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FRANCIS AND ROSE YUEN CAMPUS IN HONG KONG**

**2024-25 ANNUAL REPORT**





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# Introduction

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## Foreword from Faculty Director

In the 2024-2025 academic year, the Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Academic Complex | The University of Chicago Francis and Rose Yuen Campus in Hong Kong continued to expand its academic reach and impact. We supported ten faculty research grants through the Provost's Global Faculty Awards this year. An increasing number of faculty members have visited our Hong Kong campus to conduct their research, deliver public lectures, organize symposia with partners, and foster collaborations with universities across Asia. We also launched a new program of research grants for graduate students and post-doctoral fellows to do research in Hong Kong. Eight projects were awarded. The activities have further strengthened the University of Chicago's academic impact and presence in Hong Kong and the broader region.

Our Hong Kong campus has broadened its global audience through online webinars. This year, the continuation of our U.S. Presidential Election series discussed pressing issues including political polarization, geopolitical consequences, and the future of democracy, embodying the University's foundational principles of free expression and rigorous inquiry. These discussions brought together diverse perspectives from scholars and audiences worldwide to examine critical challenges facing our global community.

This year marked the return of our study abroad program to Hong Kong. We also welcomed the students from the first-year L.C.K. Yung Global Studies Summer Fellowships. Students collaborated directly with faculty on diverse projects on politics, language, history, and more.

As part of our ongoing efforts to connect with the local community and Hong Kong's cultural landscape, this commitment was exemplified by the rotating heritage exhibition: "Refugee and Renaissance Man: Solomon Bard (1916-2014) and His 60 Years in Hong Kong". The multi-dimensional tribute complemented by a commemorative musical performance and documentary production, celebrating Dr. Bard's remarkable life and contributions of this influential historical figure. We bridge academic excellence with meaningful community engagement, shaping the future in Asia and beyond.

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Kenneth Pomeranz  
Faculty Director



## Foreword from Executive Director

As we reflect on another dynamic year, we take pride in sharing the many ways the University of Chicago has strengthened its engagement across Asia. This year, our work focused on fostering meaningful academic exchanges, supporting innovative research, and strengthening ties with our global community of scholars and partners.

We are also pleased to share significant growth in our academic offerings, from the continued success of the Chicago Booth EMBA program to the expansion of Executive Education and the Rustandy Center programming on our Hong Kong campus. The launch of Nexus Asia represents an exciting step forward in our efforts to collaborate with the University of Chicago PhD alumni and their institutions throughout the Asia Pacific region. By facilitating research partnerships, workshops, and public lectures, this initiative underscores our dedication to advancing knowledge and building lasting connections across borders. The successful debut of our Data Science Summer Academy for high school students further reflects our commitment to sharing knowledge with diverse audiences.

Our Tram Tales heritage rotating exhibition was honored with "Best Exhibition" from Marketing Events Awards and "Best PR Campaign" from PR Awards, standing as a testament to the creativity and impact of our heritage revitalization efforts.

This year also saw us supporting a wide range of University initiatives, from career development to alumni engagement, while hosting thought-provoking discussions on topics ranging from AI to global history. With season two of The Course podcast, we now have released a remarkable 145 episodes.

As we look ahead, we remain focused on exploring new opportunities for collaboration and innovation. We are grateful for the dedication of our faculty, staff, and partners, whose efforts continue to elevate the University's presence in Asia and beyond.

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Mark Barnekow  
Executive Director



# About the Campus

## Mission

The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Academic Complex | The University of Chicago Francis and Rose Yuen Campus in Hong Kong serves as an intellectual hub in Asia, embodying the University's values of free and open discourse, rigorous debate, and the exchange of ideas across disciplines. Serving its students and cultivating intellectual research and academic collaboration with partner institutions are key objectives of the campus in Hong Kong, while also introducing new opportunities for community partnerships and social impact.

The campus in Hong Kong has become home to hundreds of faculty, graduate and undergraduate students across the entirety of all the University of Chicago Schools and Divisions. The campus hosts dozens of academic workshops, conferences, and public lectures each year. Since its inception in 2018, the campus in Hong Kong has also been a destination for faculty and students of the top-ranked Executive MBA program offered by the University of Chicago Booth School of Business, as well as to professionals pursuing non-degree Executive Education courses and the University of Chicago undergraduate Study Abroad students.

