NEW VICE-CHANCELLOR INSTALLED AND 4,521 DEGREES CONFERRED
AT THE UNIVERSITY'S 58th CONGREGATION

At the University's 58th congregation held on Thursday, 5th December 2002 at the University Mall, Prof. Ambrose Y.C. King was formally installed as the fifth vice-chancellor of the University. Four distinguished persons were awarded honorary doctorates on the same occasion. Presiding at the ceremony was Dr. Lee Hon-chiu, Chairman of the University Council.

The function also saw the conferment of first and higher degrees to 4,517 graduates, who include the first batch of graduates from the MBA Programme in Finance at Tsinghua University and the BBA Programme in Hotel and Tourism Management.

The four recipients of honorary degrees were Prof. Ji Xianlin, eminent scholar in oriental studies and world acclaimed expert in Eastern literature and languages; Prof. Ferid Murad, Nobel laureate in physiology/medicine 1998 and chairman of the Department of Integrative Biology and Pharmacology at the University of Texas-Houston Medical School; Ms. Lee Lai-shan, gold medallist in women's mistral in the Olympic Games 1996 and in the Asian Games 2002; and Dr. Lui Che-woo, distinguished entrepreneur and philanthropist and chairman of K. Wah Group, K. Wah International Holdings Ltd., K. Wah Construction Materials Ltd., K. Wah Properties (Holdings) Ltd., and Stanford Hotels International. Prof. Ji was conferred the degree of Doctor of Literature, honoris causa, in absentia. Prof. Murad received the degree of Doctor of Science, honoris causa. Ms. Lee and Dr. Lui were each awarded the degree of Doctor of Social Science, honoris causa. Their citations were written and delivered by Prof. David Parker and Prof. Serena Jin. Their brief introductions can be found on P.5 of this Newsletter.

In the afternoon the four constituent colleges, the Part-time Degree Programmes, and the Graduate School (for master’s degree graduates) also held graduation ceremonies for their graduates.

Breakdown of Degrees Conferred

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CUHK EMBA in Top Place Again

The University’s Executive MBA Programme has been ranked number one in Asia by the London-based Financial Times for the second time running. The rankings were compiled on the basis of responses from 69 business schools and their 2,155 graduates.

In celebration of the news, the University hosted a reception on 12th November 2002 for its faculty members, students, and alumni, as well as social and business leaders in Hong Kong who have rendered support to the programme. The celebration was held in the MBA Town Centre in the Bank of America Tower, Central.

The Task Force to Advise on Institutional Integration Held Its First Meeting

The Task Force to Advise on Institutional Integration of The Chinese University of Hong Kong held its first meeting on 26th November 2002. Members of the Task Force are drawn from different sectors of the University community to allow for effective channels of consultation and communication with staff, students, alumni, colleges, faculties, and Council members.

The task force will explore how, in the face of intense global competition, The Chinese University can build on its strengths and make even greater contributions to higher education and the community at large. It will also study the effectiveness of different models of institutional integration in producing the synergy and efficiency gains for the University to make qualitative improvements.

To explore the desirability and feasibility of institutional integration, the task force will consult widely and through different channels, and will conduct a thorough and rational analysis of the issues involved. In due course it will advise the University Council on positions and responses with respect to integration proposals under different conditions and circumstances. The task force will meet once or twice each month.
Major Developments in Photonics on Campus

Two of the most technologically advanced laboratories in the territory dedicated to the research and development of optical science and technology opened in the Ho Sin-Hang Engineering Building on campus on 16th November. They are the Institute of Optical Science and Technology and the Photonic Packaging Laboratory. The former will develop research in optical science and technology, train specialists, and support technology transfer from academia to industry, while the latter, set up with HK$16.6 million from the Innovation and Technology Fund, is dedicated to the R&D of optical science and technology.

Officiating at the opening were Mr. Francis Ho, permanent secretary for commerce, industry and technology (information technology and broadcasting) of the HKSAR, and Prof. Ambrose King, vice-chancellor of the University.

