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“Let us continue the proud tradition of vibrant diversity, of openness which has been this city’s hallmark of success. With open arms we will embrace talents from all over the world.

We will enhance the long-term competitiveness of Hong Kong and Asia in the new technology arena by leveraging the strengths of Hong Kong’s universities and build world-class innovation centres. We will recruit 100 professoriate, leading global scholars who will create knowledge and advance humanity.

The Chinese for ‘crisis’ comes in two words, risk and opportunity. There is indeed a narrow window of opportunity. So let us forge ahead with renewed togetherness for the post-pandemic era and find solutions for global grand challenges. Let us create hope for future generations and, with unwavering faith, position Hong Kong as not only a city for China but also for the World.”

Professor Xiang Zhang
President and Vice-Chancellor
**InnoTech and Humanities will redefine the world**

**The Headquarters of Innotech**

Bracing to be the world’s top institute for InnoTech over the next few years, The University of Hong Kong will be taking its most significant step in this direction with the launch of the Tech Landmark in 2024 with the redevelopment along the University Drive on the Main Campus. A futuristic complex with 10 institutes dedicated to strategic research with a strong focus on interdisciplinary studies, the Tech Landmark will be the headquarters for HKU’s scientific and technological ventures.

**Lee Shau Kee Institute of the Mind**

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. It will lead the next generation’s information technology, and re-define multiple core industries including automobile, internet, medical diagnosis, energy, etc, and foster social advancement.

With a generous donation of HK$150 million by Dr Lee Shau-Kee, the Institute of the Mind will study the science and art of human wisdom, and harness it in the form of mind technology and neuromorphic computation.
Institute of Data Science (IDS) is dedicated to advance education and research in advancement of data science, machine learning, and artificial intelligence in virtually every arena. The state-of-the-art methods and tools in computing, statistics, data science, and information and decision systems will be developed and applied to address complex industrial, business, and societal problems such as energy and sustainability, smart living, health and other social problems. IDS plans to integrate academic areas, such as computer science, statistics, applied mathematics, optimization, information theory, systems and control theory, economics, human and social behavior, and medical and health science, to foster novel and effective methods in addressing society challenges.

Institute of Materials and Energy is a timely development for Hong Kong to engage in innovation and technology in the Greater Bay Area and beyond. Breakthroughs in technology often arise from new materials with new phenomena or improved properties. The Institute serves as a solid base for hosting interdisciplinary research from Science and Engineering, on advanced materials that transduce energy or signals from one form to another, to serve innovative energy conversion systems. Materials for improving energy efficiencies in industrial or commercial processes, such as strong materials that bear larger loading at reduced weight, or lubrication systems that reduce friction, are another major focus. Activities will cover the investigation of innovative materials processing, microstructural characterization by state-of-the-art methods, and evaluation, theoretical modelling, and prediction of materials behaviour.

Institute of Biomedical Engineering has been established as an institute dedicated to two interdisciplinary subjects: Medicine and Engineering. It will serve as the much-needed home to strengthen the relevant research activities. At the new Institute, research will focus on biomaterials, devices and engineering systems leading to breakthroughs in diagnostics and therapeutics of various medical disorders. Tissue engineering for organ regeneration, microfluidic devices for personalized medicine, ultra-fast imaging methods for high-throughput diagnostics, sensors and devices for bacteria and virus detection, and exoskeleton robotics for rehabilitation, are a few examples of engineering solutions to medical problems that the new Institute will focus on. Located at the Tech Landmark, the Institute of Biomedical Engineering will benefit from the rich resources in advanced materials characterization and biochemistry available there, and at the same time, contribute a biomedical angle to the type of problems tackled there.

Tam Wing Fan Innovation Wing is far beyond a new infrastructure. It is an incubator for creativity and innovation.

The Innovation Academy will cultivate new generations of talents, not only scholars and researchers, but also industry leaders and influencers. It serves as a magnet to attract new talents to work together on innovative projects through a series of programmes and activities which are designed to capture three goals: Inspire, Equip and Showcase. (More on page 18)

Institute of Geriatric Science and Gerontotechnology is a strategic research infrastructure for our interdisciplinary research teams to advance holistic health and wellness living. We will join forces with local and international research collaborators and non-academic partners in governments, NGOs and industry in a holistic approach to create impactful solutions to tackle the population aging challenge. The Institute will continuously contribute to improving elderly people’s quality of life, along the United Nations’ principles of independence, participation, care, self-fulfillment and dignity.

FinTech Academy One of the leading institutes in Asia for FinTech studies, HKU has been grooming world class FinTech talents through its immersive courses, scholarships, research and a new FinTech Academy. Supported by the Standard Chartered Hong Kong 150th Anniversary Community Foundation, the HKU-SCF FinTech Academy will leverage the combined strength of academics and industry to enhance the way FinTech is taught, researched, and innovated, and to make a sustainable impact on the financial services sectors of Hong Kong and the Greater Bay Area. (More on page 20)

Technology Transfer Office | iDENDRON Technology Transfer Office brings HKU’s research results to the wider world through technology transfer for public benefit. It also serves as a springboard for new research projects, broader educational opportunities, and collaborative investments. Leveraging HKU’s network of industry specialists, investors, and entrepreneurial resources, iDendron as an integral hub promotes early-stage innovation and entrepreneurship among students, alumni and staff. (More on page 22)
A Contemporary Hub

Envisioned as one of the most expansive and contemporary hubs in HKU, the new Pokfield Campus will serve as an academic-cultural-sports complex comprising a dedicated building to host the HKU Business School (Phase 1), a university guest house, Junior professoriate staff quarters (Phase 2), and an iconic teaching and learning complex (Phase 3). The existing space and facilities for sports will be redeveloped and upgraded to be fully integrated into the complex with an indoor swimming pool, sports halls, a running track and more.

