Earth Sciences Unit became Department of Earth Sciences

2000

Kadoorie Biological Sciences Building opened



2017



Five-year Plan has been formulated for Faculty's strategic moves, aiming high by targeting academic staff growth of 20% and maximising research performance



2007

- Introduction of common admission to 6901 Bachelor of Science (BSc) programme
- Formation of School of Biological Sciences with the merging of the Botany, Ecology & Biodiversity and Zoology departments



6 Research Divisions are being established to maximise research performance, identify and nurture research strengths, and incentivise research activities:

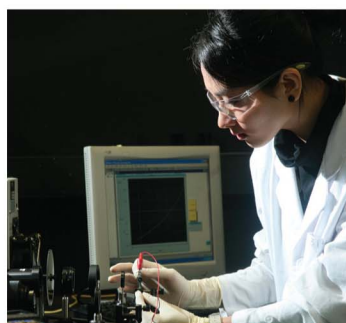
- Chemistry
- Earth and Planetary Science
- Ecology and Biodiversity
- Mathematical and Statistical Science
- Molecular and Cell Biology
- Physics and Astronomy

2010

A Partner State Key Laboratory was established on Synthetic Chemistry



2019





HKU SCIENCE
Oak Anniversary
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Research Eminence

LEADS 5 AREAS OF EXCELLENCE (AoE)
 projects to foster international and
 inter-institutional collaboration

Our Strengths

Top-ranked Scientists

According to Clarivate Analytics' Essential
 Science Indicators 2018

16% of our professoriate staff
 are the world's **Top 1%** scholars

Prestigious Awards and Honours

Members of Chinese Academy of Sciences

Member of The Academy of Sciences of Hong Kong

State Science and Technology Awards in the categories of
 State Natural Science Award

Foreign Fellow and Foreign Associate of National Academy
 of Sciences, USA

Foreign Member of Academia Europaea

Highlights of Our Celebrations in 2019



20 February

Mr Chiu Ying Lam 林超英 (1971 graduate)

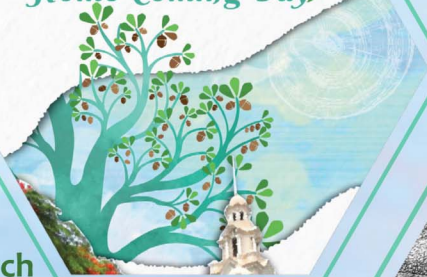
4 March

Mr Wing Luk Chan 陳永陸 (1973 graduate)

9 April

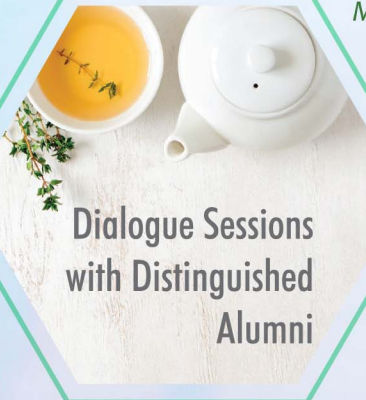
Dr Patrick S C Poon 潘樂昌 (1970 graduate)

HKU Science Oak Anniversary
**Opening Ceremony cum
 Home-Coming Day**



9 March

Dialogue Sessions
 with Distinguished
 Alumni



13-26 July

24 Sep - 4 Oct
 (exhibition)

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 ECO-TOUR**

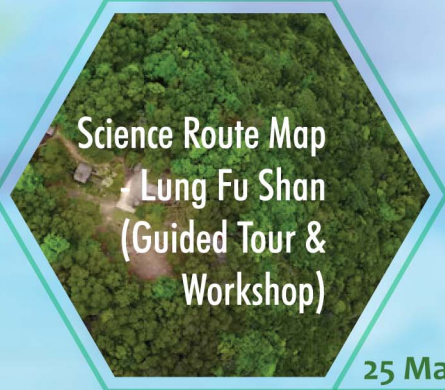


Science Route Map
 - Stargazing



6 September

Science Route Map
 Lung Fu Shan
 (Guided Tour &
 Workshop)



