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MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN

The year 2011 has been a year of milestones for our School. Several years ago, we formulated “globalisation” as our education theme and now it has grown to be the competitive advantage of the School. Our School of Law is well-positioned to nurture globally-aware and globally-connected legal professionals to meet the changing needs of society by providing the students with global perspectives, knowledge and skills.



With continuing effort, our School has greatly extended its global relationships with prestigious institutions worldwide. Our students now have access to privileged resources and opportunities in legal education and practice around the world. This year, we entered into an agreement with the University of Vienna Faculty of Law to collaborate on a dual-degree programme whereby students from our law school may spend part of their programme in Vienna and earn an LLM degree from both universities. In addition, Columbia Law School and our School of Law signed an agreement for our students to study at Columbia under the G-LEAP (Global Legal Education and Awareness Project) programme. We will start to send our LLB and JD students to Columbia in the summer of 2012. Our School also signed an agreement with the Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA) in The Hague, which provides recent law graduates from CityU School of Law a unique opportunity to work as a Fellow for one year at the PCA’s International Bureau in the Peace Palace, The Hague.

Several years ago, we adopted a strategy of “learning to swim by swimming”. One of the measures is active participation in international mooted competitions, an internationally recognised benchmark for measuring the progress of law school students. In a short span of four years, our students have established a good reputation among law schools worldwide. Nowadays, anyone in the field knows that we are one of the finest law schools for mooted.

This year, 41 students from our School competed against teams in 7 countries and placed well in 10 major international mooted competitions. Our mooted teams faced competitive rivals from top law schools around the world. Through hard work and dedication, our teams achieved two competition championships, two regional championships, one runner-up award and advanced to the quarter-final rounds in three competitions. Through these mooted competitions, two of our students won the best oralist award and four of them earned honorable mentions for best oralist.

We continue to deepen our commitment to civic engagement and global understanding. Since its establishment, our innovative programme for Chinese judges continues to be successful and well-regarded both locally and internationally. About 89 Chinese judges have graduated with an LLM degree. Over 130 Chinese senior judges have participated in the Advanced Programme for Chinese Senior Judges. In 2011, we achieved another breakthrough by introducing the first Doctor of Judicial Science Programme (JSD) for Chinese senior judges and admitted 20 very senior Chinese judges. We can say with certainty that in a few years we will be part of very few privileged law schools worldwide — in our case, with Justices of the Supreme People’s Court of China as our graduates.

Our Law School is young and should always undertake new initiatives. To cope with the challenges of rapid globalisation, we adopted a mobile teaching and learning strategy by using iPads. All law students at CityU are now equipped with iPads. This innovative measure will contribute to exploring a multi-media teaching approach and foster the free exchange of ideas among the School.

In these rapidly changing times, we strive to keep our students uniquely well-prepared to tackle future challenges and effect positive change in a globally competitive society.

Thank you for taking a moment to catch up on all the good news of our Law School.

Professor Wang Guiguo
Dean & Chair Professor of Chinese and Comparative Law

CHINESE JUDGES PROGRAMMES ON THE CUTTING EDGE OF LEGAL EDUCATION

“The fostered global interdependence resulted in a coalescing of legal philosophy, values, enforcement standards and principles of law, even legal systems of members of the international community. These extensive global exchanges require sufficient knowledge of different legal systems. Under such circumstances, transformation of the structure, content and approach of legal education is high on our agenda—the Chinese Judges Programmes are the example.”

–Dean WANG Guiguo

The tailor-made programmes for Chinese judges in CityU School of Law are timely responses to globalization in the legal profession. They aim to equip the judicial authorities in China with advanced knowledge, sophisticated problem-solving skills and diverse perspectives as well as to improve the level of shared understanding between judicial authorities in the mainland and other legal systems.

Three years after the first Master of Laws (LLM) Programme was established, these seminal programmes have continued to make steady progress, culminating in a further breakthrough with the introduction of the first Doctor of Juridical Science (JSD) Programme for Chinese Senior Judges in 2011.

The 3-year JSD (Chinese Judges) Programme is designed for 20 Senior Chinese Judges. The taught component is conducted at CityU and the National Judges College in Beijing. Completion of the required subjects and a doctoral thesis form the basis of the award after a successful oral defence.

The JSD program is a highly focused and rigorous one, adopting a comparative approach and employing international standardized academic training. The programme will equip its students with a superior knowledge of the common law and international law and enhance their problem-solving abilities and capacity for legal analysis.



CityU School of Law Admits Twenty Chinese Senior Judges in JSD Programme

During an intense two day period between June 6 to June 8 2011, the School of Law (CityU) conducted a series of oral interviews for the Chinese Senior Judges who applied for entry into the JSD Programme at the National Judges College in Beijing. Thirty nine Chinese judges, hailing from seventeen provinces on the Chinese mainland, participated in this process. The interviewees generally comprised Senior Judges of the High People’s Courts and the Intermediate People’s Courts holding a Master’s Degree and/or concurrent administrative positions such as President or Vice-president.

After the conclusion of the interviews and following careful review of the publications, research, working achievements, stated study purpose and future research interest of the applicants, twenty judges were chosen.

The judges have just started the first-phase of their study in September 2011, and have already begun immersing themselves in a number of courses, including Advanced Legal Theory, Basic Law, Comparative Competition Law, International Trade & Investment Law and Research Methodology.



Sixty One Chinese Senior Judges Recharged Through Intensive Study in CityU

The third and fourth batch of sixty one Chinese Senior Judges have finished its one-month study programme at CityU from 11 to 19 April and 14 to 25 October 2011, respectively.

The Programme has been organized by CityU's School of Law in collaboration with the National Judges College and the Supreme People's Court of the People's Republic of China.

The judges who participated in the Advanced Programme for Chinese Senior Judges included Vice-presidents of China's High People's Courts and Presidents and Vice-presidents of China's Intermediate People's Courts from various provinces and cities. Those selected to join the Programme are typically involved in settling legal cases related to overseas, Hong Kong and Macau issues.



During the Programme, the participants attended intensive courses on common law and the core philosophy of international law. They also visited local judicial and other legal and administrative institutions, including the various branches of the Hong Kong courts, the Hong Kong Bar Association, the Law Society of Hong Kong, the Legislative Council, the Commissioner's Office of China's Foreign Ministry in the HKSAR, the Hong Kong Securities and Futures Commission, the Legal Aid Department and the Independent Commission Against Corruption.

