The University's 57th Congregation for the Conferment of Degrees was held on Thursday, 29th November at the University Mall. It was presided over by Prof. Arthur K.C. Li, the vice-chancellor.

This year, five distinguished persons were awarded honorary doctorates. Dr. the Honourable Anson Chan (left 1), former Chief Secretary for Administration of the HKSAR was conferred the degree of Doctor of Laws, *honoris causa*. Dr. Gao Xingjian (left 2), renowned Chinese writer and Nobel laureate in literature 2000 was awarded the degree of Doctor of Literature, *honoris causa*. Prof. Yuan Longping, an eminent agricultural scientist and director general of the China National Hybrid Rice Research and Development Centre, was awarded the degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*. The degree of Doctor of Social Science, *honoris causa*, went to two persons: Dr. George Hung Hon-Cheung (left 3), chairman of the Board of Trustees of Chung Chi College and an alumnus of the University who has rendered long and outstanding service to the University and the College; and Dr. Eleanor Wong (right 1), a well-known textile industrialist and philanthropist. Their citations were written and delivered by Prof. Serena Jin and Prof. David Parker, the public orators, and Dr. Anson Chan addressed the congregation on behalf of the honorary graduates.

Dr. Yuan Longping was unduly delayed by an official trip to South America and could not arrive in Hong Kong in time to attend the congregation. He was subsequently presented the relevant certificates by the vice-chancellor on his visit to the campus on 7th December.

Apart from the five honorary doctorates, a total of 4,137 degrees were conferred on the occasion. These included seven Doctor of Medicine degrees, 114 Doctor of Philosophy degrees, and the first batch of four Doctor of Education degrees conferred by the University. A total of 1,362 postgraduate students received their Master’s degrees, while 2,650 students were awarded Bachelor’s degrees, among whom were the first batch of graduates of the Quantitative Finance Programme, the Materials Science Programme, and the Molecular Biotechnology Programme.

On the same day, the four colleges, the Part-time Degree Programmes, and the Graduate School also held graduation ceremonies for their students.

The vice-chancellor congratulating the graduates.

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**CUHK Chemist Made Member of Chinese Academy of Sciences**

Prof. Thomas C.W. Mak, professor of chemistry, has been elected a member of the Chinese Academy of Sciences.

Prof. Mak obtained his B.Sc. and Ph.D. degrees in 1960 and 1973 respectively from the University of British Columbia. He subsequently worked as a NASA Research Associate in the Crystallography Department of the University of Pittsburgh, and then as assistant professor of chemistry at the University of Western Ontario. He joined The Chinese University as lecturer in chemistry in 1969, and was promoted to chair professor in 1982. He was formerly chairman of the Department of Chemistry and dean of science. He is currently director of the Institute of Science and Technology.

Prof. Mak has published over 800 papers in international journals, including 333 as the principal author. He has made many contributions to the promotion of academic exchange between Hong Kong and mainland China and to the nurturing of young researchers in China. He was awarded a National Natural Science Award, Class III, for his work on chemical crystallography in 1995.

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**Breakdown of Doctoral Degree Recipients**

- Doctor of Medicine: 7
- Doctor of Philosophy: 114
- Doctor of Education: 4
- Total: 125

**Breakdown of Master's Degree Recipients**

- Philosophy: 349
- Arts: 134
- Divinity: 2
- Fine Arts: 2
- Music: 1
- Accountancy: 20
- Business Administration: 244
- Education: 89
- Clinical Pharmacy: 5
- Midwifery: 6
- Nursing: 17
- Public Health: 19
- Science: 369
- Architecture: 40
- Social Science: 45
- Social Work: 20
- Total: 1,362

**Breakdown of Bachelor's Degree Recipients**

- Arts: 365
- Business Administration: 495
- Education: 83
- Engineering: 357
- Medical Sciences: 8
- Medicine and Surgery: 152
- Nursing: 78
- Pharmacy: 32
- Science: 546
- Social Science: 534
- Total: 2,650
Three Wei Lun Lectures by Experts in Physiology, Sociology, and Marketing

Promoting Chinese Medicine and Its Collaboration with Western Medicine

- Funded by the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals and subsidized by the Hong Kong Jockey Club, the TWGHs Kwong Wah Hospital—The Chinese University of Hong Kong Chinese Medicinal Clinical Research and Services Centre (CRSC) was officially opened on 28th November 2001. This newly established centre, covering some 1,500 square metres, will provide not only high quality treatment to those in need, but will also serve as an important base for Chinese medicine research. The centre houses three major units: Chinese medicine specialist out-patient clinic and dispensary, day surgery centre for non-medical treatments such as acupuncture, and a Chinese medicine resource centre for teaching and research. The centre is also working with the University’s Institute of Chinese Medicine on a number of research projects, including the treatment of diabetic foot ulcers, childhood perennial allergic rhinitis, Parkinson’s disease, and palatal pain.