25 May

17 November

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Innovative research



Student enrichment & scholarship

Oak Anniversary Tree

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 - innovative research
 - student enrichment and scholarship
- We are ambitious to scale new heights ahead and we need HK\$10 million plus 3 Endowed Professorships to fund our initiatives
- Create a tangible memory of your fond times at HKU, as your name/message will be inscribed onto our Oak Anniversary Donor Tree
- The donor tree is installed on a prominent wall at the Faculty of Science and its permanent home would be one of our science buildings

Inscribe your own message, either honoring your loved ones or celebrating a special occasion

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Associate Dean (Development and External Relations)
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An alumnus from
the 1960s



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冀能為港大爭光、為香港作貢獻。 ”



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Mr Norman Yip and
Mrs Cecilia Yip

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areas.”

Professor Matthew R Evans,
Dean of Science



Thank you!

Celebrating its 60th anniversary, HKU Convocation keeps moving forward

This year marks the 60th anniversary of the establishment of HKU Convocation. To commemorate this special occasion, **Dr Patrick Poon 潘樂昌** (BSc 1970), Chairman of the University of Hong Kong Convocation, says Convocation has much to look forward to in 2019.

Dr Poon feels honoured to lead the 60th Anniversary Celebration Organising Committee and to bring in new ideas. Although the Convocation's anniversary plans will be announced in autumn, he is excited to share that there will be a series of events involving all members. "Unlike most other alumni bodies, the Convocation seldom organised social activities in the past six decades. To celebrate the 60th anniversary, we hope to engage our members for the first time ever with an anniversary dinner with a very pleasant and relaxing ambience," Dr Poon said.

The celebrations will mark a milestone in HKU Convocation's long history, and, adding excitement to the anniversary year, Convocation is planning to launch a fund-raising campaign, allowing government-aided students to gain outbound exchange and global working experiences. "More students will be able to benefit from donations as a result of the Matching Grants Scheme, which will commence in July this year, and I think it is a perfect time to launch the campaign," he added.

As Convocation continues moving forward, Dr Poon looks back to the day of its establishment, as well as its achievements over the past decades. Its records date back to April 2, 1959 when the statutory body, which was founded in 1958, held its first meeting in Loke Yew Hall. Mr Li Chung-Ching 李頌清 (BSc(Eng) 1924), who was active in the colony's civic affairs, was elected as the first chairman of Convocation for a term of three years. In the same year, Mr Li's father, Li Po-Kwai 李葆葵, established scholarships for undergraduates commencing the curriculum of the Bachelor of Science (BSc) degree.

Dr Poon expressed his gratitude at being elected two years ago as Chairman of Convocation. "I am deeply indebted to our members as our Standing Committee of HKU Convocation was directly elected by them. Convocation has represented the opinions of members and presented such views to the University in the best interest of the University. I hope to help achieve the



vision of the University and take it to greater heights," Dr Poon said.

Dr Poon graduated in 1970 and became the first Hong Kong-born citizen to obtain full actuarial professional qualifications from the Fellow of the Institute of Actuaries in 1975. He has witnessed the growth of the University since the 1970s, and his *alma mater* and its development have always had a fond place in his heart.

Since all graduates and teachers of HKU are automatically members of HKU Convocation and, as the University is the oldest tertiary education institution in Hong Kong, HKU now has more than 180,000 members around the world. Membership in Convocation gives HKU graduates unique privileges. As well as acting as an official channel for members to convey to the University their views about the University, members can also participate in matters relating to the development of HKU. "Moving forward, we will interact more with our members. We have launched an official Facebook page, which I believe will enable members to participate more in the Convocation's activities and discussions, thereby in the long term strengthen the role of Convocation and make it a more vibrant organisation."

Over the past two years, Dr Poon has been impressed by the successful events arranged by the Convocation. Some members visited the new residential halls and revisited the campus. Additionally, a trip was organised to visit the University of Hong Kong-Shenzhen Hospital, which Dr Poon noted “will be of great geographic and academic significance to the HKU Medical School in the future.”

He encourages all HKU alumni and teaching staff to enjoy the 60th anniversary activities of Convocation. “I know how much we all cared for the University during our time there, and I hope all of you will continue to stay connected with our beloved *alma mater*. I sincerely call for Convocation members to take an active part in the upcoming celebration activities.”

Text and photos by the Communications Sub-Committee of HKU Convocation.

