

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

校長報告



IGNITING THE SPIRIT
OF INNOVATION
AND ENTREPRENEURIAL
SUCCESS

激發創新與創業精神

Guided by the “Innovating into the Future” strategy for the 2024/25 academic year, City University of Hong Kong (CityUHK) is committed to becoming a global leader in innovation and entrepreneurship. We are nurturing a new generation of trailblazing leaders and translating research findings into practical applications that create tangible value for society.

As we reflect on the past year, we are proud to highlight our commitment to innovation, collaboration, and excellence in education and research. Our initiatives have focused on leveraging the Belt and Road Initiative (BRI), fostering a learning-centric environment, supporting deep-tech start-ups, developing special talent programmes, and recognising the contributions of our esteemed faculty members.

香港城市大學（城大）秉持「以創新邁向未來」的策略發展方針，矢志成為全球創新創業的領航者。在2024/25學年，我們致力培育具備開拓精神的未來領袖，推動研究成果轉化為實際應用，為社會創造價值。

年內，我們把握「一帶一路」倡議所帶來的機遇、創造「以學習為中心」的教研環境、支持深科技初創企業、推出培育年輕研究專才計劃，並表彰傑出教學人員的貢獻。這些努力在教育和研究領域取得卓越成果，令人深感鼓舞。

Interdisciplinary Collaboration and Learning-centric Education

At CityUHK, we believe that education should be student-centred and focused on fostering critical thinking, creativity, and collaboration. We are dedicated to ensuring that our technological innovations genuinely create value for society. In this regard, we are leading the future of education by founding multiple cutting-edge colleges and research institutes, bringing together resources from both academia and industry.

A core pillar of our strategy involves actively fostering interdisciplinary collaboration. This vision has been realised through the launch of the College of Computing, College of Biomedicine, and Hong Kong Institute of AI for Science, following the establishment of the CityUHK Academy of Innovation and the Institute of Digital Medicine last year. These initiatives further enhance the educational and scientific capabilities of Hong Kong and the surrounding region, positioning the city as a global hub for innovation and technology.

Moreover, we are excited to announce the establishment of the Institute for Future Learning from 1 August 2025. The Institute will further reimagine our learning-centric education for the future by exploring how we can deeply harness digital technology to transform the CityUHK learning experience. This move reflects our dedication to preparing students for success in an ever-changing world.

I firmly believe that by fostering innovative teaching practices and engaging in meaningful research, we can create an educational environment that empowers learners and inspires them to reach their full potential.

The significance of these developments is underscored by CityUHK receiving the highest number of undergraduate applications among all UGC-funded universities for the 2025/26 academic year.

推動跨學科協作 以學習為中心

城大深信教育應以學生為本，並着重培養批判性思考、創造力和協作能力，致力確保創新科技能真正為社會創造價值。透過創建多家前沿學院和研究院，我們匯聚學界與業界資源，促進跨學科協作，引領未來教育。

繼去年設立城大創新學院和數碼醫學研究院後，城大在年內成立計算學院、生物醫學院，以及香港人工智能與科學研究院，進一步提升香港以至鄰近區域的教育和科研實力，推動香港發展成為全球創新科技樞紐。

我們將於2025年8月1日成立未來學習研究院，進一步重塑「以學習為中心」的教育，探討深度運用數碼科技，革新學習體驗，印證我們積極裝備學生，緊貼全球瞬息萬變的發展步伐，突圍而出。

我深信，透過促進創新的教學實踐和進行富意義的研究，我們可創造一個培育學生，鼓勵他們充分發揮潛能的教育環境。

城大在2025/26學年的學士學位課程申請數目冠絕教資會資助大學，充分印證大學推動上述發展的成效。

Forging the Future with Deep-tech + AI-driven Innovation

Recognising the importance of technology in driving economic growth, we have launched several initiatives to create deep-tech start-ups. The Graduate Research and Innovation Trek (GRIT) Programme is a comprehensive training initiative designed to empower researchers and postgraduate students in transforming their research into deep-tech start-ups. It has provided resources, mentorship, and funding to emerging entrepreneurs, fostering a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship. We are pleased to see numerous start-ups successfully launch their products recently, contributing to the local economy and positioning our institution as a leader in technological innovation.

