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Issue 4



SCHOOL OF HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE

DEAN'S MESSAGE





Welcome to the fourth annual newsletter of the School of Humanities and Social Science (SHSS). While some social distancing measures remained in place during the 2020-21 academic year, we were able to introduce a range of new initiatives thanks to the remarkable energy and creativity of our faculty and staff. As you'll see in the following pages, these include:

- Collaboration with the French Centre of Contemporary China (CEFC), which moved its offices to SHSS
- Hosting the Inaugural Conference of the Association for Chinese Animation Studies (Professor Daisy Du) (online)
- Launching the Inaugural Cosmopolis Festival
 of musical events (in mixed mode) featuring a
 diversity of cultural, ethnic, and linguistic
 genres (SHSS music team).

We are also delighted by the successful recruitment of the new Division Head of Humanities, Professor Steven Miles and 19 other faculty. Nearly all of them relocated from across the globe — and endured lengthy quarantines with their families—to join our faculty.

We have much to anticipate in the coming year, including the first live production of a musical since 2018; the opening of the Shaw Auditorium, which coincides with the celebration of HKUST's 30th Anniversary; and a new initiative to build capacity in AI ethics and governance.

I look forward to seeing all of you in person as the campus resumes in-person classes and various events.



FACULTY

New Appointments

CLF

Dr Ana Alias Martinez Lecturer I

Dr Roy Chan Lecturer II

Ms Sandy Chan Lecturer I

Ms Jasmine Chen Lecturer II

Dr Stanley Ho Lecturer I

Dr Sylvia Hon Lecturer I

Dr Yilmaz Koylu Lecturer I

Dr Sara Lai-Reeve Lecturer I

Dr Clive Lee Senior Lecturer

Mr Martin Ma

Lecturer II

Dr Lorena Potter Lecturer I

Mr Koji Shiomi Lecturer I

Ms Lorraine Wong

HUMA



Prof Steven MilesDivison Head and Professor

Prof Jenny Hung Assistant Professor

Prof James Simpson Associate Professor

SOSC

Prof Dong Zhang Assistant Professor

Prof David Hendry Assistant Professor

Prof Wenjuan Zheng Assistant Professor

Visiting Faculty

Prof Barry SautmanVisiting Professor, Professor
Emeritus, HKUST, 2021-2022

Dr. Dechao Li Visiting Scholar, HKUST, Fall 2021

Farewell to Faculty

CLF

Dr Grace Cao Lecturer II

Ms Anne Clayton Lecturer I

Ms Pionie Foo Lecturer I

Ms Gloria Kwan Lecturer I

Ms Rosie McLaughlin Lecturer I

Prof Sean McMinnAssociate Director

Ms Carmel Yip Lecturer II

Farewell to Faculty

SOSC

Prof Ching Kwan Lee

Dr. Chung Sze-Yuen Professor of Social Science/ Chair Professor

Prof Xiaogang Wu Chair Professor

Prof Ming Sing Associate Professor

Prof Guojun He Assistant Professor

Dr Tong Liu Research Assistant Professor

CONGRATULATIONS!

Promotions

Prof Cameron Campbell

Chair Professor, SOSC

Mr Thomas Chan Lecturer I, CLE

Ms May Liao Lecturer I, CLE

Ms Kasina Wong Lecturer I, CLE

Awards & Honors

Prof Wenfang Tang

appointed Executive Committee member, Comparative Politics Section, American Political Science Association. Appointed Editor-in-Chief, Frontiers in Political Science, Comparative Governance Section.