On the same day preceding the opening ceremony, a forum, on ‘The Future of Photonics in Hong Kong’ was organized. Over a hundred professionals and academic and research specialists in the optical science field were in attendance. Speakers included Prof. Charles K. Kao, former vice-chancellor of the University and ‘Father of Optical Fibres’; Mr. C.D. Tam, chief executive officer of the Hong Kong Science and Technology Parks Corporation; Mr. Lin Chi-hung, vice-president of Photonics Component Technology, the Hong Kong Applied Science and Technology Research Institute Co. Ltd.; and Dr. Chinlon Lin, director designate of the Institute of Optical Science and Technology at CUHK.

Nurses Discuss Impact of Global Issues on Their Profession

Over 400 nurses from Australia, the UK, Canada, Iran, Japan, Korea, mainland China, New Zealand, Pakistan, the Philippines, Sweden, Taiwan, Thailand, the US, and Hong Kong attended the Second Pan-Pacific Nursing Conference held by the Nethersole School of Nursing from 8th to 10th November to discuss global nursing developments. Themed ‘Advancing Nursing Science in the Pan-Pacific Region’, the conference took place in the Esther Lee Building.

The conference provided a forum for nurses from different cultural backgrounds to explore global trends that impact on nursing practice, such as advances in health care technology, constrained economies, and increasing demands for improving the health care system.

Three keynote lectures were delivered by Prof. Genevieve Gray from Canada, and Prof. Ada Sue Hinshaw and Prof. Afaf Ibrahim Meleis from the US, which dealt respectively with global perspectives that impact on nursing practice, strategies for advancing nursing knowledge and practice, and strategic development and positioning of nursing in future health care delivery.

CUHK-HEC Reciprocal Recognition of Credits

On 13th November, the launch of a cooperative MBA Programme by CUHK and the HEC School of Management, Paris, was announced in the MBA Town Centre. The announcement was made jointly by Prof. Vincent Lai, associate dean of the Faculty of Business Administration and MBA director, and Mr. Joshua Kobb, development director of the HEC School of Management. Participants of the cooperative programme who fulfill the graduation requirements of both institutions will be awarded an MBA degree from both.

HEC is one of Europe’s most prestigious business schools. For students at CUHK, the reciprocal recognition of credits is offered to full-time MBA students.

Weilun Public Lecture on Growth of Tsinghua Medical School

Prof. Chen Mingzhe, vice-dean of medicine at Tsinghua University, outlined the development of Tsinghua University’s medical school in a Wei Lun Public Lecture entitled ‘The Development of Tsinghua University Medical School and Its Role in 21st Century China’ on 12th November 2002 in the Postgraduate Education Centre, Prince of Wales Hospital.

The history of modern medical education in China began with the establishment of its first medical school in 1866. According to Prof. Chen, changes in disease patterns and advances in science and technology in the 21st century will have significant impact on health care reform, biotechnology revolution, and medical education in China. Inaugurated on 25th October 2001, the School of Medicine of Tsinghua University aims at training the best medical physicians and scientists and being the setter of standards of medical education in China.

First Commercialization of HK’s Airborne Remote Sensing Data

On 22nd November, the University signed a license agreement with Satellite Devices Corporation at the JW Marriott Hotel for the commercialization of a technology developed by the Joint Laboratory for Geoinformation Science (JLGIS). The technology involves a 3-D geo-visualization system and database for infrared aerial photos and related documentation. It was developed from the first airborne remote sensing project conducted by a local university for developing Hong Kong’s spatial data infrastructure, and can be applied to town planning, environmental protection, pollution control, and other commercial and industrial uses.

Present at the signing ceremony were Prof. Kenneth Young (left 2), pro-vice-chancellor of the University, Prof. Lin Hui (left 1), director of JLGIS, Mr. Bosco Pun (right 2), executive director of Satellite Devices Corporation, and Mr. Joseph Liu (right 1), deputy CEO of Satellite Devices Corporation.

