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Present Position:

Professor

Chair of Social Work & Social Administration

The University of Hong Kong

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Henry G. Leong Professor in Social Work and Social Administration

Teaching and Administrative Experience:

1974-76 Lecturer, Hong Kong Institute of Social Work Training

1977-83 Lecturer, Department of Social Work, The Chinese University of Hong Kong

1983-90 Senior Lecturer in Social Administration, The University of Hong Kong

1986 Visiting Professor, Zhongshan University, China

1989 Research Fellow, Institute for Southeast Asian Studies, Republic of Singapore

1989 Research Fellow, Research School of Social Sciences, Australian National University

1990-91 Reader, Department of Social Work & Social Administration, The University
of Hong Kong

1991 Visiting Professor, Research School of Social Welfare,
National Chung Cheng University, Taiwan

1995 Visiting Professor, Graduate School of Social Policy and
Social Work, National Chi Nan University, Taiwan

1997 Visiting Professor, Faculty of Social Welfare, Meijigakuin University, Japan,

1990-93 Head of Department of Social Work and Social Administration, The University of
Hong Kong

1990-99; 2000-2001 Associate Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of Hong
Kong

1991- Chair Professor, Social Work & Social Administration, The University of
Hong Kong

Consultancy Work:

Panel member, Council for National Academic Accreditation (U.K.)

Panel member, Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation

External examiner, Department of Social Work, Hong Kong Baptist University
(1986-89); Department of Applied Social Studies; Hong Kong Polytechnic
University (1992-97); College of Humanities and Social Sciences, City University
of Hong Kong (1991-94).

Ph.D. thesis examiner for the following: Department of Social Work & Psychology,
National University of Singapore; Department of Social Work, University of
Sydney; Department of Sociology, The Chinese University of
Hong Kong; Department of Social Work, La Trobe University, Australia.

Vice President, Asian and Pacific Association for Social Work Education (1989-93)

Specialist Advisor on Ageing, Population Division, Economic and Social Commission
of Asia and the Pacific (1987 & 1994)

Member of the Working Party on Care for the Elderly, Hong Kong Government (1994)
Advisor to Townlands Consultants Limited on Project on Housing for Senior Citizens (1996);
Advisor to Deloitte Touche Consulting Group on Needs Assessment of Elderly People in Hong Kong (1996).
Advisor to Health and Welfare Bureau, HKSAR, on Fundamental Review of Social Security Services (2002)
Honorary Consultant, Central Policy Unit, Hong Kong SAR Government (2011-12).

Reviewer of the following Journals:

The Hong Kong Journal of Social Work
The Hong Kong Journal of Gerontology
Asia/Pacific Journal of Social Development
International Social Work
Journal of Social Policy & Aging
Journal of Cross-Cultural Gerontology
Ageing International
Hallym International Journal of Aging
International Journal of Social Welfare

Community Service:

Chairman, Hong Kong Council of Social Service (1985-88)
Member and Chairman, Social Welfare Advisory Committee (1984-92)
Member, Action Committee Against Narcotics (1985-88)
Member, Sir Robert Black Trust Fund (1987-95)
Chief Adjudicator, Immigration Tribunal (1983-91)
Chief Adjudicator, Registration of Persons Tribunal (1987-2000)
Member, Youth Commission (1990-99)
Member, Town Planning Appeal Board (1991-99)
Member, Council for AIDS Trust Fund (1993-99)
Chairman, War Memorial Pensions Scheme Advisory Committee (1994-99)
Member, Advisory Committee on New Broad-based Tax (2000-2002)
Member, Beat Drugs Fund Association (1996-2004)
Member, National Political Consultative Conference (1998-2003)
Member, Committee on Bilingual Legal System (1998-2004)
Member, Hong Kong Equal Opportunities Commission (2003-2005)
Member, Barristers Disciplinary Tribunal Panel (1998-2008)
Chairman, Mandatory Provident Fund Advisory Committee (1998-2007)
Member, Commission on Poverty (2005-2007)
Member, Executive Committee, Commission on Strategic Development (2006-2007)
Member, Strategic Development Committee (2007-2012)
Chairman, Social Welfare Committee, Community Care Fund (2010-2012).