Prof James Lee and Prof Cameron Campbell

awarded a "最佳題材獎" at 2020 Annual Meeting of 中國數字人文年會

Dr Tong Liu

awarded Best Paper for Sustainable Paths Toward Carbon Neutrality, CICC Global Institute (Mar. 2021)

Prof Quentin Qin

article was nominated and recognized by the Editorial Board of the Journal of Phonetics

Prof Han Zhang

Best Paper Awards, Computational Methods Division, 71st Annual Conference of the International Communication Association, 27-31 May 2021

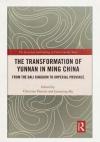
Prof Jianmei Liu

Honoree, The Third Faculty Recognition Ceremony, HKUST

Prof Julian Groves

Honoree, The Third Faculty Recognition Ceremony, HKUST

FACULTY BOOK PUBLICATIONS



Christian Daniels and Jianxiong Ma

Co-editors

The Transformation of Yunnan in Ming China From the Dali Kingdom to Imperial Province

Routledge, 2020

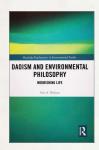


Kellee S. Tsai

Co-edited with Szu-chien Hsu and Chun-chih Chang

Evolutionary Governance in China: State-Society Relations Under Authoritarianism

Harvard University Press, 2021



Eric Nelson

Daoism and Environmental Philosophy: Nourishing Life

Routledge, 2021



Shengqing Wu

Photo Poetics: Chinese Lyricism and Modern Media Culture

Columbia University Press, 2020



Eric Nelson

Levinas, Adorno, and the Ethics of the Material Other SUNY Press, 2020



Wenkai He

通向現代財政國家的 路徑:英國、日本與 中國

香港中文大學出版社 / 三聯書店哈佛燕京叢書,2020

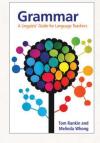


Jianmei Liu

Co-edited with Howard Y.F. Choy

Liu Zaifu: Selected Critical Essays

Brill, 2021

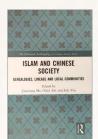


Melinda Whong

Co-edited with Tom Rankin

Grammar: A Linguists' Guide for Language Teachers

Cambridge University Press, 2020



Jianxiong Ma

Co-edited with Oded Abt and Jide Yao

Islam and Chinese Society: Genealogies, Lineage and Local Communities

Routledge, 2020



Melinda Whong

Co-edited with Jeanne Godfrev

What is Good Academic Writing? Insights into Discipline-Specific Student Writing

Bloomsbury Academic, 2020

FACULTY EXTERNAL GRANTS 2020-21

General Research Fund Projects

Cameron Campbell (SOSC)

"Disasters and Official Careers in the Qing Civil Service, 1830-1912."

Eva Chen (SOSC)

"The Naturally Talented or the Hard Worker? Examining the Emergence and Development of the Naturalness Bias Over Time."

Flora Fu (HUMA)

"Negotiating Representational Strategies: Pictures of Mount Taibo from the 14th to the 18th Centuries."

Li Han (SOSC)

"Dams and Conflicts."

Guojun He (SOSC)

"The Impacts of Ultra-High Voltage Electricity Transmission on China's Environment, Health, and Energy Market."

Agnes Ku (SOSC)

"Youth Movements and Generational Change in Hong Kong."

Early Career Scheme

Han Zhang (HUMA)

"Whether and When Grievances Become Protests in China: A Big Data Approach."

Prestigious Fellowship Scheme under Humanities and Social Sciences Panel

Eric Nelson (HUMA)

"Nothingness, Suffering, and the Unconscious: Buddhism and Nineteenth-Century German Philosophy."

Non-UGC Grants

Tong Liu (SOSC)

received a grant of HK\$110,920 from 2021 Funding Schemes of Guangdong Natural Science Foundation (Jan. 2021).

Teaching and Learning Innovation Project (TLIP)

James Wong (SOSC)

"Developing and Implementing a Blended Learning Course - Environmental Politics and Policy."

2020 SHSS Teaching Award Winner



Prof Stuart Gietel-Basten

2020 SHSS Teaching Award Honorable Mention



Dr Sai-Lok Nam

CREATIVE ARTS HIGHLIGHTS













The Development of

Arts and Culture in the HKUST community.