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Charities Trust has a strong presence on the campus in Hong Kong. In addition to providing institutional support to construct The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Academic Complex, the Trust has also been instrumental in renovating The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Heritage Courtyard and Interpretation Centre and creating The Hong Kong Jockey Club Program on Social Innovation which resides on the campus in Hong Kong.

## History

The University of Chicago Booth School of Business relocated its Asia Executive MBA program to Hong Kong from Singapore in 2014, and the University of Chicago's Global Office began operating in Hong Kong in 2015. The teams moved into an interim facility at Cyberport in Hong Kong until the University of Chicago campus in Hong Kong was established at the heritage site at Mount Davis in November 2018.



The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Academic Complex | The University of Chicago Francis and Rose Yuen Campus in Hong Kong

## Leadership in 2024-25



**Professor Kenneth Pomeranz**

*Faculty Director (2021-present)*

University Professor of Modern Chinese History in the Department of History and in the College



**Mark Barnekow**

*Executive Director*

*The University of Chicago Campus in Hong Kong*

### 2024-2025 Faculty Steering Committee

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**Boaz Keysar** | Psychology

**Young-Kee Kim** | Physics

**Kimberly Kay Hoang** | Sociology

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**Yung-ti Li** | East Asian Languages and Civilizations

**Haun Saussy** | Comparative Literature

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## Team\*

### The University of Chicago Global Team



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The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Academic Complex | The University of Chicago Francis and Rose Yuen Campus in Hong Kong

## Facility & Location

Built on a historically important site at Mount Davis, the University of Chicago campus in Hong Kong restored the historical features of the site, including The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Heritage Campus, where tours and exhibitions highlighting the history of the site are available to the public.

As part of the revitalization process, exterior heritage elements on the site such as the previously unused battery gun emplacement and ancillary structures have been made accessible to visitors, while the heritage trails

on the Hong Kong campus were built to connect with the public hiking trail on Mount Davis. With the campus' open design, the public has access to heritage trails and is welcome to visit the open grounds area.

The campus in Hong Kong is about 53,000 sq. ft., with the new building accounting for about 44,000 sq. ft. In addition to the 15 group study rooms and the student lounge, there is a multi-purpose hall on the ground floor where panels, conferences, and events take place. The building also includes a reading room and two classroom auditoriums for academic meetings and classes.

## Programs Hosted

### Executive MBA – Asia Program

The campus in Hong Kong is home to the Chicago Booth Hong Kong Executive MBA Program, designed for experienced professionals who aspire to leadership positions. Classes are held in weeklong sessions every three to six weeks, allowing participants to continue working while simultaneously earning their MBA and networking with their global classmates.

<https://www.chicagobooth.edu/mba/executive/hong-kong-campus>

### Executive Education

Students attending the executive education programs in Hong Kong have access to world-renowned Chicago Booth MBA faculty, industry leaders, and a global network of top professionals. Programs offer a blend of academic excellence and practical application that provide participants with unparalleled opportunities to expand their horizons.

<https://www.chicagobooth.edu/mba/executive/hong-kong-campus>

## Study Abroad

The campus in Hong Kong contributes to the university's wider engagement in Asia and supports the growing number of opportunities for learning and research collaborations in Hong Kong. Study Abroad programs are quarter-long programs that offer core curricula to the University of Chicago students, bringing them to Hong Kong to study and work alongside faculty in one of the most important crossroads of the Asia-Pacific region.

<https://study-abroad.uchicago.edu/campus-hong-kong>

## Hong Kong Jockey Club Programme on Social Innovation

The Hong Kong Jockey Club Programme on Social Innovation leverages the strengths of Hong Kong's social sector with scholarships and programming designed to help the city's NGOs and social entrepreneurs maximize their impact. The Programme aims to build capacity among NGOs, social entrepreneurs, and impact investors, catalyze and share knowledge among researchers and academics, and engage and connect leaders in the business and social sectors. The Programme does this by offering:

- workshops on nonprofit strategy and board governance, leadership, financial planning, and impact investing;
- free, public events featuring global social innovation leaders and local university and NGO partners;
- scholarships for Booth's non-degree, Executive Education courses on topics like negotiations, marketing, and strategy;
- and scholarships to the University of Chicago Booth School of Business Executive MBA Program in Hong Kong.