Presentations

2000

The Implementation of the Mandatory Provident Fund in Hong Kong

(Second Asia Regional Conference on Social Security, organized by the Hong Kong Council of Social Service, January 2000).

The Application of Community Care in Chinese Societies

(Conference on the Future Development of Social Welfare and Social Work Education, organized by the Soochow University, Taiwan, June 2000).

The Practice of Filial Piety in Hong Kong

(Conference on Re-conceptualizing of Aging, organized by the Elderly Commission and the Centre of Ageing, HKU, Hong Kong, September 2000)

Social Security Reforms in China

(International Conference on the Future of Social Insurance, organized by the Chengchi University of Taiwan and the Taiwan Social Insurance Association, Taipei, Taiwan, September 2000).

2001

Strengthen Community Action

(Conference on Promoting Healthy Ageing, organized by the Elderly Commission and the Health and Welfare Bureau, Conference and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong, May 2001).

Innovative Financing Methods for Housing the Elderly

(Conference on Housing for the Elderly in the 21st Century, organized by the Hong Kong Housing Society and the Hong Kong Housing Research Network, Conference and Exhibition Centre, Hong Kong, October 2001.)

The Third Sector in Hong Kong – Prospects and Opportunities

(Seminar on Third Sector Development – Hong Kong Experience, organized by the Central Policy Unit, Hong Kong SAR Government, December 2001.)

2002

My View on the Provision of Social Security Benefits

(Conference on Globalization and Social Security in China, organized by the China People's University, Beijing, China, January 2002).

The Practice of Filial Piety and its Impact on Long Term Care Policies in Asian Chinese Communities

(First World Congress on Long Term Care in Chinese Communities, organized by the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology, Hong Kong, March 2002)

The New Economic Situation and its Impact on Social Policy in Hong Kong

(Conference on The New Economy and New Social Policy, organized by the Taiwan Social Security Association, Puli, Taiwan, November 2002)

Unemployment and Social Policy Change in Hong Kong

(Conference on Unemployment and Social Policy Change, organized by the China People's University, Beijing, China, December 2002)

2003

Innovations in Aged Care Policies

(Conference on Innovations in Aged Care, organized by the Haven of Hope Christian Service, Hong Kong, October 2003)

The Identity of Social Welfare Education – A Keynote Address

(Annual Conference of the Korean Academy of Social Welfare, organized by the Korean Academy of Social Welfare, Chungju, Korea, October 2003)

Asian Value and Aged Care – Plenary Session Speech

(The 7th Asia/Oceania Regional Congress of Gerontology, Tokyo, Japan, November 2003)

Policy and Finance of Aged Care in Asian Chinese Societies

(The 7th Asia/Oceania Regional Congress of Gerontology, Tokyo, Japan, November 2003)

2004

Sustainable Housing for Healthy Ageing

(International Conference on Housing, 2004, organized by the Hong Kong Housing Authority, Hong Kong: Hong Convention and Exhibition Centre, February 2004)

Sustainable Pensions and Retirement Schemes

(Demographic Window and Population Ageing, organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences of the University of Hong Kong, May 2004)

Advice on Retirement Protection Policy in Hong Kong

(Retirement Protection Seminar, organized by the Hong Kong Investment Funds Association, Conrad Hotel, Hong Kong, May 2004)

The Practice of Filial Piety in Hong Kong

(Seminar on Filial Piety in Chinese Societies, organized by the Hong Kong Social Development Society and the Chinese Ministry of Civil Affairs, Hong Kong, November 2004)

2005

Care for the Elderly – Preparation for 2030

(2005 Symposium – Aged and Dementia Care, organized by Helping Hand, October 18, 2005, Sheraton Hotel, Hong Kong).

New Arrivals and their Implications on Population Ageing

(Seminar organized by the Hong Kong Family Planning Association and the Faculty of Social Sciences, University of Hong Kong, December 8, 2005).