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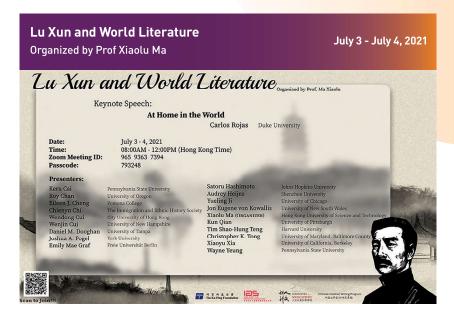
April 15, 2021



MAJOR CONFERENCES / WORKSHOPS







NEW STUDENTS, FALL 2021



Research Post-graduate Students

HUMA 4 MPhil 3 PhD students

SOSC 8 MPhil 3 PhD students



Taught Post-graduate Students

110 MSc Global China Studies students

including nine 3+1 students Bachelor's/MSc pathway from Shantou University Shandong University, Xiamen University, South China University of Technology and Shanghai International Studies University

41 MA in Chinese Culture students

72 MA in International Language Education students

39 students concentrating in Teaching English as Second Language specialized concentration

students concentrating in Teaching Chinese as Second Language

47 MA in Social Science students



Undergraduate Majors

68 Global China Studies

30 Quantitative Social Analysis (QSA) students

We now have **749 Full-time** (including beyond-time) **UG** and **PG students**, an increase of 85 students from the previous year.

STUDENT PUBLIC POLICY CASE COMPETITION



The second session of the HKUST Inter-University Public Policy Case Competition was held on 1 April and 17 April 2021. Co-hosted by SHSS's Division of Social Science, the Division of Public Policy, and the Institute for Public Policy, the Case Competition attracted 200 student participants from 6 higher education institutions in Hong Kong, Three teams of our GCS and QSA students advanced to the semi-final, with the INNOSIGHT team winning the first runner-up title and the G4 team winning the third runner-up title. Heartfelt congratulations on their excellent achievements!

STUDENT GRADUATION

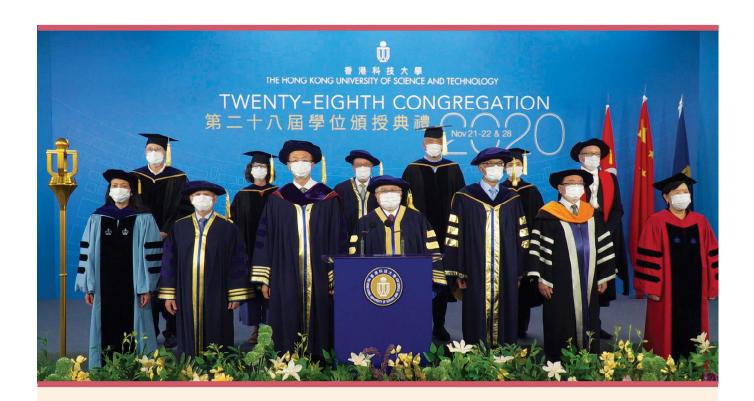
Nearly

300 ₽

UG, TPG and RPG students graduated from SHSS in 2021

This year's graduating **UG** class of **80** students include





2021 Academic Placements

HUMA Graduates

Yang Wei

Lecturer, Chinese Language Center, Shenzhen MSU-BIT University

Mark Kevin Supnad Cabural

Postdoctoral Fellow, Xiamen University

SOSC Graduates

Wei Luo

Postdoctoral Fellow at the Faculty of Business and Economics, HKU

Mengyu Liu

Visiting Scholar, CityU

PhD Program Placement of MPhil Graduates

Ziyang Chen

PhD in Humanities, HKUST

Rachel Ganly

DPhil in Sociology, University of Oxford

Song Han

PhD in Comparative Literature, Cornell University

Ai Lin

PhD in Humanities, HKUST

Minghong Shen

PhD in Urban Governance and Design, HKUST (GZ)

Takanao Tanaka

PhD in Agricultural and Resource, UC Berkeley

Yabin Yin

PhD in Social Science, HKUST



Student Accomplishments

Undergraduate

Yu Cheng (GCS)

