Great News on EQUIS Re-accreditation

Our Faculty has recently been awarded EQUIS accreditation for five years.

From 24 to 26 March, a Peer Review Team from the European Quality Improvement System (EQUIS) visited our Faculty as part of a rigorous assessment and accreditation process.

The fundamental objective of EQUIS is to raise the standard of management education worldwide. Institutions that are accredited by EQUIS must demonstrate not only high general quality in all dimensions of their activities, but also a high degree of internationalisation.

The Peer Review Team comprised:
- **Mr. Olivier Oger (Chairman), Dean and President, EDHEC – Business School, France**
- **Mr. Finn Junge-Jensen, President, Copenhagen Business School, Denmark**
- **Professor Gerry Griffin, Pro-Vice Chancellor, University of South Australia, Division of Business, Australia**
- **Mr. Kim Østrup, External Relations Executive, IBM Nordic, IBM Denmark, Denmark**

**EQUIS reception**

During the team’s visit, our Faculty hosted a reception at the Four Seasons Hotel on 24 March. It was an opportunity for prominent friends of our Faculty to chat with the members of the Peer Review Team about the Faculty’s vision, mission and development plans.

Guests at the reception included members of the School of Business Accounting Advisory Board, an FBE Honorary Professor, HKU Council Members, MBA Advisory Board Members, MBA alumni and Executive Committee Members of the University Management Alumni Society.

**Good news**

Shortly after the team’s visit, Professor Gary Biddle, Dean of our Faculty, commented: “The Peer Review Team was impressed by our Faculty, programmes, students and initiatives, and their feedback was constructive and supportive.”

Then, in early June, Dean Biddle announced that he had received excellent news from EQUIS: “The EQUIS Awarding Body was so impressed by our report and progress that they endorsed our re-accreditation for the next five years, which is the maximum possible period!”

Dean Biddle added that the accreditation process had entailed countless documents, meetings, submissions and arrangements. He thanked everyone involved. “Especially deserving of praise and thanks are Chair Professor Amy Lau, David Levin, Wendy Ho, and Albert Hwa for contributing in so many ways, as always. Special thanks to our Faculty/School Office colleagues, and to everyone who met with and submitted documents to our Peer Review Team.”

Dean Gary Biddle welcomes guests at the EQUIS Reception.
EMBA-Global Asia Inaugural Class
A Global Education with an Asian Focus

The inaugural class of the EMBA-Global Asia programme started at HKU in May. This premiere partnership programme of the London Business School, HKU Business School and Columbia Business School has attracted a diverse cohort of students from around the world.

The EMBA-Global Asia programme represents the expansion into Asia of EMBA-Global, an EMBA partnership programme offered by the London Business School and Columbia Business School (New York), and now joined by HKU’s Business School as the Asian partner.

It is the first and only programme to offer learning and networking opportunities across the three cities that drive global business: Hong Kong, New York and London. At the programme’s official launch event held on 20 May, Dean Gary Biddle of our Faculty commented: “EMBA-Global Asia offers participants renowned faculty, cutting-edge East-West insights, and networking with prominent peers, business leaders, policy-makers and the ‘who’s who’ alumni of the top universities of their regions. It is world-spanning, world-linking and world-leading.”

Students study at HKU’s Cyberport 4 campus, a purpose-built facility with a state-of-the-art academic centre designed for interactive learning and networking.

Graduates of this intensive, 20-month programme will receive a joint MBA degree awarded by Columbia University, London Business School and The University of Hong Kong.

The inaugural cohort
The first cohort in the EMBA-Global Asia, due to graduate in 2011, comprises 33 students from around the world (over 10 nationalities are represented). Most of the students (79%) are male; their average age is 36, and they have an average of 11 years’ work experience.

Students come from a wide variety of industry sectors, ranging from finance to consulting, business services, construction/building materials, etc. Most are currently working in the Asia-Pacific region, while some travel frequently from the Americas and Europe to participate in the programme.

Around 60% of the students have already obtained advanced degrees, and about 20% have been offered full or partial financial sponsorship from their employers.