The technology transfer was facilitated by the University’s Research and Technology Administration Office.

Pharmacy Conference and New Drug Centre to Celebrate 10th Anniversary

The School of Pharmacy celebrated its 10th anniversary and the opening of its Drug Development Centre on 23rd November with an opening ceremony in the morning and the conference ‘Pharmacy, Research, and Drug Development: Impact on Individual and Society’ in the afternoon. The conference was held in the Postgraduate Education Centre at the Prince of Wales Hospital.

The drug centre was established to provide a complete spectrum of studies required to take an investigational drug to market. Located at the Prince of Wales Hospital, the centre takes advantage of the medical expertise of academic staff at the University and the Prince of Wales Hospital. This allows the centre access to a wide range of expert personnel, facilities and equipment for diverse investigational and analytical procedures.

Guests officiating at the opening ceremony were Dr. Margaret Chan (left), director of the Department of Health, Dr. Cecilia Pang, biotechnology director of the Innovation and Technology Commission, Prof. Ambrose King (right), vice-chancellor of the University, Prof. T.K. Fok, acting dean of the Faculty of Medicine, and Prof. Moses Chow (middle), director of the School of Pharmacy.
Cardiac Surgery Giant Delivers Inaugural David P.W. Chan Professorial Lecture

Prof. Denton A. Cooley of the Denton Cooley Texas Heart Institute in Houston, Texas was invited by the Department of Surgery to give the inaugural David P.W. Chan Professorial Lecture on 24th October 2002 at the Postgraduate Education Centre, Prince of Wales Hospital. Prof. Cooley, who created the Texas Heart Institute, is known for his contribution to the techniques for repair and replacement of diseased heart valves and his pioneering surgical treatment of cardiac anomalies in infants and children. He described his role in the early development of heart surgery in the lecture.

Prof. Cooley is a member or honorary member of over 50 professional societies around the world. Among his more than 120 honours and awards are the Grand Hamdan International Award for Medical Science, the National Medal of Technology, the Medal of Freedom — the highest civilian award in the US, and the Rene Leriche Prize — the highest honour of the International Surgical Society for cardiovascular contributions.

The David P.W. Chan Visiting Professorship in Cardiothoracic Surgery was set up in 2002 with a generous donation of HK$1 million from Mr. David P.W. Chan to aid surgical education and stimulate scientific exchange in the field of cardiothoracic surgery at the University.

Engineering Student Wins Best Final Year Project

Mr. Chris V.K. Lau (left), Prof. W.H. Liao’s (right) student from the Department of Automation and Computer-Aided Engineering, was selected winner of the Best Final Year Project 2001–2 by the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (Mechanical, Marine, Naval Architectural, and Chemical Division), the ASME International (HK Section), and the Institute of Mechanical Engineers (HK Branch).

Hong Kong in Need of More Entrepreneurial Activity, Study Indicates

Hong Kong’s total entrepreneurial activity in 2002 is among the lowest in the world with only a very low percentage of its adult population initiating new ventures, according to a study conducted by the Faculty of Business Administration. The study is part of the Global Entrepreneurship Monitor, a 37-country research project to measure, on an annual basis, entrepreneurship around the world. This is the first time Hong Kong, mainland China, Taiwan, and Thailand have participated in the project. Other Asian participants include Australia, India, Japan, Korea, New Zealand, and Singapore. The study is supported by funding from the SME Development Fund, the Hong Kong Management Association’s Chinese Executive Club, and the CUHK Asia-Pacific Institute of Business.

The report was released at a forum held on 4th December at the Pacific Place Conference Centre in Queensway. Government, financial, and business leaders were in attendance to explore ways of revitalizing entrepreneurship in Hong Kong.

Workshop Probes Timely Issue of Gender Roles and Religion

Religion has played an important part in shaping the roles of women in different cultures. It has also been at the heart of debates in the women’s movement in various parts in Asia.