2006

A Sustainable System of Retirement Protection in Hong Kong

(Seminar organized by the Asian Investor, Hong Kong, July 2006)

Meeting the Challenges of Population Ageing in Hong Kong

(Symposium organized by the Hong Kong Association of Gerontology. Hong Kong, December 2006)

2007

A Holistic Care Model for the Elderly in East Asian Societies: Hong Kong as an Illustration. International Conference on East Asian Social Welfare. Organized by the School of Social Work, Pusan University and the Japanese School of Social Work, September 2007, Korea: Pusan.

A Mix of the Eastern and Western Way of Supporting the Elderly. International Conference on East and West Welfare Ideology. October 2007. Taiwan: Chi Nan University.

2008

Trends in Family Attitudes and Values – Implications for Policy Making. Strengthening Hong Kong's Families: Embracing a Holistic Family Approach in Formulating Social Policy and Providing Services. Dec. 2008. Central Policy Unit, Hong Kong SAR Government.

The Search for a Holistic Model in Supporting Elderly People in Asian Chinese Societies: The Case of Hong Kong. International Conference on Social Capital and Volunteering in Modern Ageing Cities. December 2008. Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong.

2009

The Impact of Filial Piety on Family Support for Elderly People in Hong Kong. Paper presented in a symposium on filial piety in East Asia at the XIXth International Association of Gerontology and Geriatrics. July, 2009. Paris, France.

Comparative Social Welfare: Future Directions. The Impact of the Global Economic Crisis on Social Development: Social Policy Responses in Greater China. Organized by the Faculty of Social Sciences, The University of Hong Kong. November, 2009. Hong Kong

2010

The Future of Long Term Care in Asia and the Pacific. Paper presented in a symposium on long term care in Asia and the Pacific at Joint World Conference on Social Work and Social Development. Organized by ICSW, IASSW, and IFSW, Exhibition and Convention Centre, 2010, Hong Kong.

Research Projects

2000

Consultancy Study on the Provision of Housing and Care Services for the Elderly in Public Housing Estates (Commissioned by the Housing Authority)

(Description: The purpose of the study is review the existing provision of housing and care services for the elderly in public housing estates and to propose a new model for future implementation.)

2001

A Longitudinal Study of Older People in Hong Kong (Funded by the Research Grants Council)
(Description: The study aims at identifying under what circumstances Chinese family caregivers perform upward or downward comparison, according to the social comparison theory, and the factors determining caregivers' upward and downward comparison).

Fundamental Review of Social Security Services (Commissioned by the Health and Welfare Bureau)

(Description: This study looks at social security provisions in different countries so as to provide comparative data for a fundamental review of the social security system in Hong Kong).

2002

Review of Family Services in Hong Kong (Commissioned by the Social Welfare Department)

(Description: The study started in August 2000 and is projected to last for 8 months. Social welfare services provided for the family represented the largest item in the social welfare budget other than social security and have also the longest history. The evaluative study looks at the effectiveness of the existing services and explores also new models to improve the services.)

Hong Kong Retirees' Migration to the Mainland: A Study on the Patterns and Economic Implications of Retirement Migration (Funded by the Research Grants Council)

(Description: In the study, the attempt is to apply a developmental perspective to identify the factors leading to residential mobility among Hong Kong retirees, and to test the applicability of this perspective to the Hong Kong society. The economic impacts of these retiree migrants will also be assessed.)

2003

A Consultancy Study on Housing for Elderly People in Hong Kong (Commissioned by the Hong Kong Housing Society)

(Description: As the leader of a team of researchers on housing, we were commissioned by the Hong Kong Housing Society to look into the future housing demand of elderly people in Hong Kong. Unlike most previous studies, the scope is not confined to the public sector; the objective is to understand the wide range of accommodation issues that elderly people in Hong Kong would encounter in the coming 10 years.)

2004

A Consultancy Study on the Nature of Poverty in Hong Kong (Commissioned by the Central Policy Unit)

(Description: This is a study to look at the nature of poverty in Hong Kong by analyzing the different categories of CSSA. Suggestions are then made for measures to relieve their hardship.).

