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The Vice-Chancellor of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Professor Charles K. Kao was conferred the first degree of service - Doctor of The University by Griffith University of Australia in recognition of his distinguished service to international learning and university education.

Famed for his pioneering work on optical fibres for communication purposes, Professor Kao took up the first chairmanship of the Department of Electronic Engineering of The Chinese University in 1970. Since October 1987, he has served as the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

Under his Vice-Chancellorship, the scope and content of the academic programmes at both undergraduate and postgraduate levels have been enhanced in response to the new and changing community needs. The two new Faculties of Education and Engineering were added to the original five Faculties. Seven new research institutes were established to promote interdisciplinary research within the University as well as in conjunction with other institutions.

Recently, Prof Kao was honoured the 1995 Gold Medal for Engineering Excellence from the World Federation of Engineering Organisations for his achievement in optic fibre technology.

In the picture is Professor Kao(right) who received the degree from Griffith's Chancellor, Chief Justice of Queensland the Hon John Macrossan.

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