## PROMOTING KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE

In Molière's play *Le Bourgeois gentilhomme*, one of the biggest laughs comes when Monsieur Jourdain exclaims to his philosophy tutor, "Well, what do you know about that! These forty years now, I've been speaking in prose without knowing it! How grateful am I to you for teaching me that!" So it is with knowledge exchange—something the Faculty of Social Sciences has been doing these past 40 years without knowing it. Now that KE has been acknowledged and classified by UGC, however, the Faculty is delighted to move forward with yet more vigour. This feature story profiles some of our major KE activities, spanning both research and teaching. As ever, we welcome additional opportunities to link with community partners and launch new projects for the benefit of Hong Kong and the wider region.



Intensive customized train-the-trainer programmes, such as Youth Substance Abuse for the Hong Kong College of Paediatricians; Geographic Information System and Global Positioning System for geography teachers; public policy making and









200 local and overseas researchers have participated in the Social Science Research Methods Postgraduate Summer School since its relaunch in 2008 as a Faculty programme.

Academic Programmes

250 undergraduates studying a wide range of disciplines from 122 universities in 36 countries have participated in the Summer Institute: Asia as the Global Future since 2006.



13 taught postgraduate programmes including Doctor of Psychology in Clinical or Educational Psychology. These programmes are providing continuous education and training to about 1000 professional practitioners and managerial personnel. 2 new doctoral programmes in Social Welfare and Public Administration will be launched in the years ahead.

350 students have undertaken Social Innovation Internships in 89 local community partners; and 77 Global Citizenship Internships in 27 overseas organizations.

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## Public Education



Free access to Faculty and departmental websites and published materials for self learning, databank, videos and online readings, such as The Depressed Little Prince; Empowerment Network for Adjustment to Bereavement and Loss in End-of-life (ENABLE); online resources for NGO and policy think tanks; training manuals on specialised topics such as dementia, care for elders and parenting.



Each year, over 100 public lectures are delivered under the Faculty's twin themes: Social Innovation and Global Citizenship. We also have named lecture series in disciplinary fields, such as S C Fan and Serena Yang. Departmental seminars by distinguished speakers have attracted over 10,000 participants.





Significant and regular media exposure by means of press conferences; newspaper articles; radio and TV programmes locally, in China and internationally.

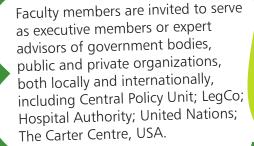


Training workshops for the general public, such as Basic and Advanced Training on Energy Diagnostic and Treatment Methods; Psychodrama Training; Life and Death Education; and Focusing-Oriented Arts Therapy.





## Professional Services and Pro Bono Research



The Social Sciences Research Centre, established in 1987, provides bilingual telephone, online and paper surveys to support multidisciplinary projects. It also works with organizations outside the University in promoting contract research and consultancy services.

## Community Projects

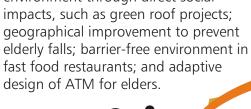














Evidence-based interventions to address psychosocial and mental conditions, including READ & WRITE; CADENZA; ENABLE; Art Theory Active Ageing; Schoolbased Mental Health Enhancement Programme; Psychotherapy and Counselling Services; Study on Dyscalculia.



















The Psychological Services Unit provides training to practising psychologists, and professional service for consultation, assessment and interventions.

Other psychosocial research centres in the Faculty form self-help therapeutic networks for health enhancement; stress management; multiple intelligence training for children; family consultation; and also assist in clinical treatment referrals.