Tin Ka Ping Scholarship (Community Leadership) under Community Leadership and Engagement (COLE) Scholarship 2020/21, HKUST

Sze Yuen Chan (QSA)

Alumni Endowment Fund Community Service, HKUST

Yu Cheng (GCS)

3rd runner up, HKUST Inter-University Public Policy Case Competition 2021

Bochen Dong (GCS)

HKSAR Government Scholarship – Talent Development Scholarship

Wing Yung Foo (GCS)

Young Geographer of the Year Award 2021 of Critical Eye Theme in Tertiary Education Division, Royal Geographical Society

Lok Man Kwan (GCS)

Award of "Excellent Interviewer," National Survey Research Center at Renmin University of China (NSRC)

Ka Yan Lam (GCS)

HKUST Diversity Scholarships

Jingchen Li (QSA)

HKSAR Government Scholarship – Continuing Awards

Ming De Pearl Ngau (GCS)

HSBC Greater Bay Area (Hong Kong) Scholarship, HSBC

Yinan Wang (GCS)

Tin Ka Ping Scholarship (Dream Chaser), Tin Ka Ping Foundation

Yiwei Wang (QSA)

Ng Hong Mun Educational Foundation Outstanding Student Scholarship, HKUST

Taught Post-graduate

Guqiao Chen, Meiling Chen, An Dong, Ko Suet Ying & Lide Su

MA in Chinese Culture Dean's Award 2020

Congying Dai, Juanjuan Dai, Haoshen He, Wenhao Huang, Wenjing Li, Xiaolin Nong, Maonan Yang & Qiyun Yu

MA in International Language Education Dean's Award 2020

Sheila Chan, Kaiyang Huo & Chuyao Wang MSc in Global China Studies Dean's Award 2020

Yi Chen, Chung Yan Lo & Delin Zhang MA in Social Science Dean's Award 2020

An Dong & Lide Su

Mr Wang Shiu Tong Scholarship in Humanities 2020

A group of UST students coached by CLE

First Prize, Excellent Instruction Award, and Excellent Creation Award in The 6th National University Student Art Festival organized by Ministry of Education of the People's Republic of China

Research Post-graduate

Wenzhi Lu (SOSC)

Li Po Chun Charitable Trust Fund Scholarships 2020/21

Yajun Tang (HUMA) & Ruilin Lai (SOSC)

Dr. Charles Chan Postgraduate Scholarship 2020/21

Wenwei Peng (SOSC)

received two research grants in total 80,000 US dollars from Tsinghua U – UChicago Joint Research Center for Economics and Finance.

THE FRENCH CENTRE FOR RESEARCH ON CONTEMPORARY CHINA (CEFC)







Consul General Alexandre Giorgini, the Consulate General of France in Hong Kong and Macao, visiting the new CEFC office in SHSS on 17 March 2021.



The French Centre for Research on Contemporary China (CEFC) is a publicly funded research institute, supported by the French Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the CNRS. Established in 1991, the Centre is based in Hong Kong, with a branch office in Taipei since 1994. The CEFC publishes *China Perspectives*, an SSCI interdisciplinary academic journal, established in 1995, which focuses on the political, social, economic and cultural evolutions of contemporary China (PRC, Hong Kong, Macao, and Taiwan).

2021-22 SHSS Executive Committee

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Dean, School of Humanities and Social Science

Steven Miles

Head of Division of Humanities

Wenfang Tang

Head of Division of Social Science

Melinda Whong

Associate Dean and Director of CLE

Stuart Gietel-Basten

Associate Dean for Research

Yongshun Cai

Associate Dean for Post-graduate Programs

Carine Yiu

Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education

Kevin Tam

Associate Professor, SOSC

Isaac Droscha

Lecturer, HUMA

In Memory

Ms Vicky Fung-ching Lai [1960 - 2021], one of the

founding Administrative Support Staff of HKUST. Ms Lai transferred to the Division of Social Science (SOSC) in 1994 and resigned in April 2018 due to declining health.









