

Reaching out to the community



FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES·THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG 香港大學社會科學學院

Dean's Message

This is my first Dean's message for Socientist. Before saying anything else, I would like to pay a warm tribute to my two predecessors. Geoffrey Blowers was Acting Dean for 2005-06, and did an excellent job in managing the Faculty. James Tang was Dean for 2001-05, and made an outstanding contribution, notably in launching new initiatives in teaching and community outreach, raising the public image and profile of the Faculty, enhancing interactions between the Faculty and secondary schools - and creating Socientist. Many thanks to both James and Geoffrey for guiding the Faculty to where it is today

As we move forward into the 2006-07 academic session, the Faculty is taking a systematic

look at how to respond to the many challenges it will face in the years ahead - including the introduction of a normative 4-year curriculum from 2012, the drive to further enhance its research profile, and the desire shared by all colleagues to engage as fully as possible with communities at the local, regional and international levels.

In this context, colleagues and students are coming together

thinking that in order to profile and position our major areas

umbrellas of activity: social innovation and alobal citizenship.

We feel that these broad umbrellas can help us manage key

of strength, it would make sense to create two very broad

to contribute thoughts and ideas for the future strategic

direction of the Faculty. At this very early stage, we are

challenges like the 4-year normative curriculum and an

feature article explores the deep commitment to social

innovation that already infuses the Faculty.

global citizenship.

overarching research identity. In this issue of Socientist, our

Ultimately, we may require all students to demonstrate an

citizenship before they can gain admission to the Faculty.

undertake major programmes of off-campus learning in

expand our existing student exchange and internship

programmes, and to look at creative ways of developing

summer institutes for intensive study. On the research side,

we are looking at ways of demonstrating how our many

projects link to the twin themes of social innovation and

In all our deliberations, we are conscious of the wealth of

wisdom and experience that has been gathered by our

alumni in so many walks of life. As we take our agenda

order to graduate from the Faculty. We therefore intend to

We may also require all undergraduate students to

interest in and commitment to social innovation and global

The many steps taken by the Faculty in the recent past provide a firm basis for future progress. Our taught programmes and research output are all strong. Our multidisciplinary programmes, which three years ago attracted HK\$7 million of seed money from the University Development Fund, have made a good start in creating new options for undergraduate students. Our postgraduate programmes are excellent. We continue to register considerable success in attracting research funding across all our major disciplines. We maintain excellent links with the local community.

At the same time, the Faculty has embarked on a period of expansion that is already changing its character. The Centre of Asian Studies joined us this year. The Department of Geography will join next year. The academic programmes of the Journalism and Media Studies Centre are administered through the Faculty, and the Centre may join us soon. The University's forward planning for the 4-year normative undergraduate curriculum is generating new positions across the Faculty.

forward, and firm up our ideas, we are keen to tap into that wisdom and experience as much as possible. In the course of this academic session, we will therefore host several sessions to which alumni will be invited. We would be delighted if our glumni could come back to the Faculty, advise us on ways forward, and contribute to our strategic thinking.

2006-07 promises to be an important and exciting time for Social Sciences at HKU. We hope that many members of the Faculty family will join us in charting a strategic

direction that builds on our existing strengths in teaching. research and community relations.

Very best wishes for the year ahead.

Ian Holliday

Our new Dean

At the start of the academic year Professor Ian Holliday joined the Faculty from City University of Hong Kong, where he was Dean of Humanities and Social Sciences and Head of Public and Social Administration. Before coming to Hong Kong in 1999, Ian taught at the University of Manchester and New York University and worked on

research projects in Madrid, Spain and Lille, France. He was educated at the University of Oxford (MPhil/DPhil) and the University of Cambridge (BA/MA), lan's research focuses on problems of policy coordination in complex modern states, health care systems in East Asia and, latterly, issues of political reform in Burma/Myanmar.



Hong Kong Singers, April 04

Away from work, Ian is an avid cricket fan. In 1997 he teamed up with Norman Geras to watch the entire England-Australia Ashes series. Together, they then published Ashes '97: Two Views from the Boundary. Later

> this year, Ian and Norman will travel to Australia to catch up with Ashes cricket again, Ian is a member of the Hong Kong. Singers, and before becoming a Dean sana in Oklahoma! and Guys 'n Dolls. When the weather is good, lan enjoys hiking in Hong Kong. When it is too hot for that, he is very

happy to go to the cinema, a concert or the opera - or to play bridge, poker or mahiong with friends.