<https://www.chicagobooth.edu/landing/social-innovation-programme>

## Summer Academy

In collaboration with the UChicago Data Science Institute, the University of Chicago Hong Kong Campus launched the Data Science Summer Academy in the summer of 2024. The program targets talented high school students through various topics related to data science and garnered positive feedback from students and parents in its first year. The success of this program led the campus staff to partner, develop and expand its Summer Academy offerings into other areas to facilitate even greater academic exchange with young talent in the region.

<https://uchicago.hk/programs/summer-academy-hong-kong>

## The Course Podcast

"The Course" is an original podcast series produced in Hong Kong that records personal conversations with the University of Chicago professors about their career journeys and how they become professors. The podcast aims to be informative and serve as a career resource and inspiration for students and aspiring academics. It is also a media channel that encourages students and listeners to learn more about the University of Chicago professors outside of lecture halls.

<https://uchicago.hk/resources/podcast-course>

## Trailblazer Forum

The Trailblazer Forum is a dedicated hybrid leadership forum that connects the University of Chicago Campus in Hong Kong and the Asia community. The campus invites senior thought leaders across a variety of industries and disciplines to share their journey, business acumen, life philosophy and leadership insights with UChicago alumni, students and the general public throughout Asia, live and online. Hong Kong, as Asia's world city, is a perfect destination for the Trailblazer Forum to be the premier platform for exchanging ideas, facilitating innovative approaches and empowering entrepreneurship and leadership between Asia-based professionals.

<https://uchicago.hk/events/trailblazer-forum>

## Provost's Global Faculty Awards

The Provost's Global Faculty Awards support international faculty initiatives with a collaborative element in key regions where the University of Chicago has strong engagement, currently including mainland China, Hong Kong and East Asia, South Asia, Latin America, and Sub-Saharan Africa. This program seeks to strengthen and amplify relationships and research collaborations between the University and researchers and institutions around the world.

<https://global.uchicago.edu/pgfa/hong-kong>

## The Hong Kong Jockey Club University of Chicago Heritage Courtyard and Interpretation Centre

The campus in Hong Kong is built on a historically important site at Mount Davis, which at different times served as part of Hong Kong's western coastal defense system, makeshift housing for refugees, a British Army Royal Engineers' mess and quarters, a detention center, and a police training facility. The campus' design pays homage to the site's history and former occupants through the creation of the Heritage Interpretation Centre and by preserving and highlighting significant architectural elements throughout the site. The design combines modern functionality with preservation, featuring adaptive reuse of existing heritage buildings on the site and making the heritage sites and their history accessible to the Hong Kong community.

The campus resumed public visits and guided tours of the Heritage Interpretation Centre in 2022. Five guided tours per week are offered in Cantonese and English, available to the public and community groups upon request. In FY24-25, the Heritage Interpretation Centre welcomed 1736 visitors. The rotating exhibition launched in October 2024, "Tram Tales: 120 Years of Hong Kong Tramways" was well-received by the public and FY24-25 saw the highest visitor numbers of The Heritage Interpretation Centre since opening.

<https://heritage.uchicago.hk/>

## L.C.K. Yung Global Studies Summer Fellowship

With generous funding from an alumni donor, Global Studies brought the University of Chicago College students to Hong Kong to work with undergraduate students from the University of Hong Kong on a wide range of research projects. Research topics addressed global issues and current events as well as economics and history and were supervised by faculty members from both UChicago and the University of Hong Kong. The Yung Fellowship will continue to run on the Hong Kong Campus in the coming three years.

<https://globalstudies.uchicago.edu/research-opportunity-hong-kong>

## Nexus Asia

Nexus Asia, launched by the University of Chicago Campus in Hong Kong this year, builds collaborative relationships with the University of Chicago PhD alumni and their institutions across the Asia Pacific. With a growing network of over one hundred alumni spanning forty-four Asia-based universities across most UChicago disciplines, Nexus Asia provides travel grants to our PhD alumni and seeks to accelerate and activate campus engagement opportunities throughout the region. Through workshops, lectures, and public events hosted at the Hong Kong Campus, the Nexus Asia program connects academics, alumni, and the wider community to advance research, learning, and new institutional partnerships.