The synergy between research and commercialisation has driven our entrepreneurial success. Our flagship HK Tech 300 programme continues to thrive, with 300 start-ups showcasing cutting-edge innovations in Biotech & Health, ICT & AI, Advanced Tech & ESG, and Fintech at the first-ever HK Tech 300 Expo this year.

以深科技及人工智能推動創新

科技創新是推動經濟增長的關鍵。為此，城大推出多項舉措，積極創造深科技初創企業。「研究生創新創業啟航課程」為研究人員和研究生提供全面培訓，協助他們把研究成果轉化為深科技初創企業。課程亦為年輕企業家提供資源、指導及資金，藉此培養創新與創業文化。我們樂見這些初創企業的產品成功推出市場，為本地經濟注入新動能，同時鞏固城大在科技創新領域的領導地位。

研究與商業化產生的協同效應，令創業精神在校園內蓬勃發展。城大旗艦創新創業計劃HK Tech 300今年舉行首屆創新創業博覽「HK Tech 300 Expo」，近300間初創企業展現了一系列涵蓋生物和健康科技、資訊科技和人工智能、先進製造和環境、社會和管治 (ESG)、金融科技等多元領域的前沿技術。

President Boey addressed at the inaugural HK Tech 300 Expo.

梅校長於首屆創新創業博覽「HK Tech 300 Expo」致辭。





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Our partnerships and collaborations within the Greater Bay Area are also flourishing. CityUHK (Dongguan) welcomed its first cohort of students last year, further expanding our reach and impact. The GRIT Programme at CityUHK (Dongguan) aligns with the Greater Bay Area's priorities in AI, materials science, biomedical devices, and clean energy by bridging Hong Kong's research strengths with the Chinese Mainland's industrial ecosystem.

Collaborations with universities and innovation centres in Qingdao and Changsha have strengthened academic exchange between Hong Kong and the Chinese Mainland. During a visit to Hangzhou, I had the privilege of addressing the "Big Whale AI Summit" where I outlined CityUHK's vision for navigating the AI transformation and leading innovation on a global scale.

城大在大灣區的發展同樣蓬勃。去年，城大(東莞)迎來首批學生，進一步擴大了我們的辦學版圖與影響力。城大(東莞)同樣推出了「研究生創新創業啟航課程」，配合大灣區在人工智能、材料科學、生物醫學設備和清潔能源等領域的重點發展方向，連結香港的研究優勢與中國內地的產業生態系統。

同時，我們與中國內地多所大學、以及青島和長沙的創新中心合作，加強香港與中國內地的學術交流。在杭州舉行的「大鯨AI峰會」上，我有幸獲邀發表演講，闡述城大在引領人工智能轉型與國際創新領域的願景。

Building Global Partnerships

Building local and global partnerships is crucial for addressing complex challenges and achieving sustainable development. These partnerships leverage the strengths of diverse stakeholders to create impactful solutions.

This year, we have made significant strides in our overseas efforts to support the BRI. Our partnerships with institutions across Asia, Europe, and Africa has enabled us to promote cultural exchange, academic collaboration, and joint research projects. These initiatives not only enhance our global footprint but also provide our students and faculty with unique opportunities to engage with diverse perspectives and practices. We have expanded connections across Europe through collaborations with partners such as the Institute for Materials Innovation with École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne.

締結全球夥伴

城大致力建立本地及國際夥伴網絡，對我們應對複雜挑戰和實現可持續發展至關重要。這些協作關係充分發揮各方持份者的優勢，共同開發具影響力的技術方案。

今年，城大在推動「一帶一路」倡議下的環球事務中取得重大進展，與亞洲、歐洲和非洲各地的院校締結夥伴合作關係，促進文化交流、學術合作和聯合研究計劃。這些舉措不僅拓展城大的全球足跡，亦為我們的學生及教員提供獨特機會，接觸多元文化視角和實踐。透過與洛桑聯邦理工學院攜手，共同建設材料科學創新研究院，我們進一步加強與歐洲的聯繫。

CityUHK established a strategic partnership with Ankara University at GSDC 2025 in Türkiye.