Announcements



From the start of the academic year 2007-08, the Department of Geography will relocate to the Faculty of Social Sciences.



During the summer the Faculty Office of Social Sciences moved from the first floor to the fourth floor of the Meng Wah Complex. Our new home is Room 401, 4/F, Meng Wah Complex.

Departments & Centres

The Centre of Asian Studies

The Centre of Asian Studies was established in 1967, to promote interdisciplinary research on Asian topics within the University, and to serve as a local point of contact for Asian studies scholars around the world. Our three flagship programmes define the majority of our activities: the China-ASEAN Project, the China-India Project and the Hong Kong Culture and Society Programme. Beyond these, Centre staff conduct research on Chinese entrepreneurship, migration and human trafficking, East Asian regionalism, oral history, Asian business history, Chinese intellectual politics, and the auality of life in Hong Kong and Macau. Major projects include "Crisis and Reintegration: Indicators of Social Development in Hong Kong 2003", "Entrepreneurial Families – the Rong, Gu and Ho Tung Business Dynasties", "Tung Wah Oral History", "Quality of Life in Macao", "Visiting Diplomat Fellows Scheme", "Illegal Migration and Non-traditional Security" and "Mr. Vincent Woo and the Hong Kong Textile Industry".





In addition to conducting research on Asian studies, the Centre runs five seminar programmes: Contemporary Chinese Studies, Traditional Chinese Studies, South and Southeast Asian Studies, Hong Kong Studies and Northeast Asian Studies. We also hold regular postgraduate seminars for students to share their research findings with colleagues and to broaden their intellectual horizons through contact with other subjects, methodologies and ideas.

Whilst still strongly rooted in the tradition of pure academic research, the Centre has gained considerable experience in providing policy consultancies to the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region Government and other organisations. With our research capabilities in regional affairs and strong linkages with research institutes in the region, the Centre is well placed to contribute to advanced policy studies.





Social Innovation:

Reaching out to the community

At the start of the twenty-first century social innovation is a critical concept, bringing together classic notions of social responsibility and modern conceptions of dynamic engagement with social issues. In many walks of life ranging across the public, private and non-profit sectors, individuals and organizations are increasingly recognizing the importance of deep and sustained involvement with the many social issues that now confront us. Social innovation focuses on the contributions all of us are prepared to make for the betterment of our community.

Social innovation embraces respect for others, recognition of our interdependence with others in our society and in the wider world, and cultivation of a caring attitude, a sense of self-control and self-responsibility, social consciousness, as well as the capability of actually doing something (for example, by developing strong social, communication, analytical and leadership skills). The concept also entails a wide spectrum of civic acts and political participatory acts believed to contribute to the betterment of society.

As an institution that values social innovation, the Faculty of Social Sciences has been engaging in many activities designed to contribute to the betterment of Hong Kong, such as nourishing the personal and social growth of adolescents, enhancing social consciousness,

and offering policy

advice to the government. In addition, it has pioneered new initiatives to help tackle social problems. One of the missions of the Faculty is "producing graduates with a sense of social responsibility and commitment to serve society". Current staff members approach this mission by demonstrating their own commitment to our society through different projects, and by serving members of the community from all walks of life. These commitments are well recognized by different funding bodies, governmental departments, and social institutions, as well as by NGOs. In turn, they attract others from the community to join in this social mission.

Reaching our hands to our younger generation

Learning is one of the most important tasks of children, but some children are labeled as lazy or uncooperative. They often experience difficulties in accomplishing even basic tasks. Professor Connie HO Shuk-han of the Department of Psychology is committed to helping students with specific learning difficulties. With funding support from Hong Kong Jockey Club amounting to HK\$153 million and collaboration from the Education and Manpower Bureau as well as numerous NGOs and schools, the project will encompass research, teacher training, school-based intervention, district-based intervention, and resource package development.



Our care is not limited to school children. We understand that adolescence is an important transition from childhood to adulthood. Dr. Sandra TSANG Kit-man and Dr. LAM Chiu-wan of the Department of Social Work and Social Administration (SWSA)



and Dr. CHU Yiu-kong of the Department of Sociology have a passionate interest in youth-at-risk. They started their "Youth Development Project" in a district that has always been portrayed as a breeding ground for youth gangs and juvenile crime - Tin Shui Wai. With sponsorship from the Mrs. Li Ka Shing Fund, research, direct services, and professional training are carried out to enhance the positive development of young people in this rapidly developing new town.