2005

A Consultancy Study on the Changing Family System in Hong Kong and its Implications on Service Provisions (Commissioned by the Central Policy Unit)

A Consultancy Study on New Arrivals and Measures to Enhance their Social Functioning (Commissioned by the Central Policy Unit)

A Consultancy Study on a Review of the Retirement Age of Civil Servants
(Commissioned by the Committee on Strategic Development)

2006

A Study of the Financial Sustainability of the Three Pillars for Retirement Protection
(Funded by the Research Grants Council)

A Study on New Arrivals from the Perspective of the Development of Social Capitals
(Funded by the Research Grants Council)

2007

A Study on the Social Security System in Macau
(Funded by the Macau SAR Government)

A Study on Retirement Issues in Hong Kong
(Funded by HSBC)

2008

A Consultancy Study on Changing Family Values in Hong Kong
(Funded by the Central Policy Unit).

2010

A Baseline Study on New Arrivals (Funded by the Central Policy Unit).

2011

A Study on the Further Development of Retirement Protection in Macau (Funded by the Macau SAR Government).

Publications

2000

Ageing in Hong Kong. 2000. In David R. Phillips (Ed.). **Ageing in the Asia-Pacific Region**, pp. 158-173. London and New York: Routledge. (Invited paper).

(with Iris Chi) **Ageing in Hong Kong**. 2000. Hong Kong: Cosmos Books Company. (in Chinese) (Non-refereed).

2001

Social Welfare Policy. 2001. In Joseph Y.S. Cheng (Ed.). **Political Development in the HKSAR**, pp.183-200. Hong Kong: City University of Hong Kong. (Invited paper).

The Practice of Filial Piety among the Chinese in Hong Kong. 2001. In Iris Chi, Neena L. Chappell and James Lubben (Eds.), **Elderly Chinese in Pacific Rim Countries**, pp.125-136. Hong Kong: Hong Kong University Press. (Invited paper)

Socialist Welfare with Chinese Characteristics: The Reform of the Social Security

System in China. 2001. Hong Kong: Centre of Asian Studies, The University of Hong Kong. (Referred).

Socialist Welfare in a Market Economy: Social Security Reforms in Guangzhou, China. 2001. Aldershot: Ashgate Publishing Limited. (Referred).

2002

The construction of a socialist social security system in China. 2002. In M.C. Kuo, Hans F. Zacher & H.S. Chen (eds.), **Reform and Perspectives on Social Insurance: Lessons from the East and West**, 145-60. The Hague/London/New York: Kluwer Law International.

(with Lee Ann Mjelde-Mossey and Iris Chi). 2002. Volunteering in the social services: Preferences, expectations, barriers, and motivation of aging Chinese professionals in Hong Kong. **Hallym International Journal of Aging**. Vol. 4, No. 1, pp. 31-44.

2003

2003. New economy and new social policy in East and Southeast Asian compact, mature economies: The case of Hong Kong. **Social Policy & Administration**, Vol. 37, No. 4, pp.411-422.

(with C. Aspalter) 2003. The welfare state in mainland China: From enterprise-based to insurance-based social security. In C. Aspalter (ed.), **The Welfare State in Emerging-Market Economies**, 129-150. Hong Kong/Taipei/Seoul: Casa Verde Publishing.

2003. Globalization and social welfare (全球化與社會福利). **Journal of Social Policy and Social Work** (社會政策與社會工作學刊). Vol. 7, No. 2, pp.1-13.

(With K.L. Chou and I. Chi). 2003. Volunteering aspirations of Hong Kong Chinese soon-to-be-old adults. **Activities, Adaptation & Aging**, Vol. 27, No. 3/4, pp.79-96.

(With K.L. Chou and I. Chi). 2003. Future elderly welfare recipients in Hong Kong. **Hallym International Journal of Aging**. Vol. 5, No. 2, pp.183-199.

(With Yuebin Xu). 2003. Pension reform in China. In C.J. Finer (Ed.). **Social Policy Reform in China**, pp.129-142. Aldershot: Ashgate.

2004

(With A. C. Leung, C. Liu and I. Chi). 2004. Cost-benefit analysis of a case management project for the community-dwelling frail elderly in Hong Kong. **Journal of Applied Gerontology**. Vol. 23, pp.70-85.