One participant, Mr. Donald CHO, is the Managing Director of Nan Fung Development Ltd., a Hong Kong company.

A Canadian, Mr. Choi commented: “All three schools have a great reputation, so I’m sure the programme will be intellectually challenging, practical, and supportive of the special needs of individual participants.”

An American student, Mr. Shuo WANG, the Business Development Director in the Foreign Account Department of RAE Systems Inc., China, said: “I need to acquire knowledge that I don’t have direct experience of, such as finance and accounting. I believe the EMBA-Global Asia programme will improve my understanding of cross-cultural business issues and enable me to extend my network beyond the US and China.”

A well-rounded education
As well as in-depth study of core management disciplines, the EMBA-Global Asia curriculum covers electives, international seminars and assignments, independent study and group projects.

There will also be optional skills-development workshops covering such topics as leadership, public speaking, self-confidence and how to influence others with integrity. Students will also receive guidance and support with job-seeking and career development.

For more information about the EMBA-Global Asia programme, see http://www.emba-global.com/asia/.
Events: School of Economics and Finance
Learn from Professionals

Our School of Economics and Finance recently presented two informative extra-curricular events for the benefit of students.

Professional Seminar Series
On 10 March, the School presented a seminar on the topic "Preparation for a Career in Finance in the Post Financial Crisis Era".

Over 160 participants attended the seminar, held on campus. They included Early Admission Scheme (EAS) and JUPAS applicants for the B Econ&Fin programme (6767) and the BSc(QFin) programme (6884); postgraduate students; B Econ, B Econ&Fin and B Fin students, and students from other Faculties.

The guest speaker was Dr. Wai-yan CHENG, Director of Equity Derivatives Structuring, Global Market Asia, BBVA. Joining him was discussant Dr. Jeff CHOI, an analyst developer in a US-based bank holding company.

They shared their views about the state of the current job market and the future of the financial services industry, and advised students about how to equip themselves to meet the challenges they are likely to face in the financial industry.

They also discussed the factors that university students should consider when choosing finance or quantitative finance as their major, and offered an industry practitioner’s view of what students should expect of their study programmes.

Wu Yee Sun Education Fund Lecture
On 17 March, over 200 students from our Faculty heard Professor Frederick MA, an Honorary Professor in the School of Economics and Finance, speak on the timely topic “The 2008 Financial Crisis: What Happened & What Next?”.

In the lecture, Professor Ma offered an overview and analysis of the causes of the recent financial crisis; looked at the impact that the crisis has already had and its future ramifications, and discussed how the crisis has affected everyone’s daily life.

He concluded that post-crisis global economic growth will probably be very slow as a result of the damaged financial system. “I think banks will be very hesitant to lend as the banking system has been severely damaged, and without the flow of credit, economic growth will be exceedingly difficult. This situation is unprecedented since the Great Depression, however I am sure we have the willpower to get through it,” he said.

Professor Ma, a graduate of The University of Hong Kong, joined our Faculty in October 2008. He was formerly Secretary for Financial Services and the Treasury (July 2002-June 2007) and Secretary for Commerce and Economic Development (July 2007-July 2008) in the HKSAR Government. He has also had a long and distinguished career in banking, securities, construction and communications.
Events: School of Business
Promoting Innovation

Our School of Business recently presented or sponsored two thought-provoking events.

Bauhinia International Innovation Forum

On 31 March at the Renaissance Harbour View Hotel in Wanchai, over 500 people, including world-renowned thought leaders and practitioners, business leaders, senior executives, policymakers, academics, diplomats, legislators and MBA/EMBA students from around the world, attended Asia’s first-ever “Innovation Imperative Forum”.

Our Faculty was one of the sponsors of the Forum, which was organised by the Bauhinia Foundation Research Centre, a private, independent policy think-tank. The event aimed to promote and encourage innovation as a key value-creation tool.

Thought leaders and trendsetters from the US, the UK, Canada, Denmark and Hong Kong explored the latest global trends that impact economics and businesses, and the three building blocks of innovation: customer insights, business strategy and technology application.

