Department of Japanese Studies (JAS) Profile 2009

2009-2010

Student Numbers:

86 Major students
223 Minor students
2,615 students enrolled in courses offered by JAS (2008-2009)

Local intake information (2009-2010):
434 JUPAS applicants (Band A)
26 Students admitted

2009-2010

Staff:

7 Full-time Faculty
9 Full-time Instructors
21 Part-time Instructors

Faculty Members’ Areas of Expertise:

Anthropology, Cultural History, Film Studies, Folklore, History, Linguistics, Popular Culture, Religion

Third-Year Students’ Language Proficiency:
87.88% passing rate of the Japanese Language Proficiency Test Level I (the highest level) organized by the Japan Foundation (2005-2009).

One-year Exchange Program:

One-year exchange program in Japan offered for all major students.

Faculty Members’ Awards and Honors:

Prof. YAU Shuk-ting was awarded The Young Researcher Award 2008 by the Faculty of Arts, CUHK.

Prof. Lynne NAKANO’s book proposal “Unmarried Women in Shanghai, Hong Kong and Tokyo” was recognised as one of the top 4 of 150 submissions in the professional category in the University of California Press/Public Anthropology Competition 2008.

Prof. Lynne NAKANO was awarded the Exemplary Teaching Award in University General Education, CUHK 2007-2008.

Dr. NG Wai Ming won the “2000 Choice Outstanding Academic Book” selected by the American Library Association.

Faculty Members’ External Competitive Research Grants:

The Sumitomo Foundation Grant
Research Title: Study on the Intercultural Conflict and Adaptation in Hong Kong Japanese Companies
Principal Investigator: Prof. HO Chi Ming
Amount Awarded: Japanese Yen 580,000
Duration: April 2009-March 2010

RGC Earmarked Grant
Research title: Hong Kong-Japan Interactions and Collaborations in the ACG (Animation-Comic-Game) Industry: A Historical and Cultural Analysis
Principal Investigator: Prof. NG Wai Ming
Amount awarded: HK$342,614
Duration: 2005-2007
**RGC Earmarked Grant**
Research title: Japanese Elements in Hong Kong Entertainment Industry: A Historical and Ethnographic Survey
Principal Investigator: Prof. NG Wai Ming
Amount awarded: HK$494,420
Duration: 2002-2004

**The Sumitomo Foundation Grant**
Research title: The Book of Filial Piety in Tokugawa Japan: Issues in Cultural Interaction
Principal Investigator: Prof. NG Wai Ming
Amount awarded: US$7,000
Duration: 2002-2004

**RGC Earmarked Grant**
Research title: Delayed or Indefinitely Postponed Marriage in Japan and Hong Kong: A Study of Never Married Women and Changing Social Values
Principal Investigator: Prof. Lynne NAKANO
Amount awarded: HK$437,000
Duration: 2002-2004

**RGC Earmarked Grant**
Research title: Phonological Development of Cantonese Speakers in the Acquisition of Japanese
Principal Investigator: Prof. LEE Wood Hung
Amount awarded: HK$851,000
Duration: 1999-2002

**Scholarship and Financial Aid for Students:**
HK$20,241,916 scholarship/financial aid was granted by donors to JAS major students for their exchange year in Japan (1992/1993-2009/2010).

**Staff Expansion Grant:**
HK$819,000 "Staff Expansion Grant" awarded to JAS by the Japan Foundation (2003-2006).

**Prestigious Award:**
The Order of the Rising Sun, Gold Rays with Rosette was conferred upon the Founding Chairman of JAS, Mr. Yue Kwan Cheuk, by the Japanese Government on June 11, 2004.