Scholars from India, Taiwan, Australia, and Hong Kong presented their latest research and views at the Gender and Religion Workshop organized jointly by the CUHK Gender Research Centre and the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences at the City University of Hong Kong, and co-sponsored by Chung Chi College. The workshop, which took place on 2nd and 3rd December in the Esther Lee Building, consisted of three panels on topics related to gender and religion, including politics, society, and female religious specialists.

News from the Faculty of Medicine

• Local Children Among the World’s Most Myopic

A large-scale study on primary school myopia in Hong Kong by the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences found that the prevalence and incidence of myopia among primary school children are among the highest in the world. The prevalence is double that of Canada and the US and is comparable to that of Asian countries such as Taiwan and Singapore.

A total of 7,560 primary school children between the ages of 5 and 16 participated in the Health Services Research Fund-supported study. The findings show that 36.7 per cent of primary school children were myopic and 144 per 1,000 children developed myopia over the one-year study period. A rising prevalence of myopia with age was also detected. The study confirmed that parental history of myopia, high visual activity index, and astigmatism are important risk factors of short-sightedness in school children in Hong Kong.

The findings of the study were announced on 25th November at the Prince of Wales Hospital.

• Tackling Morbid Obesity

Obesity is associated with diseases including high blood pressure, high blood lipid, diabetes, obstructive sleep apnoea, coronary heart disease, degenerative arthritis, and psychosocial disability. Patients with morbid obesity have a mortality rate that is twice that of healthy people. For the morbidly obese, the only effective long-term treatment is surgical therapy. Advancement in laparoscopic surgery and the invention of the adjustable gastric band have meant rapid developments in obesity surgery.

The Faculty of Medicine has applied obesity surgery to patients with very encouraging results. The medical team responsible explained the necessary postoperative care for these patients on 6th November at the Postgraduate Education Centre of the Prince of Wales Hospital. Patients who had undergone the surgery were also present to share their experience.

• New Centre for Diabetics

The state-of-the-art Qualigenic Centre for Diabetics and Endocrine Disorders, opened on 19th November at the Prince of Wales Hospital. The centre capitalizes on medical expertise from the University and the service-oriented management of a healthcare company to provide alternative, affordable, and convenient health care plans to both diabetic patients and high risk individuals. The centre is a project facilitated by the Research and Technology Administration Office.

Researchers at the Faculty of Medicine have proven, based on results of enduring research and clinical experience, that early diagnosis, risk stratification, targeted treatment, and patient education can minimize the risks of developing major complications and save lives.

• Lack of Public Awareness of Breast Cancer

A population survey conducted by the Faculty of Medicine on 1,000 female subjects aged between 18 and 69 reveals that public knowledge of early detection of breast cancer is minimal. Even among subjects who know about mammographic screening, few actually agreed to undergo screening every year. The study also found many misconceptions about breast cancer treatment, with many subjects believing that mastectomy is the only surgical option. The results of the survey were released on 27th November at the Prince of Wales Hospital.

• Studies Cast Doubt on Acupuncture’s Stroke-related Benefit

In Western countries, stroke survivors undergo physical, occupational, and speech therapy and conventional stroke rehabilitation. Most stroke patients in China do not have access to these therapies. They are often provided with acupuncture and routine medical and nursing care. The number of stroke patients who are left with severe disability ranges from a third to two-thirds of the survivors according to studies.

Dr. Frank Sze Kai-kiu of the Department of Medicine and Therapeutics studied 1,213 patients, both in China and overseas, and compared patient motor impairment and disability outcomes among patients receiving Western-style stroke rehabilitation therapy or Chinese-style conventional medical and nursing care with and without acupuncture therapy within the first six months of a stroke. He found that acupuncture adds little to conventional stroke rehabilitation in terms of motor recovery.

The findings of the study were published in the November issue of Stroke.
New Consulting Unit Examines Human Resource Practices

A n open house of the Assessment and Training Centre was held on 16th November in Lecture Theatre 2 of the Esther Lee Building. Mr. Philco N.K. Wong, executive director of Gammon Skanska Ltd. and Mr. Saimond Ip, executive director of Hong Kong Pearl River Delta, were present to give talks on the topic 'New Challenges to Human Resource Practices Across Industries'.