- Prof. John W. Meyer, professor of sociology at Stanford University, delivered a public lecture entitled ‘Globalization, National Culture, and the Future of the World Polity’ in his capacity as Wei Lun Visiting Professor to the University. The lecture took place on 28th November in the Ho Tim Building.

- Modern national states and societies arise and change in an active global environment. This environment involves much cultural and organizational material as well as economic exchange and political conflict. Global society is filled with cultural material defining every aspect of the ‘proper’ national state and society, and with a dense network of organizations promulgating the appropriate models. In his lecture, Prof. Meyer outlined the different kinds of globalization effects generated by this system. Prof. Meyer is well known as a founder and contributor to the institutional theory in modern sociology. This line of work emphasizes the embeddedness of modern social actors, from individuals to organizations and to national states, in wider external cultural models. Thus, in a much cited 1977 paper and in later books, Prof. Meyer depicted modern formal organizations as ritualized celebrations of external cultural rules, more than as coherent action and policy systems. Throughout his career, Prof. Meyer has emphasized empirical research along these lines.

Update on Latest in Cardiovascular Research

Over 200 delegates from 14 countries in four continents attended an international symposium organized by the Division of Cardiothoracic Surgery of the CUHK Department of Surgery. The ‘First Symposium on Cardiovascular Science—From Bench to Bedside’ took place on 23rd and 24th November in the Postgraduate Education Centre of the Faculty of Medicine.

The symposium covered several important topics at the frontier of cardiovascular medicine, including nitric oxide and other endothelium derived factors, ion channels and vascular control, heart failure, atrial fibrillation, heart dynamism, endothelium and cellular protection, and the prevention of vein graft failure.

Prof. A.S. Wechsler, editor of the Journal of Thoracic and Cardiovascular Surgery, gave a special lecture on the current roles of a specialty medical journal in a time of change. And Prof. Louis Ignarro delivered a Wei Lun Lecture.

In the third Wei Lun Lecture, entitled ‘The Race to Succeed in Marketspace: Lessons from Dot-Com Failures’, was delivered by Prof. Vijay Mahajan, John P. Harbin Centennial Chair in Business of the University of Texas at Austin, on 7th December in the Esther Lee Building.

The lecture examined how, in the year 2000, several dot-com retailers filed for bankruptcy, shut down their operations, or faced the risk of their stock being delisted on the stock market. It also discussed whether there were any dot-com winners and if yes, who were they and what did they right that the others didn’t. Prof. Mahajan based his discussion on a study conducted in December 2000 and repeated in November 2001.

Prof. Mahajan received his B.Tech. from the Indian Institute of Technology and his MS in chemical engineering and Ph.D. in management from the University of Texas at Austin. He has researched and written extensively on product diffusion, marketing strategy, and marketing research methodologies. He received the American Marketing Association Charles Coolidge Parlin Marketing Research Award in 1997, and the AMA Marketing Research Special Interest Group Gilbert Churchill Award in 1999, in recognition of his achievements in marketing research.
The Li & Fung 95th Anniversary Lecture on Commerce and Industry

The Li & Fung 95th Anniversary Lecture, organized by the MBA Programmes of the Faculty of Business Administration, was held on 30th November 2001 in the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Prof. Paul Krugman, professor of economics and international affairs of Princeton University, spoke on the topic of 'Return of the Return of Depression Economics', citing the cases of Argentina, Japan, and USA.

The talk was well attended by more than 500 participants, including government officials, businessmen, MBA alumni and students. After the lecture, a reception was held to celebrate the 95th anniversary of the Li & Fung Group.

Prof. Paul Krugman also delivered a lecture earlier that day in Li Koon Chun Hall on CUHK campus. Entitled 'Lessons from Japanese Depression', his lecture stimulated insightful discussion on Hong Kong's economy which some believe is on the brink of a recession.

Prof. Krugman received his BA from Yale University and his Ph.D. from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. Having served as chief international economist of the US Council of Economic Advisers, his professional reputation rests largely on work in international trade and finance.

Prof. Krugman is the author of more than 20 books and 200 papers. He is also known internationally for his columns in The New York Times, Fortune Magazine, and Slate.

