

Applause for top performers



Winners & the President posing at the award presentation ceremony

A total of 40 staff members were honoured with the “President’s Awards for Outstanding Performance/Achievement 2000” on 18 May for their distinguished performance and contribution to the University and the community.

This year saw the introduction of a new category in the Awards scheme to give recognition to those staff members who have been successful in attracting Competitive Earmarked Research Grants (CERG). Awards were granted to Principal Investigators who have received one CERG in each of the last three consecutive years or four CERGs in the last five consecutive years.

A total of 12 staff members were granted awards under this category. They have won CERG research grants amounting to nearly \$26.7 million in total for the University in the past five years.

Winners of the President’s Awards, including academic, administrative and general grade staff, were honoured for their outstanding performance in the five categories of Teaching, Research and Scholarly Activities, Professional Service to the University, Service to the Professional Community, and Overall Achievement.

The awardees were each presented with a cash award and a souvenir. Their names have been engraved on a plaque outside the Pao Yue-Kong Library on the campus.

Team Awards

Awardee	Post & department
Service to the Professional Community	
Dr W.M. Chiu	Assistant Professor
Dr C.F. Cheung	Lecturer
Dr Sandy To	Scientific Officer II
Mr Chung Tai-wa	Technician
Mr Sammy Lee Shu-shing	Project Technician
Miss Chun May-shan	Clerical Officer II
} Department of Manufacturing Engineering	
Professional Service to the University	
Dr Steven Y.K. Ho	Head
Dr Choi Chun-wah	Medical Officer
Ms Priscilla Pang Bik-han	Nursing Officer
} University Health Service	

Individual Awards



Awarded for excellence in teaching (from top):
*Dr L.A. Snider,
 Prof. D. Sutanto,
 Dr Cecilia W.P. Li-Tsang,
 Mr H.S. Wong.*

Awardee	Post & department
Teaching	
Dr Cecilia W.P. Li-Tsang	Associate Professor, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences
Dr L.A. Snider	Senior Lecturer, Department of Electrical Engineering
Prof. D. Sutanto	Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering
Mr H.S. Wong	Assistant Professor, Department of Shipping & Transport Logistics
Research & Scholarly Activities	
Prof. S.L. Ho	Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering
Dr Richard Z.M. Qian	Associate Professor, Department of Applied Biology & Chemical Technology
Dr Tam Hwa-yaw	Associate Professor, Department of Electrical Engineering
Prof. C.K. Michael Tse	Professor & Associate Head, Department of Electronic & Information Engineering
Dr Xiao-qi Yang	Assistant Professor, Department of Applied Mathematics
Research & Scholarly Activities — CERG-related	
Prof. Albert S.C. Chan	Chair Professor & Head, Department of Applied Biology & Chemical Technology
Prof. Helen Chan	Professor, Department of Applied Physics
Dr L.Y. Chan	Associate Professor, Department of Civil & Structural Engineering
Prof. F.T. Chau	Professor, Department of Applied Biology & Chemical Technology
Ir Dr Eddie Lam Siu-shu	Associate Professor, Department of Civil & Structural Engineering
Prof. William H.K. Lam	Professor, Department of Civil & Structural Engineering
Dr C.P. Lau	Associate Professor, Department of Applied Biology & Chemical Technology
Dr C.W. Li	Associate Professor, Department of Civil & Structural Engineering
Dr Zhilin Li	Associate Professor, Department of Land Surveying & Geo-Informatics
Prof. Ronald M.C. So	Chair Professor & Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering
Prof. Tao Xiaoming	Professor & Associate Head, Institute of Textiles & Clothing
Prof. Teng Jin-guang	Professor, Department of Civil & Structural Engineering
Professional Service to the University	
Ms Phyllis S.F. Cheung	Administrative Officer, Department of Electronic & Information Engineering
Mr David Chiu	Senior Computing Officer, Information Technology Services Office
Mr Benedict Lee Shui-sing	Senior Physical Education Officer, Student Affairs Office
Mr Robert W.M. Tam	Senior Engineer, Industrial Centre
Overall Achievement	
Mr Alex Chan Wing-fai	Storekeeper I, Industrial Centre
Mr Hon Ching-lung	Assistant Physical Education Officer II, Student Affairs Office
Miss Alice Lee	Executive Officer II, Jockey Club Rehabilitation Engineering Centre
Miss Athena Mak Hong-ni	Personal Secretary I, Department of Hotel & Tourism Management
Mr Siu Sik-cheung	Senior Technician, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences
Ms Annie Ting Yuen-han	Clerical Officer I, Academic Secretariat

Reaching out: Faculties host open days

To foster interaction with industry and to showcase their research expertise and consultancy capabilities, the three Faculties of Business and Information Systems, Engineering, and Applied Science and Textiles each organised their respective "Open Day for Industry" recently.