The Assessment and Training Centre, jointly established by the Faculty of Business Administration and the Department of Psychology in 2001, is a consulting institute specializing in business psychology and management. It assists organizations in enhancing effectiveness and gaining competitive advantage through the development of human resource systems, management practices, and employee competencies.

Prof. Fanny Cheung, director of the centre (left 1), introducing guests to a personality assessment tool that has been researched and applied to organizations.

United Board Visits Chung Chi

T rustees of the United Board for Christian Higher Education in Asia visited Chung Chi College on 19th November. It was the first official visit of the trustees and the board's homecoming after 50 years. The delegation was invited to the Chung Chi Chapel where the emblems of all 13 Christian colleges and universities formed by the United Board in mainland China were displayed, the only place in the world where one could see them all. The delegation also met Prof. Ambrose King, vice-chancellor of the University, at a dinner reception.

The US-based United Board is providing support for Christian colleges in China since it was formed in 1922. The colleges and universities in China that were sponsored by the board included Lingnan University in Guangzhou whose alumni formed Chung Chi College in 1951. The college's expansion in the early years was also made possible with financial support from North America through the United Board and the trustees of Lingnan University.

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Profiles of 2002 Honorary Degree Graduates

Doctor of Social Science, honoris causa
Ms. Lee Lai Shan

Ms. Lee Lai Shan is a world-renowned windsurfing athlete, who has won numerous awards in international competitions including the gold medal in the Olympic Games and the Asian Games. Born in Cheung Chau, an outlying island of Hong Kong, Ms. Lee started windsurfing at the age of 12. She became a professional athlete upon leaving secondary school, joining the Hong Kong team at the age of 19, and winning her first silver medal in the Asian Games in Beijing in 1990. Since then, Ms. Lee has won many international windsurfing competitions.

In 1996, Ms. Lee received the Ten Outstanding Young Person’s Award. She was awarded the ISAF Rolex World Sailor of the Year Award in the same year, the first Asian athlete to be bestowed the honour. In 1997, she was made a Member of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire in recognition of her outstanding achievements in international sports.

Over the years, Ms. Lee has made tremendous contributions to sports development in Hong Kong. She encouraged the Hong Kong athletes to participate actively in sports and excel, aiming at enhancing and consolidating the position of Hong Kong in the international sports arena. Ms. Lee’s distinguished achievement in sports and her positive image in community service are in keeping with the University’s undertakings in the promotion of and research in sports science and physical education, as well as its campaign for public health.

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Dr. Lui Che-woo

A distinguished entrepreneur and philanthropist, Dr. Lui Che-woo runs a group of companies which have now expanded and diversified into a worldwide conglomerate, Lui Che-woo Group, whose businesses cover construction materials, property development and hotel operation. By 2002, the group had more than 200 subsidiaries whose businesses span the world.

Dr. Lui has also been very supportive of higher education in Hong Kong, especially of The Chinese University of Hong Kong and its constituent college, United College. He has served as a member of the Board of Trustees of United College and the college’s Endowment Fund Committee since 1995. The college and the University have benefited tremendously from his support for academic development and training. The Dr. Lui Che Woo Awards for CUHK/Cornell Student Exchange Programme in Hospitality Management was established with a generous donation from Dr. Lui to promote the academic exchange activities of the School of Hotel and Tourism Management.

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季羡林教授

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Doctor of Literature, honoris causa Prof. Ji Xianlin

An eminent scholar in oriental studies, a world-renowned linguist and great master in literature and translation, Prof. Ji Xianlin is among the very few scholars worldwide who have won international acclaim for their works in Indian linguistics, pre-empirical Buddhist languages, Tocharian languages, and Sanskrit literature. Prof. Ji is proficient in English, German, Sanskrit, Pali, and Tocharian languages. He is highly regarded for his research in the history of India and Buddhism, which has led to profound understanding of Indo-Chinese relationship and the impact of Buddhism on Chinese culture.

