Press Release

HKU Faculty of Education is ranked World Number 3 in the 2020 Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings by Subject

The Faculty of Education at the University of Hong Kong (HKU) is ranked third globally in the latest 2020 Times Higher Education (THE) World Rankings by Subject. The Faculty has risen one place in 2020, having been ranked fourth in 2019. HKU is the only university in Asia to rank in the top 10. The other universities in the top five for Education in this year’s exercise are: 1) Stanford University, 2) Harvard University, 4) the University of Oxford, and 5) the University of California, Berkeley.

The Faculty has performed consistently well in both the major global University Rankings by Subject. In the QS University Subject Ranking, the Faculty was ranked the seventh globally for two consecutive years in 2017 and 2018 and moved up to sixth in 2019.

The THE rankings assess universities by means of 13 performance indicators, which are grouped into five areas: Teaching (the learning environment), Research (volume, income and reputation), Citations (research influence), International outlook (staff, students and research), and Industry income (innovation). The relative weightings are recalibrated to suit individual fields. For Education, the weightings are 32.7% Teaching, 29.8% Research, 27.5% Citations, 7.5% International outlook, and 2.5% Industry income. The Faculty is delighted to see that it has obtained the high overall indicative score of 89.5.

Professor A. Lin Goodwin, Dean of the Faculty said: “We are thrilled to be listed among the world’s elite universities; the ranking reaffirms our excellence in teaching and research. In an increasingly competitive environment, it is our staff members, students, and alumni who make our success possible through their high levels of commitment, hard work, and quality contributions. We will continue to strive for excellence and aspire to uplift our high academic and research standards internationally.”

The Faculty of Education was established in HKU in 1984, and has at present, three Academic Units, six Research Centres and two Consortia. As the premier teacher education institution in Hong Kong, the Faculty’s vision is to lead the study and practice of education, to influence public policy and improve community life through education, and to nurture graduates who are passionately committed to their professions.

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