The Open Days attracted to the PolyU campus a total of more than 400 guests, including government officials, senior executives of industry and commerce and leaders of professional associations. They were warmly welcomed by staff members and guided to visit the facilities and laboratories of various departments. Through discussions, display of exhibits and demonstrations of research achievements, the guests obtained firsthand information on the latest developments of the academic departments concerned.

Responses from the guests were both positive and encouraging. With improved mutual understanding, some also identified possible collaboration opportunities. In particular, the Department of Mechanical Engineering secured a donation of \$100,000 from Medallion Garment Factory Limited to support the research and development work on its diesel particulate trap and oil separator for large engines. The Department of Electrical Engineering is also exploring the possibility of conducting a consultancy project for the Hong Kong Electric Co. Ltd. as a result of the event.

Faculty of Business and Information Systems



Faculty members exchange views with industry representatives at the reception.



Faculty of Applied Science and Textiles



Visitors catch a glimpse of the facilities and research work on campus.



for industry

Faculty of Engineering



Prof. Peter Walters, Head of the Department of Business Studies, welcoming the guests.



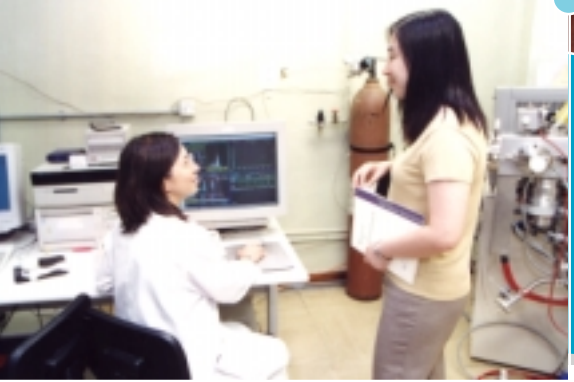
Demo on the diesel particulate trap (above) and engineering seminars (below) capture guests' attention.



Deputy President Mr. Alexander Tzang (right) has a good chat with guests.



Introducing the Faculty's research achievements.



Glittering fashion

Graduation show

Talents trained by PolyU's Institute of Textiles and Clothing proved their creativity and workmanship in their graduation fashion show of 5 July. The 100-plus outfits on show were created and produced by the graduating students of the Degree and Higher Diploma programmes in Fashion and Textiles.

The event was also a keen competition among the student designers. Finally, Kit Tsang Kit-sze won the Creativity Award presented by the Hong Kong Fashion Designers Association (HKFDA). Wu Wing-kwan won the Marangoni Creativity Award offered by Instituto Marangoni. Zoe Lee Sheung-nga received the Best Illustration Award from Lectra Systems (HK) Ltd. Ng Mei-yee grabbed the Best Workmanship Award from HKJ Enterprises Co. (Bertero). Lau Yuen-ye and Anne Chow Hiu-wa were awarded the travelling scholarship offered by Ms Margaret Zee and Saga Furs of Scandinavia respectively.



Marangoni Creativity Award



HKFDA Creativity Award



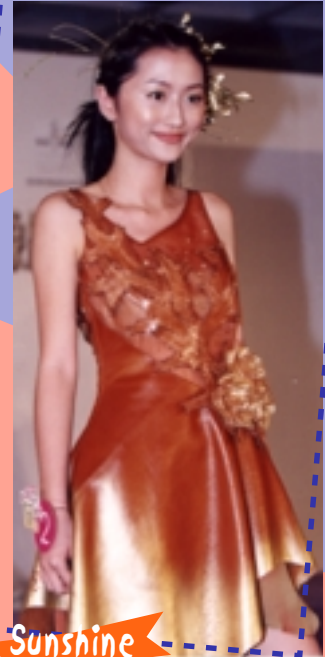
Best Workmanship Award



Travelling scholarship from Margaret Zee

Image Creation

Shining stars and their fans crowded the campus on 12 June at the "6th Hong Kong Most Outstanding Young Designer (Image Creation) Awards", organised by the Institute of Textiles and Clothing and Radio Television Hong Kong. The Best Presentation Award went to singer and guest model Denise Ho Wan-si, who demonstrated the work "Mutation" by Fish Lam Yuk-yu. Lam also shared the Most Outstanding Young Designer (Image Creation) Award with mainland exchange student Sun Juxiang, whose piece "Sunshine" was modelled by singer Mango Wong. The Most Creative Design Award was won by Lam Pui-yu, whose design "Old Soul" was presented by the band B2.



