VC Urges Freshmen to Embrace the World

Over 2,000 freshmen, comprising local and non-local undergraduates, and exchange students, attended the University's inauguration ceremony for undergraduates on 1st September 2005, at Sir Run Run Shaw Hall. Addressing the new entrants, Prof. Lawrence J. Lau, vice-chancellor, stressed the University's tradition of 'combining tradition and modernity and bringing together China and the West'.

CUHK has heightened efforts to internationalize the campus by broadening its student mix. This year, some 280 non-local undergraduates were recruited. This is also the first year CUHK has joined the United National Colleges Admissions System through which students from 17 provinces and municipalities are recruited, including some from remote areas. Other undergraduates hail from the US, Australia, Italy, Peru, India, Indonesia, Malaysia, and South Korea. This year, the University expects to enrol 613 overseas exchange students — 30 per cent higher than last year. To support student exchange, 134 exchange scholarships totalising $4.4 million were given out in 2004-05, representing an increase of 45 per cent over the previous year.

According to the latest JUPAS statistics, CUHK admitted the largest share of both first-choice and Band A JUPAS applicants among local universities in 2005-06. Of the top 1,000 JUPAS university entrants, over half chose to enrol at CUHK. Moreover, 178 Secondary 6 students were admitted through the Early Admissions Scheme, 14 of whom had obtained nine or 10 As at the HKCEE.

Prof. Lau pointed out that new opportunities for growth are anticipated at the University. It has secured more funds to set up scholarships for outstanding students and a host of new facilities will be completed in the coming few years, such as new hostels, a pedestrian piazza outside the KCR entrance, a new integrated teaching building, the Central Science Laboratory Building, a new medical sciences building, and a teaching hotel.

Prof. Lau believes that these developments will invigorate the University in its role as a leading comprehensive research university in the region. He urged the new students to make the best of their stay and to let CUHK make a real difference to their lives.

CUHK Math Graduates Pursue Ph.D. Studies in US on Full Scholarship

Two graduates of the Department of Mathematics received full scholarships to pursue Ph.D. studies respectively at Princeton University and Harvard University in the US. Yung Poon-lam (front) and Mok Chung-fung (back) both graduated from CUHK in 2003.

Mr. Yung obtained his M.Phil. at CUHK after graduation while Mr. Mok was immediately admitted by Harvard upon graduation. He had already been granted a master's degree by Harvard and began his doctoral studies after the summer.

Mr. Yung is continuing his research in fractal analysis and harmonic analysis at Princeton. Mr. Mok's research concerns the relationship among integers especially the nature of prime numbers.

Lecture by World-class Mathematician

Some 1,500 university and secondary school students, teachers, and mathematics enthusiasts attended a lecture by Prof. Andrew John Wiles, winner of the Shaw Prize in Mathematics 2005, at Sir Run Run Shaw Hall on 31st September. The audience was captivated by Prof. Wiles's proof of Fermat's Last Theorem — a 350-year-old question.

Born in 1953, Prof. Wiles earned his BA from Oxford University and his Ph.D. from Cambridge University. He went on to become an assistant professor at Harvard University. In 1982, he became a lecturer at the Institute for Advanced Studies and professor of mathematics at Princeton. In 1994, he was appointed Eugene Higgins Professor of Mathematics at Princeton.

At age 10, Prof. Wiles was captivated by Fermat's Last Theorem. In 1994, he astonished the world's mathematical community when he unveiled his solution to the problem. Prof. Wiles was elected as a foreign member of the National Academy of Sciences in the US which also bestowed its mathematics prize on him. He received the Schock Prize in Mathematics from the Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences, the Prix Fermat from the University of Besançon, and the Wolf Prize in Mathematics.
Lecture by Renowned Economist

Prof. Robert J. Barro, professor of economics at Harvard University, presented his latest research on the effects of rare disasters on asset prices in a lecture entitled 'Rare Disasters and Asset Prices.' Rare disasters refer to events such as wartime destruction, economic disasters, or natural disasters while assets include stocks, bonds, real estate, and precious commodities. The lecture took place on 2nd September.

Prof. Barro is the Paul M. Warburg Professor of Economics at Harvard University, a senior fellow of the Hoover Institution of Stanford University, a viewpoint columnist for Business Week, a frequent contributor to the Wall Street Journal, and a research associate of the National Bureau of Economic Research. He is president of the Western Economic Association and was recently elected vice-president of the American Economic Association. He has written extensively on topics in macroeconomics, economic growth, and monetary policy.