Apart from cultivating an innovative environment for teaching and research, the new campus will also emphasise global collaborations and outreach. Expected to be ready and functional by late 2023, the Business School at the Pokfield Campus will be designed to facilitate an immersive environment for HKU students to connect with industry experts across the globe.
This is an exciting milestone for HKU Business School. Building this modern home will greatly enhance the growth and development of the Faculty, and will enable the Faculty to achieve its vision to become a leading globally impactful institution of business and economics education.

The overall design concept will manifest three core pillars, including academia, technological advancement and environmental sustainability of this day and age, and beyond.

Mr Martin Tam, Chairman, Project Group for the Capital Development Complex at the Pokfield Road Site

Fostering Interdisciplinary Collaborations

In addition to the main academic buildings, the Pokfield Campus will have staff quarters and a guest house for scholars from around the world. The new accommodations will significantly expand the university’s capacity to support intellectual exchanges and attract top academics and leaders to live and work in Hong Kong.

The Pokfield Campus will provide students, academia and international scholars a technology-rich and modern Learning Commons to encourage frequent interactions, exchange of ideas and interdisciplinary collaborations.
Over the last two decades, HKU’s 133-year-old Medical Faculty has grown and developed considerably to become a leading medical school in the region. The rapid expansion of its programmes and an increase in student numbers, have encouraged the Faculty to undertake a large-scale expansion and development plan in which the Sassoon Road will be transformed into one contiguous, state-of-the-science medical campus.

**A Chic New Annex**

Tang Court’s current location offers the opportunity to construct a pavilion-like architecture that enjoys panoramic views to the ocean in a lush greenery setting. Together with the additions at William MW Mong Block, a new and forward-looking image of the Faculty of Medicine will be presented to the world.

A three-storey high new annex block will comprise offices and meeting rooms, as well as a Faculty Boardroom, and link by a bridge to the Laboratory Block.

**William MW Mong Block Gets a Makeover**

Another highlight of the current expansion project is the William MW Mong Block, which will be converted into a new teaching and learning complex. Visualised and designed to serve as a colourful “learning playground” for future healthcare professionals and scientists, the 7,000-square-foot Learning Commons offers a variety of spaces for individuals and teams to engage.

Planned as an inviting open space with lots of natural light and invigorating green, the William MW Mong Block will demonstrate the University’s commitment to sustainability.

"We are currently in the most fortunate position of being able to expand our space and pursue a visionary transformation."
The Medical Faculty will establish Hong Kong’s first academic cancer centre at Grantham Hospital. The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust has pledged HK$1.244 billion to establish the Centre for Clinical Innovation and Discovery (CCID) and the Institute of Cancer Care (ICC), the very first purpose-built cancer-specific research and service centre in Hong Kong.

The CCID and ICC will serve as platforms for the translation of innovation and discoveries in science and in models of care for prevention, diagnosis, treatment, rehabilitation and palliation, and for the development of a new holistic cancer care paradigm for Hong Kong. Some 220,000 patients, carers and students are expected to benefit each year.

A New Iconic Landmark on Sassoon Road

The integration of No.3 Sassoon Road into HKU’s medical campus will provide much-needed space for the rapid development of the Medical Faculty. It is expected to be completed in 2021.

The highlight of this extended campus is a nine-storey building covering an area of 10,000 square metres, which will be home to the School of Chinese Medicine and the School of Nursing. There is also a proposed link bridge, which will provide a convenient pedestrian connection to Queen Mary Hospital.

The building will feature lecture theatres, seminar rooms, classrooms, learning commons, clinical skill training centres, research laboratories, and staff and research offices.

It will also house the School of Nursing Teaching Skill Laboratories, which will provide state-of-the-art stimulation laboratories for students to practice their skills in various clinical situations, and the Chinese Medicine out-patient clinic.

The CCID will become a lynchpin of our efforts to embrace the new era of precision medicine and to combat cancer as our society rapidly ages.

Professor Gabriel Leung 梁卓偉
Dean of Medicine
Helen and Francis Zimmern Professor in Population Health
Modernising with MiC

The Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) technology uses free-standing volumetric modules that are prefabricated off-site and is most effective in the construction of compact residential units. The MiC modules complete with furniture will be delivered and assembled on site. This innovative construction method not only helps to shorten the construction period but also contributes to the quality, safety and sustainability aspects of the building.

Although the MiC is relatively new to Hong Kong, similar technologies are widely used in other places such as the United Kingdom, Australia, Singapore and Mainland China, particularly for the construction of student hostels and hotels.

A Home Away from Home

HKU is developing new residential projects in the Wong Chuk Hang and Pokfulam areas. The High West site on Pokfulam Road will provide accommodation for 938 students and 266 flats for senior staff. Expected to be completed in 2024, this residential complex will also have parking and recreational facilities.

The student residence at Wong Chuk Hang will provide 1,224 student places and is expected to be completed in 2023. It is also one of the pilot projects adopting Modular Integrated Construction (MiC) in Hong Kong, which is supported by a strong research team from HKU’s Centre for Innovation in Construction & Infrastructure Development (CICID) and the Department of Civil Engineering. Another block on Mui Fong Street, to be completed in 2022, will provide 250 student places.

STUDENT RESIDENCES
Wong Chuk Hang | High West

Student Residence at Wong Chuk Hang

Student Residence and Staff Quarters at High West

Andrew Lee King Fun & Associates Architects Ltd.
The Institute was established to address the shortage of dental specialists in Hong Kong. The Faculty focuses on research, education and knowledge exchange contributing to our achievements today, thereby contributing to the advancement of oral health and well-being in Hong Kong and the rest of the world.

A Reason to Smile
One of the top dental schools in the world, the Faculty of Dentistry is widely acclaimed for its various training programmes and has attracted outstanding teaching and research professionals from different countries over the past few decades.

Equipped to manage complex and severe oral conditions, the Institute for Advanced Dentistry offers specialised services like Endodontics, Orthodontics and Dentofacial Orthopaedics, Paediatric Dentistry, Implant Dentistry, Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery, Periodontology and Prosthodontics. It also offers patient services with efficient centralised booking, easy inter-specialty referrals, and several dental specialties in one central location.

