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THE YEAR





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### 一期校园正式启用

2024年初，一期校园在东莞松山湖科学城正式启用。校园设计承续港城大建筑格局，以现代风格融合智慧生态理念，空间纵横交织，庭院回廊递进，既体现学术庄重，也实现自然、科技的和谐共生。一期校园将成为汇聚创新资源、培育国际人才的重要平台，以助力粤港澳大湾区建设成为具有全球影响力的科教高地。

### 港城大（东莞）正式成立

2024年4月，教育部批准正式设立具有独立法人资格的内地与香港合作办学机构——香港城市大学（东莞）。作为粤港深化科教合作的又一标志性成果，港城大（东莞）将为粤港澳大湾区建设高水平人才高地、强化国家科学中心策源功能、推动高等教育发展注入新的活力。

### Official Establishment

In April 2024, the Ministry of Education issued an official letter to the Guangdong Provincial Government, approving the establishment of CityUHK (DG), a university with independent legal status and demonstrating the collaboration between the Chinese mainland and Hong Kong. Since then, CityUHK (DG) continuously has been continuously injecting new momentum in attracting talent to the Greater Bay Area, advancing new quality productive forces in the Comprehensive National Science Center, and promoting higher education in Dongguan.

### Phase 1 Campus Officially Put Into Use

At the beginning of 2024, Phase 1 of the CityUHK (DG) campus was completed and officially put into operation in the Songshan Lake Science City of Dongguan. The campus inherits the architectural character of CityUHK, integrating the modern aesthetic with smart and sustainable concepts. With interlacing spatial layers and courtyards that unfold in sequence, the design embodies academic gravitas while revealing a harmonious interplay between nature and technology. As a major achievement of higher education collaboration within the Greater Bay Area, CityUHK (DG) campus serves as a vital platform for bringing together innovation resources and cultivating global talent, further contributing to the Greater Bay Area's development into a world-class hub for science and education.



### 首年生源卓越

首年本科招生开设计算机科学与技术、能源与动力工程、智能制造工程、材料科学与工程四个专业。首年生源质量优异，在十个省（市、自治区）共录取125名本科生，均达到985高校水平，部分考生成绩达到C9、华五高校录取分数。

### 首届开幕典礼

2024年9月，港城大（东莞）隆重举行开幕典礼，全国政协副主席梁振英、广东省副省长张少康、时任东莞市委书记肖亚非等嘉宾共同出席，见证这一粤港高等教育合作的标志性时刻。梁振英副主席指出，学校的设立是两地合作的新里程碑，有望在国际科创与产业体系建设中发挥桥梁作用。李家超行政长官肯定学校为粤港合作与大湾区高教发展带来的新突破。港城大校长梅彦昌教授表示，学校将坚持“两校一质”的办学理念，与港城大共同营造启发式、互动式与创新型的教育环境。

### The Grand Opening

CityUHK (DG) officially opened in September, 2024. At the opening ceremony, Mr. Leung Chun-ying, Vice Chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference; Mr. Zhang Shaokang, Vice Governor of Guangdong Province; and Mr. Xiao Yafei, the then Secretary of the CPC Dongguan Municipal Committee, joined other distinguished guests to witness this significant moment of higher education collaboration between Guangdong and Hong Kong. Mr. Leung remarked that CityUHK (DG) marks the milestone of the Guangdong-Hong Kong collaboration, and aims to serve as a bridge in building an international ecosystem of science, innovation, and industry. Mr. John Lee Ka-chiu, Chief Executive of Hong Kong SAR, commended CityUHK (DG) for delivering new breakthroughs in Hong Kong-Mainland collaboration and the advancement of higher education in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area. Prof. Freddy Boey, President of CityUHK, remarked that CityUHK (DG) will uphold the principle of Consistency in Academic Excellence, and working with CityUHK to create an inspirational, interactive and innovative environment for education.

