40 anniversary

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FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES · THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Thank you for joining our

40th anniversary celebrations!

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Message from the Council Chairman

The Faculty of Social Sciences has made an enormous contribution to the wellbeing of Hong Kong and the wider region through teaching, research and professional and community service. I commend this record of achievement. At the same time, I extend my full support to the Faculty as it strives to make a still greater difference to students who enrol in its programmes, and individuals who are touched by its research findings. My very best wishes to the Faculty as it seeks to extend its impressive record of success in the years ahead!

Dr Victor Fung Kwok-king
Council Chairman

Message from the Vice-Chancellor

The Faculty of Social Sciences can be proud of its record from 1967 to 2007. HKU is currently ranked fourth best for social sciences in Asia – and I'm sure the Faculty will be ranked still higher in the years ahead. I know of the Faculty's many plans for promoting social innovation and global citizenship through both teaching and research, and I wish my colleagues all good fortune in turning their ambitious plans into reality. Best of luck for the next 40 years!

Professor Lap-Chee Tsui
Vice-Chancellor and President

Message from the Dean

At a time when the Faculty of Social Sciences is looking back across 40 years of achievement, as well as ahead to its many plans for the future, it is a pleasure to greet so many alumni, colleagues, students and friends for our 40th Anniversary Dinner. Very many thanks to all those who are with us tonight – and also to those who cannot be with us this evening, but who do so much to support us in our many endeavours. We're all enormously grateful, and we're happy to link with so many members of the Faculty family for this Reunion Dinner. Thank you for joining us – and enjoy!

Professor Ian Holliday
Dean

40th Anniversary Celebrations

Societist Gathering

The Societist Gathering at the University Lodge was held on February 13, 2007 to inaugurate the year-long celebratory activities of the 40th anniversary of the Faculty of Social Sciences. Over 150 staff, students, alumni and friends attended. We are grateful to them all for joining us at the start of our 40th anniversary celebrations. The online photo album can be viewed at www.hku.hk/socsc/40th.

Distinguished Alumni Lecture Series

In 2007, four Distinguished Alumni Lecturers came to the campus to address staff and students.

The New Challenges Facing Social Scientists

Dr Rosanna YM Wong, DBE, JP
Executive Director, Hong Kong Federation of Youth Groups

On Becoming a Global Citizen

Mr Alex Fong
CEO, Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce

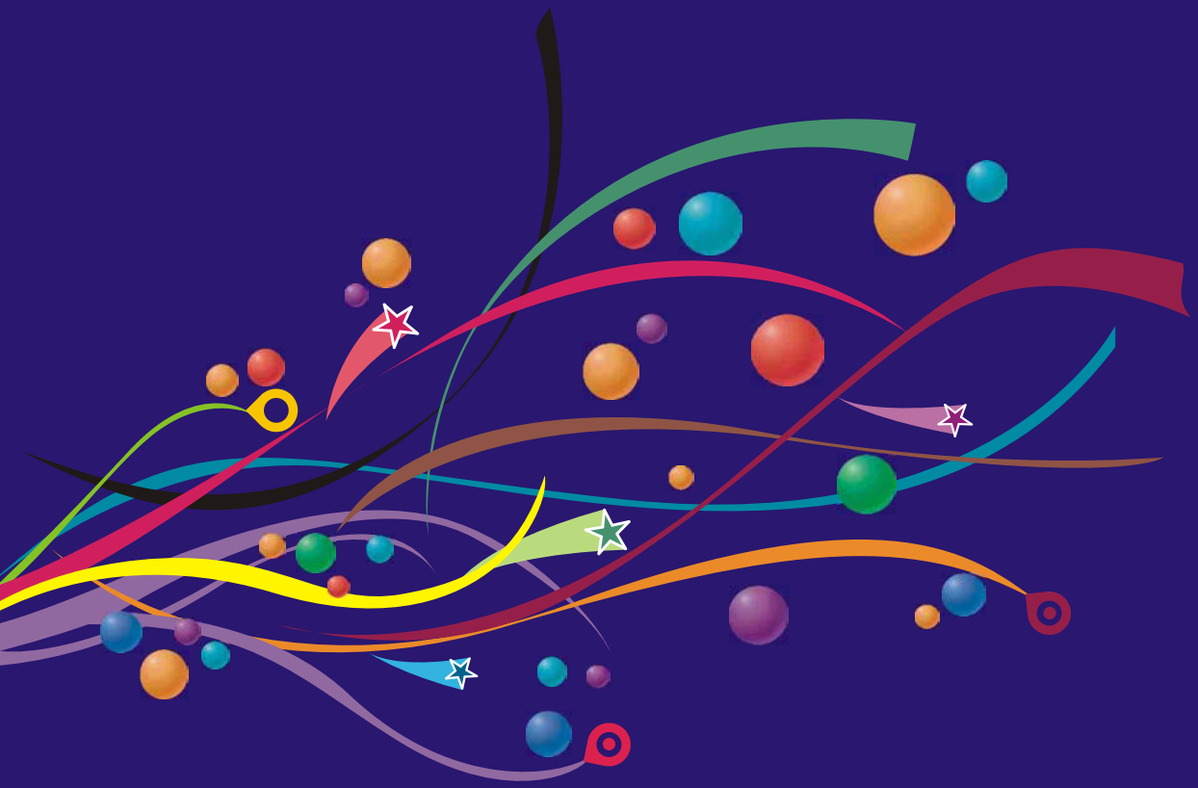
Innovations within the Hong Kong Police in Response to Social Change