The participants also met with distinguished members of the Hong Kong legal community, foremost among them being The Hon Chief Justice Geoffrey Ma, Chief Justice of the Court of Final Appeal, and The Hon Jasper Tsang Yok-sing, GBS, JP, the President of the Legislative Council. Through in-depth discussions with these legal professionals, the judges obtained a comprehensive picture of the Hong Kong court system, and the powers and functions of the Legislative Council.

"We sincerely thank the Supreme People's Court of China, National Judges College, Liaison Office of the Central People's Government of the HKSAR, City University of Hong Kong and the School of Law for their assistance and support throughout. The Advanced Programme was a precious experience which provided us with a deeper understanding of the judicial system under the policy of 'One country, two systems' and the essence of different judicial systems. We treasured this opportunity to discuss issues of common concern with local legal and judicial personnel."



*— Mr Xu Chunjian,
Representative of the 3rd Advanced Programme for
Chinese Senior Judges and Vice-President of
Guangdong High People's Court*



Thirty LLM Chinese Judges Get A Close Look at the Legal Systems in the U.S., Korea and Europe

In the summer of 2011, thirty Chinese judges flew to the United States to study a one-month customized course offered by Columbia Law School, which included a study tour to Washington D. C. to observe a session of the U.S. Supreme Court.



The opportunity to study at Columbia University was enjoyable and enriching. We spent most of our time immersed in learning the basics of U.S. constitutional law, civil procedure and torts, which enabled us to build on the solid theoretical groundwork of the common law which we acquired in our earlier study at CityU.

In addition, Columbia Law School arranged for us to meet with a wide array of federal, state and municipal judges, where we received professional and career advice and insights. Moreover, it helped us gain a detailed understanding of the inherent advantages and limitations of both the common law and civil law legal systems. In particular, we obtained an understanding of the differences in judicial practice between the two legal systems, how some parts of common law may be applied in civil law jurisdictions and how our familiarity with common law might be helpful to the betterment of the legal system in China.



Our time at Columbia Law School not only afforded us with a priceless chance to undertake a multi-cultural style education but also gave us an indispensable insight into American culture and allowed us to experience life in a unique professional, political and social atmosphere. It will certainly be a life-long memory.

Our visit to Washington, D.C. was especially rewarding. In particular, we were presented with a valuable opportunity to observe a hearing presided over by the nine Justices of the Supreme Court of the United States that left us with a comprehensive appreciation of the court process in the United States. Our meeting with U.S. Supreme Court Associate, Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg, in the course of which she provided us with an introduction to the U.S. Supreme Court and shared her judicial experiences, was also truly memorable.

*—Zhang Lingling,
LLM Chinese Judge from Beijing*

Upon conclusion of our study in the US we set off to Seoul to visit the South Korean judiciary and attend seminars organized by Korea University.

After attending a course at Korea University about the Korean legal system we visited the local judiciary and other organs of the Korean legal system, including the National Assembly of the Republic of Korea, the Korean Constitutional Court, the Korean Judiciary





Research and Training Institution, the Seoul District Court, Invest Korea Plaza and several renowned law firms, engaging in a candid and constructive dialogue with our Korean counterparts.

Two highlights of the trip to Korea were the visits to the Korean Constitutional Court and the Korean Judiciary Research and Training Institution.

The Korean Constitutional Court is an independent and specialized court in South Korea, which plays a vital role in maintaining the authority of the South Korean constitution, by balancing its different powers and organs and thereby protecting its civilian's constitutional rights. The judges watched the court's publicity video, visited court rooms, and had discussions with the research fellows there.

The visit to the Korean Judiciary Research and Training Institution was another climatic occasion as a large number of Korean judges, prosecutors and lawyers have graduated from this institution. The Institution's strict professional threshold for entry, followed by an arduous two year course before practice, both guarantees that its graduates are of the highest quality and helps to develop a consistent judicial philosophy and uniform professional standards, creating a solid basis for transparency, justice and fairness of the legal system.

Time only allows us to mention these two trips in detail and it is fair to say that as we progressed through our study tour in Korea a vivid picture about the legal history, the legal system and the judicial structure of South Korea unfolded before us. Exchanges of this kind help us to learn from each other, for the betterment of a fair and democratic legal system in both countries.

–Liang Zheng,
LLM Chinese Judge from Anhui Province

Then on December 11, 2011, filled with excitement and joy, we made our first step onto European soil, landing in Geneva, Switzerland, a city blessed with breathtakingly beautiful scenery.

We visited the World Trade Organization (WTO), the World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO), the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) and Geneva University. At the WTO and WIPO, we participated in a number of workshops dealing with the history and development of the WTO, the current situation concerning China's international commodity trade, the international service trade and the dispute resolution



mechanism of the WTO, current trends concerning international intellectual property protection and the core responsibilities and functions of the WIPO Arbitration and Mediation Center. In UNCTAD, we had an exclusive talk with Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD and former Director-General of WTO. He briefly introduced us to the main functions of UNCTAD and made some insightful comments in relation to the protection of women rights.



After Geneva, we had a short stay in Vienna, where we called in on the Austrian Supreme Court and Vienna University. We had extensive and thought provoking discussions with the Hon. Prof. Dr. Irmgard Griss, President of Supreme Court of Austria that covered matters such as the importance of maintaining judicial neutrality to the rationale for maintaining the death penalty.

–Wang Zhuo,
LLM Chinese Judge from Beijing

CITYU SCHOOL OF LAW REAPS GOLDEN HARVEST IN INTERNATIONAL MOOTING COMPETITIONS 2010/11



Susan J. Ferrell Intercultural Human Rights Moot Court Competition 2010–11

The 2011 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court 2011

Eighth Annual Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2011

Eighteenth Annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2011



IASLA Space Law Moot Court Competition (Asia Pacific Regional Rounds) 2011

Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition (Asia Pacific Regional Rounds) 2011

12th International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot Competition 2011

The International ADR (Alternative Dispute Resolution) Mooting Competition 2011

Foreign Direct Investment International Arbitration Moot (FDI Moot) 2011

During the academic year 2010/11, the City University of Hong Kong (CityU), School of Law's mooting teams enjoyed extraordinary success in ten prestigious international moot court competitions across seven countries. In doing so, CityU fielded eleven teams, consisting of forty one students arguing such disparate topics as investment law, human rights, international law, international commercial arbitration and maritime law, making these achievements even more remarkable.

In these various international mooting competitions, CityU teams faced off competitive rivals from many world class law schools won two world championships and two regional championships and achieved one runners-up and three quarter-finals placings. A number of the students' more noteworthy achievements are set out below.