### Excellent Quality of Students in the Inaugural Year

In its inaugural year of undergraduate admissions, CityUHK (DG) launched four programmes: Computer Science, Energy Science and Engineering, Intelligent Manufacturing Engineering, and Materials Science and Engineering. A total of 125 students were admitted from ten provinces (municipalities / autonomous regions). The admitted students were all on par with students admitted to top-tier "985 universities", with some even demonstrating the academic strength to be admitted to "the C9 League" or the top five universities in East China.





全球排名持续领先

依托“两校一质”的办学基础，港城大（东莞）与港城大发展同频共振，其学术成就同步获得国际认可。在 QS、泰晤士高等教育（THE）、U.S. News、软科世界大学学术排名（THE）、U.S. News、软科世界大学学术排名（THE）、U.S. News、软科世界大学学术排名（THE）四大全球权威榜单中均跻身百强，同时连续两年被 THE 获评为“全球最国际化大学”，展现出卓越的综合实力与全球影响力。

Leading Positions in Global Rankings

Building on the principle of “Consistency in Academic Excellence” , CityUHK (DG) has achieved international recognition in step with CityUHK. CityUHK ranks among the Top 100 in all four of the world's most authoritative global university rankings, QS, Times Higher Education (THE), U.S. News & World Report, and ARWU, and has been selected by THE as the Most International University,demonstrating its outstanding overall strength and growing global influence.

QS 2025年世界大学排名 第62位 | 亚洲第10位  
QS 2025 World University Rankings 62nd | Asia Ranking 10th

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泰晤士高等教育 2025世界排名 第78位 | 亚洲第16位  
（2024-2025年连续获评THE全球最国际化大学第1位）

Times Higher Education 2025 World University Rankings 78th | Asia Ranking 16th  
(Ranked as The world's most international university in both 2024 and 2025)

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美国新闻与世界报道 2024-2025年度全球最佳大学排名第79位  
U.S. News&World Report 2024-2025 Best Global Best Universities Ranking 79th

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软科世界大学学术排名 第99位 | 香港第2位  
Academic Ranking of World Universities in Soft Science  
Ranked 99th | Hong Kong Ranking 2nd

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连续九年稳居香港高校美国专利榜首 全球第32位 | 亚洲第6位  
[U.S. patent rankings] #1 among Hong Kong's universities for nine consecutive years (6th in Asia and 32nd globally)

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获批国家自然科学基金  
基金依托单位

2024年伊始，港城大（东莞）经国家自然科学基金委员会务会议审议，成功获批为国家自然科学基金依托单位。这标志港城大（东莞）具备了独立申报和承担国家自然科学基金项目的资格。

Approved to be National Natural Science  
Foundation of China Affiliate Institution

At the beginning of 2024, CityUHK (DG) formally became a national Natural Science Foundation of China (NSFC) Affiliate Institution after the approval of NSFC's Executive Committee Meeting. This signifies that CityUHK (DG) is now qualified to independently apply for and undertake NSFC-funded projects.

与复旦大学  
联合人才培养

港城大（东莞）与复旦大学经济学院合作开设商务资讯系统硕士项目（金融与智能技术方向），采用“第一年在东莞，第二年在上海”的跨校区、跨学科培养模式。项目首届共录取学生 63 人，学生毕业后将获得香港城市大学硕士学位及复旦大学学习证明，并享受两地校友资源、香港实习及 IANG 工作签证等多重优势。

Joint Talent Development  
with Fudan University

CityUHK (DG) and Fudan University offer a specific joint Master's program in Business Information Systems (BIS) with a Financial & Intelligent Technology (FIT) stream. The program adopts a cross-campus, cross-disciplinary training model, where students spend their first year in Dongguan and the second year in Shanghai. The inaugural cohort enrolled 63 students. Upon graduation, students will receive a Master's degree from City University of Hong Kong along with a study certificate from Fudan University, while enjoying multiple advantages, including access to alumni networks in both locations, internship opportunities in Hong Kong, and eligibility for the IANG work visa.