Mr Tang King-shing, PDSM
Commissioner of Police, Hong Kong Police Force

Dialogue with Mr Joseph Yam

Mr Joseph Yam, GBS, JP
Chief Executive, Hong Kong Monetary Authority

Reunion Dinner



Programme

7:30 Opening Address
Professor Ian Holliday, Dean of Social Sciences

7:35 Welcoming Address
Professor Nelson Chow Wing-sun, Chairman of Social Sciences Alumni Association

7:40 Officiating Address
Dr Victor Fung Kwok-king, Council Chairman

7:45 Vote of Thanks
Professor Lap-Chee Tsui, Vice-Chancellor and President

7:50 40 under 40 Awards Presentation Ceremony

8:00 Toasting

8:05 Dinner Starts

8:50 Musical Performance

10:30 Dinner Ends

40 under 40
Distinguished Alumni Awards

To mark its 40th anniversary, the Faculty created a 40 under 40 awards scheme designed to salute the achievements of 40 outstanding alumni from its first 40 years.

The selection criteria were straightforward. Candidates had to be graduates from either an undergraduate or a postgraduate programme of the Faculty. They also had to have a record of outstanding achievement, strong leadership, and significant social contribution.

A selection panel comprising the Dean of Social Sciences, the Chairperson of the HKU Social Sciences Alumni Association and representatives of alumni, staff and students was formed to choose the 40 awardees from the long list of nominees. The following individuals made a particularly important contribution to this task – grateful thanks to them.

- Mr Choi Sau-yuk
- Ms Amanda Lim Ping
- Ms Vivien Pau Wai-yee
- Mrs Teresa Lai-chun Tong
- Ms Serena Yang Hsueh-chi

The 40 under 40 Awards go to...

