

7.1 David C. Lam Institute for East-West Studies (LEWI)

David C. Lam Institute for East-West Studies (LEWI) is an international academic consortium of twenty-eight well-known universities in Australia, Canada, China, the Netherlands, the Philippines, South Korea, Sweden, the United Kingdom and the USA. Previously known as the Centre for East-West Studies (CEWS), it was renamed in 1993 in honour of Dr. David C. Lam, a generous benefactor of the University, and former Lieutenant Governor of British Columbia, Canada.



LEWI Resident Graduate Scholarship Recipients 2005 - 2006

The Institute aims at fostering collaborative research in East-West Studies. With Hong Kong as its base, LEWI aspires to become a global leader in multi-disciplinary and cross-cultural studies through continuous academic interactions with universities worldwide. LEWI's network not only covers the Pacific Rim region, but also countries in the West, thereby enabling communications across the continents.

In view of the above objectives, the Institute has established research programmes on three continents: the Western Pacific Rim-China Research Programme at Swinburne University of Technology, Australia; the North America-China Research Programme at Simon Fraser University, Canada; and the Europe-China Research Programme at Hong Kong Baptist University. Reporting to the Board of Governors, which consists of all full members and representative associate members, these three research programmes assist in networking among members and augmenting initiatives taken in Hong Kong.

The Institute is funded by membership contributions, private donations, and the University. Joint research, academic publications, conferences, lectures, postgraduate scholarship and scholar visitorship programmes are the Institute's major activities.

7.2 International Office (INTL)

The International Office assists the Vice-President (Development) in formulating, developing and coordinating the implementation of the University's internationalization strategy. As such, it works closely with administrative and academic units to promote interest and involvement in the internationalization of the University by all members of the University community. On a daily basis, the International Office administers the International Student Exchange and the Study Abroad Programmes, and is the host office for exchange students. In this role, the Office seeks to enhance both positive and meaningful cross-cultural experiences between the local and exchange students through various activities. The Office also serves as the first point of contact for organizations outside of Hong Kong interested in institutional collaboration as well as a clearing-house for information relating to international activities on campus and elsewhere.

The University is committed to providing a learning environment that prepares students, faculty and staff to function effectively in an increasingly interdependent world. Towards this end, it actively promotes numerous academic exchange activities. The University is also the host institution to the following international organizations/consortia: the David C Lam Institute for East-West Studies (LEWI), the Wing Lung Bank International Institute for Business Development (IIBD), and the German Academic Exchange Service (DAAD).