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HSUHK President inspires freshmen with diverse learning and self-exploration at Convocation

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) held its Convocation on campus today to welcome over 2,200 undergraduate students and 50 exchange students to the 2025-26 academic year.

In his speech, Professor Simon Ho, President of HSUHK, shared that in the VUCA era — characterised by volatility, uncertainty, complexity and ambiguity — the world is undergoing major global transitions. Faced with geopolitical tensions, aging populations, economic structural changes, widening wealth gaps, growing concerns over climate and environmental sustainability, and the rise of Artificial Intelligence (AI) technologies, students should prepare themselves for a dynamic world.

President Ho shared, “As AI continues to evolve and reshape workplaces, many existing jobs would be replaced by technology, while countless new opportunities in areas that we might not yet have imagined, especially those that require more unstructured judgement, personalised attention and original creativity, will emerge. In the future, it seems unlikely that you will stay within the same profession or sector for your entire life. Therefore, you should equip yourself to face the future with adaptability and flexibility by acquiring proper values, attitudes and transferable competencies.”

President Ho further stressed that university education goes far beyond acquiring knowledge and technical abilities, or preparing for employment. It is also a journey of self-discovery and building own core values – values such as respect, integrity, diligence, responsibility, compassion, perseverance and unity. He encouraged student to take part in various learning opportunities to discover their passions, define their values and grow into the person they find meanings and fulfilment.

Johnny Chong, President of the HSUHK Students’ Union, shared in his address that every new student will encounter their own crossroads during their university journey. Emphasising knowledge will serve as their “compass”. Johnny encouraged students to build a strong foundation through their studies and break out of their comfort zones to explore their potential. He also advised students to actively participate in student organisations, competitions and events, embracing the unknown and seizing every opportunity to prepare for a future full of promise and potential.

On the same day, HSUHK also held its orientation for postgraduate students, welcoming over 760 new students to its postgraduate programmes. Under the theme “Leading the Future, Beyond Imagination”, the event featured presentations by both internal and external guests. Topics included advice on turning pressure into motivation, protecting personal data, staying vigilant



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against phone scams, career support, and an introduction to HSUHK's sports teams, events and activities.

President Ho's welcome remarks: [Link](#)

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Photo 1 to 2: President Ho welcomes new students at the Convocation.



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Photo 3: HSUHK holds its Convocation to welcome over 2,200 undergraduate students and 50 exchange students.



Photo 4: President Ho encourages students to take part in various learning opportunities to discover their passions.



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Photo 5: Johnny Chong believes every new student will encounter their own crossroads and is confident that knowledge will serve as their “compass”.

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The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) is a non-profit private liberal-arts-oriented university with six Schools (Business, Communication, Decision Sciences, Humanities and Social Science, Translation and Foreign Languages, and Transdisciplinary Studies), and over 6,700 full-time undergraduate and postgraduate students. With its unique “Liberal + Professional” education model, HSUHK nurtures young talent with critical thinking, innovative minds, caring attitudes, moral values and social responsibility.

Aspiring to be a leading private university in the region, HSUHK prioritises stellar undergraduate education, top-quality faculty members, award-winning green campus facilities, innovative degree programmes, a unique residential college system that combines living and learning, interactive small-class teaching, close student-teacher relationships, impactful research, and excellent student development and support services.

HSUHK also ranked 7th (overall) in the ASEAN+ region, the 1st in the Greater China region, the 1st in Employability, the 3rd in Research and the 5th in Community Engagement as per the 2023 AppliedHE ASEAN+ private university ranking by the Singapore-based AppliedHE. Additionally, HSUHK was ranked among the top 200 worldwide on “Quality Education” and “Decent Work and Economic Growth” in the Times Higher Education University Impact Rankings 2021.

HSUHK was recognised in the 2025 Top Universities and Top Scientists Rankings conducted by international academic platform, Research.com, and was ranked 22nd in Social Sciences and Humanities, and 33rd in Economics and Finance among the top universities in China. The University’s MSc in Global Supply Chain Management programme was ranked 84th globally in the



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QS International Trade Rankings 2025 announced by Quacquarelli Symonds (QS). The programme was also ranked 7th in the Greater China region and 4th in Hong Kong. The School of Business obtained AACSB International accreditation, a distinction achieved by only 6% of the world's leading business schools.