Forums



“Retire or Excel: What Retirement Policy Works Best for HKU?” (Nov 19, 2018): The then-Provost and Deputy Vice-Chancellor Professor Paul Tam 譚廣亨; Professor Joseph Chan 陳祖為, former Council member; Dr Max Wong 王慧麟, assistant professor; and Professor Sealing Cheng 鄭詩靈, The Chinese University of Hong Kong.



Dialogue 2019 with four newly elected Council Members (Jan 11, 2019): Professor Zhiwu Chen 陳志武, Director of Asia Global Institute, Associate Professor Richard Kao 高一村, Tai Keen-Man 戴健文 and Professor Quentin Yue 岳中琦.

HKU CONVOCATION FORUM
*An Evening with
 the President and Vice-Chancellor
 Professor Xiang Zhang*
 April 3, 2019 (Wed)
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 Photos by Anthony Fan 范家朗 (BSc (Surv) 2018)
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很開心！不僅在珠三角，在成都，在重慶，也有我們的校友會！將來我們的校友網絡會越來越廣闊。我很幸運生長在這個時代，有香港大學這麼好的平台。

林立 Dr Lin Li (PhD 2015) **1**

深圳市市政設計研究院有限公司主任工程師

過去的廿一年，我每星期往返廣州、深圳和香港。我在廣州的牙醫學院教書，太太仍在港府工作。

“滴滴”專車讓我們可以“很方便”地見面。

陳卓凡 Dr Chen Zhuofan (PhD 2002) **2**

中山大學光華口腔醫學院教授

This is a good opportunity to get together. I joined HKU in 2003 and graduated with a PhD in the Department of Sociology in 2008. Since then, I have been working for Hong Kong Baptist University at its International College in Zhuhai. Thank you very much. I'm very delighted to be here. We founded this network in 2011 and I have been with it ever since!

Dr Md Nazrul Islam (PhD 2008) **3**

北京師範大學 — 香港浸會大學聯合國際學院副教授

It's a fantastic experience for me to work and live in both Hong Kong and Shenzhen.

我參與過的工程有香港美林村，港鐵大圍站、沙中線、鑽石山站，港珠澳大橋PK02標，深港西部通道側接線，還有很多土木工程署LPM projects。

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香港大學北京校友會

校友會於2018年11月24日舉行成立一周年高桌晚宴，超過200位校友參加。當晚主講嘉賓為港大矯形及創傷外科學系臨床副教授杜啟峻醫生 Dr Michael To (MBBS 1999)，他獲邀分享對治療玻璃骨的「路與夢」。

「以前父母教我，you need to count your blessings，要數算自己多幸福。現在，如果我能夠拯救其他人的生命，成為他們家庭的blessing——這就是我希望實踐的人道精神。我希望把在國外平台學到的東西，拿到國內，服務一些病人。」帶着這份使命感，杜醫生由香港薄扶林跑到深圳紅樹林，於2012年中開始營運的港大深圳醫院，專責處理玻璃骨個案。



Dr Michael To 杜啟峻醫生

玻璃骨的學名是成骨不全症，屬基因缺陷而導致的罕見病。患者骨骼如玻璃般脆弱，輕微創傷都可能導致骨折，患者因而被稱為「瓷娃娃」。與香港相比，內地人口基數大，估計約有10數萬名瓷娃娃。「在醫療水平發展不均下，有些瓷娃娃在重複手術多次後，仍未能站起來。為了醫病，很多家庭因此傾家蕩產。現在，我每星期至少有兩至三日在內地工作。由最初一個月做一個手術，到如今暑假平均一星期有三至四個手術。患者中只有5-10%來自深圳市，其餘大部分來自其他省份及偏遠農村。」

2016年，港大深圳醫院整合多科室資源，成立了華南地區首個成骨不全多學科治療中心，提供一站式服務，免去瓷娃娃奔波之苦。在周大福慈善基金的支持下，港大深圳醫院設立「運動分析一步態實驗室」，並配以合適的康復設備，使患者接受更全面的康復訓練；與此同時，他與騰訊醫療AI實驗室達成合作，通過視頻捕捉腦癱和其他骨骼疾病患者的步態，在AI技術協助下，初篩出最適合的治療方案，目前此實驗尚在起步階段。「過去，腦癱的治療常常不盡如人意。醫生要花費大量時間為患者做評估，一旦評估不準確，手術方案出現偏差，患者的情況更加糟糕。現在有了AI，我希望藉助高科技的力量、多平台的合作，提升術前評估的準確度，縮短評估時間，使病人能得到更好的治療。」