The speakers included:
Mr. John TSANG, Financial Secretary of the Hong Kong SAR Government
Mr. Raymond CHOY, Founder and President of Hong Kong-based company, Toy2R
Professor Ali FARHOOMAND, the Founding Director of the Asia Case Research Centre and Professor of Innovation and Information Management at HKU
Mr. Steve DILLER, Director of Innovation Practice at Cheskin
Mr. Alan HILLS, Vice President and Managing Director, Asia Pacific Resident Show Division, of Cirque du Soleil
Ms. Cecilia LEUNG, Managing Director of Cathay Holidays Ltd.
Professor Costas MARKIDES, Chair of the Strategic and International Management Faculty of the London Business School
Professor Roger MARTIN, Dean of the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto
Mr. Douglas McDAVID, Executive Research Consultant from IBM Global Business Services and the Almaden Services Research Lab
Mr. Hans Müller PEDERSEN, Deputy Director General of the Danish Agency for Science, Technology and Innovation (DASTI)
Mr. Almon YU, Head of Sales (North Asia Pacific) of DHL Global Forwarding

Breakfast meeting with Dean Roger Martin, Rotman School of Management

On 1 April, over 40 members and students from our Faculty and members from HKU’s Faculty of Social Sciences attended a breakfast meeting on campus to hear guest speaker Professor Roger MARTIN, Dean of the Rotman School of Management at the University of Toronto, Canada, share his thoughts about business education.

Dean Martin is renowned for his research into why and how to revamp business education. He holds the Premier’s Chair in Competitiveness and Productivity and is Director of the AIC Institute for Corporate Citizenship.

At the entertaining breakfast meeting, he challenged audience-members to consider:
• What is design thinking?
• The importance of design thinking in a global economy
• The design revolution in business education
• The benefits of design thinking in business education
• How to redesign business education in the emerging design-based economy

The presentation was followed by a lively Q&A session. Dean Gary Biddle of our Faculty then presented a souvenir to Dean Martin.
Events: Inspiring Talks

At recent events organised by our Faculty, students met and learned from local business and community leaders.

Business Communications – Business Leaders and Innovation Forum 2009

Current students from our Faculty, plus students who have recently been admitted under HKU’s “Early Admission Scheme”, heard from a renowned Hong Kong business leader at the inaugural “Business Leaders and Innovation Forum 2009”, held on 17 April.

Guest speaker Ms. Viveca CHAN, Founder, Chairman and CEO of WE Marketing Group, is a highly experienced and well known entrepreneur in the advertising and marketing communications industry.

The forum, the capstone event for the recently launched “Advanced Business Communication” course, provided the students with a unique opportunity to learn first-hand from a business leader who has been particularly innovative in business, and to ask her some probing questions.

UMA – Talk by National People’s Congress Deputy

On 23 April, members and guests of the University of Hong Kong Management Alumni Society (UMA) attended a talk by Mrs. Fanny LAW Fan Chiu-fun, a Hong Kong Deputy to the National People’s Congress (NPC).

In her speech, “Reflections of a Newly Elected National People’s Congress Deputy”, Mrs. Law shared some of her experiences as a new Deputy, and her thoughts about the role of the NPC. She also outlined the characteristics of the Chinese model of development: innovation, gradualism and rapid growth coupled with social stability.

Finally, Mrs. Law posed three thought-provoking questions about the future of Hong Kong:
- Hong Kong is at a crossroads in its development. What can the more educated middle class do to make a difference?
- The community is divided ideologically over the constitutional arrangements in Hong Kong. Is direct election the panacea for all social ills?
- What do we look for in our leaders?

MBA – Townhall Exchange with Lord Davies of Abersoch

Lord Davies of Abersoch, the UK’s Minister for Trade & Investment, gave an engaging and insightful talk at a Townhall Exchange event in Hong Kong on 17 April.

The session, jointly sponsored by UK Trade & Investment and HKU’s MBA programme, dealt with the impact of the current global financial crisis, the UK’s economic situation and the outcomes of the recent G20 summit.