卓越师资引领前沿

全球顶尖科学家榜单中， 我校共有 20 位学者入选“年度科学影响力排行榜”，16 位教授入选“终身科学影响力排行榜”。爱思唯尔最新发布的“2024 年度中国高被引学者榜单”中， 我校刘子顺讲席教授、李毅讲席教授、塞林旒教授三位学者同时入选。港城大（东莞）客座教授、港城大电机工程学系讲座教授陆贵文荣获 2025 年国际电气电子工程师学会天线和电磁辐射协会戴振铎杰出教育家奖。他们在各自研究领域的突出贡献获得了学界广泛认可，进一步印证了我校在前沿科学研究方面的领先地位。

教育基金会成立聚力共创未来

2025 年 3 月，港城大（东莞）教育基金会正式完成注册，构建起规范的理事会治理架构与制度体系，并获广东宏川集团有限公司皓善基金捐赠 200 万元作为原始资金，标志着学校在资源拓展与治理建设上迈入新阶段。4 月，基金会举行成立大会，获宏川集团、珑远投资发展集团等社会力量积极捐赠逾 2200 万元以及实物支持，充分彰显社会各界对学校发展的信任与期待。学校谨向所有支持者致以衷心感谢，并将继续携手社会各界，共同推动建设世界一流学府。

CityUHK (DG) Education Foundation

CityUHK (DG) Education Foundation was registered in March 2025, establishing a standard council governance structure and regulatory framework. The original funding of RMB 2 million came from Haoshan Foundation of Guangdong Great River Group. In April, the Inaugural Ceremony was held, receiving support from Guangdong Great River Group, Long After Group, and other enterprises, with total contributions exceeding RMB 22 million, including financial and in-kind support. This demonstrates the confidence and expectation of the community to the University. We extend our heartfelt thanks to all the supporters and look forward to joining hands with the community to build CityUHK (DG) into a world-class university.

Outstanding Faculty

In the World's Top 2% Scientists rankings, 20 scholars from CityUHK (DG) were listed in the Single-Year Scientific Impact Ranking, and 16 professors were listed in the Career-Long Scientific Impact Ranking. In Elsevier's 2024 Highly Cited Chinese Researchers List, Chair Professor Zishun Liu, Chair Professor Yi Li, and Professor Linni Jian were included. Prof Kwai Man Luk, Adjunct Professor of CityUHK (DG) and Chair Professor of Electrical Engineering of CityUHK, has received the 2025 IEEE Antennas and Propagation Society (AP-S) Chen-To Tai Distinguished Educator Award. The contributions of faculty in their research fields have earned broad recognition from the academic community, further confirming CityUHK (DG)'s leading position in cutting-edge scientific research.



HK Tech 300落地湾区  
创新中心在莞揭牌

2024年9月，港城大（东莞）迎来“HK Tech 300全国创新创业千万大赛”第二届颁奖典礼暨第三届启动礼。本届大赛共吸引超过400家初创企业参与，最终12家来自香港及内地9个城市的优秀团队荣获“优胜初创”殊荣。活动现场同步举行了“香港城市大学（东莞）科技创新中心”揭牌仪式，该中心将依托港城大的科研实力与东莞的产业优势，加快构建产学研融合的创新体系，成为衔接“HK Tech 300”初创项目落地东莞的重要平台。

大湾区全域联动

2025年6月，港城大（东莞）作为首批成员单位加入“大湾区综合性国家科学中心先行启动区科学联盟”，将依托科学联盟促进深莞“双城联动”，共建环巍峨山创新生态。7月，学校正式加入“粤港澳高校联盟”，在跨校学科融合、科研协同与人才共育等方面持续深化合作。学校通过两大联盟的协同发力，积极参与构建“湾区高校创新共同体”，共同为粤港澳大湾区高质量发展提供坚实的科技支撑与人才保障。

Synergy across the Greater Bay Area

In June, 2025, CityUHK (DG) joined the Science Alliance of the Pilot Area of the Comprehensive National Science Center in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao Greater Bay Area as one of the first member institutions. Through this platform, the University promotes synergy between Dongguan and Shenzhen to jointly build an innovation ecosystem around the Wei'e Mountain. In July the same year, the University was formally admitted to the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macao University Alliance. This platform enables cross-university collaboration in program development, interdisciplinary research, and talent cultivation. Being a member of both alliances, CityUHK (DG) is contributing to a “Greater Bay Area higher education community with a shared future” , and supporting the development of the Greater Bay Area with technologies and talents of strategic importance.