Norman Sze 施能自



Tom Chau 鄒兆麟

香港大學北京校友會會長施能自Norman (BSocSc 1985) 及校友鄒兆麟 Tom (BA 1987; PCLL 1994)，自上世紀90年代起，就各自在其專業領域，為內地企業提供管理諮詢以及赴境外上市融資「走出去」提供法律意見。Norman在晚宴前表達他對創新科技、獨角獸企業發展和企業管理的看法；而Tom則分享了他的中國企業海外併購經驗。



香港大學北京校友會會長施能自、主講嘉賓杜啟峻醫生、香港大學發展及校友事務部總監徐詠璇，及一眾籌委會成員。

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“**歷史長河，總有源頭**。2007年港大中史碩士課程畢業的二十多位同學，緣聚緣不散，彼此懷抱同一信念，同感國史教育的重要，以推動國史教育為職志，深信一國之民，對本國歷史需有基本的認知，亦惟有從國史發展的脈絡裡探究，方可對國學有較深入的瞭解，才能對今天國情的發展，萌生全面的視野。

我國人文精神的發揚，繫於國學「經、史、子、集」，當中分類載錄清楚，經學透視的人倫關係、群己相處、求學修身、種種的價值教育，一應俱全，但必須從歷史的發展，人與事的交織互動，日月星河，方能悟出人情與道理，經史結合，才能理解舊時代與新時代的傳承，無怪清代曾國藩先生強調要單日讀經，雙日讀史。

公元二零一八年，歲次戊戌，當年今日，戊戌新政推行，雖然失敗告終，但青燈高懸，歷史不以成敗論英雄，二千多年前西漢司馬遷撰寫《史記》鉅著，已譜寫此一歷史篇章，項羽能立於《本紀》是清楚不過，1898年的戊戌新政「失敗」，但中華民族求變、求活、求發展的精神是生生不滅。2018年是改革開放四十週年，追本溯源，不能不提戊戌維新，康有為梁啟超師徒是重點人物，時間再要往上推，堅持「改革」的、具洞見的歷史人物，明朝之張居正、北宋有王安石乃至堅持漢化失去政權的北魏孝文帝。

在香港獨特的「一國兩制」之下，國史的研習，更能演繹「香港心、國家情、世界視野」的複合體。此時此地，長年累月造成不少屬香港、國家乃至世界級，而各有專精的大師級學者，如饒宗頤教授、高錕教授、查良鏞博士、陳明錄教授等，今年戊戌，相繼辭世，化作微塵，但微塵的重量與力量永遠存在，這是歷史的記錄與功用所在！

港大中史碩士同學會成立十年，十年感恩，立會之初，得趙令揚教授、楊玉峯教授、蘇維初教授、梁紹傑教授、馮錦榮教授、楊永安教授、劉潤和教授與丁新豹教授等人的鼓勵與支持，特別是丁新豹教授在本會立會財政匱乏之時，慷慨捐贈十萬元予本會，使得「全港中學中國歷史研習獎勵計劃」及「香港青年史學家年獎」得以開展，港大中文學院給予聯繫外界之用的通訊信箱、充份證明細小的工具，可以發揮的強大的聯繫力量。過去幾年，港大碩士同學舉辦年度的遊歷學習，歷史入時，2014年，甲午之戰120週年，前赴山東煙臺、威海及青島，窺見甲午戰敗，清朝的臃腫腐敗，盡現世界眼前；2015年，抗日戰事勝利70週年，到日本於靖國神社門前，向三十多所中學的學生代表，細說日本軍國主義對中國及東南亞的禍害；2016年，孫中山誕辰紀念150週年紀念，與另一批同學前赴新加坡，馬來西亞，讓學生知道當時孫中山的革命事跡，並講解南洋華僑渴求國家強大，前仆後