Lord Davies of Abersoch also took questions from the floor, allowing MBA students to further explore topics that were of interest and relevance, and to share their views.

Prior to his current appointment, the guest speaker was the Chairman of Standard Chartered Pic, and spent many years living and working in Hong Kong.
Students’ Activities – MEcon, MFin, MBA

Postgraduate students from our Faculty have benefitted from several recent activities.

Sailing Purposefully Ahead in a Turbulent Sea

On 13 March, a group of MEcon and MFin students participated in a half-day retreat on the theme of “Sailing Purposefully Ahead in a Turbulent Sea”.

Organised by our Faculty’s Career Development Office, the retreat was designed to raise the students’ morale; help them better understand themselves, and teach them practical strategies for reaching their career goals, even in difficult times.

The day featured a series of fun, engaging workshops led by special guest speakers, who offered tips about how to connect with community leaders and potential mentors. The main facilitator was Mr. Blunden J. BUTT, a veteran in corporate executive management.

Beijing Career Trek

Thirty-four MEcon and MFin students from our Faculty participated in a “Beijing Career Trek”, organised by the Career Development Office, from 1 to 3 April.

The aim of the trip to Beijing was to help the students better understand the realities of the job market in various industries.

On 1 April, at an event hosted by the Hong Kong Chamber of Commerce in China, they heard Mr. Joseph LEE, a Partner with Ernst & Young, speak about “China Opportunities & Challenges”, and on 2 April they attended an HKU Alumni Cocktail Gathering at which Mr. Daniel TSEN, Sales Director of Nokia Siemens Beijing, spoke about “Doing Business in China”.

LVMH Open House & Executive Talk

On 5 March, nearly 100 part-time and full-time MBA students attended an “Open House & Executive Talk” at Cyberport 4, hosted by luxury multinational firm LVMH.

The purpose of the event, jointly organised by the MBA Office and the Career Development Office, was to build a long-term collaborative relationship between our MBA students and LVMH, and to help the students understand the dynamics and mechanics of the luxury industry.

Three senior Human Resources executives from LVMH companies in the Asia-Pacific region, Ms. Eliza HO, Ms. Cary CHAN and Ms. Stephanie ZUBER, shared background information about the companies they represent. Guest speaker Mr. Andrew WU, LVMH Group Director for China, then offered his insights on the topic “Cultural Understanding of China’s Transformation for Luxury Consumption”.

Sundowners at LBS

HKU MBA students studying the London track at London Business School had the opportunity to establish their credentials amongst different stakeholders, including their LBS classmates, alumni, Faculty members and corporate executives at an informal “Sundowners” event in London on 26 April. The event was sponsored by HKU’s MBA programme.

A company visit to Siemens

Cheers!
Early Admissions Scheme Dinner

The University Grants Committee’s Early Admissions Scheme (EAS) enables “cream-of-the-crop” Secondary Six students to enter UGC-funded tertiary educational institutions one year earlier than normal Secondary Seven students. Our Faculty recently hosted a dinner for selected EAS applicants of our Faculty’s programmes.

At the dinner, held on 20 March in Loke Yew Hall, 65 EAS applicants, 24 Student Ambassadors from our Faculty and 11 Faculty members gathered together to celebrate the applicants’ achievements and to familiarise them with the Faculty.

Dean Gary Biddle of our Faculty, kicked off the evening with a welcome speech, commenting: “The Faculty has been at the forefront of efforts in providing the highest-quality education in business and economics for future business and community leaders. This has helped to build a solid groundwork for all the bright and outstanding students to upgrade and prepare for their future.”

To showcase the talents of our Faculty’s students and to give the EAS applicants a taste of the opportunities they can expect, a team of FBE students who won the Championship award in the McCombs International Business Challenge 2008 presented their winning business plan, “Emerging Markets Strategy for Dell’s Consumer Group”.

Current students and alumni then eagerly chatted with the EAS applicants about their study and extra-curricular experiences at HKU.