Eight Non-Teaching Staff Honoured for Exemplary Service

Eight members of the University were presented the Exemplary Service Award 2004-05 by Prof. Lawrence Lau, vice-chancellor, on 3rd September at a ceremony held in the Esther Lee Building. The recipients were Mr. Ivan Sin Hon-man and Ms. Sara Chung Siu-tsz (Information Technology Services Centre), Miss Daisy Au Yuet-wah (Department of Music), Miss Olivia Chan Cheung-yin (Department of English), Mr. Kenneth Leung Chi-fai (Department of Biochemistry), Miss Wendy Lai Wai-lam (University Library System), Mr. Kwong Wing-fai (Chung Chi College), and Miss Law Hau-wai (Centre for University and School Partnership). Over a hundred guests including senior management, staff, students, and family members of the awardees were in attendance.

At the ceremony, Prof. Michael Hui, chairman of the Staff Training and Development Committee, and Prof. Lau Chung-min, chairman of the selection panel for the award, emphasized the crucial role played by non-teaching staff in the University’s quest for excellence and the importance of passion, patience, and spirit of self-actualization to service enhancement.

Details of the ceremony and sharing by awardees are available at http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/esa.

SCHOOL OF LAW LUNCH RECEPTION

The Executive Committee of the School of Law held a lunch reception to welcome Prof. Michael McConville (right), the director, and other new staff members, on 2nd September in the Staff Common Room Clubhouse.

Discussion on Corporate Governance and Accounting Research in China and Asia

A panel discussion titled 'Corporate Governance and Accounting Research in Asia and China' was organized by the Centre for Institutions and Governance and the School of Accountancy of CUHK and the Chinese Accounting Profession Association of North America (CAPANA) on 9th August 2005 during the American Accounting Association Annual Meeting at San Francisco. Prof. T.J. Wong and Prof. Joseph Fan, respectively director and deputy director of the Centre for Institutions and Governance, Prof. Robert Bushman of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, and Prof. Zhang Weiguo, Chief Accountant of the China Securities Regulatory Commission, hosted the research panel which attracted 150 people, making it the most popular session in the meeting.

American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography Sets up Asian Test Centre

The Department of Diagnostic Radiology and Organ Imaging of the University has been nominated by the American Registry for Diagnostic Medical Sonography (ARDMS) to set up a satellite test centre at the Prince of Wales Hospital.

The ARDMS, founded in 1975, is the largest academic organization administering examinations and awarding credentials in diagnostic medical sonography for doctors, radiographers, nurses and other health care professionals. The registry has certified over 45,000 individuals from within and outside North America. Credentials awarded by the ARDMS are widely accepted in the medical community, including such organizations as the American College of Radiology, the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine, and the American Society of Echocardiography.

Located at the Postgraduate Education Centre of the Prince of Wales Hospital, the centre conducted its first examination on 8th August 2005 and similar examinations will take place monthly.

Details on examination registration are available at www.ardms.org or contact ultrasound@ford.cuhk.edu.hk for more information.

CUHK Teams Shine at National University Handball Championships

The Chinese University handball teams outperformed their opponents at the 21st National University Handball Championships. The CUHK men’s team was 2nd runner-up of Division A and the women’s team, fifth in Division B. Four CUHK handball players also received the Sports Ethics and Fair Play Prize.

The championships took place from 1st to 5th August at Tongji University, Shanghai. There were 21 participating teams and over 400 athletes involved.

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Promoting Health Education in Hong Kong's Pre-schoolers

A health survey conducted by the Centre for Health Education and Health Promotion of the Faculty of Medicine indicates that the health condition, eating habits, hygiene practices, and living environment of pre-school children in Hong Kong leave much to be desired. The survey, which was conducted in 2004, showed that nearly 75% of children did not eat enough fruits and vegetables, and that nearly half of the children drank milk, which is crucial for their growth and development.

The survey also revealed that only 20% of children washed their hands before meals and only 5% of them had a dental check-up. Almost a quarter of the children were exposed to second-hand smoke at home for over an hour a day. Only 5% of the children had regular exercise for their children. However, half of the children had parent-child collaboration in providing a balanced diet and regular exercise for their children.

The survey results indicated that the current health education system in Hong Kong needs improvement. The centre, the Education and Manpower Bureau of the HKSAR and the HKIEF, are the awarding bodies for the Centre for Health Education and Health Promotion.

The centre’s vision is to promote collaboration among parents, teachers, and children to improve their health and well-being. The centre aims to provide a supportive environment for children to develop healthy habits and lifestyles. The centre also promotes the involvement of the community in promoting health education in pre-school children.

The centre’s mission is to improve the health condition, eating habits, hygiene practices, and living environment of pre-school children in Hong Kong. The centre aims to promote a healthy lifestyle among children and their families through various programmes and initiatives. The centre also seeks to increase the awareness of the importance of health education among schools and their stakeholders.

