Senate Deliberates on Academic Development Proposals 2005–2008

The University Senate held an extraordinary meeting on 3rd March 2004 to discuss the University’s Academic Development Proposals (ADP) for 2005–8. The highlights of the proposal included the establishment of a law school and requesting more student numbers.

A Law School

The University proposed to establish a School of Law, which had been one of its aspirations for over a decade. Prof. Ambrose King, chairman of the Senate, pointed out that he had already mentioned in the 4th October 2002 issue of the CUHK Newsletter that the setting up of a law school had been the first item on the University’s agenda. With its role confirmed by the UGC as a comprehensive research university, CUHK was duty-bound to have a law school. A Planning Committee on Legal Education at CUHK had been appointed some two years ago to study the issue. The committee had formulated a proposal, calling for an LLB Programme to be launched in 2006–7 and other law-related programmes in 2006–7 and 2007–8.

Prof. King also said that the start letter from the UGC in January had indicated that student numbers for LLB programmes in the territory would be increased to 170, allowing CUHK the opportunity to proceed with the undertaking. He believed that the University could provide quality law graduates, who can serve not only as lawyers or judges but also as legal experts in other fields. Areas with an urgent demand for legal experts included e-commerce, IT and communications, finance, products and their supervision, intellectual property, entertainment and media, international trade and China business.

Extra Student Numbers

The University would request the UGC for additional student numbers for the LLB Programme, if the proposal was accepted. It would also make the same request for the Language Education, Physical Education and Sports Science, and Nursing Programmes.

Second-year Entry Students

The Government has decided to allocate places for universities to admit ‘second-year entry’ students — graduates of associate degrees and higher diploma programmes, as well as transfer students from other institutions. This would mean that graduates of the community college set up jointly by CUHK and the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals, and other community colleges, will have a chance to gain entry to local universities in the future. The University proposed to bid for 325 ‘second-year entry’ places out of a total of 840 available, a realistic calculation based on the aspirations of students and the University’s capacity.

Student Quotas for Higher Degree Programmes

At the taught postgraduate level, the University would ask the UGC to provide additional student numbers for the Postgraduate Diploma in Education Programme (PGDE) so that it could make greater contributions to teacher education. The Faculty of Education believed that it could increase the number of PGDE students up to 900. It was also of the view that the ‘first degree + PGDE’ model was better than the ‘2 + 2’ model currently being offered by another institution.

At the research postgraduate level, the University would ask the UGC to provide 30 per cent more places from 1,275 to 1,658. As a comprehensive research university, CUHK should have a higher percentage of research postgraduate students, which is currently on the low side. Ideally the University’s postgraduate student number should double in the coming decade.

The UGC will respond to the University’s various proposals later this month.

Grand Reunion of CUHK Business Alumni

Some 700 faculty members, alumni, friends, and supporters of the Faculty of Business Administration gathered at a gala dinner held at J.W. Marriott Hotel Hong Kong on 3rd April 2004 as a celebration of the 40th Anniversary of the University and a faculty reunion.

The event was co-organized by the BA Faculty and the CUMBA Alumni Association, and the guest list read like a mini who’s who of Hong Kong’s public and private sectors. Dr. Victor Fung, chairman of the Li and Fung Group, was the guest of honour. Other dignitaries included Dr. Edgar Cheng and Mr. Roger Luk, respectively chairman and treasurer of the University Council, Prof. Ambrose King, vice-chancellor, the pro-vice-chancellor, as well as many business leaders featured in the Talking to CEOs, New Thinking in Management, and Talking to CEOs.

Faculty of Medicine Sets Up SE Asia’s First Eye Genetics Research Centre

The Lim Por-yen Eye Genetics Research Centre was officially established on 26th March at the Prince of Wales Hospital to provide molecular genetic screening service for genetic eye diseases. The setting up of the centre, the first of its kind in South-east Asia, was made possible by a generous donation of HK$10 million from Mr. Lim Por-yen.

The centre was founded on the achievements of the Department of Ophthalmology and Visual Sciences of the Faculty of Medicine, which recently made important findings on eye diseases including glaucoma, retinitis pigmentosa, age-related macular degeneration, retinoblastoma, and high myopia. It established the differential patterns of mutations causing eye diseases in Chinese in more than 10 candidate genes.

For clinical genetic screening, it managed to establish, using blood samples, a number of genetic markers for early and pre-symptomatic diagnosis based on disease-causing mutations.