In 1934 Prof. Ji graduated from the Department of Western Literature at Tsinghua University, Beijing. He then pursued Indian studies at Georg-August-Universität Göttingen and was awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1941. He returned to China in 1946, was appointed professor and director of the Department of Oriental Languages at Peking University, and has stayed there for more than five decades. In 1978 he was made a vice-president of Peking University and director of the South Asian Studies Research Institute. In 1984, he became the vice-president of the University Council of Peking University, and later in 1990 an honorary vice-president.

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Prof. Ferid Murad

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季羡林教授是中國外國文學學會會長,、中國敦煌吐魯番學會會長及全國人民代表大會常務委員會委員。他對東方語文的研究也不遺餘力。季教授不單在學術上卓有成就,在公共服務方面同樣貢獻良多。他曾擔任中國人民政治協商會議全國委員會委員及全國人民代表大會常務委員會委員。
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醫學新知

內科及藥物治療學系施繼凱醫生的研究顯示，針灸不能使中風病人的肌力進一步恢復。研究成果刊於十一月的《中風》國際學術期刊。研究結果發現在中風康復治療基礎上附加針灸治療，對恢復病人的肌力無額外作用。

新法對抗糖尿病

本校糖尿病研究小組證實，透過早期診斷、風險因素評估、针对性治療及指導，糖尿病人患上嚴重併發症的風險可降至與一般人的相若，而高危人士的併發症比率更可降至百分之十至二十。

經研究及科技事務處策劃，新成立的糖尿及內分泌專科中心結合中大專業醫療人員的知識和保健護理公司的服務管理，提供價錢合理和方便的護理計劃。該中心會幫助病者評估風險、調適生活模式、處理情緒問題，以及提供藥物治療，以促進病人的健康和防止病情惡化。

華人中風成因與治療

內科及藥物治療學系對華人中風病的研討，並與內地著名醫院交流切磋。該系黃家星教授在上月二十八日舉行的第四屆華人腦血管病研究論壇上，公布三項華人中風病的最新研究成果：一是中風病人定期作超聲波腦血管檢查，可預知再中風的機率。二是腦血管狹窄病人的中風原因以多發性為主，三成病人更有持續血栓現象。三是目前全球首次試用的他汀類藥物，可減慢腦微小血管硬化的速度。

港人對乳癌認識膚淺

乳癌是香港女性最常見的癌症，亦是第三號癌殺手。但根據醫學院的調查顯示，女性對可檢測早期乳癌的乳房X線照相術認識有限，即使知道亦甚少每年檢查一次。受訪者對乳癌治療仍然有許多誤解，逾半數人更認為切除整個乳房是唯一的外科療法。

小學生近視成因

香港人近視的比率屬世界之冠，而學童近視的比例更有上升趨勢。眼科及視覺科學學系的大規模近視研究發現，每千名學童中，每年新患近視的就超過一百名。雙親均近視的學童，近視比率較只有父或母近視者為高。越長時間、越近距離用眼，近視的機會越高。而散光對近視更易加深，更應及早治療。

腹腔鏡手術治療病態肥胖者

外科學系率先利用腹腔鏡手術，治療「病態肥胖」病人，效果理想。一般減肥方法對病態肥胖者沒有效，手術是唯一長期而有效的治療方法，大約可減去四至六成的超標體重。方法是於胃上部裝置矽膠束胃帶，並於皮下放置注射器，以調節胃容量。手術後，病人須在營養師的指導下重新調理飲食習慣。

精神病患者受歧視

精神科學系與平等機會委員會及浸大社會工作學系的問卷兼個案調查顯示，精神病患者比糖尿病人受歧視的情況更為普遍，會影響他們的工作、家庭、社交關係及專業治療等生活層面。他們常用的應對方法是隱瞞病情。研究小組提出十項建議，針對工作崗位、傳媒、醫療服務及教育範疇，以扭轉精神病患者受歧視的情況。