<https://uchicago.hk/events/nexus-asia>



# Impact

## METRICS

**59** Events, Conferences,  
and Workshops

**6557** Event  
Participants

**20813** E-news  
Subscribers

## Highlights

### Building Academic Collaborations

#### Committee on International Relations (CIR)

With strong logistical support from the campus team in Hong Kong, the Committee on International Relations (CIR) successfully conducted its third global seminar in Taiwan from March 10-19, 2025. The delegation, comprising 16 faculty members and students, engaged with more than 35 experts and scholars across 12 leading institutions and organizations relevant to their research focus. The program also featured a well-attended alumni reception in Taipei, organized in collaboration with Alumni Relations and Development, which brought together 24 the University of Chicago alumni.

#### “The Course” Podcast

“The Course” is an original podcast produced in Hong Kong that records personal conversations with the University of Chicago professors about their career journeys to becoming a professor. The podcast aims to be informative and a career resource and inspiration for students and aspiring academics. It is also a channel for listeners to learn more about the University of Chicago professors outside of lecture halls.

The podcast launched in May 2022 and has released 145 episodes to date (June 30, 2025) with approximately 60 hours of content and featuring 145 professors across all divisions and schools within the University. Currently, during Season 2, the podcast has nearly 650 followers and over 30,000 listens.

#### Public Faculty Lectures

The campus in Hong Kong hosted online and hybrid talks in 2024-2025 for audiences across Hong Kong, mainland China, and broader Asia. Featured speakers included Professors Robert Pape (Political Science), Judith Zeitlin

(East Asian Languages and Civilizations), James Evans (Sociology), Ben Zhao (Computer Science), and Chang-Tai Hsieh (Booth School of Business). The events drew more than 6,500 in-person and online attendees for our programs in 2024-2025, an average of 75% non-University affiliated attendees.

#### Academic Webinar Series

Continuing the success of the 2020 U.S. Presidential Election Series, the campus in Hong Kong collaborated with Professor Robert Pape from the Department of Political Science to host six webinars between September 2024 and January 2025. These webinars provided our global audience with insights into the democratic process and the potential impact of the new U.S. president. The series attracted over 1,500 online participants and paved the way for Professor Pape’s visit to mainland China in June 2025.

#### Social Impact Leadership Series – Gender and Sexuality: Understanding Cultural Assumptions to Promote Social Equality

On February 20, the Hong Kong Jockey Club Programme on Social Innovation, operated by the Rustandy Center for Social Sector Innovation, hosted a session led by Kristen Schilt, Associate Professor of Sociology in the Division of the Social Sciences at the University of Chicago. Drawing on her research on transgender experiences in the United States, Schilt examined deeply rooted cultural assumptions about gender influence hiring practices, promotion decisions, and workplace responsibilities. The session also featured a panel with local experts, including Travis Kong, Professor of Sociology at the University of Hong Kong, and Elaine Lin, Director of WMA, who shared practical strategies for advancing gender and sexual minority inclusion in Hong Kong. The event drew 55 participants underscoring a shared commitment to social equality.



President's Alumni Reception

## Alumni & Public Engagement

### President's Alumni Reception

The campus in Hong Kong welcomed President Paul Alivisatos on his second visit to Hong Kong, where he shared his visionary leadership and the University of Chicago's global ambitions with 169 alumni. In a compelling discussion moderated by Vice President Armin Afsahi, President Alivisatos discussed the University's evolving role in shaping the future of higher education and addressing the world's most pressing problems.