A press conference was held on 26th March at the Postgraduate Education Centre of the Prince of Wales Hospital to announce the research findings. A cheque presentation ceremony and a naming ceremony for the new centre were also held on the occasion with Mr. Lim Por-yen (right) presenting the donation in person to Dr. Edgar Cheng (left), chairman of the University Council. Officiating at the ceremony was also Prof. Ambrose King, vice-chancellor of the University.
Honours and Awards for Members of the University

- Prof. Yau Shing Tung, distinguished professor-at-large and director of the Institute of Mathematical Sciences of the University, is a recipient of the State Council’s 2003 International Scientific and Technological Cooperation Award. The prestigious award was presented to him at a ceremony held on 24th March in Beijing. Prof. Yau, Fields Medallist and one of the first few foreign academicians of the Chinese Academy of Sciences, delivered a speech on ‘Mathematics and Its Role in Science and Technology’ at the ceremony.

The International Scientific and Technological Cooperation Award is one of the five most prestigious state science and technology awards organized by the State Council. It is conferred on distinguished scientists who have made significant

ew contribution to the fields of science, technology, engineering, agriculture, and medicine in China.

- Prof. Agnes Sui-yin Chan of the Department of Psychology was awarded the Early Career Award in Clinical Neuropsychology by the American Psychological Association (APA) Division 40 in 2004. The APA is one of the most prestigious associations with a long history in science and technology, and Division 40 is the second largest division in the association. This award is given annually to a psychologist at the early stage of his/her career who has made distinguished contributions to neuropsychology. Prof. Chan was honoured for her research on neuroanatomical analysis of memory and her pioneering work on the effect of life experience on the development of memory and language. The award also recognized Prof. Chan’s contribution to the development of neuropsychology in China. Prof. Chan is the first Chinese to have received this award.

New Centre for Promoting High-tech Spatial Information Research

The Yuen Yuen Research Centre for Satellite Remote Sensing was officially set up at the University’s Joint Laboratory for Geoinformation Science (JLGIS) thanks to a generous donation from the Yuen Yuen Institute. The centre will build and operate on campus the first high-resolution ground receiving station for remote sensing satellites in Southern China. The station will capture and process satellite information to foster the development of remote sensing data processing, software development, and other value-added services. It will also serve to accelerate the growth of remote sensing industries in the greater Pearl River Delta region.

The cheque presentation ceremony and naming ceremony of the centre were held on 24th March at Cho Yiu Hall with Mr. Tong Wai-ki, chairman of the Yuen Yuen Institute, and Prof. Ambrose King, vice-chancellor of the University, as officiating guests. The latest technological developments of the JLGIS were also presented on the occasion.

University Council Approves Restructuring of Departments and Programmes

The University Council approved last month the proposal for the restructuring of departments and programmes submitted by the University Senate. In the face of a huge funding cut in 2004-5 and possibly more in 2005-8, the University is determined to maintain and improve the quality of its academic activities. To do so, it must focus resources on areas where strength meets opportunities and demands.

The University has critically reviewed its position and assessed the changes needed so as to come out of the funding reduction better and stronger. Restructuring helps CUHK to cope with the funding cut, and more importantly, provides an opportunity to reorientize resources for long-term development.

In the early stages of the restructuring exercise, the Vice-Chancellor and his special task force went through several rounds of consultations with all faculty deans, department chairmen, and directors of studies concerned. All teachers affected were also consulted. There was support for the overall strategic approach, and a consensus was reached on the way forward. Preliminary proposals were then drawn up and communicated to students for feedback. They were then modified based on new input and on account of circumstantial changes before being presented to the Senate for consideration. The Senate unanimously approved the proposals, as outlined in the following paragraphs:

Faculty of Arts

To achieve synergy in teaching and research for programmes and teachers concerned, the Department of History and the Department of Anthropology will operate in closer collaboration beginning in 2005-6. The two undergraduate major programmes in History and Anthropology will continue to be offered but overlapping courses will be streamlined with each major programme being supported by course offerings of the other major programme. The Department of Anthropology will be put under the Faculty of Arts. All existing and future teachers of the two departments will be appointed Category 2 members of the board of the other department. The two department boards will share the same membership and hold joint meetings to decide on matters relating to the two programmes. These arrangements will be reviewed in 2007-8.