Caring for those with health problems



Medical professionals play a vital role in caring for those with health problems.
Alongside them, social scientists also have a role to play. Physical illness affects not only the physical aspect of the patient, but also the psychological and social aspects. Professor Cecilia CHAN Lai-wan, Director of Centre on Behavioral Health,

and her team are dedicated to offering psychosocial care for people with physical and mental suffering. Using the Body-Mind-Spirit approach, the Centre has rejuvenated many hundreds of persons in recent years.

Our care is not limited to those with physical illness, Dr. Daniel WONG Fukeung of the SWSA, contributes his expertise in helping persons with depression. With support from the Mrs. Li Ka Shing Fund, Dr. Wong has trained 20 frontline social workers in adopting the evidence-based methods of the Cognitive Behavioral Approach to support over 1000 persons with depression or a depressive mood.

Another colleague from the SWSA, Ms. Phyllis WONG King-shui, shows her commitment to persons with disabilities through another approach — advocating for the rights of individuals with disabilities. She has raised the Government's attention on the standards of private institutions for disabled persons. The issue thus was put up for discussion in a Legco meeting. Following her



presentation at the meeting, Legco members and the Government supported the need for legislation to cover these institutions.

Polishing the golden outlook of our senior generation

Our care also responds to the changing needs of society. In Hong Kong, it is estimated that one in five persons will be aged over 65 by 2023. This mushrooming elderly population will have major implications for social and health care services. Bringing a new perspective on this demographical change, the "CADENZA" project aims to revolutionise the way society views its elders, the current mode of care for the elderly, existing services and facilities, and the excessive reliance on the medical

model of care. CADENZA is a virtuoso section in classical music, usually coming near the end of a movement in a concerto. It echoes absolutely with the theme of the project: Celebrate their Accomplishments; Discover their Effervescence and Never-ending Zest as the Age. The University is honoured to be invited by the Hong Kong Jockey Club to host this HK\$380 million project under the Faculty. This will

provide an interactive platformemic and professional exchange of expertise, creating a foundation for further development of social gerontology in the University, Hong Kong and the region. Professor Ada MUI and Dr



Terry LUM (Honorary
Professor and Assistant
Professor of the Faculty)
are the two
distinguished leaders of
this project.



Breaking taboos and caring for the dying, the dead and the bereaved



Death is the final destination of the journey of human life, but it remains a topic that is always avoided. Emerging issues around the topic of death — advance directives, body disposal issues, organ donations, and life-taking traumatic events — have become

hot issues in Hong Kong, yet few discussions are raised due to the avoidance of this taboo topic. Professor Cecilia CHAN recognizes the need for death education, and proposed the establishment of the Empowerment Network for Advocating Bereavement and Loss in End-of-life (the "ENABLE") project. The project is funded by the Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust, providing HK\$22 million over three years. The project consists of two levels, with primary level targets for the general public and secondary level targets for professionals. A series of death awareness seminars, train-the trainers programmes and resource production will, it is hoped, unveil the mystery of death and empower us in facing this inevitable life event.



Strengthening civil society and governance

Care should not be limited to the individual level, but should also reach out to the societal or macro-level. The Centre for Civil Society and Governance was established by Professor Joseph CHAN Cho-wai and his

colleagues under the Department of Politics and Public Administration in 2002 with the aim of enhancing our knowledge of the nature, constituents, and roles of civil society and, in particular, the contribution that civil society can make towards good governance. Also, the Centre seeks to foster the development of a vibrant civil society in Hong Kong, China and other parts of the world. Since its establishment, the Centre has focused on three areas in its research activities, publications and training and education programmes: macro-level studies on civil society in Hong Kong, public governance and civil society, and micro-level studies on civil society and NGO management. Examples of these projects include social cohesion, civic identity and national identity, civil society index research, corporate social responsibility, the role of cross-border civil society networks, NGO statistics and social auditing practices, and civic engagement in the public policy process.

Rippling effects

These projects are like water drops falling onto different ponds. They are stirring up ripples and making positive changes in the community. We hope these projects can also act like a match, lighting up the candles of social innovation implanted in your hearts during your school days.