城大在土耳其舉行的「全球可持續發展峰會2025」上，與安卡拉大學締結策略夥伴關係。



I am proud that UNESCO has endorsed our new "Fostering Innovation for Resilience and Sustainable Transformation" (FIRST) programme. Designed to advance sustainability innovation, support the United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals, and promote inclusive global collaboration, FIRST was prominently featured at the Global Sustainable Development Congress (GSDC) 2025 in Türkiye.

Cultivating Young Talents

Our faculty members' achievements exemplify our commitment to academic excellence. We are proud to highlight the contributions of 32 Highly Cited Researchers in 2024 by Clarivate. Their research has made a significant impact in their respective fields and brought widespread recognition to our institution. At the University, we are dedicated to supporting our faculty in their pursuit of knowledge and innovation, ensuring that they remain at the forefront of their disciplines.

To attract and retain top global talent, we have launched several initiatives. The Distinguished Visiting Professors Scheme has evolved into a network of over 50 academics from top institutions worldwide. The Presidential Assistant Professors Scheme fosters the long-term career development of exceptional young researchers from diverse backgrounds who possess the potential to become world-class scholars and academic leaders at CityUHK.

The pioneering Global Research Assistant Professors Scheme is also dedicated to cultivating and empowering promising early-career researchers by fostering a vibrant academic environment that encourages innovative research and interdisciplinary collaborations, while also establishing a robust global network.

由城大領導的嶄新項目「創新驅動可持續未來：先導計劃」（簡稱FIRST），獲聯合國教科文組織支持，更在土耳其舉行的「全球可持續發展峰會2025」上獲重點介紹，我深感自豪。計劃旨在凝聚全球創新力量，共同推動可持續發展，實現聯合國可持續發展目標。

致力培育年輕人才

城大教研人員屢創佳績，彰顯我們的卓越學術成就。城大32位學者榮膺科睿唯安「2024年度最廣獲徵引研究人員」，他們在各自的研究領域影響深遠，令城大同樣備受讚譽，我們引以為傲。城大致力支持教員追求知識和創新，以確保他們始終走在學科前沿之列。

城大推行多項舉措，以吸引和挽留全球頂尖人才。透過「傑出客座教授計劃」，我們邀得逾50位來自世界一流學府的學者加盟。「校長嘉許學者計劃」則延攬全球優秀年輕研究人員，推動他們的長遠發展，成為世界級學者及城大的學術領袖。

此外，城大透過首創的「全球研究助理教授計劃」，致力培養年輕有為的研究人員，積極鼓勵創新研究思維和跨學科合作，構建充滿活力的學術環境和強大的全球網絡。

Driving Innovation, Expanding Impact

The impact of our global presence is evident in our continued performance across major rankings. This is highlighted by our significant rise in the 2025-2026 U.S. News & World Report Best Global Universities Rankings. Furthermore, CityUHK achieved a remarkable milestone in the 2026 Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings when it secured the top position in Asia and ranked 2nd globally—trailing only Harvard University—in the "Citations per Faculty" indicator, setting a record for universities in Hong Kong.

These developments reflect our commitment to breaking down traditional academic silos, enabling collaborative solutions to pressing global challenges, and shaping the next generation of innovators, scholars, and pioneers.

As we look ahead, our mission remains clear: to be a catalyst for innovation, where bold ideas meet execution, and research transforms into tangible value for society. By nurturing an entrepreneurial culture, we are not merely adapting to the future; we are transforming it. We are excited by the opportunity to enhance the educational experience for our students and the broader community.



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推動創新 擴大影響力

城大在全球各大排名屢創佳績，印證我們的國際聲譽日隆。城大在美國新聞與世界報道2025-2026年度全球最佳大學排名顯著躍升；在Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) 2026年世界大學排名中，城大在「教員論文平均被引用次數」評審指標中榮登亞洲榜首、全球第二，僅次哈佛大學，刷新全港大學相關排名紀錄。

凡此種種，充分體現大學致力打破傳統學術壁壘、促進交流合作，應對全球迫切議題，以及培育新一代創新者、學者和變革者的決心。

展望未來，城大將貫徹使命，推動創新，勇於實踐，將研究成果轉化，為社會帶來切實效益。透過積極培養創業文化，城大不僅配合未來發展所需，更有助引領社會升級轉型，為學生與社會各界創造更卓越的教育體驗。



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