The Department of Religion and the Intercultural Studies Section of the Department of Modern Languages and Intercultural Studies (MLIS) will merge to become the Department of Cultural and Religious Studies. In 2004-5, it will offer two undergraduate major programmes, i.e. Cultural Studies and Religious Studies.

Also in 2004-5, a new Department of Linguistics and Modern Languages will be set up incorporating the Linguistics Section and the Modern Languages Section of the MLIS Department. It will offer a new undergraduate major programme in linguistics and minor programmes in modern languages.

With all its activities absorbed by other units, the MLIS Department will be abolished. The present major programme in MLIS will be phased out and there will be no student intake from 2004-5.

Faculty of Engineering

The Internet Engineering Programme and the Innovation and Design Engineering Programme will be subsumed under existing programmes in order to achieve synergy and provide greater breadth in studies. There will be no student intake from 2004-5.

Faculty of Science

The Applied Chemistry with Management Studies Programme will be merged back to the Chemistry Programme, and students can take a minor in Business Administration for more training in management. There will be no student intake from 2004-5.

In line with trends elsewhere, studies in materials science and engineering will be upgraded to the postgraduate level. There will be no intake to the undergraduate Materials Science and Engineering Programme from 2004-5 and the establishment of an M.Sc. Programme in materials science is being considered.

Faculty of Social Science

The Department of Anthropology will be detached from the Faculty of Social Science and placed under the Faculty of Arts.
Autobiography and Globalization in the Spotlight at CUHK Conference

Seventy delegates from across the world presented papers at the Fourth International Autobiography and Biography Association Conference held by the Department of English from 15th to 18th March at the Sir Run Run Shaw Hall.

Candidates from Australia, the US, Canada, Germany, the UK, Singapore, Malaysia, Sweden, Spain, Nigeria, New Zealand, Denmark, mainland China, and Hong Kong expounded their views on the theme 'Inhabiting Multiple Worlds: Auto/biography in an (Anti-) Global Age'. Topics covered included autobiography of the Chinese diaspora, mixed race autobiography, hybridity, the multinational self, self-translation, travel narratives, post-holocaust autobiography, Australian and Canadian life narratives, and life narratives on the Internet.

The opening keynote address, 'The Fifth Book of Peace', was delivered by celebrated writer Maxine Hong Kingston (see photo). Other keynote addresses were given by Prof. Gillian Whitlock of the University of Queensland who spoke on 'Soft Weapons: Recent Life Narratives from Afghanistan', and Prof. John Eakin of Indiana University, whose topic was 'Living Autobiographically'. A selection of papers from the conference will be published as a special Winter 2004-5 issue of the journal Biography. It will be guest edited by Prof. David Parker, chairman of the University's Department of English.

BBA Team Ranked Top 3 in Danish Competition

The University's BBA team was selected as one of the three best teams in the Third Copenhagen Business School Case Competition held in Denmark on 5th March 2004. The team comprised four final-year BBA students - Cynthia Lau, Catherine Chan, Evelyn Chan, and Peggy Chau, who flew to Denmark under the guidance of Prof. Gordon Cheung, associate dean of the Faculty of Business Administration.

This year the competition drew teams from 12 internationally renowned business schools from the world over, including the Wharton School of Business, University of Pennsylvania, and Kenan-Flagler Business School, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The CUHK team managed to outperform the others to enter the finals with Copenhagen Business School and the University of California at Berkeley. The champion was Copenhagen Business School.

Contestants were given a real business problem faced by a Danish company to solve within 36 hours. The recommendations and oral presentations of the CUHK team not only earned praise from the panel of judges, which comprised leading figures in academia and commerce in Denmark, but also received much applause from the audience of 500.

Survey Reveals Discriminatory Attitudes Towards Recovered SARS Patients

A survey on 'Public Perceptions on Recovered SARS Patients' was conducted by the Centre for Epidemiology and Biostatistics of the School of Public Health on 400 Hong Kong Chinese residents in January this year. The results, released in late March, found that SARS is seen as highly infectious and transmissible through multiple channels, and associated with high mortality rate, inadequate treatment, and poor long-term health.

The survey found that about 90 per cent of Hong Kong citizens believed that SARS could be transmitted by droplets and fomites, and the sewage system; 75 per cent believed it could be transmitted by rats and cockroaches; 60 per cent, by pets; and about 50 per cent, by aerosols. Three-quarters of the respondents believed that the virus could be transmitted by asymptomatic patients while a quarter were of the view that there were currently many asymptotic SARS cases in the community.

