

The Proposed Jesuit University in Hong Kong



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Dear Friends,

In the upcoming book fair from 18th - 24th July, we have set up a booth (Booth No: 3G-E32 Hong Kong Convention and Exhibition Centre). Here, we have published a 3-part book/magazine (bookazine) comprised of many interesting articles. The first part is about Jesuit and liberal arts education, the second is about Jesuit footprints around the world and the third is about Jesuit education experienced by Wah Yan alumni. If you have time, please visit our booth or join us on 20th July at 10:00am where we will introduce our bookazine. If you missed us in the book fair, the bookazine will also be available online and in local book stores straight after. Let us know if you wish to order some copies. Additionally, we will be showcasing an abundance of interesting books from Georgetown, Fordham and other university press, with topics ranging from liberation theology to heroic leadership!

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We would also like to take this opportunity to update you on the concrete steps taken since our last newsletter:

1) In June, the academic and governance team of our proposed institution visited Hong Kong to partake in the Institutional Review of the accreditation exercise arranged by HKCAAVQ. The accreditation panel reviewed key aspects of our proposed institution, such as governance, academic planning, staffing and resources. This exercise not only provided an opportunity for us to showcase the solid preparation that we have undertaken and our readiness to succeed in this project; it also provided a valuable opportunity for our potential staff members to engage in preparatory and planning meetings. We have since received the initial comments from the HKCAAVQ panel, and we have been told the good news that our proposed institution will be recommended as to have met the HKCAAVQ Institutional Review criteria and the academic requirements under Section 4 of the Post Secondary College Ordinance (Cap. 320) for the purpose of registration as a Post Secondary College offering programs at Bachelor degree level.



2) The Boston Consulting Group market survey found that our proposed institution could satisfy the growing demand for tertiary education in East Asian and Pacific countries and could attract a pool of approximately 32,000 students every year with one third of those from Hong Kong. This significant market share could be attributed to our unique educational philosophy and mission; the immediate credibility of a Jesuit operated institute and the articulation programs with our partner universities.

With solid preparation, we are readying ourselves and we look forward to the upcoming tendering exercise of the Queen's Hill site . We would like to thank you for your dedication and continuous support of this project and we firmly believe that our unwavering commitment and zeal will bring about the establishment of a Jesuit Liberal Arts College in

Hong Kong.

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