Spread over an area of 15,000 square feet, the Multi-Specialty Clinic is provided with 45 dental chairs and 6 surgery rooms. The teaching staff and postgraduate students here have access to comprehensive diagnostic approaches and treatments, delivering evidence-based clinical care.

Universities are the primary driving force to break new grounds. Now is the best time to bring in top talents from all over the world.

The HKU Global Professoriate Recruitment Campaign is recruiting 100 top scholars from around the world. Over the last two years, HKU has recruited over 200 outstanding scholars as its professoriate staff from universities all over the world. To support eminent academicians HKU has been offering endowed professorships since 2005 and has also introduced other schemes like the Outstanding Young Professorships, the HKU Presidential Postdoctoral Fellowship and the HKU Presidential PhD Scholarship to attract rising academic talents.

Professor Juha Merilä is the new Director of Research for the Division of Ecology and Biodiversity. He is an evolutionary biologist who is interested in genetics, selection and environmental variation, from genes and individuals to populations and species. After being at the University of Helsinki for 20 years, he welcomes the opportunity to work in HKU.

Professor Lo Hoi-Kwong, Director of the Research Division of Physics and Astronomy at HKU, came from the University of Toronto where he was Professor of Electrical and Computer Engineering and Professor of Physics. Born and raised in Hong Kong, he won a Prince Philip Scholarship for undergraduate studies at Cambridge University in 1986.

Professor Taku Komura of the Department of Computer Science is a world-leading expert in character animation, crowd simulation, 3D modelling, cloth animation, anatomy-based modelling and robotics. He was previously with the Edinburgh Centre for Robotics at the University of Edinburgh.

Dr Karen Grépin, Associate Professor of the Division of Health Economics, Policy and Management in the School of Public Health. She graduated from Harvard University with a PhD in Health Policy (economics) and was the Canada Research Chair in Global Health Policy and Evaluation at Wilfrid Laurier University.
ALTHOUGH THIS BUILDING IS A symbol of what’s possible

Located at G/F and LG/F of the Hui Oi Chow Building, the two-storeyed Tam Wing Fan Innovation Wing covers over 2,400 sq m of floor area. Being one of the world-class integrated makerspaces in Hong Kong as well as in Asia, the Innovation Wing is fully equipped with comprehensive prototyping facilities and equipment of all engineering natures under the same roof.

The makerspace offers a spacious assembling area that can accommodate more than 100 students to work on their projects at the same time. Numerous workshops are equipped with state-of-the-art digital controlled facilities such as 3D printing machines, laser cutting and engraving machines, waterjet cutting machine, measuring tools, hand/power toolsets and specialised electronic workbenches, etc. Students and student interest groups can use the computer-aid design studio, multimedia and soundproof studio, AR/VR studio to turn ideas into reality.

The Innovation Wing encourages knowledge exchange and peer learning. Apart from the poster hallway, project wall and social media sharing platform for displaying and sharing of inventions, ideas and achievements, students can also brainstorm and exchange ideas in a relaxing area. A selection of inspirational books, magazines, journals and user manuals of machines/equipment are placed in the “Dream Chamber” to stimulate creative thinking.

The Innovation Wing houses “Thematic workshops” where professors can showcase their research outcomes from pioneering Engineering projects. These workshops cover various themes such as healthcare technology, advanced and new materials, smart technology for better living and aviation.

The Innovation Wing is also an incubator for creativity and innovation. With the funding support from Mrs May Tam, the Faculty established an Innovation Academy for nurturing future innovators to generate impactful ideas and products.

The Innovation Academy serves as a magnet to attract new talents to work together on innovative projects through a series of programmes and activities, which are designed to capture three goals: Inspire, Equip and Showcase. It is dedicated to providing a platform to connect students from all ten faculties at the University for cross-disciplinary collaboration and to prepare them for addressing the grand challenges of the world.

Professor Norman Tien, Vice-President (Institutional Advancement), TaiKoo Professor of Engineering and Head of Innovation Academy said: “The Innovation Wing is not only a makerspace, but also a place to connect students with advanced technologies. This micro-precision 3D printer is based on innovative projection micro-stereolithography technology which is designed for production of high resolution, highly precise parts for prototyping and short run production with photosensitive resins and ceramic.”
The HKU-SCF FinTech Academy will cultivate future-fit talents and upskill bankers with disruptive technologies to capture the immense opportunities.

Ms Mary Huen, CEO, Hong Kong, Standard Chartered and Trustee, Standard Chartered Hong Kong 150th Anniversary Community Foundation

The Standard Chartered Hong Kong 150th Anniversary Community Foundation (SCF) has committed HK$60 Million to establish the HKU-SCF FinTech Academy which will leverage the combined strength of academics and industry to enhance the way FinTech is taught, researched, and innovated, and to make a sustainable impact on the financial services sectors of Hong Kong and the Greater Bay Area. The Academy, launched in April 2020, is hosted by the Department of Computer Science of the Faculty of Engineering and supported by the Faculty of Law and the HKU Business School.

On November 11, 2020, the Plaque Unveiling ceremony was officiated by the co-chairs of the HKU-SCF FinTech Academy, Professor Xiang Zhang, President and Vice-Chancellor, HKU; and Ms Mary Huen, CEO, Hong Kong, Standard Chartered and Trustee, Standard Chartered Hong Kong 150th Anniversary Community Foundation. Joining the occasion are: Mr Bill Winters, Group CEO of Standard Chartered; and the Academy’s Management Board Members: Dr Lee George Lam, Chairman of Cyberport; Mr Jason Chiu, Founder and CEO, Cherrypicks; Professor Christopher Chao, Dean of Engineering; Professor Douglas Arnold, Kerry Holdings Professor in Law; Professor TW Lam, Professor SM Yiu and Professor Chen Lin.