Many respondents indicated that they would avoid having daily contact with recovered SARS patients, such as shaking hands (16 per cent), dining together (17 per cent), using escalators together (15 per cent), and letting their children make close contact with them (22 per cent). Many also believed that recovered SARS patients should avoid working in certain areas such as food catering (30 per cent), teaching (24 per cent), medical and nursing care (23 per cent), and child care (27 per cent).

About 80 per cent of the respondents said they would express their concern for SARS patients if given the chance. Prof. Joseph Lau, director of the centre, said certain misconceptions about the disease and its former sufferers could translate into discriminatory attitudes or behaviours. There is no evidence that patients who have recovered for some time are carrying the virus, that there are many asymptotic cases in Hong Kong, and that they are capable of transmitting the disease. Prof. Lau called for the dissemination of updated and accurate information as a means to avoid discrimination.
First CUHK Speech Contest

The first CUHK speech contest was held at 11th March at the Sir Run Run Shaw Hall. It was coorganized by the Centre for Research and Development of Putonghua Education, the Department of Chinese Language and Literature, the Department of English, the English Language Teaching Unit, the New Asia-Yale-in-China Chinese Language Centre, and the Office of the Arts Administrator to enhance language proficiency and promote the art of public speaking.

The contest comprised a total of six sections, two each for native and non-native speakers of Cantonese, putonghua, and English. All contestants were required to speak at an impromptu section on top of delivering a prepared speech on the topic 'The Chinese University of Hong Kong in the 21st Century'.

Employee Assistance Programme

In the face of rapid social changes and the new challenges of a knowledge economy, the University sees the need to pay greater attention to the psychological health and well-being of its staff.

To help staff members cope with the changing demands of work and the pressures of everyday life, an Employee Assistance Programme (EAP) was launched on 1st December 2003. Through the provision of counseling, training and education programmes, the University hopes to build up a productive and healthy workforce that can contribute effectively towards the University's goals.

The University has engaged the Employee Development Service (EDS) of the Hong Kong Christian Service to render a range of services to CUHK staff free of charge.

Professional personal counseling and consultation (PPCC) is a core EAP service. It offers professional advice and counseling to staff in times of personal, family or work difficulties. The service is provided by a team of experienced professionals with qualifications in social work, management, and clinical psychology. Staff members can call the PPCC hotline (2721 3939) or make appointments for in-person consultation or counseling with the professionals of EDS even after office hours.

EAP also includes employee development programmes on topics such as interpersonal communication, lifestyle management etc. For details of the EAP, please visit the Personnel Office homepage at http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/personnel or contact the EDS of the Hong Kong Christian Service (http://eds.hksos.org) at 7/F, 33 Granville Road, Tsimshatsui, Kowloon.

