

Congratulatory Message

I congratulate the Faculty of Science on its 70th Anniversary.

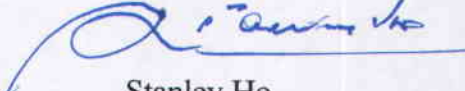
The faculty of Science was not the first Faculty to be created in the University, but it was formally established in 1939 and revived again after the Occupation in 1941-1945 when the University was closed. I was one of the University students in the earliest years of the Faculty's existence. My studies as a student in Ricci Hall were however interrupted by World War II and so I am delighted since then to have watched the growth of the Faculty into one of the major components of the University's teaching and research programmes. As an alumnus I have retained my keen interest and support for the University's growth and development.

Over a comparatively short time the Faculty has expanded greatly and now has six Departments and is associated with a seven further Schools, Institutes and Research Centres. It is thus able to offer teaching over a very wide range.

The Faculty's research record is also outstanding. The teaching staff and postgraduates have contributed extensively to major academic journals and their research has had important applications both in Hong Kong society and in a wider field. Many awards have been received for distinguished achievements. Many of the Faculty's graduates are also now contributing to the development of Hong Kong in numerous areas.

All these achievements are indeed worth commemorating with this Anniversary.

With its very well qualified teaching staff and excellent facilities I trust that this fine record will continue and expand in future years, as the University of Hong Kong also grows and expands, and that the Faculty will still play a major role in its progress.



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