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Chinese University Launches

Full-time Bachelor of Education Programme in Primary Education

The Chinese University of Hong Kong announces today that a full-time Bachelor of Education Programme in Primary Education will be introduced in September, and is now inviting applications for admission.

This two-year pre-service programme, to be offered by the Faculty of Education of The Chinese University of Hong Kong, is designed for holders of Teacher Certificate from Colleges of Education in Hong Kong. The programme consists of four categories of teacher knowledge. "Pedagogical Content knowledge" covers the major subjects of Chinese, English, and Mathematics. "Professional studies" seeks to enhance teacher competence in the methods of teaching and learning in lower primary and upper primary classes. "General studies" covers courses in both general education and social and psychological foundations of education. "Functional studies" imparts knowledge of a more practical nature, such as school administration and guidance and counselling. Students will also be involved in supervised attachment to schools.

The programme aims to prepare prospective teachers for future challenges in education and society at large by strengthening their intellectual development, professional competence and critical thinking. Persons who have obtained or expect to obtain a Teacher Certificate awarded by a College of Education in Hong Kong and have not joined the teaching service are eligible to apply for admission.

Application forms can be obtained from the Admissions Section, The Chinese University of Hong Kong, Shatin. Applicants who are final year students of Colleges of Education in Hong Kong may obtain application forms from their respective institutions. For enquiries concerning admission to the Programme, please contact the Admissions Section at 6098951. The closing date for application is 5 March 1994.

In order to provide further information about the Programme, the Faculty of Education will conduct a seminar on 19 February 1994 (2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.) at B6 Lecture Theatre, Ho Tim Building, CUHK. Interested persons may contact the Faculty of Education at 6096938 for further details of the seminar.