### Heritage Rotating Exhibition

In October 2024, the campus launched our annual rotating exhibition at The Heritage Courtyard and Interpretation Centre, featuring the exhibition "Refugee and Renaissance Man: Solomon Bard (1916–2014) in Hong Kong." The exhibition commemorated Solomon Bard's life journey from a refugee to doctor and cultural leader in Hong Kong and celebrated his contributions to music and Hong Kong's cultural heritage. Curated with rare artifacts and personal belongings generously contributed by Dr. Bard's family, the exhibition provided an intimate glimpse into his remarkable life and legacy. The program featured a keynote address from Faculty Director Kenneth Pomeranz, who illuminated Bard's multifaceted contributions, and a special live concert presented in partnership with the University of Hong Kong. The concert featured musicians who had previously collaborated with Dr. Bard, along with a special musical composition created in tribute to his extraordinary life.



Heritage Rotating Exhibition - Refugee and Renaissance Man: Solomon Bard (1916–2014) in Hong Kong.

### Trailblazer Forum

The Hong Kong campus hosted 'Crown – Going Global from Hong Kong,' a Trailblazer Forum that explored the remarkable journey of Crown Worldwide Group, from its founding to becoming one of the world's largest privately owned logistics companies. The event featured a conversation with the founder Jim Thompson, who shared unique insights into entrepreneurship, global expansion, and leadership. Alumni and students alike participated enthusiastically, gaining inspiration from Dr. Thompson's firsthand experiences and the company's strategies for international growth.

### Alumni Weekend Global Edition 2025

The campus in Hong Kong, in collaboration with Alumni Relations & Development and the UChicago Alumni Club of Hong Kong, welcomed 110 members of the University of Chicago alumni community from various parts of Asia on June 20 for a memorable celebration with campus tours, an NGO showcase, a keynote speech by Professor KC Chan at The Hong Kong University of Science and Technology, a fireside chat on women in entrepreneurship, a live pipa performance, and interactive campus puzzles.



Alumni Weekend Global Edition 2025

### Local Partnership

#### Ghost Village Opera Workshop

Provost's Global Faculty Award (PGFA) grantee Professor Judith Zeitlin collaborated with composer Yao Chen, pianist and music director Hsu Wei-en (Hong Kong Academy for Performing Arts), and Professor Giorgio Biancorosso (the University of Hong Kong) to create Ghost Village, a new opera inspired by Pu Songling's Stange Tales from LiaoZhai (聊齋誌異). On December 14, 2024, the campus in Hong Kong and Professor Zeitlin co-hosted a workshop and reception featuring a rehearsal, performance, and recording of an excerpt, along with a discussion on the creative process of the opera. The event welcomed 41 guests, including academics, opera enthusiasts, and representatives from the Hong Kong Arts Festival and music community.

### Hong Kong NGO Governance Programme – Nonprofit Core Competency Workshop Series: Measuring and Selling Your Impact

On June 19–20, the Hong Kong Jockey Club Programme on Social Innovation, operated by the Rustandy Center for Social Sector Innovation, hosted a two-part workshop that convened 117 social impact practitioners from 50 nonprofit organizations and funding bodies. Led by Jason Saul, Executive Director of the Center for Impact Sciences at the University of Chicago's



Harris School of Public Policy, and Heather King, Vice President of Standards at the Impact Genome Registry, the sessions learned advanced impact measurement strategies. Topics included defining and measuring value beyond outputs, adapting to evolving donor expectations, effectively communicating outcomes, and applying the Success Equation framework to lead with impact. Local learning partners included Asian Charity Services, Justice Centre Hong Kong, Purpose Impact Action, Resolve Foundation, and The D. H. Chen Foundation, all of whom helped facilitate the workshop series.

## Strategic Projects

### L.C.K. Yung Global Studies Summer Fellowship in Hong Kong

Professor Kimberly Kay Hoang and Professor Marco Garrido returned to the campus in Hong Kong with the L.C.K. Yung Global Studies Summer Fellows for a second year. This interdisciplinary research program, supported by the generous contribution from Mr. Lincoln Yung (MBA '70), is conducted in collaboration with the University of Hong Kong (HKU). The Fellowship brought 13 UChicago College students and 9 HKU undergraduates together to work on twelve projects led by various principal investigators from the University of Chicago and HKU. The campus in Hong Kong provided essential administrative support and local coordination for the duration of this two-month program.