HK Tech 300  
into the Greater Bay Area

In September 2024, CityUHK (DG) hosted the awards ceremony for the second HK Tech 300 National Start-up Competition, alongside the launch of its third edition. This year's competition attracted more than 400 start-ups, with 12 outstanding teams from 9 Chinese mainland cities and Hong Kong receiving the “Outstanding Start-up” award. At the same event, the University inaugurated the City University of Hong Kong (DG) Innovation Centre. Leveraging CityUHK's research strengths and Dongguan's robust industrial ecosystem, the Centre will bridge research and industry. It will also serve as a key platform supporting HK Tech 300 start-up projects as they establish and scale their ventures in Dongguan.





与省科技厅签署深度合作计划

2025年8月，为深化粤港科技协作，广东省科学技术厅与港城大、港城大（东莞）共同签署《关于共同支持开展深度科技合作的工作计划》，三方通过联合资助形式形成种子资金池，深度融合粤港两地的智力、资金与平台资源，重点支持契合大湾区发展需求的重大科研项目，催生一批具有国际影响力的原创科技成果，促进粤港澳两地科技产业深度融合。



Strategic Cooperation Plan Signed with the Department of Science and Technology of Guangdong Province

In August 2025, to further strengthen technological collaboration between Guangdong and Hong Kong, the Department of Science and Technology of Guangdong Province, CityUHK, and CityUHK (DG) jointly signed the Work Plan for Advancing Deep Technological Cooperation. Under this framework, the three parties will establish a seed funding pool through joint investment, bringing together talent, funding, and platform resources from both Guangdong and Hong Kong. The plan focuses on supporting major research projects aligned with the development needs of the Greater Bay Area, fostering internationally impactful original scientific breakthroughs, and accelerating the integration of science and industry in Guangdong and Hong Kong.

攻克非晶合金结构难题

港城大（东莞）吴桢舵教授团队依托中国散裂中子源大科学装置，在先进非晶合金领域取得重要突破，相关成果在创校阶段即荣获教育部高等学校科学研究优秀成果奖。

Breakthrough in the Structure of Amorphous Alloys

The team led by Dr. WU Zhenduo from CityUHK (DG) completed research in advanced amorphous alloys, using the China Spallation Neutron Source. During the University's preparation stage, this project won the Higher Education Outstanding Scientific Research Output Award from the Ministry of Education.

开启新学年征程

2025年9月，港城大（东莞）以“城聚青春 大有可为”为主题隆重举行2025学年开学典礼，全国政协副主席梁振英、东莞市委书记韦皓及校方代表共同出席，与全体师生共同开启了新学年征程。梁振英副主席在致辞中肯定了学校作为粤港合作纽带的重要作用，勉励学子善用湾区资源，以创新思维服务国家发展。段宝岩校长则寄语新生打好知识基础、培养学术品位，成为有担当的“城大人”。典礼之际，图书馆正式开馆，这也标志着校园一期全面启用。



A New Academic Year, A New Journey

In September 2025, the Opening Convocation Ceremony 2025 of CityUHK (DG) was held under the theme “CityUers Shine, Success in sight” . Mr. Zhenying Liang, Vice Chairman of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, Mr. Hao Wei, Secretary of the CPC Dongguan Municipal Committee, and University representatives attended the ceremony, joining faculty and students to embark on the new academic year together. Mr. Liang in his speech affirmed the important role played by the University to connect Guangdong and Hong Kong and encouraged students to draw on resources in the Greater Bay Area and contribute to national development with innovative thinking. President Mr. Baoyan Duan in his speech advised students to build a solid knowledge foundation, cultivate academic excellence, and become responsible CityUers. The ceremony also marked the official opening of the University Library, representing the full operation of the Phase 1 campus.

