



## Feature Story

### **5** *Ways to Think Global, Act Local*

Consider global ramifications of your action while making efforts to improve conditions locally. You do make a difference!

1. Putting the ever-expanding body of knowledge to serve local needs
2. Buy local to support local economy and global sustainable development
3. Local actions build communities of shared social values to do good everywhere
4. Small actions like stop buying single-use bottled water do impact climate change
5. Reducing waste to keep Hong Kong cleaner and healthier

### From VP(Global) ...



Social responsibility must be how HKU is making a difference in the wellbeing of communities in Hong Kong and around the world. We have a deep talent pool and global network to generate new knowledge and to implement innovative solutions here at home and beyond. With a global perspective, our everyday action takes on a greater purpose in making Hong Kong and the world even better. In this issue, we are excited to announce the new “Strategic Partnership Fund” and the “Global Challenges, Local Solutions” student competition.

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*Selected delegations visiting HKU this month  
an opportunity to  
strengthen existing ties and  
to build new ones.*

*We are happy to connect you.*

- 7<sup>th</sup> – University of Glasgow
- 7<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> – Fudan University
- 8<sup>th</sup> – Architectural Design and Research Institute of Zhejiang University
- 9<sup>th</sup> – University of Melbourne
- 9<sup>th</sup> – Shanghai Normal University
- 14<sup>th</sup> – University of British Columbia

## GLOBAL PARTNERSHIP SEED FUND

**Next deadlines:**

**January 31 & August 31, 2017**



<http://www.global.hku.hk/funding-opportunities>

**Internationalisation in Research** Poverty affects everyone everywhere. Our interdisciplinary team provides the necessary tools to women as vital change agents in improving social and economic development in under-privileged areas. Working with academic institutes, local governments, and multinational organizations such as the World Bank and the International Poverty Reduction Centre in China, HKU students and staff are conducting research and best practices sharing on poverty reduction actions and building capacity for policy makers at all levels. Global challenges require team efforts.

Credits: Profs. Cecilia Chan and Yu Chan of the Faculty of Social Sciences

**Internationalisation in Knowledge Exchange** *“Global Challenges, Local Solutions: changing lives for good”* student competition is your chance to make a difference. Global challenges such as poverty, hunger, healthy ageing, sustainable cities, clean energy, equality, and climate are felt in our daily lives at home. Here is your opportunity to offer innovative solutions to change lives for good, here in Hong Kong and around the world. Finalist team from HKU will be invited to Canada (with paid travel and accommodation) to compete in the global finale for a ~\$175,000 HKD prize to realize your dream. For more information on how to participate: <http://wp2.cedars.hku.hk/wcc-hku/>

**Internationalisation in Teaching and Learning**

- In 2016, our China Vision programme facilitated more than 2500 HKU students to go to Mainland through various cultural and learning activities. That’s more than 60% of a single undergraduate class and a 300% increase from 840 participants in 2013! HKU students’ desire to engage the Mainland remains high and is growing.
- Are you an aspiring, exceptional, post-doctoral scholars looking for an extraordinary opportunity? This is for you: “HKU Society of Fellows in the Humanities” <http://jobs.hku.hk/jd.php?id=201601354>

**Guest Contributor**

Social innovation and global citizenship is in the DNA of our Faculty of Social Sciences. It’s not just a slogan but a core value and strategy in our teaching and research mission. We provide social innovation internships locally, on the Mainland, and around the world along with joint and dual degrees with US and Asian partners.

Credits: Professor John Burns, Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences

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- Aligned core values and commitment to tackle global challenges
- Enthusiasm to collaborate across all levels
- Significant international visibility and recognition
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- A wide range of diverse learning opportunities for student

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