L.C.K. Yung Global Studies Summer Fellowship in Hong Kong

### Nexus Asia

In May 2025, the campus in Hong Kong announced the launch of Nexus Asia, a program dedicated to collaborating with the University of Chicago PhD alumni and their institutions throughout the Asia Pacific region. Nexus Asia currently includes an expanding community of over 100 PhD alumni across forty-four Asian universities representing all of the University's schools, departments and disciplines. In addition to the leading universities in Hong Kong, Nexus alumni include faculty at many of Asia's most prominent institutions, including Peking University, National University of Singapore, Seoul National University, and Sophia University.

Nexus Asia kicked off its launch by supporting 10 scholars from institutions across Hong Kong, mainland China, South Korea, Singapore, and India, funding their regional travel and research. The Hong Kong campus will continue to engage these scholars through workshops, lectures, and public events.

### Data Science Summer Academy

The Data Science Summer Academy (DSSA), a partnership between the campus in Hong Kong and the University of Chicago's Data Science Institute, brought the University's academic rigor to Hong Kong high school students.



Data Science Summer Academy 2024

The program introduced students to foundational topics in data science, data analysis, and using data exploratory tools. Apart from faculty-led lectures, the program also included guest speakers, excursions, and a celebratory closing ceremony. With the success of the inaugural summer academy, the campus has plans to expand the programs that it will offer for the following summer.

## Supporting Hong Kong-Chicago Connections

### College Admissions

The College Admissions Office and the campus in Hong Kong celebrated the acceptance of 15 newly admitted college students, with their family and friends, at the Newly Admitted Student Reception on April 17, 2025. The event included opening remarks from Dean Peter Wilson, welcoming comments from the University of Chicago alumni, a heritage tour and a networking session for students and families to get to know each other.

### Study Abroad

With the support of the campus in Hong Kong, the University of Chicago Study Abroad program resumed its offerings in Hong Kong beginning with the Winter Quarter Global Studies program. Led by Professor Kristen Schilt, Dr. Cate Fugazzola and Dr. Callie Maidhof, the program brought 16 College students to explore Hong Kong while completing their Global Studies Core Curriculum.

During the Winter Quarter program, students attended the University of Chicago faculty-led classes, Cantonese and Mandarin language classes taught by instructors from the Chinese University of Hong Kong, while boarding at accommodations provided by the University of Hong Kong. Students also went on various excursions and activities to explore parts of the city that related to their course content.



Study Abroad 2025



# Appendix

## Events

| EVENT DATE                  | EVENT NAME  | ATTENDEES |
|-----------------------------|---|-----------|
| Jul 01 - Aug 31, 2024       | Tram Tales: 120 Years of Hong Kong Tramways   | 497       |
| Jul 04, 2024                | Experiences and Lessons from Protecting Human Creatives Using Adversarial AI Tools        | 100       |
| Jul 09, 2024                | Spiderweb Capitalism: How Global Elites Exploit Frontier Markets                          | 35        |
| Jul 22 - Aug 09, 2024       | Data Science Summer Academy 2024  | 12        |
| Aug 08, 2024                | Words Like Water: Queer Mobilization and Social Change in China                           | 155       |
| Sep 04 - 05, 2024           | Executive Education Program: Negotiations   | 23        |
| Sep 12, 2024                | Crown - Going Global from Hong Kong - Jim Thompson  | 148       |
| Sep 16 - 17, 2024           | Pan-Asian Microbiome Summit 2024 - Trailblazing the Future of Microbiome Medicine         | 49        |
| Sep 19, 2024                | The Era of Violent Populism in America  | 315       |
| Oct 01, 2024 - Jan 02, 2025 | Refugee and Renaissance Man: Solomon Bard (1916-2014) and His 60 Years in Hong Kong       | 567       |
| Oct 03, 2024                | Geopolitical and International Economic Implications                                      | 277       |
| Oct 17, 2024                | Disinformation and the Domestic Political Implications                                    | 183       |
| Oct 25 - 26, 2024           | Ecological Matters: Experimental and Legal Interventions into Climate Change in East Asia | 10        |
| Oct 25, 2024                | Film Screen - Artfishal: The Fight to Save Wild Salmon                                    | 19        |
| Oct 30, 2024                | Taylor Made: How One American Artist is Shaping Global Culture, Economics and Politics    | 211       |
| Nov 06, 2024                | Presidential Election 2024 - Global Virtual Gathering                                     | 328       |
| Nov 16, 2024                | UChicago Financial Education Initiative (UCFEI) Professional Development                  | 124       |
| Nov 20, 2024                | Harnessing Gray Rhinos for Social Innovation: A New Strategic Approach to Risk            | 109       |
| Dec 12, 2024                | Lecture & Concert   Refugee and Renaissance Man: Solomon Bard (1916-2014) in Hong Kong    | 130       |