Students

Global Citizens

Students from all walks of life want to tell you their ways of engaging in this globalised world through the programmes offered by the Faculty.



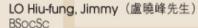


"The eligibility to be an exchange student is not money, fluent English, nor excellent academic result, but an open mind with the courage to live up your dream. To be a global citizen, I learnt to try and never say never. I believe understanding is the first step to make our world better."

LAI Ching-man, Eva (黎靜零小姐) BSocSc

on exchange to University of Adelaide,

"I enjoy learning from different people. My internship at the Northern Ireland Council for Ethnic Minorities was an invaluable, eveopening experience for me. Through serving and sharing, I learned about people's diversities of cultures, racial backgrounds, expertise, and unique experiences to life."



A participant of Social Exposure Programme



"Globalization is no doubt a popular word especially here in HK. This amazing city and the university provide a good chance to think about how to make a balance between acting out your own culture and accepting and appreciating other different cultures and perspectives."

QIU Yijiao, Joy (裘一佼小姐) BSocSc An international student from the Mainland





*The experience of being an international student is not only a lesson in independence. but also in humbleness. When outside of one's own safety net, help is very much needed and the ability to reach out is crucial."

Ana Cristina WISEBECK BSocSc An international student from Brazil



exchange student not only gave me insights on study skills, but has also inspired me in the many different aspects of my life. I have learned to perceive life through a perspective that I have never imagined I would!"

"My experience as an



Huggin TANG (鄧顯權先生) BSocSc on exchange to University of California Davis, USA

Social Sciences Society



The 2006-2007 academic year has come and gone by in a flash. This is particularly true to us, the 38th Executive Committee of the Social Sciences Society (SSS), HKUSU, considering our constantly active role in HKU.

With the new school year approaching, we worked hard right after final examinations in preparation for the many orientation functions, tailor-made to welcome our fresh "Socientists" who would be joining us in September.

Taking the first step into foreign territory is always the most intimidating. During the 3-day registration, freshmen were introduced to a wide range of orientation functions which they might freely choose to participate. Understanding many freshmen's wish to seek advice from senior students, we also chatted with them in small groups, clarifying any doubts they had in mind.

To accommodate the interests of as many students as possible, we organized an Orientation Camp, an Orientation Day and a Course Selection Talk for Freshmen. Through joining these activities, they gained an overview of what university life is like, and most importantly, bonded and built a tight support network among themselves as well as with senior students who acted as their group leaders.

Into the fourth week of school now, much to our delight, freshmen have been settling in and mixing well into the HKU community. We are pleased that freshmen have benefited a lot from the effort we made in coordinating orientation

programmes. Upcoming will be our "Sparkling" High Table Dinner 2006, to be held on October 3 at the Loke Yew Hall. The Deans of the Faculty and the Office of Student Affairs, Professor Ian Holliday, and Dr. Albert Wl. Chau, have kindly agreed to attend and deliver speeches.

In less than two months, our terms of office will expire. We are thus currently in full gear recruiting members for the 39th Executive Committee. We anticipate that students

will continue being as eager as we and our predecessors were to commit themselves to this honorable and meaningful duty, and take to the responsibility of acting as student leaders and representatives.

CHAN Lok-shun, Sharon (陳樂淳小姐) Chairman



Alumni

Social Work Alumni Association

Service Project Fund

The Social Work Alumni Association is one of the most active alumni associations in HKU. Established since 1999, the Association has been conducting a variety of programmes such as seminars, exchange tours and mentorship schemes. In order to further enhance networks among social work students, alumni and the society, the 'Service Project Fund' was launched last year.

The Service Project Fund aims at enabling social work students to explore service needs and implement innovative services within the community. It also provides chances for students to learn through alumni's supervision. Projects are selected based on merit. Proposals must detail project ideas, rationale and programme schedule. In addition to financial support, experienced alumni are allocated to successful projects as consultants and coaches. The alumni assist the students throughout the process, providing professional advice on project management.

Two projects, "M for Multicultural" and "Parallel Communication Workshop" were selected last year. The first project sought to increase awareness and acceptance of cultural differences within

the community. The second used an innovative method, the '6 thinking hats', to improve parent-child communications. Both projects were

completed successfully, through the dedication and hard work of 8 students, ranging from year 1 to master level, and most importantly through the assistance of 2 alumni members who were very generous with their time and experience. The two projects covered a total of 100 beneficiaries.