Scholarships and learning opportunities

Our Faculty offers entrance scholarships and enrichment and experiential learning opportunities to EAS students. The students can be awarded University Scholarships valued at up to HK$50,000, plus a Faculty Matching Scholarship valued at up to HK$50,000, for three years. They also have the opportunity to participate in mentorship programmes, local and international internships, competitions, forums and leadership training programmes.

EAS admissions statistics

A total of 61 students have been admitted to our Faculty’s undergraduate programmes via the Early Admissions Scheme 2009. This accounted for 27% of the EAS students admitted to The University of Hong Kong.

Out of 16 EAS students in Hong Kong who scored 10 As in their Secondary Six HKCEE examinations, 11 have been admitted to HKU. Two of them will be studying our 6808 BBA(Law) programme.

The breakdown of programmes selected by the 61 EAS 2009 students who will be studying in our Faculty is as follows:

- 6808 BBA(Law): 46
- 6884 BSc(QFin): 4
- 6896 BBA(IBGM): 11

Students speak out

Miss LAU Ching Wan Nicole, BBA(IBGM), to be admitted in September 2009:

“I was amazed by the passion of the Student Ambassadors. Talking to them allowed me to know more about student life at HKU.”

Miss HUNG Wing Yan Trista, BBA(IBGM) Year 1, FBE Student Ambassador:

“It was such a pleasant time to be with those smart, eager EAS applicants. I had so much to share about my programme and university life that I just couldn’t stop talking. Luckily the students didn’t really mind that!”
Students’ Achievements

Congratulations to students from our Faculty who performed well in recent local and international competitions.

Joint University Outstanding Marketing Award 2008-2009 (JUOMA)

Teams from our Faculty won the Gold, Silver and Bronze Awards in the Joint University Outstanding Marketing Award 2008-2009 (JUOMA).

This annual marketing plan writing competition, organised by a committee consisting of business students from various local universities, aims to enhance students’ creativity and analytical skills. It is open to teams of full-time university students, from any discipline, aged up to 25 as at 31 March 2008.

Participants were required to conduct market research and develop a two-page executive summary of a proposed marketing plan for the sponsor, Fortis Insurance Company (Asia) Limited.

In the final round, held on 15 March, eight teams presented a complete marketing plan (in English) to a panel of judges, and answered questions.

**GOLD AWARD**

Team Leader: Miss MAN Wing Sze, Year 3 BBA(Law)
Team Member: Miss FUNG Anty, Year 3 BBA(Law)

**SILVER AWARD**

Team Leader: Miss GHULAM Jean, Year 1 BBA(Law)
Team Members: Miss TSE Ching Man, Year 1 BBA(Law)
Mr. Joshua WONG Shun Yee, Year 1 BBA(Law)
Miss Estella HAI Sin Man, Year 1 BEd(Econ&Fin)

**BRONZE AWARD**

Team Leader: Mr. CHAN Shek Wah, Year 1 BBA(Law)
Team Members: Mr. TANG Chun Kit, Year 1 BBA(Law)
Mr. SIN Wai Chung, Year 1 BBA(Law)
Mr. LEE Ka Chun, Year 1 BBA(Law)

**BEST PRESENTER**

Mr. TANG Chun Kit, Year 1 BBA(Law)

The 2nd McKinsey/HSBC Business Case Competition

For the second year in a row, a team of students from our Faculty has won the McKinsey/HSBC Business Case Competition, organised by HKU’s Asia Case Research Centre.

Open to all university students in Hong Kong, the competition gives students an opportunity to stretch and apply their quantitative, qualitative, presentation and communication skills beyond classroom learning.

At the final round on 1 June, participants from eight universities had to analyse a case study; present the case to a jury comprised of leading Hong Kong businesspeople, then answer questions about their proposed strategies, solutions and implementation.

The members of the Championship team were:

Miss JI Yuanyuan, Year 3 BEd(Econ&Fin)
Miss Cathryn XIE Jia Ning, Year 3 BEd(Econ&Fin)
Miss Elaine FANG Yuan, Year 2 BBA(Acc&Fin)
Miss Vivien CHIA Wei Mun, Year 3 BBA(Law)

All were offered a summer internship at either McKinsey & Company or The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation Ltd. The team was also awarded a cash prize of HK$20,000.