Service to the Community and International Organizations

- Prof. Kwok Wing Kay, associate professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering, has been appointed by the Chief Executive of the HKJAS as a member of the Shue Tai District Council for four years from 1st January 2004.
- Prof. Chau Kwai Cheong, associate professor in the Department of Geography and Resource Management, has been appointed by the Chief Executive of the HKJAS as a member of the Town Planning Appeal Board for two years from 19th December 2003.
- Prof. Leung Ping Chong, professor of orthopaedics and traumatology, has been re-appointed by the Chief Executive of the HKJAS as a member of the University Grants Committee for two years from 1st April 2004. He has also been appointed by the Head of Central Policy Unit to be a member of the Central Policy Unit for one year from 1st January 2004.
- Prof. Joseph Lau, director of the Centre for Epidemiology and Biostatistics, has been appointed by the Chief Executive of the HKJAS as a member of the Task Force on Continuing Development and Employment-related Training for Youth of the Education and Manpower Bureau for two years from 1st March 2004. He has also been invited by the Chinese Medicine Council of Hong Kong to provide professional opinion on the registration of proprietary Chinese medicine for one year until 11th February 2005.
- Prof. Chau Kai Ming, professor of orthopaedics and traumatology, has been re-appointed by the Chief Executive of the HKJAS as a member of the Hong Kong Sports Development Board and as the chairman of the Hong Kong Sports Institute Management Committee from 1st October 2004 to 30th September 2005.
- Prof. Hui King Man Michael, professor in the Department of Marketing, has been appointed by the Chief Executive of the HKJAS as a member of the Vetting Committee of the Professional Services Development Assistance Scheme for two years from 1st April 2004.
- Prof. Tung Ho Chau Shing, professor in the Department of Marketing, has been appointed by the Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food as a member of the Marketing Advisory Board for one year from 1st May 2004.
- Prof. Wong Zee Wai, professor in the Department of Community and Family Medicine, has been re-appointed by the Secretary for the Environment, Transport and Works as a member of the Air Pollution Control Appeal Board Panel for three years from 1st February 2004.
- Prof. Wong Cheuk Kiu, professor in the Department of Social Work, has been re-appointed by the Secretary for Home Affairs as the vice-chairman of the Award Council of the Hong Kong Institute of Social Work for two years from 1st January 2005.
- Dr. Law Cheung Kwik, administrative director of the Family of Business Administration, has been invited by the Permanent Secretary for Economic Development and Labour to serve as a member of the Board of Members of the Travel Industry Council of Hong Kong for two years from 30th December 2003. He has also been invited by the Government of the People's Republic of China to serve as a member of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference during the period January 2003 to the end of 2007.
- Prof. Ho Kwok Keung, director of the Hong Kong Institute of Biotechnology Limited, has been appointed by the Secretary for Health, Welfare and Food as a member of the Agricultural Products Scholarship Fund Advisory Committee for two years from 1st April 2004.
- Prof. Si York Kei Clement, associate professor in the School of Journalism and Communication, has been appointed by the Secretary for Education and Manpower as a member of the Mass Communications Training Board of the Vocational Training Council for one year from 1st April 2004.

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Cultural Film Premiere 
《緣來有轉機》
Charity Movie Premiere - Jet Lag
To Raise Funds in Support of Elderly Services in Hong Kong

The CUHK Convocation will stage a charity movie premiere on 2nd May, Sunday, at 9:00 p.m. at the Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre to raise funds in support of the development of elderly services in Hong Kong. The target is HK$700,000 and the proceeds will be allocated in the ratio of 7:3 to the elderly in Hong Kong, and to finance part of the construction costs of a new Hearing Aid Laboratory.

Charity Movie Premiere

The movie to be premiered is Jet Lag, a delightful French romantic comedy directed by Danièle Thompson, and starring diva and maestro of the silver screen, Juliette Binoche. The English Patient, and Jean Reno (Leon the Professional).

Tickets are sold at HK$500 or $1000 each. Staff and students are welcome to purchase tickets for the movie and support this fund-raising project. For tickets and enquiries, please contact the Alumni Affairs Office (tel: 2609 7902/2609 7707; fax: 2603 6226/2603 8979; e-mail: alumni@cuhk.edu.hk), or visit the website at http://www.alumni.cuhk.edu.hk/eng/html/movie.html.
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研究專題第一三四號
《華人個性的性別差異：香港與內地的比較》
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作者利用《中國人個性測量表》第二版（CPAI-2）在中國內地和香港進行大型常模研究，以比較兩地男女的個性差異。結果顯示，兩地男性在以下的個性量表得分較兩地女性為高：新穎性、多樣化、同理心、領導性、理智取向、開發性、樂觀和內在控制點；女性則在以下的個性量表得分較男性為高：情緒性、自卑、面子、老實、人際觸覺及和諧性。而兩地同性比較顯示，內地男性較香港男性著重人情及人際觸覺；香港男性較願意容納別人。內地女性比香港女性較新穎性、多樣性、理智取向、開發性、重面子、自我防禦、著重自我取向及重人情；香港女性則較務實及容納別人。作者指出，社會化中對性別角色的定型，大致可解釋一般男女個性特徵的傾向。至於兩地同性的差異，則可能源於兩地迥異的社會經濟變遷及現代化發展過程，對傳統中國文化有不同的衝擊。

Occasional Paper No. 144
Global City, Dual City?: Globalization and Social Polarization in Hong Kong Since the 1990s
Stephen W.K. Chiu and Tai-lok Lui

The authors use data generated from the population censuses to document the process of social polarization that has accompanied the globalization of Hong Kong. Hong Kong has been regarded as a global city since the 1990s, as suggested in the literature on global cities. The authors have also observed a process of occupational and income polarization in Hong Kong as a result of the transformation of the city from an industrial colony to a global city with a service-driven economy. They outline the dimension of gender in this polarization process, and demonstrate how the forces of migration have exacerbated the process of social differentiation to produce a social structure that resemble an 'hour glass'. While their findings clearly support Sassen's hypotheses regarding the social consequences of the development of global cities, they seek to highlight the mediating effect of local institutional contexts in crystallizing the local impact of global forces.