Medical Education Assessment in Focus at Conference

Over 160 delegates from the mainland, Taiwan, and Hong Kong attended the Fifth Medical Education Conference for China Mainland, Taiwan, and the Hong Kong Region held from 18th to 22nd November 2001 at the Faculty of Medicine. Hosted this year by the Faculty of Medicine of the University, the annual conference is the most important function of the Medical Education Association for China Mainland, Taiwan, and the Hong Kong Region, first set up in 1997 by the medical faculties of Peking University, Yang Ming University, and The Chinese University.

The aim of the conference was to promote experience sharing among the educational professionals in the medical field. The theme of this year's conference was 'Assessment on Medical Students, Teachers, and Colleges'. Speeches were delivered by 30 speakers from universities of the three regions. Issues discussed included setting assessment objectives and criteria, total quality management in the assessment process, and continuous improvement in assessment.

Recognition Given to CUHK Research Associate and Graduate Student

The Ph.D. thesis of Dr. Chen Wei Qing, currently a research associate at the Department of Community and Family Medicine, won the Occupational Safety and Health Best Project Award for 2001.

The award was conferred by the Occupational Safety and Health Council to the three best research projects on occupational health in Hong Kong, among a list of 24 this year. The council held a prize presentation on 18th November at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre.

Entitled "Occupational Stress and Its Influence on Workers' Health in Off-shore Oil Industry in China", Dr. Chen's project was nominated by Prof. T.W. Wong, his supervisor when pursuing Ph.D. studies at the University.

The web-site (http://ihome.cuhk.edu.hk/~b400559/array.html) of Mr. T.Y. Leung, a postgraduate student at the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences, was described by Science Magazine as a 'diverse collection of annotated links' that is useful to 'novices keen to learn the basics of gene chips' and 'seasoned pros' alike. The site, which covers life science research fields, including functional genomics, microarray, proteomics, bioinformatics, and complex disease trait mapping, has been used widely by the international scientific community, and is linked up to institutes such as the US National Institute of Health, MIT, the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine, the European Bioinformatics Institute, and Peking University.
**New Academic Programmes**

The Information Technology Services Centre (ITSC) will conduct a new series of 'Certificate Course in Information Technology Essentials' for staff of the University from January 2002. The programme is composed of six modules: (a) enterprise computing, (b) document management, (c) Internet and its applications, (d) web-based teaching, (e) the smart card and its applications, and (f) information security. It is part of a training initiative to help develop the IT competence of administrative and support staff. Featuring both face-to-face sessions and web-based tutorials, the course will be delivered by experienced computer officers of the ITSC.

The course is free of charge and is open to all administrative and support staff on a first-come-first-served basis. Course participants will be awarded a certificate after passing an optional assessment examination (a non-refundable examination fee of $500 will apply) at the completion of the course. Valid for two years, the certificate will be recognized by the University and the relevant professional bodies.

To ensure the accuracy of staff data records as required under the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance and for Inland Revenue reporting purposes, staff members with changes of address or telephone number should also notify the Personnel Office in writing. The 'Change of Personal Data' form is downloadable from its website (http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/personnel) or can be obtained from the Personnel Office (Tel. 2609 7291), or may be downloaded from its website (http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/personnel).

**Fringe Benefits**

Examples of Changes in Personal Data Affecting Eligibility for Benefits

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*Fringe benefits are provided in accordance with terms and conditions listed in the Letters of Appointment.*

Service to the Community and International Organizations

- **Prof. Andrew Chan**, professor in the Department of Marketing, has been appointed by the Financial Secretary as a member of the Hong Kong Tourism Board for three years from 1st November 2001.
- **Prof. Tam Man-kwan**, professor in the Department of Educational Administration and Management, was appointed by the Secretary for Education and Manpower as a member of the Start-up Loan for Post-Secondary Education Providers Vetting Committee for two years from 1st November 2001. He has also been appointed as the chief education advisor to the Zi B Century Talents Foreign Languages School in Shenzhen from April 2001.
- **Prof. Joyce Ma Lai-chong**, professor in the Department of Social Work, has been appointed by the Secretary for Health and Welfare as a member of the Advisory Committee on Social Work Training and Management for two years from 1st November 2001.
- **Prof. C.S. Cockram**, professor of medicine, carried out a short-term consultancy for the Department of Social Work for two years from 1st November 2001.
- **Prof. Christopher John Haines**, professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, has been appointed by the Secretary for Health and Welfare as a member of the Advisory Committee on Social Work Training and Management for two years from 1st November 2001.
- **Prof. John Haines**, professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, has been nominated as a member of the International Federation of Obstetrics and Gynaecology (FIGO) Advisory Panel on Agedness/Postmenopause until September 2003.
- **Prof. T.M. Chan**, professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, was appointed by the Secretary for Health and Welfare as a member of the Advisory Committee on Social Work Training and Management for two years from 1st November 2001.
- **Prof. John Haines**, professor in the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, was appointed by the Secretary for Health and Welfare as a member of the Advisory Committee on Social Work Training and Management for two years from 1st November 2001.

