

# <u>Press Release – For Immediate Release</u>

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## **HSUHK receives 20% more Research Grants Council funding support in 2025-26**

The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong (HSUHK) achieves a remarkable 20% increase in research funding, securing HK\$12.67 million for 19 projects in the 2025-26 Research Grants Council Competitive Research Funding Schemes for the Local Self-financing Degree Sector. This significant growth, up from HK\$10.38 million in 2024-25, underscores HSUHK's rising prominence in the respective academic landscape.

HSUHK's success spans 15 projects under the Faculty Development Scheme (FDS) and four projects under the Inter-Institutional Development Scheme (IIDS). With an overall success rate of 34.6%, HSUHK surpasses the sector average of 29.1%, solidifying its position as the most competitive institution among the four self-financed universities. Notably, HSUHK achieves an outstanding 66.7% success rate in the IIDS, the highest among all self-financed universities, along with securing the largest funding share in this category.

HSUHK continues to excel across multiple disciplines, leading in the Business Studies Panel with the highest number of funded projects among self-financed universities, achieving a 32.7% funding share. HSUHK also demonstrates strong performance in the Engineering Panel and Physical Sciences Panel, achieving success rates of 45.5% and 66.7%, respectively, reflecting the diversity and quality of its research efforts. Within HSUHK, the School of Decision Sciences remains standout, securing eight FDS projects and one IIDS project, accounting for more than half of the university's total funded projects.

"HSUHK's sustained progress in securing competitive research funding reflects our commitment to fostering innovative and impactful research across disciplines," said Professor Joshua Mok, Provost and Vice-President (Academic and Development). "As a young self-financed university, we are proud to witness our efforts and achievements, which will keep our University working towards advancing both education and research, and contributing to the society at large."

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## **About The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong**

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 7,000 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 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.

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