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香港教育研究所
專題研究報告
學校教育改革系列之十五
《集體備課和觀課與學校改進的關係》
湯才偉

自從社會廣泛要求改革教育以來，學校的工作量增加了不少，而質也愈來愈講究。加上近年課綱改革及基礎教育課程的進行，令學校的工作愈發繁重。在軟件方面，教師在備課、教學、評核等過程中，也愈來愈注重大型的集體活動。這類活動的進行，對老師們的教學及行政工作，確實是提供了不少的幫助。因此，作者便運用一些數據，鋪陳一些適當的理論，探討「集體備課」、「觀課」和學校改進的關係。

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《從教師的角度探討香港初中中文科新課程教學法》
潘慧如

二零零一年四月香港課程發展議會編訂的《中學中國語文課程指引(定稿)》第三章「教學總原則」，建議了十二項在教學過程中應注意的原則。作者探討在香港初中語文課程的實踐中，教師在教學過程中，比照文件上的理念跟實踐上的差異。

研究發現，大部分受訪教師均依從新課程教科書的方向，並改變了教學方法。他們都能表示，在施教時知悉「以學生為主體」和「以能力作主導」的新課程精神，但在處理「教學總原則」的其他項目時，沒有因為實施新課程而有所改變。教師在中文科新課程所使用的教學方法，受教科書和學校能力組別所影響，而與教師具有的新課程教學經驗多寡無關。

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中國考古藝術研究中心
《桃李成蹊集: 慶祝安志敏先生八十壽辰》
陳星燦、鄧聰主編

此書為慶祝著名考古學家安志敏先生八十壽辰而出版，收錄論文三十七篇，主題涉及史前考古學中的石器分析、動物考古學、農業起源、早期禮器生產、龜甲響器、樹皮布、大汶口刻畫符號、良渚玉器、中國西北和周邊地區青銅文化等。部分文章論及歷史時期考古學中的商周禮器、墓葬、銅器銘文、漢代以及北朝的壁畫、墓志、玻璃器、高昌王國城鎮地望、五代十國陵墓制度等。作者均為近年活躍在東亞考古學前沿的一批中青年學者，來自中國、東亞、韓國、日本、埃及、俄羅斯等地。他們的最新研究結果或對理解東亞考古學史的脈絡，都有重要意義，其所表現的重視觀察視野、多元分析方法、科學表述，無疑是觀察新世紀中國考古學新發展進展的一個重要視角。值得考古、文物研究者參考。

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僱員支援計劃

滿是「僱員支援計劃」？

大學校長兼校務委員會主席鄭振耀教授表示，僱員支援計劃設於歐美，過去的經歷是一項僱員是任何機構的重要組成部分，及負責任和關心僱員的權威，必須提供一個安全及健康的環境，予以僱員予予足夠的關懷。僱員支援計劃

目的是幫助僱員及時解決他們在工作、家庭或個人生活中的問題，於僱員的健康及福祉方面，進行專業輔導，管理工作壓力，及僱員在工作、家庭生活及個人關係之中的問題，以提高僱員的個人效率及管理能力，亦為大學營造健康的工作環境。

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僱員支援計劃的核心服務為「專業個人諮詢及輔導」。服務範圍包括個人、家庭或工作上的問題，例如情緒、子女教養和親人關係等。大學僱員可以透過電話或面對面，向輔導人員尋求意見或輔導。

校方已經委託香港基督教服務處提供服務，該處的輔導人員包括社工、管理專才及臨床心理學家，所有大學僱員均可免費使用該項服務。若家屬也存在情緒問題，也可免費尋求諮詢及輔導。

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民主化與社會福利的關係

社會工作學系社會福利實踐及研究中心主任甘廣良教授（左）、張宙橋博士（中）及黃洪教授（右）指出，他們經過了一九七五至二零零二年間香港民主化、福利開支以及其他影響福利開支因素的時間序列數據，從而探討香港民主化與福利開支的關係。

