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CUHK APPOINTS NEW DEAN OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

The Chinese University of Hong Kong announces that Dr Fanny Miu-ching Cheung, Reader in the Department of Psychology, was elected Dean of the Faculty of Social Sciences for a period of three years, commencing on August 1st, 1995.

Dr Cheung believes that as Hong Kong undergoes a transfer of political sovereignty and economic transformations, it is crucial that the social sciences keep pace with these dislocations and plan academic strategies accordingly.

"I intend to promote research on problems and policies that are relevant to Hong Kong's ongoing development and transition," says Dr Cheung. "By encouraging inter-disciplinary research, and enhancing international research and academic exchanges, our Faculty aims to achieve international standards of excellence in both teaching and research."

The Faculty of Social Sciences comprises nine departments, which are: Anthropology, Architecture, Economics, Geography, Government and Public Administration, Journalism and Communication, Psychology, Social Work and Sociology. Currently, 1,848 undergraduates and 185 postgraduate students are enrolled in the Faculty.

Dr Cheung, who has taught at the University for nearly eighteen years, graduated from the University of California at Berkeley in 1970, and obtained her Ph.D. from the University of Minnesota in 1975. She joined Chinese University in 1977.

Dr Cheung is particularly interested in doing research on assessing the Chinese personality, the effect of culture on the presentation of psychopathology, and the psychology of women. To promote multi-cultural and multi-disciplinary research on gender issues, she established the only Gender Research Programme in Hong Kong at the Chinese University's Hong Kong Institute of Asia-Pacific Studies.

Beyond the campus, Dr Cheung is currently on the editorial board of three international psychological journals. She has been a past President of Hong Kong Psychology Society as well as the International Association of Applied Psychology (in its Division of Clinical and Community Psychology).

Active in public service Dr Cheung has been appointed to important posts in many government and social services' committees. At present, she is Chairperson of the Advisory Committee on Social Work Training and Manpower Planning, a member of the Independent Police Complaints Council and a Hong Kong Affairs Advisor. Dr Cheung was awarded a Badge of Honour in 1986, and made a Justice of the Peace in 1988, in recognition of her myriad contributions to the community.

Note to Editors:

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