Senate
教務委員會

Terms of Reference

Subject to the provision of the Ordinance, Senate shall have power:

1. to provide programmes leading to the Postgraduate and Undergraduate awards of the University and such other programmes of study as may be deemed desirable from time to time and which are within the general policy laid down by Council;

2. to direct and regulate the instruction and education in the University, to stimulate the advancement of knowledge by research, publications and other scholarly activities, and to direct the manner in which examinations shall be conducted;

3. to determine and periodically review the University's systems and processes for ensuring the academic standards and quality of its academic programmes;

4. to determine what examinations or study programmes in other educational institutions or places of learning shall be deemed equivalent to examinations or programmes of study in the University;

5. to organize the Faculties and Schools, and to review, approve, refer back, amend or disallow any act of the Board of any Faculty or School, and to give directions to the Boards of the Faculty or School;

6. to advise Council on the provision of facilities for educational and other academic matters;

7. to decide, in accordance with the regulations, what persons have qualified for the conferment of Postgraduate and Undergraduate awards and other awards and marks of distinction (other than honorary degrees);

8. to determine the time, mode and conditions of competition for, and to award fellowships, scholarships and prizes in accordance with the terms thereof;

9. to require any student, on academic grounds or on other grounds deemed appropriate by Senate, to terminate his studies at the University;

10. to reconsider, on academic grounds deemed appropriate by Senate, any determination that a person was eligible to receive an academic award, and to determine whether the University should deprive any graduate, on academic grounds deemed appropriate by Senate, of an academic award conferred by the University and/or revoke any certification granted*;

11. to provide recommendations and advice on any matter affecting the welfare of students;

12. to advise Council or the President on any matter referred to Senate by Council or the President;

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* *This is without prejudice and subject to the rights and powers of the University under any legislation or as a matter of general law.*

13. to appoint Boards, committees, working parties and such other bodies which shall report to Senate and delegate any of its powers and duties (except those otherwise restricted by the Council) to such bodies or to any member of the Senate;

14. to direct and control by means of regulations made by Senate the form and content of education in the University; and in pursuance of this power to make regulations from time to time in respect of any of the following matters or for any of the following purposes:

    (a) the admission, promotion and registration of students;

    (b) the conditions for the award of Postgraduate and Undergraduate awards, and other academic awards and marks of distinction;

    (c) programmes of study and examinations;

    (d) the award of scholarships, prizes and other forms of recognition for academic distinction;

    (e) staff appraisal and development;

    (f) research and other scholarly activities;

    (g) the use of University libraries, laboratories, workshops and other educational facilities; and

    (h) generally, all matters which by the Ordinance or Council statutes under Section 18 of the Ordinance it is empowered to regulate;

15. to set policies and guidelines for consultancy and other forms of services to the community;

16. to recommend to the President the appointment of internal examiners, external examiners, and external members on Senate Committees;

17. to approve the appointment of Honorary Professors, including the conferment of Emeritus Professorships; and

18. to elect one member to Council, as provided for in Section 10 of the Ordinance.

With effect from 1 October 2025

Composition

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Prof. Jin-Guang TENG

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Deputy President and Provost

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*****Prof. Christopher CHAO

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Prof. LI Xiangdong, Vice President (Research)
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Prof. David SHUM, Dean of Faculty of Health and Social Sciences
Prof. Guangwei HU, Dean of Faculty of Humanities *(Interim)*
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*Prof. Wing-tak WONG, Chairman of Board of School of Design, Board of School of Fashion and Textiles and Board of School of Hotel and Tourism Management

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*Prof. WANG Zuankai

Dean of College of Undergraduate Studies

*Prof. Daniel T.L. SHEK

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Prof. Peter P. YUEN

Dean of Students

Ir Prof. Horace MUI Kwok-wai

The Chairmen of Standing Committees of the Senate, who are not otherwise members of the Senate

Ir Prof. K.C. CHAN, Chairman of Academic Appeals Committee

Heads of academic units

#Prof. LEE Kun Pyo, School of Design
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#Prof. Kaye CHON, School of Hotel and Tourism Management
Prof. Mike LAI Kee-hung, Department of Logistics and Maritime Studies
Prof. XU Xin, Department of Management and Marketing
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Prof. SUN Defeng, Department of Applied Mathematics
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*Prof. Janelle YORKE, School of Nursing
Prof. Chea-su KEE, School of Optometry
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Prof. SIOK Wai Ting, Department of Language Science and Technology
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Prof. YUNG Ka-fu, Department of Chemistry *(Interim Head)*
Prof. Sheng CHEN, Department of Food Science and Nutrition