1 Professor Cecilia Chan Lai-wan, RSW, JP

2 Professor Chan Yuen-ying

3 Professor Edward Chen Kwan-yiu, GBS, CBE, JP

4 The Honourable Ms Eva Cheng, JP

5 Professor the Honourable Anthony Cheung Bing-leung, BBS, JP

6 Mr Linus Cheung Wing-lam, JP

7 Dr Susan Yun-sun Fan

8 Dr the Honourable Rita Fan Hsu Lai-tai, GBM, GBS, JP

9 Ms Christine Fang Meng-sang, JP

10 Mr Alex Fong Chi-wai

11 Mr Lawrence Fung Siu-por, GBS

12 Mr Frederick Ho Wing-huen, SBS, OBE

13 Mr Stephen Ip Shu-kwan, GBS, JP

14 Mr Kwok Kwok-chuen, BBS, JP

15 Mr Alan Lai Nin, GBS, JP

16 Ir Albert Lai Kwong-tak

17 Mr Michael Lai Kam-cheung, MH, JP

18 Ms Lam Man-yee

19 The Honourable Mr Stephen Lam Sui-lung, JP

20 Mr Lam Woon-kwong, GBS, JP

21 The Honourable Mrs Carrie Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor, JP

22 Mr Antony Leung Kam-chung, GBS, OBE, JP, LLD

23 Professor Liu Meng

24 Mr Roger Luk Koon-hoo, BBS, JP

25 Mr Nicholas Ng Wing-fui, GBS, CBE, JP

26 Mr Raymond Or Ching-fai, JP

27 Dr Bartholomew Shaha

28 Mr Tang King-shing, PDSM

29 Mr Paul Tang Kwok-wai, JP

30 The Honourable Mr Tsang Tak-sing, JP

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32 Mr Anthony Tsui Tin-yau

33 Dr S. Vasoo, JP

34 Mr Wilfred Wong Ying-wai, SBS, JP

35 Mr Raymond Wong Hung-chiu, JP

36 Dr Rosanna Wong Yick-ming, DBE, JP

37 Professor Wong Siu-lun, SBS, BBS, JP

38 Mr Joseph Yam Chi-kwong, GBS, JP

39 Mr Dennis Yau Tat-wang

40 Mrs Carrie Yau Tsang Ka-lai, JP

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Professor Cecilia Chan Lai-wan, RSW, JP 陳麗雲

BSocSc, MSocSc, PhD

As a graduate in the '70s (BSocSc), '80s (MSocSc) and '90s (PhD) from the Faculty of Social Sciences, and having worked at HKU since 1985, the University is the most important home to me. I am grateful to my fellow classmates, teachers, colleagues and students, who have taught me so much about living here and now.

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Professor Chan Yuen-ying 陳婉瑩

BSocSc

We entered HKU at a time when Hong Kong was trying to redefine itself in the aftermath of the 1966 and 1967 riots. In the proud first class of the Faculty, I learned from great professors and fellow students, many of whom have remained life-long friends. I hope my generation has helped to make Hong Kong a better place, in large ways and small.

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Professor Edward Chen Kwan-yiu, GBS, CBE, JP 陳坤耀

MSocSc

Before 1967, the Department of Economics and Political Science was the Social Sciences Faculty in miniature. I read social sciences and graduated with a BA. My postgraduate study gave rise to an MSocSc in 1971. I stayed for 26 years with my alma mata and was President of Lingnan University, 1995 to 2007.

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The Honourable Ms Eva Cheng, JP 鄭汝樺

BSocSc

The more we understand our society, the more ready we are to take on social responsibility. The Social Sciences Faculty has over the last 40 years cultivated in its graduates a commitment to serve our community. I for one am deeply indebted to its nurturing and guidance.

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Professor the Honourable Anthony Cheung Bing-leung, BBS, JP 張炳良

BSocSc

I entered HKU in 1971 and studied Sociology and Economics in the then Faculty of Social Sciences and Law. I was chairman of the Social Sciences Society in 1972-73, and Council Chairman of the Students Union in 1973-74, during the so-called 'era of fire' of the student movement. My years in the Faculty were the most crucial in my intellectual formation.

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Mr Linus Cheung Wing-lam, JP 張永霖

BSocSc

My accomplishment in life is deeply indebted to the Faculty of Social Sciences. In 1968, it was a new faculty of the University, and my exposure to the various Social Sciences disciplines at a young age was the bedrock of my formal education. Throughout the years, I have been ceaselessly continuing my pursuit of knowledge and my education at the Faculty was the cornerstone of all my future endeavours.