Susan J. Ferrell Intercultural Human Rights Moot Court Competition 2010–11

- Best Team
- Second Runner-up: Best Memorial
- Fourth Best Oralist: Li Jiani

The 2011 Philip C. Jessup International Law Moot Court Competition

Hong Kong Regional Round:

- Best Memorial for Appellant
- Best Memorial for Respondent
- Second Best Oralist: Chan Ka Hang Louie
- Third Best Oralist: Wat Lai Yee

International Round:

- Top 100 Oralist: Chen Zhaoxu (ranked 57)
- Ranked Top 10 Memorial in 2011 Hardy C. Dillard Award

Frankfurt Investment Arbitration Moot Court 2011

- No. 1 team after the General Round
- Top 4 Best Oralists: Lai Eric Kwok Wai and Ng Eric Kar-yan

Eighth Annual Willem C. Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2011

- First Runners-Up
- Honourable Mention for Best Oral Advocate: Sajnani Suraj and Chow Yan Lin

Eighteenth Annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2011

- Ranked No. 7 out of 254 teams.
- Honorable Mention for the Best Oralist: Ng Eric Kar-yan

IASLA Space Law Moot Court Competition (Asia Pacific Regional Rounds) 2011

- Joint World Champions
- Regional Championship
- Best Oralist: Yan Yuli (Asia Pacific Regional Rounds)

Manfred Lachs Space Law Moot Court Competition (Asia Pacific Regional Rounds) 2011

- Finished in 5th place out of 23
- Best Oralist: Ngai Wing Nga

12th International Maritime Law Arbitration Moot Competition

- Quarter-finalists
- Received acknowledgement for their Respondent Memorandum which was named as the Second Best Respondent Memorandum

The International ADR (Alternative Dispute Resolution) Mooting Competition 2011

- Competition Winner

Foreign Direct Investment International Arbitration Moot (FDI Moot) 2011

- Finished in 3rd Place
- Honorable Mention for the Best Oralist: Ng Eric Kar-yan

Our mooting teams have received support and encouragement from many eminent persons, including these messages from the President, Provost and IAB Members.

“The accomplishments in mooting competitions prove that our students excel in every category, in particular in the most competitive competitions. CityU Law School is the first law school in Hong Kong and Asia to have achieved such a high level of success in this field. CityU is committed to teaching students in the context of the real world, and mooting is very much a part of how we prepare legal professionals for the future. Their experience during their time at the University will be invaluable for their future careers.”

–*Professor Way Kuo,*
President of City University of Hong Kong

“CityU always benchmarks against the best in the world. The remarkable records in international mooting competitions prove that we are among the best. We pay tribute to the hard work and dedication of all students and coaches and are looking forward to a further step forward of the Law School.”

–*Professor Arthur Ellis,*
Provost of City University of Hong Kong

“CityU Law School has distinguished itself in many different ways over the years, but none more so in recent times than the performance of the law students in debating competitions. The remarkable achievements show the great breadth of legal

knowledge and the depth of debating talents. I’m very proud to be associated with CityU Law School and I hope that these good results will form a culture and a tradition of debating in the School.”

–*Dr Simon Ip Sik-on,*
Co-chairman of International Advisory Board of School of Law

“Mooting is an important way to learn about knowledge, analyze points and deliberate effectively. This is very important in every walk of life.”

–*Professor Andrew Liao,*
Member of International Advisory Board of School of Law

“Mooting is important not just in the legal profession but also in the development of an open society. Mooting was a critical way of acquiring knowledge and gaining currency in ancient times. The achievements of CityU students in mooting competitions evidences that this critical method is still alive in CityU and Hong Kong.”

–*Professor Daniel Fung,*
Member of International Advisory Board of School of Law

“Mooting is a “blood sport” of intellectual mobility which requires reaction time, fluency of presentation, fundamental grounding and principle, and persuasive skills. Not only did you triumph in Hong Kong and in Asia but you have also triumphed on the world stage.”

–*Professor Gerard McCoy,*
Member of International Advisory Board of School of Law

GLOBAL COLLABORATIONS

School of Law Forges Ties with University of Vienna and Columbia University



From left to right: Professor Arthur Ellis, Professor Heinz Mayer, and Professor Wang Guiguo

The Faculty of Law at the University of Vienna has participated in a new postgraduate exchange programme, while the Columbia Law School at the University of Columbia in New York joined CityU's Global Legal Education and Awareness Project (G-LEAP).

Under the postgraduate exchange programme signed between CityU School of Law and the Faculty of Law at the University of Vienna, students from each institution will undertake one full term at the home university and the other at the host university. The courses that the students complete will be accredited by both universities, and the degrees will be awarded by both universities, too.

In Vienna, the CityU students will gain an in-depth understanding of the civil law tradition, the latest developments in comparative legal discourse, and current trends in legal theory and jurisprudence, all within the context of European law. Upon completion of those courses, CityU students will be awarded a LLM degree by University of Vienna.



From left to right: Professor Arthur Ellis, Professor Brian Gibson, and Professor Wang Guiguo

CityU's G-LEAP programme allows students studying law at CityU to spend one month at one of the partner institutions. Under the collaboration with Columbia Law School, 30 students enrolled in the Bachelor of Laws (LLB) and Juris Doctor (JD) Programmes will

take a tailor-made course at the Columbia Law School. Tuition fees and accommodation costs will be subsidised by CityU and its School of Law.

CityU's School of Law is the only one in Hong Kong to have signed an institution-level agreement with Columbia Law School.

School of Law Signs Fellowship Agreement with Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA)



Mr. Christiaan M.J. KRÖNER (left) and Professor WANG Guiguo (right) signs the agreement

CityU School of Law signed an agreement with Permanent Court of Arbitration (PCA), located in The Hague, Netherlands. The agreement provides recent School of Law graduates from CityU Law School a unique opportunity to work one year at the PCA's International Bureau in the Peace Palace, The Hague. CityU School of Law is the first law school in Asia to form a partnership with PCA.

Under the agreement, CityU School of Law will select three potential candidates through a competitive application process. The PCA will then select one of these shortlisted candidates to participate in the PCA's Fellowship Program, provided there is sufficient capacity to accommodate the fellow. The Permanent Court of Arbitration is an intergovernmental organisation comprised of over 100 member states. The PCA was established in 1899 to encourage the use of arbitration and other forms of dispute resolution between states. Today, the PCA has developed into one of the most multi-faceted arbitration institutions, offering dispute resolution services on a variety of international issues including territorial, treaty, and human rights disputes between states. The PCA also handles commercial and investment disputes arising out of bilateral or multilateral investment treaties.