Social Responsibility — from a Journalist's Perspective

Mr. Oscar LEE Tsun (李臻先生), a graduate of the Master of Public Administration (MPA) programme at the Department of Politics and Public Administration, is also a journalist at the TVB who is with us almost daily hosting the main news report. For sure his eloquent presentation makes a great impression on people! Oscar was an environmental science major who graduated from this university and afterwards decided to settle in the news



industry. Now, besides hosting news report, he is also responsible for news about Hong Kong's economy such as the budget and the labor market. Looking back to the days when he took the MPA programme, he commented that it has been effective in enhancing his analytical ability and his knowledge about the government. In particular, courses such as constitutional law, Chinese politics, and public finance really helped a lot. So, what should be a journalist's social responsibility? Oscar acknowledges the influence of the media, and this is exactly why the media should exercise its power carefully. There might be diverse ways of framing a piece of news, but it is important to be conscious of the consequences of the different ways of framing. Although it is hard to be completely objective, a journalist should bear in mind that everyone has the right to express his/her opinion and avoid being biased!

Donations

(From April to September 2006)

We are grateful to the following donors for their unfailing support to the Faculty.

Recipients	Purposes	Donors	Amount (HK\$)
Centre on Behavioral Health	In support of the cancer counseling related research, public education and teaching.	Professor SHAM Shun-tong, Jonathan	HK\$1,450,000
		Mr. TAM Ping-shing	HK\$200,000
		Professor CHAN Lai-wan, Cecilia	HK\$120,000
		Miss POON Yuk-yi, Lillian	HK\$100,000
		Miss CHOI Shiu-ha, May	HK\$20,000
		Mrs TAO CHOI Siu-ping, Wendy	HK\$20,000
		Miss TSOI Siu-Ian, Mazie	HK\$20,000
Department of Psychology	"Thanksgiving Scholarship" for funding overseas practicum attachments for MSocSc students in clinical psychology and education psychology.	Dr. TANG Sek-ying HK\$1,000,000	
	"New Hall, Cambridge Scholarship" for funding BSocSc students majoring in Psychology to visit Cambridge University for one year.	Ms. YANG Hsueh-chi, Serena	HK\$300,000
	In support of educational, research and community activities.	Dr. CHAN Chor-man	HK\$30,000
Department of Sociology	In support of setting up a Common Room.	Class of MSocSc (Criminology) HK\$3,640 2002-2004	
The HKJC Centre for Suicide Research & Prevention	In support of conducting suicide prevention work.	Hong Kong Federation of Insurers	HK\$100,000
HKU Family Institute		Gallant & Rebecca Ho Philanthropy Consultants & Managers (Int'1) Ltd	HK\$100,000
		Mrs YUEN CHAN Suk-yee	HK\$37,800







April 1, 2006
Convergence and Diversity in
Social Security
Co-organiser: Master of Public
Administration Alumni
Association
Speaker: Professor Martin REIN,
Department of Urban Studies
and Planning, Massachusetts
Institute of Technology,
Cambridge Massachusetts USA

April 7, 2006

Seminar on "Hong Kong and Japan in Asia Perspective" cum Launching Ceremony of the Book "Japanese Culture in Hong Kong"

Co-organiser: The Japan Society of Hong Kong Speakers: Professor WONG Siu-lun, Mr. CHIU Tat Wing, Mr. Takanori KITAMURA, Professor Takeshi HAMASHITA and Professor Naoto KAGOTANI



June 29, 2006

The Kick-off Ceremony for the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals Oral History Project cum the Official Opening of the Hong Kong Oral History Archives

Speakers: Professor Richard YC WONG, Mr. Andy KK



June 1, 2006

"Living is HOPE - The Role of General Practitioners in Suicide Prevention" seminar Speakers: Dr. Paul YIP, Dr. FK TSANG, Dr. CW KAM, Dr. KW CHING and Dr. WM CHOW



April 20, 2006
Public Lecture of a Distinguished
Lecture Series

Speaker: Professor Marian SIGMAN, Department of Psychiatry, UCLA



August 16 to September 16, 2006 Policing in the Turbulent Hong Kong (1940-60s): Witnessed by Frontline Police Officers