The HKU-SCF FinTech Academy will become one of the most sought-after platforms for careers in the new era of 5G, digital currencies and new infrastructure.

Jason Chiu, Founder and CEO, Cherrypicks

HKU FinTech Index

The HKU FinTech Index Project was initiated in 2018 and successfully launched the Hong Kong FinTech Growth Index (FGI) and the Hong Kong FinTech Buzz Index (FBI) in 2019 to gauge the outlook of local FinTech companies on the industry and the general sentiment in the sector. Since September 2020, the HKU-SCF FinTech Academy has been providing funds to support research and expansion of the FinTech Indexes using AI or machine learning technologies, particularly in the Greater Bay Area.
SPRING 2021
iDendron, HKU Innovation & Entrepreneurship Hub, was established in 2017 with the aim of nurturing entrepreneurial and innovative spirit on campus, incubating HKU early-stage startups, establishing interdisciplinary cooperation and engaging the community to support human endeavors and society developments.

High potential HKU startups will be selected to the 6-month incubation programme with seed investment worth up to HKD500,000, deep mentor engagement, investor relation building, professional business support and exposure opportunity to enhance the product and business development.

Enabled by Azalea (1972) Endowment Fund
Strategic Partners
Sino Group
Stanley Chu
New Frontier

Startups supported by HKU

Hollo
Co-founded by Cameron van Breda (Year 5, Molecular Biology and Biotechnology) and Aiji Krishna Namakkal Raghavendran (Year 5, Computer Science)
Hollo is a mental health companion app for the youth, mental health professionals and NGOs to improve their accessibility to diagnosis and treatment with cutting edge technology to generate behavioral data insights with AI and Big Data Analytics.

The first team from Hong Kong winning the World Champion of the Microsoft Imagine Cup
iDendron cohort #2 incubatee

Raspect
Founded by Sun Chi Chun, Harris (BEng (CSIS), 2004)
Provision of architectural inspection service that integrates artificial-intelligence technology, internet of things technology and robotics system
HKU DreamCatchers 100K Fund Awardees 2017
ICT Startup (Software and Devices) Gold Award 2020
US$0.25M Innovation and Technology Venture Fund 2020

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CYC Motor
Co-founded by Chan Yuk Chun Jon (BA(AS), 2017)
Design and manufacturing of components of electric mountain bike such as motor system, drivetrains, smart controller system, peripherals and batteries, and bike frame.
HKU DreamCatchers 100K Fund Awardees 2017
Technology Start-up Support Scheme for Universities Awardee 2019
CES (Consumer Electronics Show) Editors’ Choice in Bicycling Award 2020
HK$3.6M Innovation and Technology Venture Fund 2020
Reported the first family cluster evidence of person-to-person transmission

HKU microbiologists, with the HKU-Shenzhen Hospital, established that the novel coronavirus could be transmitted from person-to-person. The finding sent alarm throughout the world on the looming pandemic. It also provides the basis for development of control measures.

Early alert of the pandemic

Researchers produced two studies through the WHO Collaboration Centre alerted the world to the pandemic and the threat it posed, based on the pattern of cases arisings in the first half of January.

Documented the viral shedding profile of SARS-CoV-2

The discovery indicated transmission early in the course of the illness, highlighting that it was unlikely to be contained in the way that SARS had been in 2003.

Proposed the use of deep throat saliva

The method, using saliva as a diagnostic specimen type for the detection of SARS-CoV-2, has been widely adopted for testing the virus.

First electron microscopic images of the SARS-CoV-2 virus

The image was produced in collaboration with the Faculty of Engineering, which helped other researchers and professionals to identify the virus.

Developed rapid nucleic acid amplification tests

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Cocktail and blood plasma therapy for COVID-19

The triple combination antiviral therapy of interferon beta-1b, lopinavir-ritonavir and ribavirin could suppress the SARS-CoV-2 viral load and cytokine, which resulted in the earlier clinical improvement and discharge of COVID-19 patients.

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TEACHING AND LEARNING

We focus on the active and the interactive. That’s one of the things that comes out of this experiment — how can we capture as much interactive learning as possible? A lot of resources can be found online. Students are used to going online. What we want to do is to actually engage in dialogue and interactive learning with them. Online teaching is enabling us to expand our ways of doing that.

Professor James Tang, Secretary-General of the University Grants Committee, addressed “Re-imagining Higher Education,” an e-symposium showcasing “Responsive4U,” a pioneering project on online and hybrid education. More than 2,000 undergraduates at HKU, CUHK, PolyU and UST, earned academic credits from a pool of 11 courses, offered separately by the universities.

Mask giving
The HKU Development and Alumni Affairs Office collaborated with 19 social welfare organisations to deliver over 20,000 face masks donated by HKU alumni to the elderly.

Lovehkloveu
The university launched the “StandByU” and “ShareWithU” platforms to disseminate reliable information and research findings on COVID-19 via digital channels. In “LIVE with the Top Scorers,” HKU students with excellent HKDSE and IB scores shared their thoughts with students taking these examinations. “ShareWithU” distributed masks and alcohol-hand sanitizers on matching

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FightCOVID19.hku.hk
In February, the early days of the COVID19 outbreak, HKU created the FightCOVID19 site (http://fightcovid19.hku.hk ) to serve as a repository of the university’s effort in research, learning and public service in combating the pandemic. In addition to aggregating the good work from across the university, FightCOVIDHKU launched a “Live from Hong Kong” dialogue series featuring HKU experts who shared our experience with a global audience. Other original work of the site include a podcast series, in-depth practical advisories and an interactive map on incidences of COVID19 cases in Hong Kong.

The Towel Story
Alerted by a citizen, the FightCOVID19.HKU media team visited wet markets and reported on the common use of public towels at fish stalls, which could lead to virus transmission. Our report was widely reported in the news media, prompting official action to ban the use of such towels. The towel story has shown that the media, working in collaboration with experts, government, and the public, could contribute to building a safe and healthy Hong Kong.

