

# THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

## COUNCIL

The following is a list of non-restricted matters discussed at the Council meeting held on June 19, 2024.

1. The Council
  - (a) RECEIVED a paper on the mid-year budget review for 2023-24;
  - (b) APPROVED the revisions to the 2023-24 budget related to the block grant activities; and
  - (c) THANKED the Treasurer, the Finance Committee and the Director of Finance for apprising the Council of the budgetary position of the University.
2. The Council APPROVED the 2024-25 budget on income and expenditure of block grant activities.
3. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Senate and endorsement of the Human Resource Policy Committee (HRPC), the proposed uplift of the ceiling for practice-track professoriate staff ratio from 20% of professoriate staff establishment of a teaching department/unit to 50% of the overall professoriate staff establishment of the Li Ka Shing Faculty of Medicine, subject to a review in 5 years' time; and the delegation to Senate to approve individual Faculty's proposal to adjust the ceiling for practice-track professoriate staff ratio, subject to annual reporting of the approved cases, if any, to the HRPC and Council.
4. The Council APPROVED, for submission to the Court, a recommendation of the Senate that Statute III "Degrees and Other Academic Distinctions" be amended by inclusion of the title "Master of Journalism, in journalism disciplines as determined by the Senate from time to time [新聞學碩士(由教務委員會指定的新聞學範疇)]" in paragraph 1(b) thereof.
5. The Council APPROVED that consequent to further discussion with the Hong Kong Jockey Club, the name of HKU-HKJC Enterprise Sustainability Global (ESG) Research Institute, a sub-division of studies and learning under the provisions of Section 8(3) of the Ordinance established by Council at its meeting of January 31, 2024, be revised as follows:

HKU Jockey Club Enterprise Sustainability Global Research Institute  
香港大學賽馬會環球企業可持續發展研究所
6. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Small Group on Lodging Charges of University-administered Student Accommodation endorsed by the Committee on Student Affairs, the proposed lodging charges for various University-administered student accommodation in 2024-25.

7. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the proposed amendments to Departmental Financial Administration and Financial Policies & Procedures.
8. The Council APPROVED, on the recommendation of the Human Resource Policy Committee, the proposal for treating teaching on self-funded programmes within the University as internal duties and the consequential revisions to the Regulations Governing Outside Practice by Professoriate Staff.
9. The Council RECEIVED reports following the academic review of the following Centres in the Faculty of Business and Economics:

- (a) Centre for Asian Entrepreneurship and Business Values; and
- (b) Centre for Financial Innovation and Development; and

NOTED that the recommendations from the review panels were subsequently endorsed by the Senate and would be taken forward by the relevant parties within the University.

10. The Council RECEIVED from the HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education its Annual Report and Financial Report for the year 2022-23.
11. The Council NOTED the retirement of Dr. John E. STRICKLAND from the Chairmanship of the Boards of Trustees for the University's retirement schemes and the appointment of Dr. Timpson S.M. CHUNG as the new Chairman.

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