Putting a case for good business (from left): Dr. Allen Fung, Managing Partner, McKinsey & Company; Hong Kong; Ms. Teresa Au, Head of Corporate Sustainability, Asia Pacific Region, HSBC; Miss Cathryn Xie Jia Ning; Miss Ji Yuanyuan; Dr. Venkat Subramaniam, Assistant Professor, Faculty of Business and Economics, HKU; Miss Vivien Chia Wei Mun; Miss Elaine Fong Yuan; Professor Ali Farhoomand, the Founding Director of the Asia Case Research Centre and Professor of Innovation and Information Management, HKU, and Dean Gary Biddle, Faculty of Business and Economics, HKU
L’Oréal e-Strat

For the fifth year in a row, a team of students from our Faculty has won the Hong Kong Championship in the international L’Oréal e-Strat Competition.

This international online competition, organised by cosmetics firm L’Oréal, is open to undergraduate and MBA students in their final two years of university or business school.

During the six-round competition, participating teams have been running their own virtual cosmetics company, managing a portfolio of beauty brands. They face realistic business challenges and are making crucial decisions about all aspects of the company: pricing, production volume and capacity, research and development, marketing, advertising, brand positioning, and diversity and equity.

The teams with the highest Share Price Index (SPI) at the end of round 5 of the simulation will go into the semi-finals, where, as well as going for the highest SPI, they will also have to formulate a three-year business plan. The top team from each zone (eight zones in total) will go to Paris for the International Finals of their respective divisions.

Winning the Hong Kong Championship (and ranking #14 among all undergraduate players worldwide) was a team comprised of three Year 3 students from our Faculty: Mr. David HONG Shing Kei, BBA(Information Systems) Miss Ruby CHU Lu, BBA(Acc&Fin) Miss Cathy YIN Jiazheng, B(Econ)&Fin

Mr. Hong reported: “There were many tough decisions to be made during the competition, and every step we took affected the business results. The competition has enhanced my analytical, presentation and organisational skills.”

The First Runner-up team (and ranking #25 among all undergraduate players worldwide) was comprised of three BBA(Law) students from our Faculty: Miss Queenie TONG Ka Man Mr. Andrew TANG Ho Fung Miss Silvia HUI See Wai

ACCA Hong Kong Job Hunting Competition 2009

Students from our Faculty won three of the top five places in the ACCA Job Hunting Competition 2009. The students were:
Mr. Andrew WONG On Yu, Year 3 BBA(Law) – First Runner-up
Mr. TANG Ho Fung, Year 3 BBA(Law) – Third Runner-up
Miss Florence POON Yan Yin, Year 2 BBA(Law) – Fourth Runner-up

The annual competition, organised by ACCA Hong Kong (The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants), aims to equip university undergraduates with job-hunting skills and the “soft” communication and interpersonal skills that employers are looking for. It is designed to simulate a real-life executive recruitment process.

The competition is open to all full-time non-final-year undergraduate students in ANY discipline, from any of the nine universities in Hong Kong plus the University of Macau.

After two rounds of semi-final competitions, 12 finalists advanced to the grand final, held on 18 April. They had to introduce themselves (in Putonghua) and explain why they deserved to qualify for the final round; participate in an open discussion (in English), then answer questions (in Cantonese) from the judges.

Shaping their future (from left): Finalist Mr. Billy Lam Shing Fung, Year 1 BBA(BGM); finalist Miss Tiffany Lam Hiu Yan, Year 2 BBA(Law); Mr. Andrew Wong On Yu; Mr. Edward Chiu, Assistant Director, Undergraduate Enrichment Programmes, Faculty of Business and Economics, HKU; Miss Florence Poon Yan Yin; Mr. Andrew Tang Ho Fung and Miss Nancy Man Wing Sze, Year 3 BBA(Law). Miss Man won the Championship of the ACCA Job Hunting Competition China Grand Final 2008
Professional Ethics Case Competition

One hundred and sixty-two Year 3 BBA(Acc&Fin) students from our Faculty recently participated in the first-ever Professional Ethics Case Competition, organised by our School of Business.