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Dr Susan Yun-sun Fan 范瑩孫

MPA

I am indebted to the Faculty for enriching my educational experience and broadening my awareness of social issues. The MPA programme was a prism through which I could better understand how we live in and build our society, with the conviction that we can all contribute to the wellbeing of fellow mankind in our diverse roles.

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Dr the Honourable Rita Fan Hsu Lai-tai, GBM, GBS, JP 范徐麗泰

MSocSc

In the '70s when I graduated as a research student in Psychology for the Master Degree, I was offered a choice by the University – to be awarded an MA or an MSocSc by the relatively young Faculty. I opted for the latter. Now four decades later, our Faculty is celebrating its 40th Anniversary, and my decision qualified me for the 40 under 40 awards.

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Ms Christine Fang Meng-sang, JP 方敏生

BSocSc

In my university days, the Faculty was no more than an office where we queued for our results and transcripts. The affiliation was loose and quite impersonal. The we-feeling and alumni sentiment came only 20 years later when I, in my work capacity, co-organised a conference on social cohesion with the Faculty in celebration of its 35th anniversary. I congratulate the Faculty on its 40 years of achievement in grooming many young inquisitive minds and also in advancing knowledge to contribute to the betterment of our society and the people.

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Mr Alex Fong Chi-wai 方志偉

BSocSc

After spending over 25 years in government as an administrative officer, I switched to serve as the CEO of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce a year ago. I was glad to have the chance to give a talk to the Faculty's 40th Anniversary Distinguished Lecturers Series on the subject of 'On being a global citizen'. I am glad to see the University rising in the global ranking ladder.

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Mr Lawrence Fung Siu-por, GBS 馮紹波

BSocSc

An Economics and Political Science major, I cherished very much my undergraduate years. Other than the fellowship which I enjoyed immensely, I appreciate the way our minds were constantly challenged in class. This inquisitive and critical way of thinking proved invaluable in my later career.

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Mr Frederick Ho Wing-huen, SBS, OBE 何永煊

MSocSc

At the establishment of the Faculty in 1967, I was teaching at a secondary school and I strongly recommended the Faculty to my students. At its 20th Anniversary, I became a student of the Faculty myself. Now, at its 40th Anniversary, I remain completely confident and supportive of the Faculty.

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Mr Stephen Ip Shu-kwan, GBS, JP 葉澍堃

BSocSc

I graduated form the HKU Social Sciences Faculty in 1973 and joined the Government the same year. I became Secretary for Economic Development and Labour in 2002 and retired from Government in 2007. I consider the HKU Social Sciences Faculty the best faculty at the best university in the world.

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Mr Kwok Kwok-chuen, BBS, JP 郭國全

BSocSc , MSocSc (Public Administration)

I graduated from the Faculty in 1976, majoring in Economics and Statistics, and obtained an MSocSc in Public Administration in 1986. While I have a rather busy job working as the Government Economist of the Hong Kong Government, I still maintain regular contact with the University in different ways. I have witnessed the phenomenal development of the Faculty in the past few decades and I am very glad to be part of it.

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Mr Alan Lai Nin, GBS, JP 黎年

MSocSc (Public Administration)

I completed the MSocSc programme in Public Administration early in my career. I received immense benefits from the programme, particularly in respect of subjects like decision making and public administration law. I would strongly recommend the programme to those intending to pursue a career in public administration.

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Ir Albert Lai Kwong-tak 黎廣德

MSocSc

An engineer, an entrepreneur, a pioneering investor, an environmentalist, a civil society activist – these are some of the labels ascribed to me at various times. But above all, I see myself as a Sustainability Advocate in action – inspired by the journey of discovery in Urban Studies 25 years ago. Perhaps my devotion to the civil society and to politics reflects not only a passion for the people's cause, but also the Faculty's commitment to the community.

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Mr Michael Lai Kam-cheung, MH, JP 賴錦璋

BSocSc

Having been a welfare administrator for over thirty years as the Chief Executive Officer of St James' Settlement, I am proud to be the first batch of graduates from the Faculty as it provides not only knowledge but cultivates critical and creative thinking. I have been involved in public services, currently as a member of the Commission on Strategic Development and the Council for Sustainable Development.

