

## **Welcome Remarks at the 10th Anniversary Ceremony of the HSUHK Teaching Excellence Awards and the Centre for Teaching and Learning**

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Auditorium, Lee Quo Wei Academic Building, Yuen Campus, HSUHK

Distinguished Guests and Fellow Colleagues,

Good morning.

Welcome to the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration of the HSUHK Teaching Excellence Awards and the Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL). It is my greatest pleasure to welcome you to this signature event of CTL, “Celebrating Teaching Excellence: A Decade of Innovation, A Lifetime of Transformation”.

At HSUHK, we take pride in providing students with a holistic and transformative learning experience through our unique “Liberal + Professional” model. Our commitment to excellence is reflected in our state-of-the-art facilities that foster creativity and engagement. Our dedicated and passionate teachers continually develop innovative and effective teaching pedagogy to help students discover their interests and unleash their potential especially in this digital and AI era and in view of the attributes of the post-2010 generation. Through impactful research and engagement projects, we address pressing societal challenges while enhancing the well-being of our communities, gaining both regional and international recognition.

One of our core missions at HSUHK is to enhance teaching and learning quality. CTL plays a central role in advancing this goal by supporting both teachers and students across four key areas: *Digital Learning*, *Service-Learning*, *Teaching and Learning Enhancement*, and *the Virtual Reality Centre*. Through a wide range of initiatives, CTL fosters collaboration and engagement, ensuring teachers and students have the resources they need to excel. Together, we strive for teaching excellence, enriching the educational experience, empowering students to reach their full potential in their academic endeavours and transform their future.

Since its launching in 2014-15, the HSUHK Teaching Excellence Awards had recognised over 50 faculty members. Each of them contributes significantly to our strong foundation for cultivating excellence in teaching and learning. In 2023-24, we are proud to recognise six award recipients, including five full-time teachers and one part-time teacher. We are grateful to have all of you with us to commemorate a decade of remarkable achievements.

I would like to extend our sincere appreciation to CTL for its unwavering support over the past decade. Your commitment to inspiring innovative teaching practices has significantly transformed the learning experiences at HSUHK. We are especially grateful to Dr Ben Cheng, Director of the Centre, and his team's efforts and contributions.

We are delighted to feature insightful sharing sessions by our Teaching Excellence Award recipients and a roundtable forum with the Deans of HSUHK's five Schools, moderated by our Provost and Vice-President (Academic and Research). Cheers to the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Teaching Excellence Awards and our Centre for Teaching and Learning! Let us celebrate this milestone together!

Thank you.