The agreement with the PCA ensures and reinforces the School of Law's commitment to being a leading centre for practical training and education in all forms of dispute resolution.

CONFERENCES

Letters & Visits Mechanism, Democracy and the Rule of Law in Mainland China



On 11 August 2011, the School of Law's Centre for Chinese and Comparative Law (RCCL) organised a cross-disciplinary academic conference titled *Letters & Visits System, Democracy and the Rule of Law in Mainland China*.

Social conflicts and controversies have naturally increased with the rapid transformation of Chinese society, with such conflicts becoming a serious issue in the development of democracy and rule of law in China. The recently announced Regulations on Letters and Visits (Xinfang Tiaoli) try to solve such social conflicts and controversies by creating a unique Chinese mechanism for dispute resolution and social stability. However, new challenges arise out of such an innovative process. This conference was an ideal opportunity to have in-depth academic discussions on the effect and impact of the Regulations on Letters and Visits on citizens of China. Through this conference, scholars from law, political science and sociology, together with practitioners, examined the Letters & Visits Mechanism from different perspectives and debated the merits and concerns of such a mechanism in supporting the development of democracy and the rule of law in China.

The 3rd International Conference on the New Haven School

On 7–8 October 2011, CityU School of Law, in partnership with Yale Law School, hosted the *3rd International Conference on the New Haven School*. The theme of this year's conference was "Contemporary Legal Problems from a New Haven Perspective". The primary focus of this year's conference was on the application of the New Haven School of jurisprudence on



Professor Michael Reisman

issues associated with global trade, investment, and economic development.

This conference brought together international legal scholars and academics from around the world in order to promote a better understanding of the modern social and political realities and how international law principles and philosophy change over time to meet evolving international needs and aspirations.



Although the focus of the conference was on the New Haven School, it is open to scholars from all intellectual backgrounds to discuss on the application of the New Haven School of Jurisprudence to a variety of topics, including: (1) Legal Theory and Culture (2) Self-Determination and Civil Unrest in Modern Society (3) The Security of Global Energy Resources (4) The New Haven School in University Teaching and Professional Training: A Roundtable (5) Human Trafficking and Human Dignity (6) The Protection of Intellectual Property under International Law (7) International Alternative Dispute Resolution Mechanisms.

Professor Michael Reisman, Myres S. McDougal Professor of International Law at Yale Law School and co-chairman of the School of Law's International Advisory Board, presented a paper titled "Using Multiple Futures as a Decision Technique" in which he proposed that the construction of alternative, incompatible images of desirable and undesirable futures is a critical intellectual task in the decision canon of the New Haven School of jurisprudence.

International Conference on Access to Non-Judicial Justice

On 26–28 October 2011, the School of Law hosted the *International Conference on Access to Non-Judicial Justice*, a multi-disciplinary and innovative conference aimed at defining ways in which parties may obtain access to justice and effective resolution to disputes through the use of a variety of dispute resolution mechanisms.

The conference attracted over 30 participants and presenters from across the globe, including speakers from Hong Kong, United Kingdom, Australia, Netherlands, Israel, Austria, United States, Wales, India, Africa, China, Singapore, Malaysia, and France.

Speakers included Mr Christiaan M.J. Kröner (Secretary-General of the Permanent Court of Arbitration), Professor Shimon Shetreet (Hebrew University of Jerusalem, Israel), Professor Andrew Le Sueur (Queen Mary, University of London), Professor John McMillan (Information Commissioner and former Ombudsman of Australia), Professor Bea Verschraegen (University of Vienna), Professor Charles Booth and Professor Carole Petersen (University of Hawaii), and Professor Wang Chengjie (Deputy Director General of CCPIT Legal Affairs Department and Secretary-General of the CCPIT/CCOIC Mediation Center, China).

Presentations dealt with a wide range of issues including alternative dispute resolution mechanisms, governmental and semi-governmental tribunals, ombudsman and ombudsman-like mechanisms, restorative justice and traditional religious courts.



Professor Sir Jeffrey JOWELL, KCMG, QC

On 26th October 2011, prior to the commencement of the conference, Professor Sir Jeffrey Jowell, KCMG, QC, and Founding Director of the Bingham Centre for the Rule of Law, delivered the inaugural *Asia Pacific Law Review* lecture on 'The Rule of Law: Rhetoric or Universal Principle?'. The focus of his lecture was on his view that the rule of law must become the core value of the constitution of any civilised society. He set out the crucial importance of the rule of law as a principle of institutional morality that governs the way law is made and applied and how it constrains the exercise of public power. He identified the essential components of the rule of law and asked what will be the result if any of those ingredients went missing in any civilised society.

International Conference on Capital Punishment in Asia: Progress and Prospect for Law Reform

On 4–5 November 2011, the School of Law, in collaboration with the Jindal Global Law School and the Office of the European Union to Hong Kong and Macau, hosted a conference called *Capital Punishment in Asia: Progress and Prospect for Law Reform*.



Conference participants debated on developments aimed at the progressive abolition of the death penalty and the possibilities of further law reform in Asia, especially in mainland China, India, Japan, South Korea, Taiwan, Singapore, and Malaysia.

The conference concluded that law reform in Asia can help restrict the use of the death penalty by legislative and judicial means, align capital punishment with the obligations flowing from Article 6 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights and the United Nations Safeguards Guaranteeing the Rights of those Facing the Death Penalty, move towards a moratorium on all executions, and remove capital punishment as a statutory punishment.

International Conference on Contemporary Issues in Investment Arbitration: Challenges and Opportunities for Asia's Growth & Development



On 21–22 November 2011, CityU School of Law, together with the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD), hosted an international conference titled *Contemporary Issues in Investment Arbitration: Challenges and Opportunities for Asia's Growth & Development*, which focused on the rising issues and challenges of investment arbitration in China.

The conference focused on how Asia could be better prepared for the prevention and management of investment disputes in its role as the largest recipient of foreign direct investment. The

conference speakers and attendees discussed issues relating to forum shopping, selection of arbitrators and counsels in investment disputes, appeals system, legal aid, interpretations of basic concepts such as investment, necessity, national security from business, legal and cultural perspectives, proliferation of free trade agreements (FTAs) and their impact on investment arbitration, and the differences between institutional and ad hoc arbitration of investment disputes.

Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi, Secretary-General of UNCTAD, delivered a keynote speech titled "Latest trends in FDI and international investment policies". He stated that "outward foreign investment flows from developing countries have increased due to their growing economic strength, the dynamism of their TNCs and their growing aspirations to compete in new markets." He suggested that "one of the cornerstones of moving from a sustained recovery

to a more inclusive growth model is regulation of the financial sector. In addition, investment policies need to play a key role in attracting foreign investment to productive sectors. Moreover, at the international level, international investment agreements (IIAs) can complement investment promotion and facilitation policies, by ensuring an open, transparent and predictable investment climate."



Dr. Supachai Panitchpakdi

SEMINARS

Staff Seminar by Professor Hervé Ascensio

Professor Hervé Ascensio, Professor of international law at the Sorbonne Law School, University of Paris I (Pantheon-Sorbonne), visited the School of Law during the week of 11–15 April 2011 to discuss the student exchange programme between Sorbonne Law School and the School of Law.



Professor Hervé Ascensio (left) and Mr Gu Minkang, Associate Dean of the School of Law

Professor Ascensio led a staff seminar entitled "The New Power of the European Union to Conclude Investment Treaties with Third Countries". The seminar addressed issues such as whether the power to conclude treaties with third States by the EU was exclusive or shared with member states, whether member States were authorized to conclude treaties in their individual capacity, whether there would be any party to represent the EU and the State(s) concerned in an arbitration proceeding initiated

by a foreign investor under an EU treaty, and related legal issues surrounding EU investment treaties. These legal issues were raised out of the realization that, since the Lisbon Treaty entered into force in December 2009, it has changed the jurisdiction on extra-EU investment treaties arrangement.

Hong Kong Centre for Maritime and Transportation Law's Public Seminar on Maritime Collisions and Conflict of Laws Issues

On 17 October 2011, the Hong Kong Centre for Maritime and Transportation Law at CityU School of Law was honoured to host a public seminar led by Professor Paul Myburgh from the University of Auckland's Faculty of Law. The focus of the seminar was on "Flotsam and Jetsam: Conflict of Laws Issues Arising from Maritime Collisions".





Professor Paul Myburgh

Professor Myburgh presented a tailor-made seminar in which he closely analysed local jurisdictional cases in light of maritime law cases. He noted that maritime collisions might not only have catastrophic economic, social and environmental consequences but they might also give rise to extraordinarily complex conflict of laws issues. In particular, Professor Myburgh discussed problems of competing jurisdictions, which laws would apply to resolve legal liability, and which of the various international regimes would govern limitation of liability.

Over 100 scholars, legal practitioners, students, and the general public registered for and attended the public seminar.

CityU School of Law's 18th Annual Goff Arbitration Lecture



From left to right: Dr Jacques Werner and Professor WANG Guiguo

On 21 November, the School of Law hosted the 18th annual Goff Arbitration Lecture at the Hong Kong International Arbitration Center (HKIAC). This year's lecture was delivered by Dr Jacques Werner, the Founder and Chairman of the Geneva Global Arbitration Forum. The event attracted over eighty scholars and practitioners in arbitration field.



Dr Jacques Werner delivered a lecture titled "The Case for Better, and Better-armed, Arbitrators". He indicated that the globalized economy is rapidly changing the features of international commercial disputes. This change was reflected in the rise of the requests for interim measures, increased factual complexity of cases due to technological evolution, and the increased application of legal norms through the integration of various national laws, international conventions, and treaties.

Dr Werner suggested that in order to prepare for such complex and dynamic requirements, the international arbitrator in a globalized economy must not only be a competent lawyer, but he must be proteiform. By this he means that international arbitrators need to be flexible and adaptable, efficiently adjudicate procedural incidents, effectively manage the time element of the arbitral processes and procedures, apply the law sensibly and, most importantly, have a good grasp of the technological, business and economic implications of the case.

Moreover, he analysed that the international arbitral tribunals are fragile institutions. The integrity of the arbitral process can easily be derailed in today's technology-driven communications since such communications with colleagues are very often not secure, putting the confidentiality of deliberation at risk. This means that the arbitrator may be powerless to ensure the safety of witnesses when the latter are faced with threats. In order to maintain the integrity of the arbitral process, Dr Werner suggested that the modern-day arbitrator must be better-armed.

Participants of the 18th annual Goff Arbitration Lecture considered the lecture to be timely, comprehensive, and detailed-oriented.

UNIQUE OPPORTUNITY TO ATTEND COURSES IN OXFORD AND MONASH UNIVERSITY

In the summer of 2011, a group of 35 students from LLB and JD obtained the precious opportunity to study Australian Intellectual Property Law at Monash University in Melbourne. The Monash G-LEAP Programme features a specially designed course — *Intellectual Property: Theory Copyright and Design*, which allows students to understand the origin, rationales and principles of Intellectual Property Law. Similarly, in July 2011, 30 students in LLB and JD spent a month at the University College, Oxford to study a credit bearing law course, European Competition Law and Policy.

Time: May 28 to June 26

Place: Melbourne, Australia

Programme: G-LEAP

The one-month intensive course offered us an opportunity to study Intellectual Property Law, and also gave us a good learning opportunity to compare the development of the law in another common law jurisdiction.



The G-LEAP Programme arranged for us a visit to the County Court of Melbourne. We took a tour guided by a staff member of the County Court and heard a jury trial of a criminal case. The Programme also arranged a visit to the Parliament of Victoria. After a guided tour of the historical parliament building, we heard a parliamentary debate. The tour allowed us to appreciate the operation of the legislature and to better understand the interaction of the legal system and society.

—Taylor Li (LLB 2010)

Arriving in Melbourne, I had the feeling that we would have an unforgettable time in this city. This turned out to be true after the short but fulfilling one-month stay.

Over this time, we studied, experienced the culture, made new friends and had lots of fun. Every day was exciting and full.

We studied in the chamber of Monash University which is located in Melbourne city. The second day we took a tour around the university where we met our teacher of this course who was pleasant as well as extremely knowledgeable.

After one month of study, we gained sound knowledge in the field of Intellectual Property Law. By visiting the court and parliament, we also gained insights into the legal system and its practice in Australia. G-LEAP (Monash) turned out to be a very fruitful and worthwhile program.

—Echo Shen (JD 2010)

Time: July 9 to August 5

Place: University College, Oxford, UK

Programme: G-LEAP



The four-week G-Leap exchange programme to Oxford is a rare and worthwhile opportunity for our law students to expand their vision and enrich their experience academically, intellectually and culturally.