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Ms Lam Man-yee 林敏怡

BSocSc

An early rebel turned down by the Social Work Department and not showing up for graduation, I went on to become Hong Kong's most renowned composer / songwriter. Recently I experienced a dramatic change in my life – I became a Tong Ren healer. Tong Ren Therapy is a form of energy healing researched by The Harvard Medical School / Dana-Farber Cancer Institute.

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The Honourable Mr Stephen Lam Sui-lung, JP 林瑞麟

BSocSc

Having taken A-level exams in Science in 1975, my first lesson in Social Sciences was that the formulae in Economics, unlike equations in Physics, had no hard and fast answers. The Social Science approach of understanding the forces at work in society and conceiving possible answers according to the overall interest of the community provided me with the foundation to pursue a career in Government. This is the general approach we are adopting to find a way forward for implementing universal suffrage in Hong Kong and to strengthen our economic cooperation with the Mainland.

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Mr Lam Woon-kwong, GBS, JP 林煥光

BSocSc, MBuddhStud

I was twice a student in the Faculty: from 1971 to 1974 when I studied Sociology and Economics, and from 2005 to 2007 when I was a part-time student in the Centre of Buddhist Studies. Twice I have been deeply inspired. Twice I have enjoyed it thoroughly. A big THANK YOU to all Faculty Members and fellow students whom I have learned from. You have been a tremendous resource to me in my 30 years' career in the Civil Service, and in preparing me for another phase in life since my retirement from the Government. Proud to be among you all!

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The Honourable Mrs Carrie Lam Cheng Yuet-ngor, JP 林鄭月娥

BSocSc

The transition from a Sociology student in the HKU Faculty of Social Sciences to an Administrative Officer in Government some 27 years ago was an almost seamless one. Every day in the public service since then has been driven by a habit to analyse social issues, a passion for upholding social justice and a commitment to get things done, which were nurtured in my university days. These will continue to guide my work as a Principal Official in delivering the Chief Executive's vision of a new direction for Hong Kong.

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Mr Antony Leung Kam-chung, GBS, OBE, JP, LLD 梁錦松

BSocSc

I have been blessed with a fulfilling career, in financial as well as in public services. I am grateful to the education that the Faculty of Social Sciences provided me – allowing me to take a semester off to take a world study tour on board the Universe Campus; tolerating my skipping many lectures to participate in student organisation activities; and of course the many courses in economics, management studies and political science. It has helped shape me and my life.

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Professor Liu Meng 劉夢

MSW, PhD

I'm very grateful to the Faculty for leading me to the social work profession and making my life meaningful. The MSW and PhD programmes got me prepared to commit and contribute to the improvement of social welfare and the development of social work in the Mainland China.

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Mr Roger Luk Koon-hoo, BBS, JP 陸觀豪

BSocSc

The postwar evolution of Hong Kong from entrepot to industrial, financial and service economy is legendary. For four decades, the Faculty has been training new generations in new disciplines to contribute. I am privileged to have benefited and contributed. Happy Anniversary!

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Mr Nicholas Ng Wing-fui, GBS, CBE, JP 吳榮奎

BSocSc

For the past forty years, graduates of the HKU Social Sciences Faculty have been serving our community with honour, commitment and zest. This is what the Faculty has set out to accomplish. I am proud to be a member of this select group.

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Mr Raymond Or Ching-fai, JP 柯清輝

BSocSc

I offer the Faculty of Social Sciences my heartfelt congratulations on achieving 40 years of educational excellence. The all-round learning experience I enjoyed during my time at HKU played a vital role in guiding my personal and professional development, teaching me the importance of critical thinking and clear communication when setting out to achieve one's goals.

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Dr Bartholomew Shaha

PhD

I have been serving as Secretary General of the World Alliance of YMCAs since 2003. Based in Geneva, the World Alliance is a federation of YMCAs in 124 countries with a membership of over 45 million. I treasure very much the teachers and staff of the Faculty of Social Sciences of The University of Hong Kong as I learnt a lot from them, not only from their academic sharing, but also from their humane touch and caring concerns.