| EVENT DATE            | EVENT NAME  | ATTENDEES |
|-----------------------|---|-----------|
| Dec 14, 2024          | Ghost Village — A New Opera Workshop  | 41        |
| Dec 16, 2024          | Where is China Going?   | 301       |
| Jan 03 - Mar 09, 2025 | Study Abroad 2025 - Global Studies  | 16        |
| Jan 09, 2025          | Mounting Political Violence in America and What This Means for Asia, Europe, and the World  | 201       |
| Jan 14, 2025          | Impact Investing: Aligning Profit and Purpose to Change the World   | 127       |
| Jan 18, 2025          | EMBA Open day (Jan 2025)  | 50        |
| Jan 22, 2025          | US Commercial Service Select USA  | 20        |
| Jan 23 - 25, 2025     | Cultures of Youth Mental Health in East Asia, North America, and the UK   | 60        |
| Feb 20, 2025          | The One and Many Silk Roads: The Art of Imagining a Common Future   | 36        |
| Feb 20, 2025          | HKJCPSI SILS Gender and Sexuality: Understanding Cultural Assumptions to Promote Social Equality  | 80        |
| Mar 05, 2025          | President's Fireside Chat   | 169       |
| Mar 08 - 19, 2025     | 2025 CIR Asian International Relations Seminar  | 14        |
| Mar 15, 2025          | EMBA Open day (March 2025)  | 50        |
| Mar 18, 2025          | AI and the Future of Intelligence   | 248       |
| Mar 20, 2025          | On Board Conference 2025  | 224       |
| Mar 20, 2025          | Nexus Asia Inaugural Meeting  | 24        |
| Mar 25, 2025          | 2025 Spring SSG Demo Day  | 120       |
| Apr 17, 2025          | Admitted Student Reception  | 43        |
| Apr 24 - 25, 2025     | AI in Quantitative Finance featuring Mark Hendricks and Hongsong Chou   | 15        |
| Apr 25, 2025          | UChicago-HKBU International Research Workshop on Work, Family, and Caregiving in a Global Context Reception                                       | 12        |
| Apr 28 - 30, 2025     | Between Disability Justice and Care Justice: An International Workshop  | 25        |
| May 08, 2025          | Reimagining the Past: Digital Chinese Heritage Initiatives at UChicago  | 75        |
| May 12, 2025          | Resolving the Childcare Paradox   | 33        |
| May 14, 2025          | Global Race for A Better Battery  | 96        |
| May 19, 2025          | 2025 International Symposium on Radiothernostics Toward Practicing Personalized Medicine  | 13        |
| May 20 - 21, 2025     | The 5 <sup>th</sup> Macau Biomedical Imaging Research Workshop  | 47        |
| May 23 - 25, 2025     | From the Countryside to the City: Environmental Transformations and the Impact of Urbanization, Land Use Changes, and Migration on Cambodian Life | 21        |
| May 31, 2025          | EMBA AXP-25 Family Day  | 125       |

| EVENT DATE            | EVENT NAME  | ATTENDEES |
|-----------------------|---|-----------|
| Jun 04, 2025          | The Globalization of Baghdad: An Imperial Capital and Its Global Entanglements  | 51        |
| Jun 10 - Aug 01, 2025 | L.C.K. Yung Global Studies Summer Fellowship in Hong Kong   | 21        |
| Jun 12, 2025          | Balancing Socio-Theoretic Traditions in Understanding Trauma and Mental Health: Evidence on the 3-D Theory of Polyvictimization | 40        |
| Jun 18, 2025          | Rationality in Context: Behavioral Economics & Cognitive Bias from East to West   | 72        |
| Jun 19 - 20, 2025     | Hong Kong NGO Governance Programme - Nonprofit Core Competency Workshop Series: "Measuring and Selling Your Impact"             | 108       |
| Jun 19, 2025          | Tribal: How the Cultural Instincts that Divide Us Can Help Bring Us Together  | 52        |
| Jun 20, 2025          | Alumni Weekend: Global Edition - Hong Kong  | 110       |
| Jun 26, 2025          | Why the U.S. is Frightening the World and What This Means for China   | 228       |