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The centre’s goal is to promote health education in Hong Kong's pre-schoolers. The centre aims to contribute to the improvement of the health condition, eating habits, hygiene practices, and living environment of pre-school children in Hong Kong. The centre seeks to make a difference in the lives of children and their families through health education.

The centre’s strategy is to conduct health surveys, develop programmes and initiatives, and collaborate with various stakeholders to promote health education. The centre conducts health surveys to identify the current health condition of pre-school children in Hong Kong. The centre develops programmes and initiatives to promote health education among children and their families. The centre collaborates with various stakeholders, such as schools, parents, and community organisations, to promote health education.

The centre’s impact is evident in the improvement of the health condition, eating habits, hygiene practices, and living environment of pre-school children in Hong Kong. The centre’s programmes and initiatives have contributed to the improvement of the health condition of pre-school children in Hong Kong. The centre’s impact is also evident in the increased awareness of the importance of health education among schools and their stakeholders.

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In conclusion, the Centre for Health Education and Health Promotion of the Faculty of Medicine has successfully conducted a health survey in Hong Kong's pre-schoolers. The survey results have highlighted the need for improvement in the health education system in Hong Kong. The centre aims to promote collaboration among parents, teachers, and children to improve their health and well-being through various programmes and initiatives. The centre seeks to make a difference in the lives of children and their families through health education.
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Service to the Community and International Organizations

- Prof. Chan Chi Fai Andrew, professor in the Department of Marketing, has been appointed by the Acting Chief Executive of the HKSAR as a panel member of the Telecommunications (Competition Provisions) Appeal Board for two years from 31st August 2005.
- Prof. Liu Pak Wai, pro-vice-chancellor, has been appointed by the Financial Secretary as a member of the Aviation Development Advisory Committee for two years from 1st September 2005.
- Prof. Albert Lee, professor in the Department of Community and Family Medicine, has been appointed by the Secretary for Education and Manpower as a member of the Curriculum Development Council for two years from 1st September 2005.
- Prof. Lee Shui Shan, professor of infectious diseases, has been appointed as a member of the Scientific Committee on AIDS and STI (OCAS) of the Centre for Health Protection of the Department of Health from 1st August 2005 to 22nd June 2007.
- Prof. Dennis Lo, professor of chemical pathology, has been re-appointed as an adjudicator of the Immigration Tribunal for two years from 1st October 2005.
- Prof. Yum Tat Shing Peter, dean of engineering, has been appointed by The Hong Kong Institution of Engineers as a member of the Accreditation Board for the 2005-06 session.
- Prof. Ho Pai Yin, associate professor in the Department of History, has been appointed as a member of the Hong Kong War Memorial Pensions Advisory Committee for two years from 1st September 2005.
- Prof. Qin Ling, professor in the Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, has been invited as a member of the editorial board of International Journal of Sports Medicine for three years from 2005.

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**MEXICAN NIGHT**

The University Health Service will hold a Hepatitis Awareness Campaign from 3rd to 14th October 2005. Pre-vaccination blood tests, optional for Hepatitis A and required for Hepatitis B, will be available on 6th and 7th October 2005, from 9.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m., and from 2.00 to 4.30 p.m., on 13th and 14th October for the first dose. Vaccinations for Hepatitis A can come in two doses at HK$225 per dose while those for Hepatitis B come in three doses at HK$70 per dose. The three-dose combined Hepatitis A&B regimen costs HK$520 per dose.

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中大法律学院发展前景乐观
专访北京大学副校长吴志攀教授

北京大学副校长吴志攀教授八月底以中文大学法律学院顾问身分到访大学，接受《中大通讯》专访。

吴志攀教授在八月底以中文大学法律学院顾问身分到访大学，与大学法律学院院长和教授等进行了深入交流。吴教授表示，中大法律学院的发展前景乐观，具有服务全球的实际意义。

吴教授认为，香港因著特殊的地理位置和历史发展，成为亚洲、乃至全球的金融、贸易、航运、通讯和文化交流的重镇。作为一个国际都市，香港的法律和教育等各方面，都远远超越了其他城市。因此，香港的法律学院的作用不应限于本地，而是放眼世界。

吴教授指出，香港的银行、股市、保险和相关的仲裁水平，以及处理问题的能力都领先内地，全球化方面的经验更优胜。香港股市市值较内地的高许多，银行处理的金融量也非常大。内地的法学院则有地方法制经验，在北京、上海、广州、南京、武汉、成都、昆明、西安、沈阳、兰州、哈尔滨、乌鲁木齐、长春、大连、鞍山、福州、厦门、珠海、深圳等均有很好的法学院。两地的法制和法学教育虽然不同，但在研究上可以互补。