Sunshine



Mutation



Old Soul

Liaison Office chief highly impressed

The University extended a warm welcome to Mr Jiang Enzhu, Director of the Liaison Office of the Central People's Government in the HKSAR, who paid a visit to its campus with his wife and staff members in July.

On their arrival, the guests were received by President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong and Deputy President Mr Alexander Tzang. After hearing Prof. Poon's presentation on the University's development strategies, the the guests then toured selected facilities on campus, including the

Fashion and Textiles Resource Centre, Jockey Club Auditorium and Industrial Centre. They also positively commended the innovative products and technologies developed by the Rapid Product Development Syndicate (RAPRODS) and the intelligent home networking and automation project demonstrated by the Department of Computing.



Mr Jiang shows interest in the work of the Fashion and Textiles Resource Centre (above) and RAPRODS (far right).



IT Contest ends on high note

The IT Contest 2001, attracting over 2,000 contestants signing up for its various competitions since its launch in March, came to a fruitful completion with its Finale and Award Presentation Ceremony held on the University campus on 11 June.

Officiated by President Prof. Poon Chung-kwong and Mr Y. C. Cheng, Acting Director of Information Technology Services of the SAR Government, the Ceremony honoured the winning teams of the IT Quiz, IT WebQuiz for Secondary Schools, Collegiate Programming Competition and Practical Project Competition.

The Ceremony also featured the most exciting final round of the IT Quiz on stage where five finalist teams from various universities competed for the championship. A team consisting of students from PolyU, CUHK and CityU finally grabbed the championship.

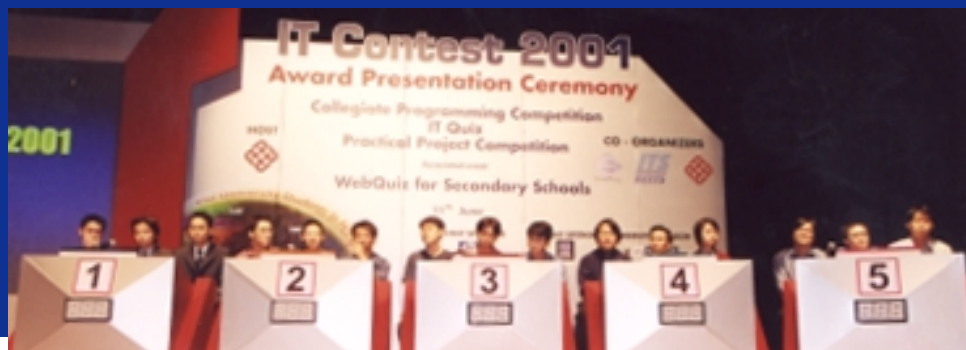
IT Contest 2001 was the first of its kind in Hong Kong initiated by the SAR's Information Technology Services Department and co-organised by PolyU and the Hong Kong Chapter of the Association for Computing Machinery. Through a series of competitions, it aimed to elevate the knowledge and awareness of information technology among university and secondary school students and the general public in the territory.



The President (right) awards a cash prize to the winning team of the IT Quiz.



Mr Y C Cheng (right) commends the high quality of the participating students.



Designing the future



The School of Design exhibited its latest achievements at the “Open Days and Design Show 2001” held on campus. The event was kicked off on 15 June by Mr Francis Ho, Commissioner for Innovation and Technology (pictured above), and Prof. Leung Tin-pui, Vice President (Student and Staff Development) and Dean of the Faculty of Communication.

The 11-day exhibition, with the theme “Design Matters: Future Now”, introduced to the public and industry professionals the department’s works in design education, research and consultancy and innovative student projects. The gala event showcased a vast array of works created by graduating students and gave recognition to the school’s most outstanding students.

Among the exhibits were the industrial design projects of students of the School’s degree, higher diploma and diploma programmes. Explorative student projects, including one on mobile communication devices conducted in collaboration with the international telecommunication company Alcatel, were also on display. ❖



Blending high technology with fashion

(Clockwise, from top left) Milly Wong Suet-yuk with her “Intelligent bracelet”, Veronica Poon Wai-ka with her MP3 built-in hat, Ray Chan Kwok-fai with his “3rd eye” and Linus Li Kwok-leung with his “I-tie”. In the middle is a design “Communication Jacket” by Mak Kwok-ho. Their works have also been selected to be displayed in an IT show in Germany.