Academically, three sessions of three-hour lectures a week on European Competition Law allowed us to have the privilege to gain prior similar knowledge of the principles of the law before it comes into effect in Hong Kong. Furthermore, our small-group tutorials were intellectually challenging since we had to interact in a responsive manner. Culturally, we were able to understand more about distinctive British characteristics in terms of the architectural design, lifestyle, and food! The 800 year old Oxford campus was also fascinating to explore!

Joining the trip was a wonderful experience and provided a fruitful summer. It added color and was a refreshing distraction to our legal studies.

—Brian Chok (LLB 2009)

LEGAL PLACEMENT TO EXPAND HORIZONS

In summer 2011, 15 students from LLB, LLM and JD participated in the Mainland Legal Placement programme. Students attended various training courses on Chinese Law at the Renmin University of China and visited different governmental institutions. Students were then taken to different courts in Shanghai.

Time: May 22 to July 3

Place: Shanghai, China

Programme: Legal placement

We attended court trials in Shanghai and had exchanges with local judges. From static theoretical analyses we were able to put our knowledge into dynamic practice. We were exposed heavily to the differences between civil and common law, and we have become more aware of the merits and drawbacks of both systems. This experience is particularly valuable to us and it will remain in our hearts as we move confidently forward.

– Elaine Yuen (LLB 2009)

This legal placement allowed us to view the PRC in a new light, bringing an end to our stereotypical thinking. Not only did it add value to our legal knowledge, but it also helped us to further polish our own perspectives and visions on the future developments of the PRC legal system and China as a whole. Apart from these new experiences, we have also earned another valuable asset; we have formed valuable mainland connections which are not formed by studies or local Hong Kong experiences.

– Timothy Ho (LLB 2009)



SCHOOL OF LAW INITIATED MOBILE LEARNING PILOT SCHEME

In order to foster the free exchange of ideas and to enhance its teaching, learning and support, the School pioneered the launch of the Mobile Learning Pilot Scheme to provide its students with iPads. The device is distributed to the students with the aim to enhance his/her total learning experiences via mobile learning. The device will be used for learning purposes and for all legitimate University purposes, which includes all academic activities such as assessable and non-assessable tasks, academic discussion forums and academic research activities.



LAW FRESHMEN EXPERIENCE COURT FIGHT IN INTRA MOOT COURT COMPETITION

The School of Law hosted an Intra Moot Court Competition from May 13 to May 16, which is open to the first year students of Bachelor of Laws with Honours (LLB) and first year Juris Doctor (JD) students. The competition culminated in the championship trial on May 16 after two days and four rounds of fierce moot court debate.



The School organizes the Intra Moot Court Competition twice a year for Year 1 students of LLB and JD in order to cultivate the mooting culture in the school and better integrate practical training with knowledge instruction. The participants take part in simulated court proceedings which includes drafting briefs and participating in oral arguments in front of judges. Judges of the competition consist of faculty members, scholars and senior students with international mooting experience.

Eight teams of sixteen students participated in the competition. **HUI Man Nok** and **LEUNG Ming Yin** championed in the final round while **MAN Ka Mei** and **SIN Long** were awarded the Runner-Up title.

HUI Man Nok, a member of the champion team and also the Best Oralist, described the competition as “tough but rewarding”. He expressed his joy of winning the competition, and added: “It’s more cheerful for me to witness my own progress in this process. Through the competition, I enhanced my ability in research, teamwork, logical thinking, analytical and problem-solving skills in a time-pressing manner, as well as polished my skills in making statement and argument. I am confident enough participate in the international moot court competition now.”

Mr. Rajesh Sharma, the Moot Direct of CityU School of Law, noted “All participants deserve our highest praise and accolades for your excellent performance and the courage you’ve shown in overcoming all the difficulties. The diligence, courage and endurance you have harvested will promise a bright future for your growth and career development”.



*Finalists of the Intra Moot Court Competition (from left)
HUI Man Nok and LEUNG Ming Yin-The Winner
MAN Ka Mei and SIN Long-The Runner Up*

CITYU GRADUATES ACCESS TOP LAW SCHOOLS

Three students who graduated from our School received offers from Oxford or Cambridge to pursue further legal studies:

Mike Lam Ho Yan, LLB (2006) and PCLL (2010) received his Admission Letter from Cambridge at the end of February. He set off to pursue the Master of Laws (LLM) degree in UK this autumn. The one year LLM taught course in Cambridge offers highly qualified and intellectually outstanding students the opportunity of pursuing their legal studies at an advanced level in a challenging—but supportive—environment. The course, with its rich historical traditions, attracts students of the highest caliber, from both common law and civil law jurisdictions.

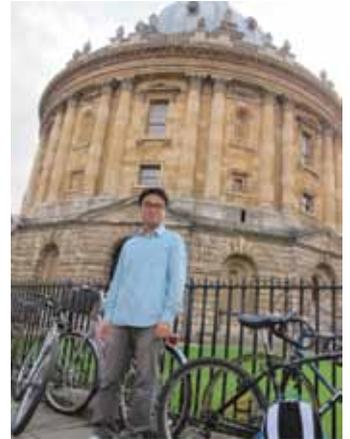
“Though I have thought about it before, it’s still exciting when I heard the news. After all, Cambridge is the world-class university for law study. I believe that the advanced study in Cambridge will greatly broaden my views and enrich my knowledge in legal study. I would like to express my deep gratitude to CityU School of Law for what I’ve learned here. The mooted competitions have trained my logical thinking and articulation skills. The School offers us the opportunity to study in another culture and jurisdiction by G-LEAP Program. A wide array of seminars, conferences, lectures were held in the School, through which we are extensively exposed to the knowledge and thoughts in legal frontier.”



—Lam Ho Yan

Jacky Man Ho Yin, LLB (2006) and PCLL (2010), was admitted by Bachelor of Civil Law Programme of Oxford University, which is the world-renowned taught graduate courses in law designed to serve outstanding law students from common law/ civil law backgrounds. Only those with outstanding first law degrees are admitted. He was awarded the scholarship from the British Council, namely “the Chevening Scholarship for Postgraduate Study in the UK” to cover the university fee and a significant amount of the living expenses. He is interested in regulatory practice, human rights and litigation in his future study and aims to be a solicitor in Hong Kong.

