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## INNOVATIVE HIGH-TECH LANGUAGE CENTRE AT THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY

The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) opened its new Independent Learning Centre (ILC) today (October 30) at its Shatin campus. The opening ceremony was followed by a tour of this state-of-the-art self-access language learning facility, which is located on the 4th floor of the University's newly opened Tin Ka Ping Building.

The purpose of the ILC is to provide CUHK with a self-access language centre where both students and staff can take advantage of a wide range of materials to enhance their language skills. The self-access language materials available will include a variety of software teaching packages, audio and video tapes, laser discs, CD-ROM multimedia technology, language worksheets, and a selection of leisure reading books, magazines and newspapers.

While set up primarily to meet the English langauge needs of CUHK, the ILC will likely be offering assistance for other foreign languages in the future. A satellite dish on the building will make foreign language TV broadcasts also available. Other distinguished features of the ILC will be personalised language counseling services and a Writing Centre which will provide one-on-one tutorial services for staff and students.

The ILC is run by the CUHK English Language Teaching Unit which is chaired by Dr. Michele Chase. The founding Director of the ILC is Dr. Herbert Pierson who oversees regular operations of the ILC.

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