繼，保國衛民的史跡；2017年，因著一帶一路的再開拓，我們遠赴烏茲別克之旅，這裏是安祿山、史思明以及鄭和的祖籍之地，歷史厚重，引發師生的思潮起伏，在地的、中國的乃至世界回教文明的關係，千絲萬縷，引人入勝；2018年，戊戌新政「失敗」100週年，舉辦天津、北京兩地行，讓同學瞭解改革開放不易，卻要堅持，由康梁經歷，上溯下移，不少歷史人物，值得細味。本會歷年舉辦遊歷學習，香港不少學生受惠，贊助來自儒商的無條件捐獻，特別要鄭重感謝的是，連續三年的年度贊助人，中華歷史文化獎勵基金會的榮譽主席郭媛平女士默默付出，其愛中華文化，愛學生之義行，讓人欽佩。

……十年易去，感恩無盡，除每年舉辦遊歷學習外，「中國歷史研習獎勵計劃」以及「香港青年史學家年獎」，都讓不少學生參與，從而獲取可貴的經歷，對國史的興趣能恆常保溫，當年，一些學業成績優良的得獎學生，能選擇歷史系為主選學系，在史學研習上，薪火相傳，實為美事。”

會長 何漢權 (MA 2007)

取自「香港青年史學家年獎」暨「全港中學中國歷史研習獎勵計劃」
2018頒獎禮致辭

“我們常說「讀萬卷書不如行萬里路」，好像有點老生常談，究其實，「讀萬卷書」和「行萬里路」是並行不悖，不可偏廢的。光是行萬里路而沒有讀萬卷書，與一般旅遊無異，達不到學習的目的。反過來說，把自己困在書林中而不看看外面的世界，會流於閉門造車，學習也事倍功半。而且，實地考察不單可與文字資料相印證，更可能在考察過程中發掘出新的問題，從而作進一步探究，這才是理想的學習方法。對於好動的青少年，課堂學習和實地考察的結合，尤其適合。”

顧問 丁新豹 (BA 1974; MPhil 1979; PhD 1989)

自2013年，每年的「考察遊學」活動是以該年在中國近代史上發生的大事作主題，帶領中學生作歷史文化考察，出發前為他們安排專題講座，讓同學對有關主題有初步認識，從而在考察中得著更多。

王賡武教授：一切都是「史」

文：邵瑞珊 (BA 2003)

國際知名歷史學家、香港大學第十一任校長王賡武教授：歷史是微觀至一個人的成長和背景，宏觀至組織、地區、國家和人類發展的過程，這些都是「與過去互動而成的關係」。要了解過去，今天才懂得選擇；要了解歷史，才懂得選擇過去的經驗來分析此刻發生的事情。

王賡武教授早前應港大香港人文社會研究所邀請，成為香港大學冼為堅傑出訪問教授（人文學科），由新加坡到港進行演講，期間出席港大中國歷史研究文學碩士課程同學會及國史教育中心舉辦的名家講座，以「『史』與歷史學」為題，與二百多位中學生分享：融匯古今，方能真正了解現在，規劃將來。

「『史』不完全是學術性的，跟『歷史學』有別。」被譽為「海外三大華人史學大師」之一的王教授指出，「史」的概念廣泛，與歷史學牽涉考證資料真偽不同。「我從來對『歷史課』不感興趣，但我想起來，我從小時候在海外長大，注意到人來自不同地方和背景，大部分都是移民，對他們的經驗、語言、宗教、文化、風俗習慣等都有興趣。每個人的背景都是個人歷史，推更遠的話就是他的國家、宗教等等，出發點都是由你的興趣開始。」

王教授說，人最重要的是要對自己的環境深入了解，「不管你住在哪，你家和鄰居的歷史、社會背景、建築、生活方式……都有它的來源，這就是你對歷史最自然、最靠近的開始。」即便是小學生、年青人，都要面對歷史。「看甚麼書也好，作者的背景跟他所描寫的，和我們現在有甚麼不同或相同？有興趣的話，甚麼都是歷史。」