Ian Holliday
Vice-President (Teaching and Learning)

Professor James Tang, Secretary-General, UGC, speaking at the Re-imagining Higher Education, “Re-imaginign Higher Education,” an e-symposium showcasing “Responsive4U,” a pioneering project on online and hybrid education. More than 2,000 undergraduates at HKU, CUHK, PolyU and UST, earned academic credits from a pool of 11 courses, offered separately by the universities.

750+
Online posts

898,305
Unique visits

2,154,708
Site views

160+
Countries reached

The University of Hong Kong

Fight COVID-19
Remembering EILEEN CHANG (1920 - 1995)
A HKU Legacy

The year 2020 marks the centennial celebration of the 100th birthday of Eileen Chang, a major twentieth-century writer and one of the most eminent alumni of the university. (Bachelor of Arts student: 1939-1941). Chang was admitted to HKU in 1939 but returned to Shanghai two years later, when the university was forced to shut down as Hong Kong came under Japanese occupation.

The brief years she spent at HKU was critical for her later emergence as a literary legend. Chang was admitted to HKU in 1939 but returned to Shanghai two years later, when the university was forced to shut down as Hong Kong came under Japanese occupation.

In the following pages, we trace the university’s various activities to bring Eileen Chang “home” to her alma mater, an effort started 13 years ago in 2007.

Eileen Chang, HKU student registration in 1939 (HKU Archives)

2020 Online and museum exhibition

The Department of Comparative Literature, Faculty of Arts, and the HKU University Museum and Art Gallery presented “Eileen Chang at the University of Hong Kong: An online presentation of images and documents from the archives,” (https://www.virtual.umag.hku.hk/eileenchang100) followed by physical displays at the university museum. The exhibition was curated and introduced by Professor Nicole Huang, of the Department of Comparative Literature.

“Thousands of miles, two years, new things and new people. My experience in wartime Hong Kong has imposed on me an intimate and powerful influence of which I was not aware at the time.”

– From The Ashes, Eileen Chang
Chang’s handwritten manuscripts unveiled at HKU exhibit

The exhibition presented Eileen Chang’s HKU student registration record, (courtesy of HKU Registry), her handwritten manuscripts in English and Chinese, as well as exclusive photos of her life and work, (courtesy of Dr. Roland Soong, administrator of Chang’s estate.) The three-week exhibit organized by the Journalism and Media Studies Centre, in collaboration with HKU Libraries, attracted over 8,000 visitors, including students, colleagues, and members of the public.

2009

Eileen Chang scholarship created

A scholarship in memory of Eileen Chang was created with contributions from Dr. Roland Soong, to benefit female undergraduate students from the Mainland China or Taiwan to pursue studies in the arts and humanities.

2010

Original English works by Eileen Chang published by HKU Press

The Fall of the Pagoda, the first of two semi-autobiographical novels written by Eileen Chang, depicts in gripping detail her childhood years in Tianjin and Shanghai. Its sequel The Book of Change revolves around her wartime student days in Hong Kong. The manuscripts, written in English, were discovered by Dr. Roland Soong among the collection of Chang’s papers entrusted to him. Chang, who wrote the two books in the 1950’s was never able to find a publisher until they were published posthumously by Hong Kong University Press in 2010.

2012

Collection of critical essays published by HKU Press

Eileen Chang Romancing Languages, Cultures and Genres, a collection of 13 essays was edited by Kam Louie, then Dean of the Faculty of Arts. Published by HKU Press, it is the first book in English devoted to an exploration of Chang’s earliest short stories as well as her novels that were published posthumously.
A visual record of Hong Kong story from 1860s to 1997
THE FRANK FISCHBECK COLLECTION
at HKU Libraries

Images associated with politics are the hardest ones to capture. Experience taught me to dress appropriately for the occasion. I had to place myself in the shoes of the attendees, that I don’t stand out as a journalist or photographer but blend into the audience and that I am, as far as possible, unobtrusive.

— Frank Fischbeck

FormAsia Books Managing Director Frank Fischbeck’s photographs have won him the Overseas Press Club of America citation for his work in China. As a photojournalist, it came as second nature to chronicle the city’s evolution as it unfolded before him over succeeding decades. Together with his extensive travels throughout the region, this has resulted in a collection of some 24,000 images that have recorded and preserved Hong Kong’s modern history as well as the immense diversity of Asia’s cultural heritage.

The Frank Fischbeck Collection consists of:

1. Albumen/Silver/Gelatin Original Photographs (1,000)
2. Rare Albumen Prints (125)
3. Historic Panorama Prints (20)
4. The Black & White Collection: 8,000 Photographs with Original Negatives
5. The Colour Collection: 15,000 Transparencies
6. High-Resolution Digital Files (5,000)

HKU Libraries will store, preserve, catalogue, digitise and maintain the Collection for contributing to society and academia through exhibitions, digital access and other means of nurturing interest in Hong Kong’s rich history.

The acquisition of the collection is made possible by the generous donations from benefactors eager to see the collection remain in Hong Kong, intact and based at The University of Hong Kong:

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Professor Rosie Young 楊紫芝 is very special to HKU. She is a graduate of MBBS and MD, the first female Dean of Medicine and Pro-Vice-Chancellor, Emeritus Professor and currently the Chairperson of HKU Foundation. She is a world-renowned educator and one of the foremost global authorities on endocrinology.

To celebrate her 90th birthday, $1.08M was raised to establish the “Rosie Young 90 Medal for Outstanding Young Woman Scholar” to honour her immense achievements and contributions to the University. The Medal aims to recognise and encourage talented young female academics to follow in her illustrious footsteps for many, many years to come.

I first came to The University of Hong Kong as a visitor, on the eve of the Second World War.

But it was in 1947 that I joined the University as a first-year Medical student. The classrooms, the library, the laboratories ... are here at the Main Building. Spending all my days and nights here, it was like my home.

HKU is always in my heart.

To build on our legacy of excellence, I invite you all to be an iGifter and I will send you a signature gift.