# Grants Administered

## Provost's Global Faculty Awards of FY24-25

### Academic Events

#### American Oligarchy: Family Members of U.S. Political Elites Procuring Business Deals Abroad

Kimberly Kay Hoang | Sociology

#### Building Chicago-Indonesia Open Systems Research and Other Educational Engagements

Haryadi Gunawi | Computer Science

#### Cultures of Youth Mental Health in East Asia, North America, & the UK

Eugene Raikhel | Comparative Human Development

#### Radiotheranostics - Toward Practicing Personalized Medicine

Chien-Min Kao | Raiology

#### Silk Road Imaginaries

Richard Payne | Near Eastern Languages and Civilizations

### Public Events

#### Ghost Village Opera Workshop II

Judith Zeitlin | East Asian Languages and Civilizations

### Research Projects

#### A Chicago-Hong Kong Collaboration to Map the Cosmos

Hsiao-Wen Chen | Astronomy and Astrophysics

#### A Snapshot of the Genetic Diversity at a Late Shang Dynasty Sacrificial Context in Anyang

Maanasa Raghavan | Human Genetics Graduate Program

#### Crowdsourcing Language Change in Hong Kong with Smartphone Applications

Alan Yu | Linguistics

#### Monitoring Health in Asian Populations Using Metabolomic Analysis of the Gut Microbiota

Eugene Chang | Medicine

## Nexus Asia Grants

#### Balancing Socio-Theoretic Traditions in Understanding Trauma and Mental Health: Evidence on the 3-D Theory of Polyvictimization

#### Rationality in Context: Behavioral Economics and Cognitive Bias from East to West

#### Unruly Spirits: The Rise of Chinese Medicine Therapies for Autism & ADHD

#### Education in the Formation of the Chicago Schools

#### Symposium on Digital Approaches to Classical Sinographic Texts & Literature

#### The Algorithmic Financial Advisor's Dilemma

#### Sexual Offence as Fraud Regulation: Fraudulent Sex Criminalization in Asia

#### Private Schools as Instruments of Choice and Equity?

#### Workshop - "I'm here, I know, I care": Looking for the Original Intent of Parents

#### Robot-based Rehabilitation for Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder



## Graduate Student and Post-doctoral Fellow Research Grants

All PIs for PGFA awards must be faculty, but the UChicago community has many other active researchers. To assist them in their work, and to build connections between our Hong Kong campus and the region, we funded 6 graduate students and post-docs for small projects conducted in East Asia during the summer and fall of 2024. The projects were in fields ranging from History and Religious Studies to nano-medicine and gene-editing, virology, and adolescent mental health; all represent important pieces of much larger research agendas. Collaborating institutions included National Taiwan University, National University of Singapore Medical School, and the University of Hong Kong.

### Projects

Li Xiangning, **“Strange Bedfellows: Women Trafficking, Family Strategies, and Marriage Disputes during and after China’s Great Leap Forward, 1958–1965”**

Fu Linyun, **“Building Resilient Futures: Fostering Rural Adolescents’ Positive Development Through Two Innovative School-Based Social-Emotional Learning Programs”** (collaboration with University of Hong Kong)

Le Vi Pham, **“Sex, Law, and Empire: Japanese Women and Prostitution in Colonial Korea, 1876–1945”**

Zhu Jiayi, **“A Buddha Land for All? The Kings’ Plan and Practitioners’ Religious Landscape during the Wuyue Kingdom (907–978).”**

Jason Lo, **“Nanomedicine for In Vivo Gene Editing,”** residency at National Taiwan University

Charles Voirin, **“Serological Analysis of Bat Serum for Viral Infectious Disease Exposure”** residency at National University of Singapore Medical School

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