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University ready for greater role, says Vice-Chancellor

The Chinese University is prepared to "Lead, Innovate and Serve" as it marches forward to assume a greater role in the run-up to and beyond 1997, the Vice-Chancellor of the Chinese University of Hong Kong, Prof. Charles Kao Kuen, said today.

Addressing the University's 47th Congregation, Prof Kao said various new programmes are being offered in step with Hong Kong's rapid developments. The new School of Accountancy of the Faculty of Business Administration will, for example, train more professionals to serve the rapidly growing Hong Kong and Chinese financial sectors.

New centres -- including the Institute of Mathematical Sciences, the Hong Kong Institute of Educational Research and the Research Centre for Contemporary Chinese Culture -- have also been launched to promote integrative and multi-disciplinary research.

Reiterating the importance of linkages with the academic world, the Vice-Chancellor said research collaboration and extensive exchanges of faculties and students with centres of excellence worldwide are the cornerstone of the University's international stature.

These activities not only promote international cooperation, but also provide evidence of the Chinese University's standing in the international academic world, said Prof. Kao.

The University tops the list of institutions in Southeast Asia most active in such pursuits, he said, citing as example the University's links with the world's best business schools, including the University of Chicago, the University of Pittsburg and the London Business School.

On the newly established Convocation, which represents the University's 37,000 alumni, Prof Kao said it would provide fresh impetus in enhancing the University's development.

More than 2,000 graduates were awarded first and higher degrees at today's ceremony which was officiated by Pro-Chancellor Sir Yuet-keung Kan. Among them are the first batches of Bachelors of Nursing and Bachelors of Education, who completed a part-time programme in physical education.

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