Professor Rosie Young 楊紫芝
MBBS 1953; MD 1959; HonDSc 1995
Hon University Fellow 2019
Chairperson of HKU Foundation

7,004 iGifters have donated a total of $9.24M and received the Rosie Young Signature Scarf
6,369 were first-time donors
62% below 30 years old
Benefitting 10 faculties, First-in-the-Family Education Fund, Scholarship Funds and the President’s Development Fund
Scholarships create infinite possibilities

6000 awards given each year

Continuing the Legacy of Loke Yew

Founded in the 1910s to support students of the Medical Faculty, Loke Yew Scholarships’ legacy is continued by Loke Yew’s grandson, Professor Charlie Loke.

Khan Abdul Samad (MBBS Year 2) is the first generation in his family to go to university. He fully appreciates the value of a university education. “I am so thankful to Professor Loke who believes in my goals as a medical practitioner and who is willing to invest in my future!”

Natalie Ng (MBBS Year 5) initiated a medical service trip to Cusco, Peru. She was attached to an Obstetrics & Gynaecology clinic and assisted the doctors in physical examinations and minor surgical procedures.

Contributing Time and Knowledge

The Evergreen Scholarships were established by History alumnus Mr Lam Sum Chee (BA 1967) to support arts and humanities students.

Andrea Tsang (BA Year 2) is active in volunteer work. She launched an online Q&A on Instagram allowing secondary students to ask questions about university admission and study majors.

Eric Chan (BA Year 3) enjoys playing computer games and has long held a dream of making a history-themed game to promote learning of history while playing. He initiated a start-up project to develop a History educational game app “Hystery” for secondary school students.

From Nigeria to Hong Kong

Having conducted business in Nigeria for many years, a Hong Kong merchant decided to give back to the people there by establishing the Hon Ping Entrance Scholarship for Nigerian Students. His wish was to support young people from the African nation to pursue their studies at HKU.

Honour Olatunji (BEng Year 3) had dreamt of studying abroad since he was a child. “Back in Nigeria, we need to worry about basics like electricity. The Scholarship has opened up many great opportunities and I have the chance to meet people from different cultures.”

Semiat Ayeni (BASc Year 1) completed high school at the age of 13 and has a passion for Mathematics. “I chose the Arts and Science programme because I wish to learn how to make connections across different subjects and solve problems in the interconnected world of today.”

Promoting Inclusive Education

Mr Henry Chan established Henry Chan Inclusive Education Fund (陳天生共融教育基金) in 2006 and K.B. Chen Inclusive Education Fund (陳國本共融教育基金) in 2019 to promote barrier-free learning and ultimately a more inclusive society.

Honour

Inclusive learning environments enhance innovation and creativity of thought. They are where mutual respect is valued and barriers are brought down, creating equal learning opportunities for all.

— Henry Chan

Final-year Arts student Josy Chow is born with spinal muscular atrophy (SMA), a genetic disorder that results in limited mobility and difficulties in breathing and swallowing. “It takes me 3 to 4 weeks to finish a 2000-word essay assignment on a computer. To take an exam, I need to recite the answers to a university staff member who helps me by typing everything out.”

The Fund supports Josy in acquisition of a suitable wheelchair, and covering other costs related to her learning and transportation.

www.scholarships.hku.hk
An Extraordinary Ordinary Woman
Ms Mok Sau-King

Ms Mok Sau-King (BA 1956; DipEd 1957) started her career as an Assistant Education Officer, rising to Principal Lecturer at Colleges of Education across Hong Kong. She devoted her entire life to bettering the education system and her enthusiasm for education continued to burn brightly through her legacy gift to the University.

This generous gift, a HK$46.8 million bequest from the estate of the late Ms Mok, will be committed to the establishment of Mok Sau King Outstanding Young Professorships and Mok Sau King Visiting Professorship Scheme. It has also created the state-of-the-art Library Innovation Centre to enrich teaching and learning activities through its new video recording studio, interactive classroom and cutting-edge production equipment.

Nothing can compare to the gift of education. The University has named a teaching facility at the Centennial Campus as the "Mok Sau King Lecture Hall" in honour of Ms Mok and to remind us of her selfless dedication and commitment to education.

Modesty, diligence, prudence, filial piety – virtues expected of a woman raised in a traditional large family during the 1930s to 1950s. Mok Sau-King (fondly referred to as “Aunt Seventeen” in the Mok family) possessed them all, yet she refused to live within the confines of tradition. She knew too well that only through education could she and all women be their own masters and live independently as equals in a male-oriented society.

Seizing all opportunities for learning, and working relentlessly with dedication, she contributed to Hong Kong’s education sector and equality of the sexes, with a quiet dignity and an indefatigable work ethic.

This donation from her estate exemplifies the spirit of HKU and Hong Kong as well as represents Aunt Seventeen’s gratitude to her alma mater and magnanimous love for her hometown.

Barbara Mok and Betty Yip
Executrices of the Estate of Ms Mok Sau-King

PLANNED GIVING
THE GREATEST GIFTS TO INSPIRE

At HKU, we are fortunate to have the determined support of a community that believes in the power of education. These benefactors express their love for the University and realise their philanthropic aspirations through legacy gifts.

Here are the heart-warming stories of two of our bequeathers — Ms Mok Sau-King and Dr Robert Tam Yik-Fong. They will always be remembered for how they turned their passions into legacies that live on here at HKU.

Create a meaningful and lasting legacy that fulfils your hopes and wishes.
website: www.giving.hku.hk/plannedgiving
Born in 1902, Dr Robert Tam 譚益芳 (BA 1930, Hon University Fellow 1996, Hon DSocSc 1998) grew up in turbulent times, with little hope of being able to afford university education. Yet, he was fortunate to receive a government scholarship to study Arts at HKU, where he spent some of his happiest years and forged some of his most lasting friendships as a resident of May Hall. In 2004, Dr Tam passed away at the great age of 103.