第九屆世界會計教授大會在港舉行

一年一度的會計教授世界大會上月十四至十六日在香港會議展覽中心舉行。也是該國際盛會首次在中國舉行。本屆主題為新世紀會計教育及研究面臨之挑戰，與會之會計教授、會計師和政府官員逾五百名，來自六十個國家。

崇基消息

亞洲區基督教高等教育聯合董事會來訪

闊別五十年後，亞洲區基督教高等教育聯合董事會上月十九日重訪崇基學院，並與金耀基校長會面。聯合董事會於一九二二年在美國成立，資助亞洲的高等學府，包括一九四九年之前在中國成立的十三間基督教大學。董事會成員今次在崇基禮拜堂內參觀了該十三所基督教大學的校徽。

中草藥園開幕

中醫中國研究所在中藥學園擴建後，佔地約二萬平方呎，為全港最大兼最具規模的中草藥園。該園位於崇基路何善衡工程學大樓對面，植有中草藥二千多種，品種逾五百，除了支持科研教學，亦配合該所推動中醫藥普及教育及發展的宗旨。開幕典禮於上月二十七日舉行，金耀基校長在儀式上感謝聖六麥衛理會捐贈六十萬元作藥園擴建費用，香港中國醫學研究所及香港中極藥業有限公司資助港幣五十萬元，香港中醫學院院長車鎮濤教授及中醫學院系主任黃耀基教授等出席開幕典禮。

社工系成立諮詢委員會

社會工作學系今年成立諮詢委員會，以推廣社會福利的意見，制定未來的教學及研究方向，更有效地配合及推動香港社福服務的發展。系主任張徽莊教授表示，諮詢委員會首屆會議於十一月十七日在崇基學院會堂舉行，顧問委員與該系教師就社會工作的教研事宜交換意見，有助該系未來的發展。

籌委會主席、中大會計學院何順文教授表示，面對世界各地日趨複雜的社會、政治、科技及經濟轉變，特別自美國安隆和安達信事件後，各國會計教研工作者及會計師在會上交流處理這些轉變的經驗，非常重要。
探討「大學整合」專責小組首次會議

本校的探討大學整合專責小組上月二十六日下午舉行了第一次會議。小組成員來自校內的不同成員類別，可廣泛地為教職員、學生、校友、書院、學院和校董提供適當的諮詢及聯絡渠道。

專責小組將探討中大如何在全球化的大趨勢下進一步發揮優勢，而不同模式的院校整合，又可否產生優勢互補，增強效益，為中大創造發展的契機，並使中大能夠對香港的高等教育和社會作出更大的貢獻。

專責小組同意，必須以審慎和嚴肅的態度，探討院校整合的可欲性和可行性，通過不同的渠道就研討中的議題向大學成員廣泛諮詢，並作出詳盡和理性的分析與論證；然後向大學校董會建議在各種不同的條件和情況下，中大對院校整合一事，應採取怎樣的態度，作出怎樣的回應。

專責小組決定今後每個月召開一至兩次會議。

中國文化研究所獲
全國文博考古最佳圖書獎

由

中國文化研究所出版的《殷周金文集成釋文》獲選為「二零零一年全國文博考古最佳圖書」之一。

該評選活動由國家文物局主管的《中國文物報》首次舉辦，參選圖書一百九十五種，經該報讀者票選，於十月十八日公布結果，《殷周金文集成釋文》位列十佳圖書的第七位。

中國文化研究所表示，該書自出版以來，在學術界、出版界、讀者群取得極佳口碑，更受到文博考古學者的歡迎和高度評價。

大學成立光科技研究所及
光電子封裝實驗室

中國文化研究所獲
全國文博考古最佳圖書獎

光電子封裝實驗室

中文大學上月十六日正式成立兩所本地最先進的光科技硏發機構——「光科技研究所」及「光電子封裝實驗室」，致力發展香港成為亞太區光科技中心。

光科學將把光子應用於資料傳遞及處理，其組成是數學和計算機科學以及有線電信的基礎學科，可降低通信系統的資本成本。

本校在光科學和有機光電的研究領域具領導地位，並在多個基礎和應用研究範圍取得顯著成就。本校邀請光學及光子學方面的教授在大學努力發展光電子封裝技術，中大成為光電子的研究重點科研機構，現有三十多名光科技教硏專才。一百九十五名從事光科技工業的人士、學者和研究人員出席論壇，為香港光電子的發展出謀獻策。