(With K.L. Chou and I. Chi). 2004. Preventing economic hardship among Chinese elderly in Hong Kong. **Journal of Aging & Social Policy**. **16**(4): 79-97.

(With K.L. Chou and I. Chi) 2004. Leisure participation amongst Hong Kong Chinese older adults. **Aging & Society**, 24: 617-629.

2004. Asian value and aged care. **Geriatrics and Gerontology International**. **4**: S21-S25.

2004. Social welfare in Hong Kong – Post 1997: Opportunities in the midst of constraints.

Journal of Societal & Social Policy. 3(3): 63-76.

2005

(With K.L. Chou) 2005. Sustainable pensions and retirement schemes in Hong Kong. **Pensions: An International Journal.** 10(2):37-43.

(With K.L. Chou and I. Chi). 2005. A proposal for a voucher system for long-term care in Hong Kong. **Journal of Aging & Social Policy.** 17(2): 85-106.

(With Ambrose Ma). 2005. The housing choices and preferences of older vacationers in Southern China. **Journal of Housing for the Elderly.** 19(1): 79-92.

(With K.L. Chou). 2005. Income inequality among older adults in Hong Kong: An analysis of change from 1981 to 2001. **The Journal of Applied Gerontology.** 24(5): 388-403

(With K.L. Chou). 2005. To retire or not to retire: Is there an option for older workers in Hong Kong? **Social Policy & Administration,** 39(3): 233-246.

2006

(With K.L. Chou and I. Chi). 2006. Economic status of the elderly in Hong Kong: Homogenous or heterogeneous. **International Social Work,** 49(2): 218-32.

2006 (April). The practice of filial piety and its impact on long-term care policies for elderly people in Asian Chinese communities. **Asian Journal of Gerontology and Geriatrics,** 1(1): 31-5.

(With K.L. Chou and Iris Chi). 2006. Willingness to consider applying for reverse mortgage in Hong Kong Chinese middle-aged homeowners. **Habitat International.** 30: 716-727.

(With A. Ma). (2006). Economic impact of elderly amenity mobility in Southern China. **Journal of Applied Gerontology,** 25(4): 275-290.

(With A. Ma). (2006). Determinants of elderly residential mobility in Southern China: Exploration and implications. **Ageing International,** 31(1); 59-70.

2007

(2007 Spring). Aging and the family in Hong Kong. **International Journal of Sociology of the Family,** 33(1): 145-55.

(2007 September). A holistic care model for the elderly in East Asian Societies: Hong Kong as an illustration. **Proceedings of an International Conference on East Asian Social Welfare,** pp.121-136. Pusan, Korea: University of Pusan.

2008

(2008). Social work in Hong Kong – Western practice in a Chinese context. **China Journal of Social Work,** 1(1): 23-35.

(With K.L. Chou). (2008). The roles of human capital and social capital in the economic integration of new arrivals from Mainland China to Hong Kong. **Habitat International** 33(2009): 340-346.

2009

(With K.L. Chou). (2009 Winter). Pain and depression among Hong Kong Chinese older adults with knee osteoarthritis. **Hong Kong Journal of Mental Health**, 35(2): 23-28.

2010

(With Bai, X). (2010). The impact of modernization and globalization on the perception of the Chinese elderly towards their image and status. **The Global Studies Journal**, 3(2): 43-54.

2011

(With Bai, X). (2011). Modernization and its impact on Chinese older people's perception of their own image and status. **International Social Work**, 54:800-815.

(With Winky K.F. Wong, & K.L. Chou). (2011). Interaction between pre- and post-migration factors on depressive symptoms in new migrants to Hong Kong from Mainland China. **Community Mental Journal**, 47: 560-67.

(With Bai, X.). (2011). How is the self-image formed and enhanced among older Chinese people: Through assimilation or contrast? **Asian Journal of Gerontology & Geriatrics**, 6 (1): 22-28.

2012

(With Bai, X., & K.S. Chan). (2012). Validation of self-image of aging scale for Chinese elders. **Aging & Human Development**, 74 (1): 67-86.