After graduating from HKU, Dr Tam returned to Mainland China and offered his services to the country, where he witnessed a land torn asunder, with people suffering from dire poverty and the outbreak of war. These experiences led him to the belief that poverty could be alleviated through education. His vision — to bring education to as many young people as possible — is where he found his philanthropic focus.

Remarkable career success in the banking industry afforded Dr Tam the financial wherewithal to accomplish that vision. For decades, he demonstrated his support of education and love of the University through his trust, generosity and unswerving loyalty. From 1985 to 1988, Dr Tam and his younger sister Ms Tam Wun-Tsun 譚蘊真, who shared the same belief in education, donated HK$11 million to establish the Robert Tam Library Endowment Fund. In recognition of the siblings’ generosity, the University’s senior staff quarters on Sha Wan Drive — Pine Court 松蔭園 and Tam Villas 衡益村 — were named after their grandfather Tam Lui-Chung 譚侶松 and father Tam Yik-Hang 譚亦衡.

The Library held a special place in the heart of Dr Tam and in the 1990s he made a further gift of HK$50 million to support the University’s Libraries.

Dr Tam’s love of HKU never faded

In 2016, the University received a legacy gift of HK$35 million from the late Dr Tam and Ms Tam, which contributed to the construction of the Centennial Campus, and the establishment of the “Tam Wun Tsun HKU Horizons Student Enrichment Award 譚蘊真才能拓展獎”. To honour this gift, the University named a teaching facility at the Centennial Campus as “Robert Tam Conference Chamber 譚益芳會議廳”, which includes the “Tam Wun Tsun Seminar Room 譚蘊真研修室”.

Dr Tam’s decision to bequeath his fortune to HKU is a moving testimony to his belief in the power of education and his confidence in his alma mater to nurture leaders who will work for the betterment of the world.

The Libraries have a key role to play in the education and training of new graduates and support for such a central institution is support for the University as a whole... everyone, including the Hong Kong community, benefits from a strong University Library.

Dr Robert Tam
I can no other answer make but thanks,
And thanks, and ever thanks.

William Shakespeare
Twelfth Night
Thriving Alumni communities
Networking continues...

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY YOUNG PROFESSIONAL ALUMNI IN NORTH AMERICA (HKUYPANA)

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (HKUAASC)

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY GRADUATES ASSOCIATION

ENGINEERING CLASS OF 1970

HONG KONG UNIVERSITY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION (HKUAA) CLUBHOUSE RE-OPENED

ST. JOHN’S COLLEGE ALUMNI ASSOCIATION

HKUAA, BC, CANADA
Across the Mainland

There are currently 7 HKU alumni networks in the Mainland. If you are in the Mainland or will pass by Beijing, Chengdu, Chongqing, Guangzhou, Hangzhou, Shanghai or Shenzhen, don’t miss out the social, professional, charitable and sporting events. Contact HKU Alumni Office: alumni@hku.hk.

Beijing Alumni Network

北京校友會

2017 marked a new chapter for Beijing Alumni Network. 18 alumni from different generations and professional backgrounds came together to form a new executive committee to create a close-knit network for fellow HKU alumni in Beijing.

1. HKU Beijing Alumni High Table Dinner 2020 on November 21.
3. Exco members from different cohorts.
4 Director of Beijing Office HKSAR, John Leung 梁志仁 (BA 1985, MPhil 1992, 4th right) at the High Table Dinner.

Beijing Alumni Network’s offline sharing on "early education" in November 2020.

Chengdu Alumni Network

成都校友會

Serving the alumni in Sichuan, this is a young and growing network for HKU alumni living and working in Chengdu.

2. 2020 中秋小聚 organized by Chongqing Liaison unit, HKSAR Government.

Chengdu Alumni Network happy hour on September 16, 2020.

Chongqing Alumni Network

重慶校友會

In just two years, HKU Chongqing Alumni Network has already built a strong inter-generational network of HKU alumni, for friendship and professional development.

2. 2020 中秋小聚 organized by Chongqing Liaison unit, HKSAR Government.
Established in 2003, the Shanghai Alumni Network is aiming to connect alumni, promote lifelong learning, give back to society, and more importantly, passing on the fine HKU heritage in Shanghai.

1. Guided tour of the “Hong Kong Miniatures Art Exhibition 2020” on November 29, 2020
2. Alumni High table dinner 2020 on October 22, 2020
3. Inauguration ceremony of new committee on September 17, 2020

HKU Mainland Alumni Networks
50,000 alumni

*Only provinces/municipals with 100+ alumni are shown.

Wechat ID: hkudaao

Scan to join the Mainland Alumni Networks

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Ganzhou 1.7%

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JILIN 1.2%

SHANXI 1.1%
I appreciate the new generation of students for their boldness in expressing their ideas,
for new thinking is very important. Students must show resilience; you are more motivated than others
for this position.

David Lau 刘伯伟 (Mentor, Court Member)
Managing Director, J.P. Morgan
BA Final Year Student, major in Music

I cannot underestimate the power of the internet. You must find a mentor, advisor to help you.
Students must proactively reach out; HKU has many senior alumni willing to help.

Rubio Chan 陈成军 (BA 2012)
GLO Travel Co-founder

Another thing about connecting people together is the message that music
brings to the public…for the audience to reflect on the value of life.

Daniel Lei 李梓成
BA Final Year Student, major in Music

Tips for young graduates

做公關要死纏爛打，你有幾大決心為客戶解決問題呢？態度、用心、同決心好重要。

每日開會一兩小時，其實也是很珍貴的
人生時間。讓同事遙距工作，一個月
就縮短40小時，做運動也好，確實有
好處，能省去趕回公司的壓力，也有明確
的優勢。

Alex Lo 黄劲辉 (BA 2007)
Founder of Social Strategy Hong Kong

心態上要 Aim High，開始時會好
困難，但作為港大校友，應該有能力
解決環境上這些難題。這點可以 Stand Out From the Crowd，對企業有貢獻。

Ray Chan 陈展程 (LLB 2006)
CEO & Co-founder of 9GAG

無論做任何事都要做好同最壞打算，
多做 research，多問他人意見。
做好準備就搏盡！

Alex Lo 黄劲辉 (BA 2007)
Founder of Social Strategy Hong Kong

做人要似T字咁，就算專長只有一
項，橫向要周身刀，亦要識
有利工作。

Julian Gaertner 易宇航 (BSocSc 2011)
Start-up Entrepreneur, Producer and Actor of film and TV

Everyone is unique, just like
everyone else. We don't value
someone on their click rate or
publicity, but on their artistic value.