Organisers: Department of Sociology, Hong Kong Police Old Comrades' Association





September 4, 2006 Faculty Welcoming Reception





September 13, 2006
Forum on "Problems of World Order"
Speakers: Professor Andrew GAMBLE &
Professor Tony PAYNE, Department of
Politics, Sheffield University

September 19, 2006
Enhancing Governance in Hong Kong:
Is Democracy the Answer?
Speaker: Professor Larry DIAMOND





October 5, 2006 Mid-Autumn





Event Spotlight

Summer Institute: Asia as the Global Future









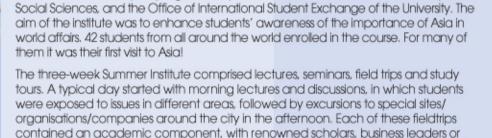




"A great opportunity to immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of Asia while being intellectually stimulated by world class lecturers"

Andrew TAN





A new summer institute was held in the University of Hong Kong from 3-23 July 2006, in conjunction with Universitas 21. The theme of this summer institute was "Asia as the Global Future". It was jointly organised by the Center of Asian Studies, the Faculty of

community leaders invited as guest speakers. From these lectures and visits, students were required to keep a journal detailing their thoughts as well as considering how the lectures and visits related to the reading materials. One special feature of the summer institute was fieldtrips and study tours outside Hong Kong to Macau (3 days) and Beijing (one week). These visits enabled participants to see, experience, understand and compare the different lifestyles and cultures in three very unique cities in the People's Republic of China. Student feedback indicated that the study tours and fieldtrips were key reasons - along

very interesting. The Asia as the Global Future course will be held annually in the summer months, further cementing the position of the University of Hong Kong as a leading university in Asian Studies. Next year, the programme will also expand to include a postgraduate course on China. It is also planned that later years will also see a teacher-training and other advanced modules added to the programme.

with an interest in Asia - for their enrolment in the institute. Indeed, whether it was in Hong Kong, Macau or Beijing, students commented that they found the site visits



"I gained first-hand insights on a number of hot topics in Asia. Hong Kong is a great place to be. This programme made me want to go back to HKU for an exchange

> Guido Andreas LANG University of Bern, Switzerland

"Thank you for making it such a great experience. I was exposed to a huge amount of new information and I loved it -Asian history, politics, linguistics, culture!"

> Geanina BUJOREANU University of Edinburgh, UK



Research Projects

Funded by Donation (From April to September 2006)

Recipients	Project Titles	Amount	Donors
Centre of Asian Studies	A New Oral History Project on the TWGHs	HK\$3,000,000	Tung Wah Group of Hospitals
	The Hong Kong Jockey Club History Project	HK\$3,000,000	Hong Kong Jockey Club
HKU Family Institute	Symposium in 2008 and the Development of CIFA website	HK\$499,000	HKSAR Government - Professional Services Development Assistance Scheme
Centre on Behavioral Health	The Study of Psychosocial Correlates of Long-term Survival in Liver Cancer Patients	HK\$144,500	The Hong Kong Cancer Fund
	Surviving Breast Cancer Project	HK\$398,586	The Hong Kong Cancer Fund
	Dance Movement Therapy for Chinese Cancer Patient and Its Effectiveness on Stress, Self-esteem, Body-Image and Neuroendocrine	HK\$185,000	The Hong Kong Cancer Fund
HKJC Centre for Suicide Research & Prevention	The National Strategies for Suicide Prevention Workshop in Hong Kong	HK\$270,638	Suicide Prevention International
	The Project on Peter Lee Care for Suicide Survivors	HK\$888,000	Mr. PKK Lee

Funded by RGC CERG 2006-2007

Recipients	Project Titles	Principle Investigator
Politics and Public Administration	Transnational Linkages in Cross-strait Relations: The Case of Tai Shang	Dr. RW HU
Psychology	Enriching the Language Environment of Children Learning a Second Language	Professor TKF AU
	Is Object Recognition Influenced by Stereoscopic Depth?	Dr. WG HAYWARD
	Human Perception of Image Speed Derived from the Simultaneous Extraction and Analysis of Visual Information in Two- and Three-dimensional Space	Dr. KS KHUU
	An Investigation of Visual Cues for Active Control of Self-motion in the Normally-sighted and the Low-vision Patients	Dr. L LI
Social Work and Social Administration	Poverty and Social Exclusion of Elderly People in Hong Kong	Dr. EWT CHUI
	The Impact of the Use of ICT on the Development of Children in Low-income Families	Dr. CK LAW
	The Impact of tSocial Assistance on Social Exclusion in China: A Longitudinal Study	Professor JCB LEUNG
Sociology	State, Society and Religious Philanthropy in the Chinese Diaspora: A Comparison of Buddhist Philanthropic Culture in Hong Kong, Singapore and Taiwan	Dr. KE KUAH-PEARCE