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Mr Tang King-shing, PDSM 鄧竟成

MIPA

It is a great honour to be recognised by this 40 under 40 awards scheme. The Faculty of Social Sciences has earned a reputation for academic excellence over the past 40 years, with staff and students achieving considerable success in many diverse fields. May the next 40 years be equally rewarding for the Faculty and all associated with it!

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Mr Paul Tang Kwok-wai, JP 鄧國威

BSocSc

I graduated in 1978 with a Bachelor Degree in Social Sciences. The subjects I majored in were Economics and Sociology. After graduation I joined the Administrative Service of the Hong Kong Government in October 1978 and I have now worked in the Government for almost 30 years. I am now the Permanent Secretary for Labour and Welfare in the Labour and Welfare Bureau. Although almost 30 years have passed since my graduation, I still have fond memories of the time I spent in the Faculty, from lessons in Knowles Building to annual post-Budget seminars.

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The Honourable Mr Tsang Tak-sing, JP 曾德成

MIPA

I am thankful to the Faculty of Social Sciences of The University of Hong Kong. The time back at studying after years of work not only broadened my horizon, but also helped to discipline my thinking. The friendship gained with the professors as well as many classmates has proven to be a great asset in many ways.

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Mr Aloysius Tse Hau-yin, FCA, FHKICPA 謝孝衍

BSocSc

Since leaving the University in 1970, I have had a very productive and rewarding professional career, including serving as President of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants in 1998. I retired from active business pursuits in 2003. I am proud to be associated with the Faculty and I wish the Faculty every success in the years to come.

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Mr Anthony Tsui Tin-yau 徐天佑

BSocSc

My mentors in the Faculty inspired me to 35 years of full dedication to higher education. I am currently executive director of a private trust which donates to universities earnings from its global investments in hundreds of millions over the past 27 years, in the interest of scientific projects and the development of young scientific talents for Hong Kong.

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Dr S. Vasoo, JP

MSW

My learning experience in the Department of Social Work and Social Administration, HKU enabled me to acquire better analytical insights and people skills to deal with human and social development concerns. I have a lasting fellowship with and inspiration from my teachers and classmates to keep me always going.

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Mr Wilfred Wong Ying-wai, SBS, JP 王英偉

BSocSc

I am currently the Executive Vice-chairman and CEO of Mission Hills Group. My career has been evenly divided between the Administrative Service of the Hong Kong Government and the private sector. I have a strong public service record and currently chair many important government boards and committees including the Court and Council of the Baptist University and the Social Welfare Advisory Committee.

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Mr Raymond Wong Hung-chiu, JP 黃鴻超

BSocSc

I had enjoyed volunteer experiences at school, so the idea of studying social work through the Faculty of Social Sciences, and hence serving the community, seemed the right track. The late Professor Hodge reminded us that strong passion or 'fire in the belly' is needed for providing service to the public. Looking back, my path through the public service had been nurtured and inspired during my time in the Faculty.

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Dr Rosanna Wong Yick-ming, DBE, JP 王葛鳴

BSocSc, Hon DSocSc

I can say that the foundation upon which I have built up my professional career was laid at the Faculty of Social Sciences. It was here that I began to think about a career of service and learnt how to combine theory with practical application, as my way of contributing to the development and progress of this community we called home.

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Professor Wong Siu-lun, SBS, BBS, JP 黃紹倫

BSocSc

The Faculty and I grow up together. I was first admitted as a student in 1968. Then I came back as a teacher in 1975. Now at 40, the Faculty is flourishing. It will go from strength to strength. I am proud to be part of it.

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Mr Joseph Yam Chi-kwong, GBS, JP 任志剛

BSocSc

The founding of the Faculty 40 years ago meant a significant jump in the supply of university places in 1967, while the civil disturbances in that year caused a sudden drop in demand. For me at least, mediocrity was given a chance. Thanks for the challenging and rewarding life since.

