

Asia's No.1 MBA Programme at HKU Partners with London Business School



An HKU MBA counts as the best in Asia, and 45th worldwide, according to the Economist Intelligence Unit's 2005 rankings of the Top 100 MBAs in the world. This ranking shows the significant progress made over three years - from 79th in 2003 to 68th in 2004, and the only MBA programme in Hong Kong and Asia making the top 50 this year! Key criteria of this ranking include career opportunities and advancement, personal development and educational experience, salary increases, and the potential to network.

In its press release, EIU (Economist Intelligence Unit) specifically mentions that: "The highest ranked school in Asia and Australasia (excluding INSEAD, which has campuses in both France and Singapore) is the University of Hong Kong, in 45th place."

To take the MBA programme to the next level, the Faculty of Business & Economics launched its partnership with London Business School (LBS) which ranks No. 5 in the world. This MBA partnership is believed to be the first of its kind, with HKU as the first and only partnering institution of LBS. The partnership is unique in that all students will study at LBS for three months with full LBS student status in all aspects of learning and campus life. Students will be issued LBS certificate and awarded lifelong LBS alumni status as a member of the around-the-globe London Business School alumni network.

Details: www.mba.hku.hk



Nobel Laureates at HKU

Professor Joseph Stiglitz, winner of the Nobel Prize in Economics, talked on "The Role of the Media in Economic Development" at the Journalism and Media Studies Centre on December 13, 2005.



Professor Daniel Tsui 崔琦, winner of Nobel Prize in Physics, is one of the visiting professors of the Department of Physics. On December 12, 2005, he shared his views and experience in studying sciences with secondary school students who have exceptional interest in physics.

Honouring the Outstanding

Seven outstanding individuals, including four distinguished Alumni, received Honorary University Fellowships on December 15, 2005.

Professor Hou Jiancun 侯健存教授 (MBBS student during the 1940s) is an eminent physician in the medical field in Mainland China, one of the founders and former president of the Hong Kong University Alumni Association of the Chinese Mainland (香港大學內地校友聯誼社) for over ten years.

Dr Ambrose So Shu-fai 蘇樹輝博士 (BSc 1973) has been outstanding in his dedication to the development of HKU, to the service of alumni, and to the cultural community of Hong Kong and Macau.

Mr Raymond To Kwok-wai 杜國威先生 (BA 1971) is a leading contemporary playwright and renowned film director in Hong Kong and was a pioneer in changing stage performances in Hong Kong from government-subsidised activities into popular and profitable Broadway-style shows.

Dr Yeoh Eng-kiong 楊永強醫生 (MBBS 1971) was the first in Hong Kong to be involved in Hepatitis B vaccination and AIDS programmes in the 1980s. As Secretary of Health, Welfare and Food of HKSAR, he established the quality assurance systems for a vision of "a lifelong investment on health".

Professor Felice Lieh-Mak 麥列菲菲教授 is an emeritus professor and former Dean of the HKU Medical Faculty. In addition to her academic activities, she is extensively involved in community service.



The 2005 Honorary University Fellows: (front row, from left) Dr Laurence Hou (MBBS 1957) received the award on behalf of his brother Professor Hou Jiancun, Professor Felice Lieh-Mak, Dr Ambrose So, Dr Tam Wah-ching; (front row, from right) Dr Yeoh Eng-kiong, Ms Serena Yang Hsueh-chi and Mr Raymond To.

Dr Tam Wah-ching 譚華正博士 is a well-known industrialist and philanthropist. Over the past 15 years, he has contributed to the University through the HKU Foundation.

Ms Serena Yang Hsueh-chi 楊雪姬女士 shares the University's vision for the future and showed her support of HKU's focus on internationalisation including the newly opened "Global Lounge" on campus.

For biographies of the awarded Fellows:
http://www.hku.hk/press/news_detail_5270.html

The University of Hong Kong Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine

On May 18, 2005, a resolution of the HKU Council turned a new page in private giving to higher education in Hong Kong. In the resolution, HKU accepts a donation of one billion Hong Kong dollars from the Li Ka Shing Foundation. The Council also proposed, and Mr Li subsequently agreed, to name the Faculty of Medicine after Mr Li, as The University of Hong Kong Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine 香港大學李嘉誠醫學院, in recognition of Mr Li's outstanding contribution. The named Medical Faculty stands independent within the University's academic autonomy. The naming does not affect the Faculty's legal status, governance, decision making and operations in general.

The handsome donation is a milestone in community support of the University. It indicates the endorsement of the University's mission and its distinguished contributions, but also carries with it expectations for excellence at a new height. The Faculty has ever been a premier institution in medical research, teaching and services. The naming of the Faculty highlights a

long-term commitment from the Li Ka Shing Foundation, and the determination of the Faculty to fulfill its missions.

The donation, as a leadership gift, joins the world trend of private gifts to higher education. Mr Li's donation will significantly accelerate the University's advancements in its major fronts, and will cause a leap in its excellence in medical research and education in particular. The naming of a faculty, first of its kind in Hong Kong, led to enthusiastic discussions that not only reflect the passion towards the Medical Faculty among alumni and the general public, but also herald a new tradition in the financing of higher education in Hong Kong.



Taking the good wishes of the HKU Family to Aceh



After the tsunami struck South Asia in late 2004, there was a large outpouring of assistance to meet immediate survival needs. The **"HKU – South Asia Action"** was set up to start a joint effort of the HKU family to help restore and rebuild the affected communities.

"Project Clean Aqua" was led by Dr Paul Cheung, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering, who put his skills to work through this visionary plan of providing crucial clean water and shelter for survivors. Dr Cheung and his friends raised over HK\$1M for the Project. The Project was completed in October 2005 providing desalination systems and over 25 houses for the victims in Aceh.

The HKU Family of students, alumni, staff and friends had also raised over HK\$100,000 for the "HKU – South Asia Action". These donations will be used to build boats for the victims of the tsunami. The fund will build 5 to 6 boats which can be shared by and support over 30 families in villages in Blang Oi and Jenggala in Aceh.

The "HKU – South Asia Action" is a joint effort of the HKU Family hosted by Students' Union, Non-Academic Staff Association, and Employees Union: www.hku.hk/SAaction