本科生課程吸納異地及運動精英

由於學制不同，不少異地生只完成了六年中學教育，但由中大採用靈活學分制，他們可即時來港就學，與香港學生一同上課，無須先修任何預備課程。校方設有銜接主修課程的科目，如數學、物理等。

清華大學醫學院副院長陳明哲教授上月出任偉倫訪問教授，與本校醫學院師生交流，並於十二日在醫學院深造中心逸夫講學堂主持公開講座，講題為「清華大學醫學院的發展及其在廿一世紀中國所充當的角色」。

陳教授指出，中國第一所醫學院於一八六六年成立，正式展開國內的現代醫學教育。至二十世紀末，中國的醫學教育仍未達到國際水平。在新世紀，隨著疾病模式的改變及科技的不斷發展，醫學教育更需與時並進。清華大學於去年十月成立醫學院，致力培育優秀的醫護人員及研究員，其革新的醫學教育系統，可期為全國醫學教育發展奠立標準的模式。

與微軟合作研究和培訓人才

本校上月七日又與微軟亞洲硏究院簽署科硏合作協議，共同開發嶄新的科硏項目。微軟亞洲硏究院是微軟公司在亞太區唯一的科研機構，自九八年成立以來，已得到一百多項專利，本校工科研究生將到該院實習，參與軟件開發。簽約儀式在香港會議展覽中心舉行，出席者包括副校長楊綱凱教授、工程學院院長程伯中教授和微軟院長兼首席科學家張亞勤博士。
大學本月五日在校園舉行第五十八屆大會（新任校長就職典禮暨頒授學位典禮），由大學校董會主席利漢釗博士主持。

本屆頒授學位四千五百二十一個，其中包括首批與清華大學合辦的金融財務管理碩士課程的畢業生，以及酒店及旅遊管理工商管理學士課程畢業生。

金耀基校長今年九月十日起出任香港中文大學第五任校長，於典禮當日先後以英文和中文致辭，強調「一日是校長，就會做一日中大校長應做，需做的事」，並會「竭盡所能，肩負起校長的責任」，不負大學的信任與付託。

國學泰斗，享譽國際的東方學家、語言學家及翻譯名師季羨林教授獲頒授榮譽文學博士學位；一九九八年諾貝爾生理學或醫學獎得獎人，現任美國德克薩斯大學爱尔彭斯醫學院綜合生物學及藥理學系講座教授兼系主任Prof. Ferid Murad獲頒授榮譽學術學士學位；一九九六年阿特蘭大奧運滑浪風帆金牌得主兼二零零二年釜山亞運會金牌得主李麗珊女士，以及傑出商人及著名慈善家，現任嘉華國際集團有限公司、嘉華集團有限公司及任德福國際酒店集團主席呂志和博士，分別獲頒授榮譽社會科學博士學位。（他們的簡介刊於第五頁）

金校長的簡介和四位傑出人士的講辭，由翻譯系金聖華教授和英文系Prof. David Parker撰寫並宣讀，Prof. Ferid Murad則代表榮譽博士學位領受人致辭。季羨林教授因身體不適，未克蒞校親領學位。

同日各成員書院、兼讀學士學位課程和硏究院也分別為其所屬之本科和碩士生舉行畢業典禮，由書院院長或副校長主持，主禮嘉賓包括劉兆佳教授、徐立之教授、熊翰章博士、譚宗定先生、廖秀冬博士。