Professional education and research are priorities at City University of Hong Kong. We train our students for today’s interdisciplinary job market and we pursue research that meets the demands of society, industry and business.

Creativity is the bedrock of our work. By emphasising discovery and the integration of teaching and research, we encourage our students to prepare for tomorrow’s world by enhancing their creativity, entrepreneurship and professional leadership.

On campus and throughout our city and region, we work globally, tackling issues that impact the entire planet.

The drivers of change are our faculty and students. Our researchers are acknowledged in their fields of expertise and our students are noted for their international perspectives and contributions to the workforce.
A LEADING GLOBAL UNIVERSITY

Our distinguished faculty test the boundaries of science, advancing ideas that benefit people around the world, seamlessly integrating research and teaching to enliven the classroom and inform the laboratory.

We don’t just think out of the box. We build new boxes. Our pioneering veterinary school, our data science initiative, our focus on creative media and our emphasis on energy and the environment reveal how creativity runs through our veins.

Our strategic research themes of One Health, Smart City, Digital Society, Matter and Brain reflect the expertise of our faculty, the need to improve life for everyone, and our complete dedication to pursuing problem-driven research.
RANKINGS

#48
Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)
World University Rankings 2021

#4
QS “Top 50 under 50” in 2020

#16
Times Higher Education (THE)
Asia University Rankings 2020

#1
THE World University Rankings 2020
“Most International University”

COLLEGES & SCHOOLS

College of Business
College of Engineering
College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences
College of Science
Jockey Club College of Veterinary Medicine and Life Sciences
School of Creative Media
School of Data Science
School of Energy and Environment
School of Law
Chow Yei Ching School of Graduate Studies
RESEARCH EXCELLENCE

Our ground-breaking supra-nano magnesium alloy is 10 times stronger than conventional crystalline magnesium alloy with high ductility. It can be used for developing biodegradable implants for patients.

Our research reveals for the first time the elastic properties of nano diamond, which can make intracellular delivery more durable and cost effective, and help produce resonators and sensors for faster data storage and transfer.

Our magnetic 3D-printed microscopic robot, which is pioneering the delivery of cells into the body, could revolutionise cell-based therapy, regenerative medicine and more precise treatment for diseases such as cancer.

Our new super alloy offers a breakthrough solution for a dilemma in materials science concerning the ductility and toughness of stronger alloys, providing a good base for developing new cryogenic devices.

LOCAL RECOGNITION

Our external research funding for 2018/19 was HK$1,837 million. The latest government assessment of our research positions CityU top among institutions in Hong Kong for the percentage of highly rated research in building technology, chemical engineering, civil engineering, communications and media studies, materials science, and mathematics and statistics.

INTERNATIONAL RECOGNITION

18 academicians from 19 national academies.

13 faculty members were named as Highly Cited Researchers by Clarivate Analytics for 2019.

We are 1st in Hong Kong and Taiwan and 15th in the world in engineering, according to Best Global Universities 2019 published by US News & World Report.

In addition, CityU is ranked first in Hong Kong in The Top 100 Worldwide Universities Granted U.S. Utility Patents for four consecutive years (from 2016 to 2019).
INNOVATION AND VISIONARY LEADERSHIP

Our firsts for Hong Kong include setting up a college of veterinary medicine and schools for data science, creative media, and energy and environment.

Our Jockey Club College of Veterinary Medicine and Life Sciences, a strategic initiative in collaboration with Cornell University, is leading veterinary education in Hong Kong and providing a 6-year undergraduate programme in veterinary medicine unlike any other in Asia.

We integrate teaching and research to give students the opportunity to make an original discovery and position innovation and creativity at the heart of our academic strategy.
PIONEERING ART AND TECHNOLOGY EXPRESSION

At CityU, we blur the boundaries between the arts and science, exploring the limitless possibilities of virtual reality, interactive and immersive technologies, and other forms of creative media, as seen in our "ANiMAL: Art Science Nature Society" exhibition that won a Gold MUSE Award 2019, as well as the "Art Deco" exhibition.
Hong Kong Institute for Advanced Study aspires to advance technology and innovation by bringing together an interdisciplinary team of world-renowned scholars and researchers, including Nobel laureates and academicians, to confront real-world problems.

State Key Laboratory of Terahertz and Millimeter Waves is the first such laboratory in the engineering discipline in Hong Kong. It focuses on research on the principal theories and applications of millimeter waves and terahertz technologies.

State Key Laboratory of Marine Pollution conducts research into marine pollution by identifying major threats and developing tools to address them. Its mission is to protect the marine environment locally and for the region.

Hong Kong Branch of National Precious Metals Material Engineering Research Center focuses on innovative research on precious metals and nanomaterials for the development of China’s economy, high-tech industrial development and national defense.

CityU is also home to 20 research centres and eight applied strategic development centres in areas of strategic importance.
Mr Eric Chen Zixiang (right) of the Department of Systems Engineering and Engineering Management co-founded Vitargent (International) Biotechnology Limited. The company won the Grand Prix at the 43rd Geneva International Exhibition of Inventions for using technology developed by CityU’s Department of Biomedical Sciences to improve the safety of food.

Mr Harsh Agrawal (centre) of the School of Creative Media was part of the animation team for the film Coco, which won an Oscar for Best Animated Feature in 2018.

Lam Wah-shing, a PhD student, has developed a transformable wheelchair that helps people with physical disabilities to get from the wheelchair into a vehicle or onto a bed. The invention won the Special Award of Romanian Inventors Forum of the International Invention Innovation Competition in Canada (iCAN).
INTERNATIONALISATION

Around 65% CityU undergraduates go on exchanges with 400+ student exchange partners from 40+ countries/regions around the world. We also offer joint bachelor’s degree programmes with Columbia University in the US, Leuphana University in Germany, and National Taiwan University.

GATEWAY TO THE MAINLAND

We have established strong connections with mainland China by setting up research institutes, offices and a centre:
- CityU Chengdu Research Institute
- CityU Shenzhen Research Institute
- Beijing Liaison Office
- Shanghai Liaison Office
- University of Science and Technology of China (USTC)-CityU Joint Advanced Research Centre
The Brazil bougainvillea is the floral emblem of the University. It is tough, highly resilient, and blossoms throughout the year – symbolising CityU’s character.