Cecilia Yeung 楊文蔚 (BBA 2020)
Professional High Jumper and Hong Kong record holder

Serrini 梁嘉茵 (MA 2015; PhD candidate)
Singer-songwriter

Kyle Leung 梁東瑜 (BBA 2019)
GLO Co-founder

CONVOCATION NEWSLETTER
Graduating in 2020, a challenging year, this Class is truly special.

Privileges and Programmes

Extended Access to Libraries, Chi Wah Learning Commons and Sports Centre

HKU Taught Postgraduate Scholarship for Undergraduate Class of 2020
Tuition funding for those who wish to pursue graduate studies during these unconventional times. Around 500 undergraduates from the Class of 2020 benefit from this scholarship.

HKU Internship Programme
Four-month internships offered to fresh graduates who want to gain work experience and contribute to their alma mater. 50 new graduates took part in the programme.

Celebrations Online
The Congregation turned online this year. But that did not stop the proud graduates from celebrating this milestone achievement and their hard work.

Augmented reality (AR) filters with 360° views of iconic HKU photo spots and virtual graduation caps, together with other online celebration kits, were created so the graduates would appear to teleport back to campus from wherever they were.
A Fond Farewell ... Till we meet again

Lindsay Ride Sports Centre | Stanley Smith Swimming Pool

Lindsay Ride Sports Centre, named after the 6th Vice-Chancellor Sir Lindsay Ride and opened in 1963, and the Stanley Smith Swimming Pool in 1971 have been the joy and fun, sweat and pain among HKU students for over six decades. They will be developed into a new landmark campus with multi-faceted and functionally cohesive academic-residential-culture and sports complex. The existing sports facilities will be upgraded and will be expanded across the complex.

1. 1974 - St. John’s Vs Ricci Football Game
2. 1969 - Sir Lindsay Ride (right) presenting HKU Sportsman of the Year Award to Dr York Chow周一嶽 (MBBS 1971)
3. 1970 - Presentation Day for Interhall Sports Competition
4. St. John’s College Swimming Gala

Most Liked photos @ Photo Challenge
Lesley Chan 陳文欣 (BEd 2006; MEd 2009) first met her husband Linus Lam 林耀宗 (BEng(ME) 2004, MSc(Eng) (IELM) 2008) during a table tennis team recruitment held at Lindsey Ride Sports Centre in 2002. They got married in 2012 and have 2 kids now.
Standing Committee elected on June 29, 2020

Chairman
POON Sun Cheong Patrick (BSc 1970)

Deputy Chairman
WONG Yiu Kit Ernest (BBA 1991)

Clerk
LIU Yuk Ling Elaine (LLB 1987; PCLL 1988)

Members

*  CHAN Ka Kin King (BA 2001)
*  CHAN Shiu Bun Spencer (BBA(IS) 2003; BEng(SE) 2004)
*  CHAN Suet Lai Kitty (BA 2003)
*  CHAN Sze Wing Allison (BSocSc 2000)
*  CHAN Wo Shun Alex (BSocSc 1985)
*  CHANG Wan Ki Gloria (BSocSc 2001)
*  KHOO Pui Wun Ashley (MEcon 2010)
*  KIU Wai Fung Keith (BA(ArchStud) 2009)
*  LAI Alex Chun Hung (BSc(Eng) 1985)
*  LAI Hoi Yan Rachel (BSocSc 1995; MPhil 2000)
LIU Chun Wah (BSc(Eng) 1985)
MAK Tung Wing (BA 1988)
NG Cheuk Kwong Data (BSc 2009; PhD 2015)
NG Kin Fai Kenny (BBA (Acc&Fin) 2003)
NG Sau Wah Fifi (MIPA 2015)
TSE Hoi Shing Jeffrey (BBA(Acc&Fin) 2003; MEcon 2004)

Convocation Forum "Can HKU maintain academic freedom and freedom of expression under the national security law?" held on July 3, 2020 with 50 members on site and about 2,000 online viewers.

Extraordinary General Meeting was held on Oct 19, 2019. Over 3,000 members attended in person or by proxy. Results can be viewed at https://www.convocation.hku.hk/EGM2019/
As a member of the Science family and President of HKU Science Alumni Association, I am grateful for the opportunity to develop fellowship among Science graduates through organizing many science-related visits and activities. This is also a most memorable part of the love story between Jessica and myself.

Love in time. We fell in love in 2020 and decided to start a new journey together in the time of turmoil. May peace and love be with all of us.
In making e-learning opportunities accessible to all, we learn from each other and share the journey together.

“The learning process should not be hampered by school suspension. A good way to give back to the community is to utilise my skill set, which is teaching English.”

Catherine Lam (BA 2020)

Phase 1 Supported by 130 donors, HKU graduating students reached out to grassroots school students who were adversely impacted by COVID-19. During the summer of 2020, they conducted 93 online classes for Secondary 4 and 5 students who were preparing for public exams. 100 iPads and 1,000 data cards were provided to students to support their online learning.

Phase 2 Supported by Dr Sin Wai-Kin, HKU Faculty of Education’s Speech, Language and Hearing Clinic provides therapy sessions to low-income patients as well as internship opportunities for 150 HKU Speech & Hearing Sciences students.

#TeachforGood is a scheme to work together to support those impacted by COVID-19. We fight a good fight together.