甘廣良教授表示，無論是以立法會的地區直選議席，直接選舉議席，還是以選舉議席比例來度量，民主化程度對實質人均政府社會福利及民生開支並沒有顯著的正面效應。研究由社工系系主任甘廣良教授（中）、張宙橋博士（左）及黃洪教授（右）負責，他們分析了一九七五至二零零二年間香港民主化、福利開支以及其他影響福利開支因素的時間序列數據，從而探討香港民主化與福利開支的關係。

公共衛生學院流行病學及生物統計學中心、今年一月以隨機電話訪問形式，調查了四百名市民對SARS的看法和相關行為。中心主任劉德輝教授總結調查所得：市民認為SARS死亡率高，沒有藥物可治療，病癒半年後的身體仍很弱，不能做繁重的工作。而調查結果顯示，市民也覺得SARS的傳染性高，受感染的途徑包括空氣、環境、動物，甚或與無徵狀的受感染者和康復的病人的日常接觸。

他表示，其他研究也顯示市民對SARS有很大的情緒困擾。因此，可以理解當局會與市民避免與已康復的病人接觸，或一起工作。而調查也顯示市民對SARS的傳染性及患病的後果的誤解。
大學於上月二十六日成立林百欣遺傳眼疾研究中心，以深化遺傳眼疾的研究工作，並提供分子基因診斷服務。

該中心得以成立，全賴林百欣先生慷慨捐款一千萬元。校方特於醫學院深造中心舉行支票頒贈儀式暨「林百欣遺傳眼疾研究中心」命名典禮，由林百欣先生、校董會主席鄭維健博士和金耀基校長主持。

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眼科及視覺科學學系的分子基因實驗室，一直積極研究遺傳眼疾，對多種眼疾的遺傳基因都有所發現，包括慢性原發開角型青光眼、色素性視網膜炎、老年黃斑病、威廉斯氏症候群，及近視等。

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大學校董會已於上月通過大學有關學系及課程重組建議。雖然面對二零零四至二零零五年度嚴重的資助削減，以及可能在二零零五至二零零八年度的進一步削減，大學仍然有決心維持及改善學術活動的素質，是以一定要集中資源在某些範疇，以保證有足夠的實力去配合發展機會和需要。

大學已從嚴謹地檢討形勢，並評估所必需的變動，以期在資助削減下仍能變得更好更強。重組有助大學面對財政資助的削減，更重要的是，重組為大學帶來一個為長期發展而重新分配資源的機會。

大學已經根據使命要旨、收生素質、規模及歷史四項準則，嚴謹地檢討所有學系及課程。在籌劃重組的初期，校長及其成立的特別專責小組曾與各學院院長、學系系主任及有關的學科主任進行多輪 consultar，隨後亦諮詢了有關教師。他們都支持整體的策略性方案，並對路向達成共識。校方並就重組的初步建議與學生溝通，聽取意見。隨後，校方根據新的意見及外在環境的新發展修訂了建議。建議獲教務會一致核准。詳情如下:

**文學院**
為使有關的課程及教師在教研上受惠於更佳的協作效果，由二零零五至二零零六年度起，文學院的歷史系及社會科學院的人類學系將深入合作。本科主修課程繼續開辦，但會精簡重疊的科目。人類學系將置於文學院下，而歷史系現有及將來的教師都將被委任為人類學系系務會的第二類委員，人類學系教師亦將成為歷史系系務會的第二類委員。兩個學系系務會將有相同的委員，兩個系務會亦將舉行聯席會議，制定有關兩個課程的所有學術決定。校方會在二零零七至二零零八年度檢討此安排。

**工程學院**
互聯網工程學課程及創新與設計工程學課程將被納入現有的課程，以產生更佳的協同作用，並為學生提供更廣闊的學習領域。該兩項課程將由二零零四至二零零五年度起停止收生。

**理學院**
應用化學與管理學課程將併回化學課程，學生可選擇主修工商管理，以得到更多的管理學訓練。應用化學與管理學課程將由二零零四至二零零五年度起停止收生。

與其它地方的趨勢一致，材料科學及工程學將提升至高級學位水平。因此，材料科學及工程學的本科課程將由二零零四至二零零五年度起停止收生。理學院並正考慮開設材料科學碩士課程。

