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Dr Spencer Wong has been appointed Director of the Department of Extramural Studies (EMSD) of The Chinese University of Hong Kong with effect from August 1, 1990 succeeding Professor Ho Kam-fai who has since returned to fulltime appointment as Professor of Social Work and Chairman of the Social Work Department.

Dr Spencer Wong received BSEd and MEd from University of Oklahoma in 1960 and 1961 respectively, BA from the University of New Brunswick in Canada (1962), Dipolma in Education (1963) and PhD in Adult Education from the University of Edinburgh, UK. Dr Wong joined CUHK in 1967 and has served as Administrative Assistant, Staff Tutor and Senior Staff Tutor. In 1970-71, he was seconded to the School of Education as Lecturer.

Dr Wong is strongly committed to the promotion of adult education. He has been Vice-Chairman of the Hong Kong Association for Continuing Education since 1975. During his 23 years of service in the EMSD, Dr Wong has been instrumental in initiating major developments in adult education and developing joint programmes with universities and educational institutions in Canada, Australia and the USA.

Regarding the future development of the EMSD, the new Director remarked that EMSD would continue to offer degree or professional courses in collaboration with overseas universities; to strengthen distance education programmes; and to present TV courses of common interest in conjunction with the newly established Cable Television. With the increasing demand for adult education, EMSD is trying to locate a second town centre.

The EMSD of the Chinese University was established in 1965 to serve the community by offering opportunities for adult and continuing education. In 1989-90 the EMSD offered more than 2,000 daytime and evening courses including general courses, certificate/diploma, correspondence, radio and self-learning courses with a total enrolment of 53,750.

August 23, 1990

Attachment: Photo of Dr Spencer Wong