Contact: Ms Penny Kuk (Tel: 2859 2376; Email: pkuk@hkucc.hku.hk)

Conference on Violence

Co-organiser: Dept of Social Work & Social Administration Contact: Ms Maggie So

Faculty Graduation Ceremony 2006

Date: Dec 4, 2006

Venue: Grand Rotunda, 3/F, HK International Trade & Exhibition Centre, 1 Trademart Drive, Kowloon Bay, HK Contact: Ms Harrietta Lo

5th International Conference on Social Work in Health and Mental Health - Living in Harmony: Promoting Creative Synergy in a Stressful World

Venue: HKCEC

Contact: The HK Council of Social Service (Tel: 2864 2997; Email: swh2006@hkcss.org.hk) Website: www.swh2006.com

november

Symposium & International Workshop of Suicide

2nd Annual Conference of the Asian Studies Association of Hong Kong

Date: Jan 26 - 27, 2007 Venue: Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Complex, HKU Contact: Dr. Lee Pui-tak

Prize Presentation Ceremony

Date: Nov 4, 2006 Venue: Loke Yew Hall Contact: Ms Harrietta Lo (Tel: 2859 1183; E-mail: harrielo@hkucc.hku.hk)

- International Workshop - Gold Coast Hotel

American Foundation for Suicide Prevention

紀念孫山先生誕辰 140 周年圖片展覽暨學術討論會

Date: Nov 4 - 5, 2006 Venue: TBC Contact: Miss Teresa Tsai (Tel: 2859 2460; Email: casgen@hku.hk)

october

Date: Oct 23, 2006

the Cold War"

Complex, HKU

Date & Venue:

Nov 5 - 11, 2006

Contact: Ms Law

Co-organiser:

Nov 3, 2006

Contact: Ms Harrietta Lo

Date: Oct 27 - 28, 2006

Contact: Dr. Lee Pui-tak

Prevention, Hong Kong 2006

Symposium - HKU Campus

and World Health Organization

(Tel: 2241 5013; Email: csrp@hku.hk)

(Tel: 2859 2429; Email: ptlee@hku.hk)

The Dark Shadows of History"

SC Fan Memorial Lecture on "East Asian Conflicts:

Speaker: Professor Ian Buruma, Henry R. Luce

College, Annandale-on-Hudson, New York

Venue: Lecture Theatre, Hong Kong Central

Professor of Human Rights and Journalism, Bard

Library, 66 Causeway Road, Causeway Bay, HK

(Tel: 2859 1183: E-mail: harrielo@hkucc.hku.hk)

Conference on "Hong Kong Film in the Context of

Venue: Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah

Date: Nov 11, 2006 (9:30am - 12:30pm) Venue: Library Extension 8, HKU

Date: Nov 24, 2006

(Tel: 2859 2114; Email: maggieso@hkucc.hku.hk)

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(3:00pm - 5:00pm)

(Tel: 2859 1183; E-mail: harrielo@hkucc.hku.hk)

Date: Dec 10 - 14, 2006

january

CADENZA: Preparing for the future of Hong Kong

Date: Jan 8 - 10, 2006 Venue: TBC Contact: Mr. Tommy Fan (Tel: 2219 4203; Email: yhfan@hkucc.hku.hk)

(Tel: 2859 2429; Email: ptlee@hku.hk)

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Conference on "International and Theoretical Perspectives on Social Policy: A Week of Dialoque"

Date: Mar 22 - 23, 2007 Venue: Council Chamber, 8/F, Meng Wah Complex, HKU Contact: Dr. Wang Cangbai (Tel: 2241 5772; Email: wangcb@hku.hk)

Selected Recent Publications

(From April to September 2006)

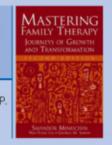
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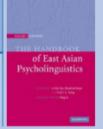
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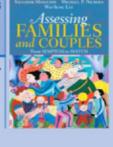
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