**社會科學院**
人類學系將脫離社會科學院而置於文學院下。

**圓玄衛星遙感研究中心命名典禮**
本校獲圓玄學院慷慨捐款，支持地球信息科學聯合實驗室的航天遙感科技研究發展。聯合實驗室將於校園內建立華南首個高解像度遙感衛星地面接收站，為香港、華南及周邊地區提供衛星遙感數據及信息。實驗室主任林琿教授透露，該接收站天線覆蓋範圍的半徑超過二千千米，可大大加強他們在遙感科技研究的實力，並有利香港商界發展遙感數據處理，相關開發和相關的增值服務。

**方開教授主持錢賓四講座**
普林斯頓大學藝術及考古學系榮休教授方開，應邀於二月二十四日至三月八日訪問新亞書院，主持該院第十七屆錢賓四先生學術文化講座，先後講論「中國藝術與文化史」、「書畫同源」和「東方藝術，西方面貌」。

過去數十年，中國藝術史由傳統的傳記形式，漸漸發展成為一門具有學術性的獨立學科，方開教授的貢獻是無人可比的。此外，方教授更是美國紐約大都會博物館的館長，建立了龐大的亞洲藝術收藏，擴展及更新了亞洲展覽廳，將藝術修復工作現代化，舉辦了不少驚人載入的專題展覽，並撰寫了眾多出版及教育計畫，使中國藝術史得以在西方廣播，備受重視。
教務會審議二零零五至二零零八年度教務發展建議

大學教務會於三月三日的會議審議二零零五至二零零八年度教務發展的建議，該建議的重點包括開設法律課程和爭取更多學額。

成立法律學院

教務會主席金耀基校長指出，他在二零零二年十月四日出版的《中大通訊》中已提及，成立法律學院是中大想達成的首要事項，也是大學逾十年來的願望。最近中大獲教資會認定為一所研究型綜合大學，設立法律學院是義不容辭、理所當然的事。大學早在兩年前已委任「香港中文大學法律教育籌備委員會」研究此事。委員會建議大學由二零零六年開始開設法律學士課程，並由二零零六年至二零零七年及二零零七至二零零八年分別開設其他有關課程。成立新學院的工作，已準備就緒。

金校長透露，根據教資會的「開始籌備」信件，全港法律學士課程的學生人數將增加至一百七十名，有空間讓另一所大學參與。因此，大學決心成立法律學院，並會要求教資會給予法律學院額外學生人數。金校長又指出，中國作為一個強大的發展和現代化國家，將來必須奉行法治，亦將需要大量法律人才，而法律教育也不一定只為訓練律師。要知道全球主要的法律學院均有超過一半的畢業生不當律師或法官，而從事其他行業。由於出現了市場經濟文化、電子商貿、資訊科技及傳播、金融貿易、新產品及其銷售、知識產權、娛樂娛樂、國際貿易及中國商業行業均需要法律專家，而中大有理由能培育高素質的法律畢業生。

額外學生人數

除法律學士課程的學生人數外，大學亦會要求教資會提供額外學生人數予語文教育、體育運動科學及護理學課程。

「第二學年入學」學額

政府決定分配學額予各大學，以錄取「第二學年入學」學生。學生來源計有副學士學位和高級文憑課程、以及其他院校的轉校生。中大與東華三院合作建立的社區學院的畢業生，以及其他社區學院的畢業生，將有機會入讀本地大學。「第二學年入學」的學額共有八百四十個，校方計劃競投三百二十五個。

周年學位課程學額

在高級學位課程學額方面，大學將要求教資會增加學位教師教育文憑課程的學額，為教師教育多作貢獻。教資會將於本月稍後通知校方有關各項建議的審議結果。

丘成桐教授獲國際科學技術合作獎

博文講座教授兼數學科學硏究所所長丘成桐教授在推動中國科學技術發展有重大貢獻，獲頒二零零三年度「中華人民共和國國際科學技術合作獎」。國際科學技術合作獎是授予科學家的最高榮譽，陳省身教授及楊振寧教授亦曾獲此獎項。該獎項連同國家最高科學技術獎、國家自然科學獎、國家技術發明獎及國家科學技術進步獎，合為中國五大國家科技獎。

丘教授出席三月二十四日在北京舉行的頒獎儀式，並以「數學與科技」為題演講。教授為享譽世界的數學家，亦是唯一獲菲爾茲獎的華人。他在推廣香港以至中國的數學與科學教育，一向不遺餘力。