Prof. Larry M.C. CHOW, Department of Life Sciences *(Interim Head)*
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Prof. Steve MARSHALL

Director of Industrial Centre

Dr WAI Hon-wah

Director of Information Technology

Mr WONG Siu-hong Joseph

Director of Institute for Higher Education Research and Development

*Prof. Jiannong CAO

Director of PolyU Academy for Artificial Intelligence

Prof. Qiang YANG

Director of PolyU Academy for Interdisciplinary Research

Prof. Qingyan CHEN

Director of PolyU Aerospace Research Academy

*****Prof. Christopher CHAO

University Librarian

Dr Shirley Chiu-wing WONG

One Chair Professor nominated by the Head of each academic unit *(1 Sep 2025 - 31 Aug 2027)*

Prof. Amanda WANG Yulan, Department of Logistics and Maritime Studies
Prof. Yuwei JIANG, Department of Management and Marketing
Vacant, School of Accounting and Finance
Prof. CHEN Xiaojun, Department of Applied Mathematics
Prof. Hongxia YANG, Department of Computing
Prof. HUANG Jian, Department of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence
Vacant, Department of Architecture
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Prof. Y.Q. NI, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
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Ir Prof. C.Y. WEN, Department of Aeronautical and Aviation Engineering
Ir Prof. Yongping ZHENG, Department of Biomedical Engineering
Prof. TAM Hwa-yaw, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
Ir Prof. K.L. YUNG, Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering

Prof. L. CHENG, Department of Mechanical Engineering
Prof. CHAN Ko Ling Edward, Department of Applied Social Sciences
Prof. YIP Shea-ping, Department of Health Technology and Informatics
Prof. Hector TSANG Wing-hong, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences
*Prof. Janelle YORKE, School of Nursing
Prof. HE Mingguang, School of Optometry
Vacant, Department of Chinese History and Culture
Prof. Anthony Mark MCENERY, Department of English and Communication
Vacant, Department of Language Science and Technology
Vacant, Division of Artificial Intelligence and the Humanities
Prof. Lianzhou WANG, Department of Chemistry
Prof. Simon M. Y. LEE, Department of Food Science and Nutrition
Prof. XING Bengang, Department of Life Sciences
Prof. Feng YAN, Department of Physics and Materials
Ir Prof. Kin Wai Michael SIU, School of Design
Prof. TAO Xiaoming, School of Fashion and Textiles
Prof. Haiyan SONG, School of Hotel and Tourism Management

One staff member elected by and from the full-time academic staff of each academic unit, excluding affiliate academic staff *(1 Jan 2025 - 31 Dec 2026)*

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Vacant, School of Accounting and Finance
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Dr Lotto LAI, Department of Computing
Vacant, Department of Data Science and Artificial Intelligence
Vacant, Department of Architecture
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Vacant, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering
Vacant, Department of Construction Management and Intelligence
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Vacant, Department of Aeronautical and Aviation Engineering
Prof. Lei SUN, Department of Biomedical Engineering
Dr CHAN Ka Wing Kevin, Department of Electrical and Electronic Engineering
Prof. LEE Ka Man Carman, Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering
Prof. David NAVARRO, Department of Mechanical Engineering
Dr CHU Wai Chi Rodney, Department of Applied Social Sciences
Prof. Jung Sun YOO, Department of Health Technology and Informatics
Prof. LIU Pui Yee Karen, Department of Rehabilitation Sciences
Prof. LIU Yat Wa Justina, School of Nursing
Prof. Allen M. Y. CHEONG, School of Optometry
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Prof. LAU Kai Yan, Department of Language Science and Technology
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Prof. M.S. WONG, Department of Food Science and Nutrition
Prof. Xin ZHAO, Department of Life Sciences
Prof. Dennis C.W. LEUNG, Department of Physics and Materials
Vacant, School of Design
Vacant, School of Fashion and Textiles
Prof. Catherine CHEUNG, School of Hotel and Tourism Management

Two undergraduate students elected by and from full-time undergraduate students of the University

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One postgraduate student elected by and from full-time taught/research postgraduate students of the University

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Co-opted members

Dr Julia CHEN, Director of Educational Development
Dr GAO Xiaoping, Director of Chinese Language Centre
Prof. Di ZOU, Director of English Language Centre

Secretary

Registrar

Mr Edward SHEN

Total number of members: 113

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* Member having more than one capacity.

\# The heads of these three academic units carry the title of 'Dean'.

1 November 2026