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Mr Dennis Yau Tat-wang 邱達宏

BSocSc

It was with a sense of romanticism and adventure that in 1967, a year of turmoil in Hong Kong, I accepted an offer of admission to the then newly-established Social Sciences Faculty to study the subject of my choice: economics. What I learned as a student and what I did as a student leader during the three years turned out to be a most rewarding experience which has stood me in good stead at all times. After graduation, I continued to keep in touch with the Faculty and helped found the Social Sciences Alumni Association. Although the economics and accounting stream is no more part of the Faculty, it has not in any way diminished the pride and passion I feel for the Faculty and I am proud of its achievements.

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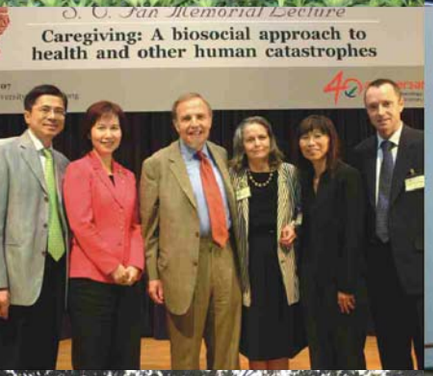
Mrs Carrie Yau Tsang Ka-lai, JP 尤曾家麗

BSocSc

As a student from 1974 to 1977 majoring in Economics and Political Science, the study of political philosophy broadened my horizon. The free environment enabled intellectual pursuits within and without the confines of the syllabus. I am most indebted to my mentors and peers who brought me the joy of feminist and existentialist literature. Some of the core values reinforced since the days of The University of Hong Kong have remained with me today. Amongst them, the ones most dear to my heart are speak truth unto power; and live and let live without losing any single moment of humanness!



About the Faculty

Social Innovation

global Citizenship

The Faculty of Social Sciences was established in 1967 and has since undergone rapid expansion and significant transformation. Today, the Faculty comprises the Departments of Geography, Politics and Public Administration, Psychology, Social Work and Social Administration, and Sociology. It also has nine multidisciplinary research centres that provide a platform for research interaction and collaboration among colleagues on campus and in the wider world. As the Faculty moves forward to implementing the 4-year curriculum from 2012, it has identified two core themes to guide future development: ***social innovation*** and ***global citizenship***. In the concept of social innovation, we seek to fuse social responsibility and social leadership. In the concept of global citizenship, we seek to embrace global awareness and global engagement.

Deep commitment to social innovation and global citizenship has already infused the Faculty – our Social Innovation Internship, offered both in Hong Kong and overseas, is one instance. We are now starting to require all undergraduate students to complete credits off-campus before graduation. We are therefore expanding our existing student exchange and internship programmes, and exploring creative ways of developing summer institutes for intensive study.

To reinforce the strength of its research degree programmes leading to the award of MPhil and PhD degrees, the Faculty has identified nine research clusters in which it is particularly keen to recruit research degree students. Building on the established research strengths of the Faculty, these are:

- Comparative Asian and international studies
- Contemporary China studies
- Criminology
- Culture and heritage
- Environment, urban planning and sustainable development
- Media and governance
- Psychosocial intervention and processes
- Public and social policy
- Transnationalism and global migration

Social Sciences Summer Programme

The one-week Social Sciences Summer Programme organised by the Faculty offers local secondary school students a memorable experience that combines a taste of university hall life, multidisciplinary forums, lectures and field trips to cultivate their interest in social sciences. In summer 2007, over 90 secondary students participated in the "From Rags to Riches" programme.

Summer Institute: Asia as the Global Future

Since summer 2006, a credit-bearing Summer Institute, Asia as the Global Future, has been offered by the Faculty of Social Sciences. In the 2008 Institute, a four-week programme will introduce students to cutting-edge issues across a broad array of social science disciplines. Over the first weekend, the Institute will move to Macau for a comparative perspective on another Asian city. The third week will be spent in Shanghai and Hangzhou, and the last week will be in Seoul, Korea.

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