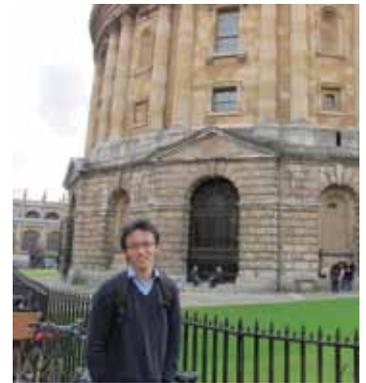
“My studies in the PCLL programme helped me to build a blueprint for my future career. I was greatly influenced by the wisdom of my teachers. I remembered once I asked for my tutor’s advice when I felt frustrated and aimless. She told me that “Uncertainty is just a situation, not a weakness. Don’t be frightened when you have no plan at hand, just equip yourself with the ability to deal with different situations.” Her words inspired me a lot!



I am currently taking competition law, corporate finance, principles of financial regulation and comparative equality law. I am enjoying the teaching and find myself immersed in this town and gown atmosphere”.

— Jacky Man Ho Yin

Similarly with Jacky, Peter Chiu Ka Min from LLB (2007) entered Oxford this September in Bachelor of Civil Law Programme, with “the Chevening Scholarships for Postgraduate Study in the UK” awarded by British Council. Aiming at becoming a barrister in Hong Kong, he plans to continue with PCLL study after returning from the UK.



“The study life at Oxford is stressful but exciting. I am doing Restitution, Corporate Insolvency, Civil Procedures and Property and Trust. I developed strong interest in these areas during my LLB study. The workload is enormous and the concepts we are learning here are complex, but the passionate discussions with my classmates can always inspire and encourage me. Oxford enjoys remarkable global appeal not only for its outstanding academic achievements, but also the vigorous community life. I’m quite looking forward to unfolding a new chapter of my life.

— Peter Chiu Ka Min

DR. HE XIN RECEIVES FULL-SCORE GRANT BY GENERAL RESEARCH FUND, HK GOVERNMENT

Dr. He Xin's research project, titled "Protest-Supported Litigation in Housing Demolition in China", was granted HK\$798,963 by the General Research Fund (GRF), Hong Kong Government with full score rating. General Research Fund is the major annual funding exercise of the Research Grants Council to support academic research in the University Grants Committee – funded (UGC) institutions, which has selected to fund four research projects in legal field among universities in Hong Kong this year. Dr. He has been awarded with the grant for four consecutive years.

CHEN Lei

Dr Chen Lei was invited to serve as National Reporter on Legal Culture and Legal History, the XIII International Congress of the International Academy of Comparative Law held by Georgetown University, George Washington University and American University at Washington DC, USA. He was invited to give a seminar on Land Registration system at the Faculty of Law, National Taiwan University. He was also invited to talk on "Condominium Law: Global Issue, Local Solutions" at the Faculty of Law, Sichuan University, Chengdu, China. During June 2011, he gave an invited talk in Chinese mortgage law at the Max-Planck Institute for Comparative and International Private Law, Hamburg, Germany.

Dr Chen was the Co-Investigator of: "The Role of the Judge and the Parties in Civil Litigation: China and the EU", The China-EU research grant was provided by the China-EU Law School. Dr Chen was also Co-investigator of: "Contract Law in China and Europe: A Comparative Approach", China-EU research grant by China-EU Law School.

KIELSGARD Mark D.

Dr Mark D. KIELSGARD coached the CityU team throughout Susan Ferrell International Moot Court Competition held in Miami, USA. The team won the championship, 4th best oralist and 2nd runner-up best memorial in the competition.



LAKHANI Avnita

Dr Lakhani served as a moot court judge at the 2011 Hong Kong Joint-University Mooting Competition, a moot court arbitrator for the 2011 Vis (East) Moot Court Competition, and a memorial judge for the 2011 FDI Moot. Dr Lakhani served as a peer reviewer for articles considered for publication by the *Journal of Macao Polytechnic Institute*.

In 2010–2011, Dr Lakhani, as Principal Investigator (PI), was awarded an Interdisciplinary Professional Development Award (IPDA), valued at HKD \$250,000.00, by the Office of the Provost of City University of Hong Kong. In addition, she will serve as Investigator for a second IPDA project, also valued at HKD \$250,000.00. The IPDA projects are on-going.

LONE Fozia

Dr Fozia Lone received two research grants: "The Indian Pre-colonial Approaches to International Law: An Application of the New Haven School of Jurisprudence". Grant provided by by Start-up Grant for New Faculty Grant Application. The second grant was provided by Interdisciplinary Professional Development Awards and related to "The science and humanities of vision".

NASE Vernon

Dr Vernon Nase coached CityU mooting teams in IASLA Space Moot, Lachs Moot and the Maritime Moot. Under his guidance,

the teams were successful with a series of prizes, including: Asia-Pacific Regional Championship and Best Oralist Award in IASLA Space Moot; 5th overall and Best Oralist Award in Lachs Moot; Quarter-Finalists and Second Best Respondent Memorandum in Maritime Moot.

SOOKSRIPAISARNKIT, Poomintr

Dr Sooksripaisarnkit has been invited to be on the Steering Committee of the Hong Kong Insurance Law Association (HKILA).

WEERAMANTRY Romesh

Dr Weeramantry was invited to the 105th Annual Conference organized by American Society of International Law in the United States on 25 March 2011 and delivered a speech titled "Investment arbitration in Asia". He also delivered a speech titled "The New Hong Kong Arbitration Ordinance" at the HK45 Users' Council seminar in Hong Kong on 22 March 2011.

YANG Fan

Dr YANG Fan was invited to present a paper titled "Sale of Goods and Arbitration—What (more) needs to be done in China?" at the first UNCITRAL Regional Workshop in Asia on 23 to 24 November 2011 in Seoul.

On 20 June 2011, she was invited by the Vocational Training Council

to give a presentation to 50 officials of Shenzhen Municipal Justice Bureau on "Comparison of mediation in the PRC and Hong Kong".

ZHU Guobin

Dr Zhu was an Invited Speaker to: (i) The 3rd Asian-European Dialogue on Comparative Constitutional Law: "Constitutional Pluralism: New Challenges for Constitutional Theory", held on 11–12 November 2010, Kolkata, India; (ii) The Symposium on "Political Reform of China", held on 14–15 December, 2010, Macau; he was a Workshop Speaker to The 8th International Congress of Constitutional Law—"Constitutions and Principles", held 6–10 December, 2010, Mexico City, Mexico.

Dr Zhu was also a Seminar Speaker on "Cults, Underground Churches, and Religious (Non-) Freedom in China: A Critical Examination of the Law and Policy", at Columbia Law School on 25 April 2011.

