

## *University Announcement*

Dear Colleagues, Students, Council members and Alumni,

We are encouraged that the high quality of CityU's professional education has been strongly affirmed by the Academic Quality Report released today by the Quality Assurance Council (QAC) of the University Grants Committee.

We are particularly pleased that the QAC's report has commended CityU for providing students with a transformative educational experience which successfully develops their capabilities to prepare them for professional practice in their future careers. The report affirms the University's emphasis on teaching and learning, and the recognition that it places on innovation in education. This is consistent with CityU's educational philosophy that scholarship and discovery are essential ingredients for quality education. The QAC also commends CityU for its positive integration of the non-local students on campus, the high quality of supervision and management of PhD candidature, the University's pioneering efforts in establishing an evidence-based culture and its proactive approach to quality assurance.

The QAC's report is essentially an important validation of CityU's achievements in professional education. We are deeply gratified by the report's eight commendations and nine affirmations. Our success is a direct result of the outstanding team performance and dedication of all members of the University. I particularly want to thank our faculty, staff, students, alumni, Council Chairman, Council members and external stakeholders for taking part in the audit.

We will carefully review the QAC's recommendations to pursue further quality improvement. We will continue our efforts in curriculum innovation to excite and inspire our students, and to distinguish CityU as a global destination for professional education.

Responsibility for students' learning lies at the very core of CityU's mission and academic duty, and we remain strongly committed to interweaving excellence in research and scholarship with our responsibilities to educating our students.

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