

From the Editor 編者的話

Time flies! We are just a year away from welcoming the first cohort of students under the new four-year curriculum. Everyone at HKBU has been working hard to design and prepare for the launch of a new curriculum that will enable students to get the most out of the extra year of university education.

A cornerstone of the new curriculum is General Education, which will ensure that in addition to being trained in their majors our graduates have a broad knowledge base and a range of skills essential for navigating a globalised world. Whole Person Education has always been our strength at HKBU and the General Education curriculum will only enhance this. Professor Reza Hoshmand, Director of General Education, is excited about the many opportunities General Education offers students and tells us more about his plans for the programme in this issue.

Strongly believing in research-informed teaching, HKBU encourages its faculty in their research endeavours in a range of areas. We spoke to Professor Chen Zhi of the Department of Chinese Language and Literature, who gave us a glimpse into his work on the relationship between the *Book of Odes* and bronze inscriptions from the Western Zhou period.

We hope that the curriculum changes and research at HKBU will better groom the next generation of talent in Hong Kong. The rapidly aging population in Hong Kong means that filling the talent pipeline is an urgent need. Even as we seek to groom the leaders of tomorrow, Professor Randy Chiu and his team at the Centre for Human Resources Strategy and Development have been studying ways to make the most of the wealth of experience that senior workers bring to the table. He shares his views in our cover story.

An embodiment of how different generations can come together to create vibrant results is HKBU's Gala Performance to be held in November, one of our highlights in celebration of the University's 55th Anniversary. It will feature talent from different generations of HKBU alumni, staff and students. We would love to see you there joining in the fun and celebrating this special occasion with us.



Lisa Wong
Chief Editor

時光如白駒過隙，尚有一年，新學制便正式推行，浸大籌備新課程的工作已進行得如火如荼，希望同學能好好把握額外增加的一年大學教育，進一步成就全人發展。

新課程的其中一個重要元素是通識教育。同學除了修讀專業以外，還需選修通識課程，擴闊知識面和學習多方面的技能，才能在全球化的趨勢中保持競爭力。浸大一向推崇全人教育，通識課程必然能讓同學有更全面的發展。新上任的通識教育處總監賀書孟教授亦認為通識教育能為同學帶來更多機會，並會暢談他的課程大計。

浸大堅信研究有助提升教學質素，故一直鼓勵教學人員進行各方面的研究，例如中國語言文學系陳致教授正進行一項研究，探討《詩經》與西周時期的金文之間的關係，對解讀古代詩歌的演變大有幫助。

我們期望新學制再配合浸大的研究，能為香港培育更多更好的人才。香港面臨勞動人口急速老化，勞動市場急須填補新血，大學固然會為社會培育未來的棟樑，趙其琨教授與其人力資源策略及發展研究中心的研究小組亦正研究如何能善用資深員工的豐富經驗和閱歷，並會在「專題」中詳細探討。

不同世代的人才匯聚在一起，或可擦出意想不到的火花，於十一月舉行的「香港浸會大學五十五周年校慶濃情大匯演」將是最好的證明。屆時不同年代的校友和師生濟濟一堂，盡展才華，同賀母校五十五周年校慶，希望屆時能獲得你的參與。

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