

Address at the Honorary University Fellowship Conferment Ceremony 2026

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Chairman of the Board of Governors, Ms Luanne Lim; Chairman of the Council, Dr Moses Cheng; Governors; Council Members; Distinguished Guests; Colleagues; Students; Ladies and Gentlemen,

Welcome to the Honorary University Fellowship Conferment Ceremony 2026 of The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong. Since 2017, the University has conferred 15 Honorary University Fellowships on exceptional individuals whose contributions have impacted our University and society at large.

Today, we will recognise three distinguished individuals whose dedication, leadership, and service deeply resonate with the mission and aspirations of our University.

We are proud to confer Honorary University Fellowships upon these exceptional leaders: Ms Stella Fung Siu-wan, Mr Alan Li Pui-leung, and Mr Lim Soon-tiong. Each of them has distinguished themselves not only through professional excellence, but also through sustained service to the community and meaningful support for higher education.

Ms Stella Fung is a veteran leader in the banking sector and a highly regarded entrepreneur, with over three decades of outstanding professional achievements. A long-standing supporter of Hang Seng University, Ms Fung has contributed generously to the University's growth through givings, strategic advice, and sharing her professional insights and networks. Her support has played an important role in advancing our institutional development in a purposeful and sustainable manner.

Mr Alan Li is an accomplished industrialist whose influence extends well beyond the business arena. He has played a vital role in fostering collaboration among government, industry, and the education sector both in Hong Kong and in the Guangdong area. His unwavering support for our University initiatives and campus development has significantly enhanced students' learning experiences and strengthened the University's engagement with the wider community.

Mr Lim Soon-tiong is a respected entrepreneur and a passionate advocate for cross-cultural exchanges. He has been the sole sponsor of a long-standing cultural exchange programme jointly organised by three universities in Malaysia and two universities in Hong Kong (currently only Hang Seng University), benefitting nearly 300 students in total. The programme has been providing Hang Seng University students with invaluable international exposure that has enriched their educational journeys.

At Hang Seng University, we are guided by our unique “Liberal + Professional” education model, which seeks to cultivate graduates who think critically, act ethically, embrace innovation, and care deeply about society. In an era of volatility, uncertainty and complexity, we are committed to preparing our students to navigate change with confidence, resilience, and a strong sense of responsibility.

The Honorary University Fellows we recognise today exemplify these values in action. Ms Fung demonstrates how principled leadership and compassion can create lasting social impact. Mr Li personifies professional excellence coupled with service to the public good. Mr Lim reminds us that education transcends borders, and that intercultural understanding is essential in shaping responsible global citizens.

This Ceremony is more than a celebration of individual achievements. It reaffirms the core values that define Hang Seng University and our broader community. Through the contributions and examples set by our Honorary University Fellows, our University’s mission is further strengthened, and its vision is brought more vividly to life.

On behalf of Hang Seng University, I extend my heartfelt congratulations to Ms Fung, Mr Li, and Mr Lim on being conferred Honorary University Fellowships. Thank you for your remarkable contributions, and for the inspiration you provide to our students, colleagues, and the wider community.

Thank you.