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Chinese University Signs Medical Faculty Agreement
with
University of Alberta in Canada

An exchange agreement between the Faculties of Medicine at the Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) and the University of Alberta (UA) in Edmonton, Canada was signed today (February 7, 1996).

The University of Alberta was represented by Professors Roderick D. Fraser (President and Vice-Chancellor) and D. Lorne Tyrrell (Dean, Faculty of Medicine). The Chinese University was represented by Professors Ambrose Y. C. King (Acting Vice-Chancellor), Joseph C. K. Lee (Acting Dean, Faculty of Medicine) and Teik E. Oh (Sub-Dean for Medical Education).

The exchange programme enables senior academic staff from each institution to visit the other for up to six weeks in each year in order to engage in various academic activities related to teaching, research and clinical service. It is intended that this agreement will provide a formal structure for collaborations which have already begun, facilitate the development of a wide range of collaborative academic programmes, and lead to a close and long term relationship.

Established in 1908, the University of Alberta is one of Canada's premiere universities. Its Faculty of Medicine MD program (which has led Canadian medical schools in its placings on the national licensing examinations) and over 30 accredited post-graduate programs in basic, clinical, and public health sciences is supported by an academic staff of nearly 400, many of whom have received major national and international awards for teaching and research.

While numerous Edmonton hospitals, medical clinics and public health units are used for teaching and clinical services, the primary site is at the University of Alberta Hospitals - a facility which has received worldwide acclaim for its innovative design and facilities.

The medical school's phenomenal growth in research programming during the past 15 years accounts for approximately 50% of all competitive, external funding received by the UA. Internationally recognized research groups in biochemistry, neurosciences and other basic clinical research also are supported by the Alberta Heritage Foundation for Medical Research, a \$300 million (Cdn) fund set up by the Alberta Government to sustain world-class medical research.

Both Faculties of Medicine have a limited number of such reciprocal agreements and as Centres for academic excellence in their respective regions, this particular agreement is expected to have mutually beneficial results.

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