The aim of the competition was to challenge the students with a business case from the Asia Case Research Centre that required them to use their knowledge, analytical skills and judgement; and to help them develop their teamwork and oral presentation skills.

Each team of students submitted a written case report; gave an oral presentation, and answered questions from members of the judging panel and the audience.

On 25 April, the best six teams competed in the final round, followed by an awards ceremony. Two members of the Championship team will be offered summer internships at CPA firm Mabel Chan & Co.

Championship Team
Mr. HUNG Cheuk Fai
Miss CHAN Yee Ling
Miss WONG Miu Ying
Miss WONG Man Sze

1st Runner-up Team
Miss ZHOU Yan
Miss DENG Simiao
Miss QIANG Wei
Mr. REN Jie

2nd Runner-up Team
Miss LI Lang Yi
Miss TIAN Tian
Miss LEUNG Yin Kei
Miss YU Lijia

Merit Award
Miss LEUNG Kwan Yi
Miss LUK Suet Lan
Miss LI Kwan Kwok
Miss YIP Hong Shuen

Merit Award
Miss CHOW Hoi Yan
Mr. LEUNG Wai Bong
Mr. Andrew TUDOR-SAVIN
Mr. CHIK Man Chun

Merit Award
Mr. CHAN Sin Faat
Mr. LAU Ho Kwan
Mr. WAN Hon San
Mr. HO Kwan Chi
Faculty Achievements

Congratulations to two Faculty members on their recent achievements

“Universitas 21” Fellowship

Professor Ali FARHOOMAND, the Founding Director of the Asia Case Research Centre and Professor of Innovation and Information Management, has been awarded a “Universitas 21” Fellowship 2009-2010. “Universitas 21”, an international association, aims to enrich intellectual discourse and the educational, research and scholarly functions of member institutions (The University of Hong Kong is one of the founding members). As part of his Fellowship, Professor Farhoomand will teach, conduct workshops and write case studies at Fudan University later this year.

Research Output

A paper by Professor Frank SONG, Director of the Centre for China Financial Research, has been accepted for publication in the prestigious Journal of Development Economics.

The paper, titled “Property Rights Protection and Corporate R&D: Evidence from China” (in press, accepted manuscript), was co-authored with Dr. Chen LIN of City University of Hong Kong and Dr. Ping LIN of Lingnan University.

In the paper, the authors examine the effects of property rights protection on corporations’ innovation-related activities; offer a theoretical framework, and suggest some policy implications of their findings.

Faculty Appointments

We welcome three new Faculty members and one new staff member

School of Business

Professor Chun HUI
Professor
PhD, Indiana University

Professor Hui joined the School on 1 April, 2009. His academic and research interests include: team development and relationship-building, employee performance, management in Chinese contexts, leadership and selection.

School of Economics and Finance

Professor Chenggang XU
Professor
PhD, Harvard University

Professor Xu was officially appointed as a regular Professor in the School of Economics and Finance on 1 March 2009, after serving as a Visiting Professor since 1 July 2008. His research interests include: development, political economics, institutions, the Chinese economy, contract theory, corporate finance/governance, law and finance, and financial regulation.

Career Development Office

Ms. Melina LAI
Director (Career Development)

Ms. Lai has over 20 years of work experience in the fields of Human Resources and executive search, and will provide assistance to our students in their career development. She has an MBA and completed foundation modules of a Doctorate in Business Administration from the University of Hull, UK.

Dr. Di GUO
Assistant Professor
PhD, The University of Edinburgh

Dr. Guo was re-appointed as Assistant Professor on 1 March, 2009 (she joined HKU in July 2008 as a Visiting Assistant Professor). Her research interests cover entrepreneurship, strategic management, R&D financing, corporate governance and China-specific topics.
Alumni Information Update

To maintain your close ties with the Faculty, please inform us if there is any change in your contact details. Thank you.

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