他进一步指出，两地合作可以探讨的课题很多。比如说，香港接受人民币存款会衍生甚麼法律问题？不少中国公司在香港上市，但它们的制造业和生意仍在内地，两地的会计标准仍有差异，如何解决？香港和内地的医疗及保险体系不同，以「个人游」来港的内地人遇到意外或生病，保险是否有效？现在有很多潜在的法律问题，两地法律工作者应着手研究，制定一些规则和方法，一旦问题出现了，就容易解决。

吴教授期望，通过中港开展合作项目，学生和教研人员可以在不同层面交流，两地亦可合办研讨会和论坛，研究共同关心的课题。他相信，两地无论在法律教育或法学研究方面都有很大的交流空间。他说道：「我对中文大学法律学院的前景是乐观的。」
中大校友萬眾一心回饋母校

（右圖）一九六一年校友陳松起和張愛玲在中大相戀，六五年更在崇基禮拜堂結婚，是首對在中大校園舉行婚禮的新人。他們今年八月十七日回到中大再行婚禮，紀念結婚四十周年，並把當日約二萬元的禮金，加倍捐贈予母校。他們也出席了萬眾一心啟動典禮。

大學本月二日推出「中大校友萬眾一心」計劃，與校友攜手合作，為發展大學教育與科研努力，培育更多優秀人才，惠澤社會。

當日出席的校友包括校友評議會主席殷巧兒及籌募策劃小組召集人汪長智、校友會聯會會長陸炳泉及候任會長陳榮波、崇基校友會會長馬紹良、新亞校友會會長湯惠泉、聯合校友會會長何漢民、逸夫校友會會長廖慧、研究院校友會會長奚小龍、兼讀學士學位課程校友會代表林鴻飛、教育學院校友會會長顏龍等。

該計劃的目的在於推動校友更熱切關愛母校，加強與母校之間的緊密連繫。第一期目標希望有至少一萬名校友參與，透過各種方式和渠道，推動定期捐獻文化，回饋母校。計劃自數月前開始策劃，至今已有二千多名校友積極響應。

大學已在互聯網（www.cuhk.edu.hk/oia/campaign.thm）設置捐贈表格，方便校友為母校貢獻力量。
大學獲李嘉誠基金會捐贈一億元

大學再獲李嘉誠基金會捐贈四千萬港元，支持醫學研究。連同較早前的六千萬元捐款，李嘉誠基金會以一億元資助中大醫學院「李嘉誠健康科學研究所」的臨床科學及健康科學研究。

校長劉遵義感謝李嘉誠先生的慷慨捐贈，並期許李嘉誠健康科學研究所能發展成為生命科學研究的翹楚，領先國際。

校方計劃將逾八成捐款用作跨學科、綜合性的研究，以防治疾病。研究範圍包括疾病的發病機制、診斷、治療及預防，特別是預防醫學、臨床醫學及再生醫學等領域的新進展。餘款將設立李學院「李嘉誠講座教授席」，並由國際知名醫學家盧煜明教授（圖）出任，盧教授亦為李嘉誠健康科學研究所所長。

盧教授的研究揭示了母體血液中微量的胎兒DNA，並佔母體血漿中DNA高達百分之五。這項發現令他和他的研究團隊在非創傷性產前診斷領域，領先世界。他的發展亦為醫學界提供了嶄新的研究方向，包括安全可靠的孕婦及胎兒疾病檢驗，癌症、心臟病和沙士測試等。

邵逸夫數學獎得主在中大演講

當代最優秀的數學家之一，二零零五年邵逸夫數學獎得主 Prof. Andrew John Wiles 於九月三日在邵逸夫堂主持講座，有一千五百人出席，包括大學及中學學生、教師等。

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他因而獲得多項榮譽和獎勵：一九九六年當選美國國家科學院外籍院士並獲該院數學獎；同年獲歐洲的奧斯卡慕斯特洛夫斯基獎、奧斯卡郎氏基金會理文すぎ、法國的費馬獎；一九九七年獲美國數學會科爾獎，以及沃爾夫於一九零八年為解決費馬猜想而懸賞的十萬馬克獎金；一九九八年獲國際數學家大會特別貢獻獎。

校長勉勵新生融會中西走向世界

大學於九月一日舉行新生入學禮，有三千多名本科新生出席，其中包括非本地生及海外學生。劉遵義校長在典禮上鼓勵學生融會中西，走向世界。

劉校長強調，中大秉持「結合傳統與現代，融會中國與西方」的宗旨，培育具備國際視野，兼通曉中國文化的人才，而中大一向重視通識教育，致力培養學生的廣泛興趣、良好品味及責任感等。

大學致力創造多元文化的校園環境，今年錄取了二百八十多名非本地本科生，他們來自中國內地、美國、澳洲、加拿大、印度、馬來西亞及韓國。今年會有六百一十三名海外交換生來中大交流，比去年上升近三成。

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