

Forging new academic collaborations with University of Cambridge

A new Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Lucy Cavendish College, one of the largest constituent colleges of the University of Cambridge, spotlights recent efforts by City University of Hong Kong (CityUHK) to cultivate strategic alliances with premier regional and global universities.

Lucy Cavendish College has a reputation for innovation and is home to a vibrant student community drawn from over 80 countries. It seeks to open the Cambridge door to exceptional students with leadership potential and an enterprising mindset, particularly those from disadvantaged or under-represented backgrounds. Its students are committed to positively impacting society and playing a leading role in addressing global issues.



From left: Professor Kevin Downing, Professor Freddy Boey, Professor Dame Madeleine Atkins, and Professor David Cardwell.

As the world's most international university, according to data from Times Higher Education, CityUHK is delighted that the MoU can bolster collaboration between the two institutions through visiting student and scholar schemes. It is intended that under the MoU, CityUHK students will have the opportunity to study at Lucy Cavendish College for one year as part of their undergraduate programme.

Professor Freddy Boey, CityUHK President, signed the MoU with Professor Dame Madeleine Atkins, President of Lucy Cavendish College. The signing was witnessed by Professor Kevin Downing, Secretary to the Council at CityUHK, and Professor David Cardwell, Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Strategy and Planning at the University of Cambridge.

"The alliance between Lucy Cavendish College and CityUHK presents an unparalleled opportunity for CityUHK undergraduate students to immerse themselves in a year-long study experience at Lucy Cavendish College. The College's mission is to admit students studying courses focused on solving global challenges, including sustainable development and clean energy. This aligns perfectly with CityUHK's strategic areas, such as One Health and Smart City," said President Boey.

Professor Dame Madeleine Atkins said she would be delighted to welcome approved students and scholars from CityUHK into the College's immersive living-and-learning global community.

"The synergy between the missions of our two organisations is powerful, and we hope, together, to be able to develop and shape the leaders of tomorrow," she said.

CityUHK is collaborating with 21 leading UK universities in the Russell Group, including the University of Cambridge, the University of Oxford, the University of Glasgow and the University of Exeter.



The CityUHK delegation met with senior University of Cambridge academics during the visit to sign the MoUs.