He was invited to be a Member of the Editorial Board of: (i) Research of the Basic Law (《基本法研究》), published by The Polytechnic Institute of Macau, and (ii) Review of Public Law (《公法評論》), published by Central-South University of Finances, Political Science and Law, Wuhan, China.

Dr Zhu was a Visiting Scholar at Columbia Law School during April-June 2011.

NEW FACULTY

TAI Sik Kwan

Dr. TAI Sik Kwan joined the School of Law as Assistant Professor on 4 July 2011. He obtained his PHD degree on shipping law from University of Wales, College of Cardiff, UK. After practiced as a solicitor for 7 years, he started his teaching and research 11 years ago. His teaching and research interests include maritime law, marine insurance law and especially sea carriage law. His recent publications include "Chinese Maritime Law Update-2010" in Journal of Maritime Law and Commerce (2011) and "The Applicable Law in a Multimodal Transport Contract in China" in Journal of the Institute of Seatrtransport (2012).



KIELSGARD Mark D.

Dr. Kielsingard has served as an Assistant Professor of Law since 1 July 2011 and as a Visiting Assistant Professor from 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011. Formerly he served as an Adjunct Professor at St. Thomas University and the Florida Keys College. He obtained his LLM and JSD from St. Thomas University School of Law and his JD from Rutgers Law School. Dr. Kielsingard received his BA and conducted graduate work at George Mason University and has done post graduate work at Saltzburg Law School, Leiden University and the National University of Ireland. He is licensed to practice law in the USA and before the International Criminal Tribunal for former Yugoslavia. Dr. Kielsingard has published widely in the fields of Human Rights, Public International Law and International Criminal Law, Genocide studies, and Terrorism. His recent publications include "The Legality Principle at the ECCC: Making up Law as it Goes Along" in the Asian Journal of International Law, National University of Singapore (published by Cambridge University Press) in 2011.



School of Law Receives HKD 3.5M for the Hong Kong Maritime Law Scholarship Scheme

The School has received HKD 3.5 million from the HKSAR Government to set up the Hong Kong Maritime Law Scholarship Scheme.

The Hong Kong Maritime Law Scholarship Scheme offers full scholarships to selected students starting from August 2011. These scholarships are available to both local and non-local students undertaking study in the Maritime and Transportation Law stream of the Master of Laws (LLM) programme at CityU. Scholarships can be used to cover the full tuition fee at CityU or as partial scholarships for undertaking dual degrees at Swansea University and CityU. The scholarships are granted on condition that the recipients agree to engage in full-time employment in a maritime-related field in

Hong Kong for a period of not less than 12 consecutive calendar months on completion of their degree. Under the scheme, a maximum of one-third of the total enrolled students in Maritime and Transportation Law will be awarded the scholarship.

The collaboration among government, industry and academia to launch the Hong Kong Maritime Law Scholarship Scheme will enhance Hong Kong's role as an international maritime center. It will contribute greatly to meeting the urgent needs for maritime legal professionals and help more local professionals provide value-added maritime law consultancy for the industry.



Professor Way Kuo receives the HKD 3.5M from Ms Eva Cheng

Fu Tak lam Foundation Donation to LLM Chinese Judges Programme

The School received another generous donation of HKD 3.8M from the Fu Tak lam Foundation Ltd on 6 Oct 2011. This is the fourth annual donation from the Foundation to support the Master of Laws (Chinese judges) Programme.

Mr. Adrian Fu expressed his appreciation to the School for creating such an innovative programme which will have a profound impact on the reforms of the legal system in China. He said: "I am proud to have been supporting the pioneering academic programme for four years in a row. The programme is extremely valuable for that it brings exchange and transformation. The young judges from another jurisdiction are expected to transfer the knowledge they learned here to their country and push forward future reforms in China."



Mr. Adrian Fu conferred the cheque to Prof. Way Kuo and Prof. Wang Guiguo

Mayer Brown JSM Donation to JSD (Chinese Judges) Programme

On June 2011, the School received a generous donation of HKD 500,000 to sponsor the Doctor of Juridical Science (JSD) Programme for senior Chinese judges.

The sponsorship offers timely support to the Programme and also helps to enrich judicial services in mainland China over the long term.

16 FRESHMEN AWARDED LLB ADMISSION SCHOLARSHIP



The Award Presentation Ceremony of the LLB Admission Scholarship 2011 was held on November 16. Awards are granted to outstanding secondary schools students who are nominated by their school principals and are also admitted to the Bachelor of Laws with Honours (LLB) Programme through the Joint University Programmes Admissions System (JUPAS).

The Admission Scholarship was established in 2008 and is open to first-year undergraduates with outstanding academic results and a good track record in extra-curricular activities. Candidates are CityU LLB JUPAS Band A students who have been nominated by their school principals. Recipients of the Admission Scholarship are awarded HKD50,000 each.

Sixteen students were awarded the scholarship this year. They are: AU Yik Long from Queen's College, CHAN Ka Wa from HKMA David Li Kwok Po College, CHAN Wai Ka from Maryknoll Convent Secondary School, CHAN Wai Yan Vienne from Marymount Secondary School, CHAN Wing Shan Fiona from Baptist Lui Ming Choi Secondary School, CHAU Cleo Haye-Teng from Diocesan Girls' School, CHEUK Man Yim from Munsang College (Hong Kong Island), CHEUNG Chin Kiu from Yuen Long Public Secondary School, FONG Yan Nok from St. Paul's Co-educational College, HO Yi Yin Oriana from Po Leung Kuk Vicwood K.T. Chong Sixth Form College, KAUR Kamaljeet from Good Hope School, LEE Kwun Lun from Ying Wa College, LEE Yip Hang from St. Francis Xavier's College, PAN Yingqiang from CNEC Lee I-Yao Memorial Sec School, SIU Hiu Lui from Tsuen Wan Government Secondary School and OTANG Vivian from St. Paul's Convent School (Secondary Section).



In his opening speech, Professor Way KUO said: "It is a historical time that the University is promoting the new curriculum, multi-discipline and innovation. The University is dedicated to providing professional education to the students and law school and business school are the center. You are fortunate to study in the best law school in this region. The School gained recognition from international society in various aspects, especially through mooted competitions, which gradually becomes the feature of the School."



Professor Arthur ELLIS added: "CityU tries its very best to pursue excellence in every discipline. An important approach is through attracting best students. The scholarship is the recognition of your excellent performance in high school". He also expressed his gratitude to the secondary school principals in helping to identify the students.

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