Honours and Awards

- **Prof. Tung Wai-kwong**, assistant professor in the Department of Psychiatry, was awarded the Pfizer Research Award 2001 by the Hong Kong Psychogeriatric Association on 15th November 2001. (Information in this section is provided by the Information and Public Relations Office. Contributions should be sent direct to that office for registration and verification before publication.)
新書

中國大學出版社

大學同人在富爾敦樓大學書店購買下列書籍，可獲八折優待。

《中國現代小說史》

《中國現代小說史》是夏志清教授的中譯本。書中論述了中國自五四運動至六十年代初小說的发展，並重新評價許多現代小說家。作者夏志清教授的學說影響了東西方學界近四十年來對中國小說的研究方向和發展，又“發掘”了不少當年未為人注意的作家，如張愛玲和錢鍾書；主要譯者劉紹銘教授現任嶺南大學中文系系主任和翻譯系教授。

國際統一書號 962-996-022-2，平裝本，六百三十四頁，一百二十五港元。

《含英咀華》(上卷: 近古時代至唐代)

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國際統一書號 962-201-910-2，平裝本，五百一十二頁，二百港元。

《含英咀華》及《含英咀華》之套裝, 特價五百港元。

若要瀏覽本部分的資料，請輸入中大校園電子郵件密碼。
兩岸三地醫學教育研討會

醫學教育界上月十八至二十二日在香港大學主辦第五屆兩岸三地醫學教育研討會。研討會有來自兩岸三地的醫學教育界代表七百多人出席，並就有關醫學院的教學、研究及政策進行交流和討論。

普通話教育發展

普通話教育研究及發展中心上月二十四日在香港大學主辦普通話教育研討會，探討普通話教育的發展方向和策略。

社會科學院表揚優異學生

社會科學院於十月二十四日在何添樓舉行社會科學院院長榮譽錄暨優異新生頒獎典禮，表揚優異學生，並由院長羅炳良教授主持。今年共有廿六名學生獲得榮譽錄及優異新生稱號。

地區教育論壇

地區教育論壇於上月二十七日至二十八日在香港大學主辦。論壇聚集逾百名學者和教育工作者，探討地區教育的發展方向和策略。

通識教育發展方向

通識教育發展方針於上月二十七日至二十八日在兩岸三地教育界研討會上公布。研討會由兩岸三地的教育界代表出席，共同探討通識教育的發展方向和策略。

普通話教育論壇

普通話教育論壇於十一月二十四日在香港大學主辦，探討普通話教育的發展方向和策略。

社會學系支援中學通識教育

社會學系於十一月二十四日在香港大學主辦社會學系支援中學通識教育論壇，探討社會學系支援中學通識教育的策略和方法。

新亞展出曾克耑藝文精華

新亞展出曾克耑藝文精華於十一月二十四日至二十一日在新亞書院舉行，展出曾克耑的藝術作品，包括書法、畫作等，以紀念曾克耑先生的貢獻。

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推動中醫藥教研及臨床服務

由本校中醫藥研究所與東華三院籌建的「東華三院廣華醫院—香港中文大學中醫藥臨床研究服务中心」，於上月二十八日正式成立，標誌香港中醫藥邁向服務與科硏合一的發展。

開幕典禮由國家衛生部副部長黃潔夫教授、香港衛生福利局局長楊永強醫生、香港賽馬會董事唐英年議員、東華三院主席周振基先生及李國章校長主持。

該中心由東華三院撥款及香港賽馬會資助, 佔地一千五百平方米, 耗資超過三千萬元, 提供中醫診療服務並開展中醫藥科研。中心由賽馬會中醫專科門診部及配藥房、中醫日間服務中心和中醫藥教學及資源中心組成。中醫日間服務中心為病人提供針灸、推拿等治療, 而中醫藥教學及資源中心提供完備的教學及科硏設施。

中醫中藥研究所管理委員會主席梁秉中教授寄望該中心成為香港未來中醫診所的模範, 兼具中醫診治服務及硏究功能; 並為中西醫療互補創造模式, 提高整體治療效果, 讓市民受惠。

网上學習中醫藥

大學下月開辦全港首項由大專院校主導的中醫藥學網上課程, 利用網上學習平台的優點, 為醫護人員及對中醫藥學有興趣的人士提供更多進修機會。

最先推出的「中醫藥學網上教學系列」單元課程是「中藥學」及「方劑學」, 除設有網上練習及提問外, 亦會安排資深中醫導師面授輔導課, 以提升學員的學習進度及臨床經驗。學員可獲大中華科技(集團)有限公司回贈寬頻上網的基本月費。