當一切都是歷史，中國傳統所指的「史」又是甚麼？王教授扼要點出中國古代典籍的四部分類法：「經、史、子、集」。他解釋，這文化產物大概由唐朝開

始，從宋朝正式納入應用，當中的「經」以儒家思想主導，屬抽象的原則和理論；「史」則提供社會及國家之經濟和政治等發展實際的經驗，讓「經」的原則有所參照，產生更有血肉的價值，使人活學活用，古今融合，讓人更清楚地知道如何看待自己的生活和社會變化。「這是互動的關係，但因為不是每一種事物、每一件事情都與現在有關，要從今天的觀點來看過去的話，你要選擇。要選擇，你得先要懂得過去。這是基本的出發點。」

王教授又提到「信史」的概念，即有文字及物件佐證的、較為可信的歷史，而司馬遷的《史記》及班固的《漢書》，均以有趣的寫法記下對國家發展或未來有用的歷史資料，成為了史的經典，建立日後撰寫歷史的標準，尤其是司馬遷身為朝廷史官，把整理和保留歷史的制度得以傳承下去，為後繼之人提供了有用的實錄。

不過，史官所記載的正史以外的，都是被視為不能完全可信可用的「野史」，當大眾發覺正史涵蓋的根本不夠所需，又衍生了很多其他如「通鑑」、「會要」等說歷史的方法，使中國歷史傳統變得愈來愈豐富。

歷史有兩個主要源流，一是政治源流，另一個是宗教。在西方文藝復興時代，「一神論」是主流文化，歷史也是由基督教派來寫，發展到啟蒙時代，歷史更是有終點的，並開始著重科學，而科學不僅影響了工程、經濟等現代化過程，還影響了歷史發展，把科學的態度和方法應用於挑選過去知識來分析現代問題，最終演變成歷史學等各種不同學科。



王廣武教授與「全港青年史學家年獎」歷屆得主：港大莫梓鏗 (BA Year 4) 及林俊朗 (LLB Year 3)；中大學生李謙諾，北大學生林詠莎和中文學院朱銘堅博士 (MA 2007) 對談。

但是，當歷史也要科學化，「歷史學」變成了非常專門的史學如經濟史、勞工史、外交史等。由於過份專門，很多背景都無法說清楚，最理想的還是世界史和專門的史學都要平衡發展，專業地深入了解某些問題時，同時要把知識統合起來，以廣闊看法來分析，才有助人類的發展需要。

王教授再提出另一個值得思考的問題，就是現代的「歷史學」都由西方的歷史觀來分析不同背景的歷史。「西方以至亞洲新一代史學家都有一個想法，以歐洲中心論為主導的歷史學，是否可接受？以不同角度分析全球史，才免誤解。」

「部分人接受西方如馬克斯、列寧史學的概念，但西方史學也有不同潮流，民族的、國家的，哪些合用？後來從爭論中，又演變出共產黨變成正統基礎，接受了馬列的階級觀來重新寫中國史。到二十世紀末，中國改革開放以後，又有一代不同史學家改變想法……而官方、史學家各有看法，如何把中國史跟世界史結合起來？」

全球各國都在面對如何在世界史上把自己國家定位的問題，「如何使我們的思想更開放、更進步？這是態度問題。要求同存異，先要真正了解別人的歷史，更要有同理心，明白別人的問題所在，互相幫助。我鼓勵大家用這方法去看歷史。」



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Fion Yip 葉鏞婷 (BSocSc(Govt&Laws) 2010; LLB 2012) & **James Li 李子樹** (BChinMed 2014)



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Tse Yuet-fong 謝月芳 (BA 2010) & **Wong Chi-wing 黃志榮**



Judy Cheung 張鈺琪 (BSc 2014) & **Ken Cho 曹凌** (BSc 2014)



Wendy Luk 陸雯馨 (BA 2014) & **Katsuki Imai** (Exchange student 2013)

In Tokyo with Dr Yoshiko Nakano of the Department of Japanese Studies (1st right, back row), Professor Shigeto Sonoda of The University of Tokyo, Masaaki Onitsuka (Exchange student 2014/15) and participants of the HKU-U Tokyo Joint Summer Program.



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Lu Ruixing 路瑞興 (MArch 2014)



Yam Tsz-ying 任芷盈 (BSc 2011; MSc 2016) &
James Wong 黃健雄 (BEng(IETM) 2011; MSocSc 2018)



Michelle Wang 王宇晴 & **Zhang Yi 張一** (PhD 2013)



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