該課程由中醫藥研究所、中醫學院及校外進修學院合辦, 大中華科技(集團)有限公司贊助。課程啟動典禮於本月五日在麗嘉酒店舉行, 由副校長楊綱凱教授、逸夫書院校董會主席馬臨教授、梁秉中教授、中醫學院中醫學榮譽講座教授胡秀英教授、校外進修學院院長李國章及校長陳章武女士等主持。

中醫學及中藥學研究

大學於本月三十日至十二月一日假香港會議展覽中心舉行研討會, 集合兩岸三地及歐美的中醫藥專家, 探討腫瘤治療、老人癡呆症、血液學及實證醫學的硏究發展。出席「第二屆東華三院暨香港中文大學王定一中西醫藥治療研討會」開展儀式的嘉賓, 包括黃潔夫教授、香港醫院管理局專業及公共事務總監高永文醫生、李國章校長、周振基先生、東華三院王定一中西醫藥硏究及發展基金創辦人王定一先生及梁秉中教授等。

全球一体化與香港前路

崇基學院上月十七日主辦金禧校慶公開學術會議, 討論全球一體化和香港的未來路向。會議設教育、經濟和文化三個論壇, 講者包括教育統籌委員會主席王俊鳴博士、香港公開大學校長譚尚渭教授、香港大學副校長程介明教授、中大教育行政與政策學系蔡寶珍教授、嶺南大學校長陳坤耀教授、恒生銀行有限公司常務董事陸觀豪先生、香港證券及期貨事務監察委員會執行董事兼首席律師張灼華女士、亞洲專訊資料硏究中心主任梁寶霖先生、中大香港亞太研討所副所長劉兆佳教授、嶺南大學文化研究系系主任陳清僑教授、亞洲資訊(控股)有限公司創辦人何安達先生和地球之友總幹事吳方薇女士。

在開幕儀式中, 代傳中醫藥學系主任何安達教授、崇基學院院長李國章及校長陳章武女士等發表講演。與會者也參加了該會舉辦的潮州藝術節嘉年華活動。
第五十七屆大會

大學上月二十九日在校園舉行第五十七屆大會，頒授榮譽博士學位、高等學位及學士學位。典禮由李國章校長主持，本屆畢業生共四千一百三十七人，當中包括首批教育博士，以及計算機科學、材料科學和分子生物科學三項本科課程的首屆畢業生。

香港特別行政區前任政務司司長陳方安生博士獲頒授榮譽法學博士學位；著名華文作家，二零零零年諾貝爾文學獎得主高行健博士獲頒授榮譽文學博士學位；卓越的中國農業科學研究學者、國家發文水稻工程技術研究中心主任袁隆平教授獲頒授榮譽理學博士學位；崇基學院校董會主席、對大學和崇基學院付出長期及傑出服務的校友熊翰章博士，以及香港著名紡織工業家和慈善家王培藷博士則分別獲頒授榮譽社會科學博士學位。袁隆平博士因赴南美公幹，未能趕及於當日抵港參加典禮；其後訪港時，於十二月七日從李國章校長手上領過榮譽學位的證書。

五位傑出人士的講辭由翻譯系金聖華教授和英文系Prof. David Parker撰寫並宣讀，陳方安生博士則代表榮譽博士學位領受人致辭。

同日各成員書院、兼讀學士學位課程和研究院也分別為其所屬之本科生和碩士生舉行畢業典禮，由書院院長或副校長主持。

麥松威教授當選中國科學院院士

化學講座教授麥松威教授在今年中國科學院院士選舉中，獲增選為院士。麥教授對推動國家科研及人才培育不遺餘力，自一九八六年起，先後出任廈門大學及中山大學客座教授，以及福州結構化學國家重點實驗室學術委員，協助國家培養優秀青年科研人才。

麥教授長期從事結構化學研究，開創了氫反應、新型尿素類化合物和新穎氫鍵化合物的研究方向；又提出由離子子非晶體化概念，從而發現了許多新的離子子非晶體的組成結構模式。他於一九九五年獲得國家自然科學二等獎。

麥教授著作等身，一九八一至一九九七年間發表的論文，獲引用近三千次，在化學類SCI引用榜排名第五百九十五位，是少數數位列排名榜一千名以內的華裔化學家。麥教授曾任本校化學系系主任及理學院院長，現為理工研究所所長，並為國內多份重要學術刊物的編委或編委。