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Into the New Era:
a celebration of the golden jubilee of
The University of Warwick

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Message from the Vice-Chancellor Honorary President of WGAHK

I am delighted to have been asked to provide a message for the Warwick Graduates' Association Hong Kong (WGAHK) on the occasion of the University of Warwick's 50th anniversary.

The recent news that the QS annual World University Rankings have named the University of Warwick as one of the world's top 50 universities is a truly fitting tribute to our 50th anniversary celebrations and a clear demonstration of the global renown for our dedication to research and academic excellence, ground-breaking international collaborations and attracting the highest standard of staff and students from around the globe.

The success of the University and our alumni over the past 50 years has been incredible and each and every one of our graduates here in Hong Kong can be extremely proud of their role in helping the University to achieve its global reputation for excellence.



We are enormously proud of our rich shared history with the city of Hong Kong and its people, which goes back as long as the University itself. Hong Kong students have been coming to Warwick since the late 1960's and the University continues to be one of the most popular destinations in the UK among students from Hong Kong. We currently have 649 students from Hong Kong studying on our campus and our Hong Kong alumni community now numbers around 3000.

There can be few Warwick overseas alumni groups that are as active as Warwick Graduates' Association Hong Kong. WGAHK is one of only a few to have founded a scholarship programme ensuring that other Hong Kong students can have the same Warwick experience that you all had. An experience which you still all so obviously value and treasure.

I am very proud of all that you have achieved and, in what is my last year as Vice-Chancellor of the University of Warwick, I would like to take the opportunity to say a huge thank you to each and every one of you for your ongoing generosity and support of the University. We value and treasure you as ambassadors for the University and I know that Professor Stuart Croft is looking forward to working with you when I hand over to him in February 2016.

Thank you sincerely for your great advocacy for Warwick and I wish you all great success in all you do now and in the future.

Professor Sir Nigel Thrift
Vice-Chancellor
The University of Warwick

Message from the Chairperson of WGAHK

It is a special honour and a privilege to present to you this commemorative publication by the Warwick Graduates' Association Hong Kong (WGAHK).

Established in 1994, the WGAHK Executive Committee is a group of passionate and talented alumni who are committed to providing opportunities for alumni to engage with the University and with one another; to support activities that highlight our alumni's achievements, and to involve current students as future stakeholders of our Association. Our core mission is to engage alumni in Hong Kong, build a culture of philanthropy among the Warwick family, and be the representative voice for Hong Kong alumni. Regardless of how recently you graduated or how long ago, you are a special and valued member of ours.



In 2015 we celebrate the 50th anniversary of the founding of our alma mater. The past five decades witnessed many Warwick graduates who are not only successful in their own lives but have also brought positive recognition to our University. In Hong Kong, we are delighted to see the second generation of Warwick graduates and who are proud of their Warwick heritage. I hope you share my pride in our alma mater for all that it has accomplished and for its vision in moving forward.

Staying connected through experiences is a simple but powerful bond, and provides us with the opportunity to reflect on our time at Warwick. There is no better way to keep these memories and the meaning alive than actively being a part of the WGAHK. Warwickers of every generation are united through the tradition of giving back. Since its founding in 2002, the WGAHK Scholarship Fund has awarded 14 scholarships to outstanding first-year students. In 2012, the Friends of the University of Warwick in Hong Kong was established with the aim of enabling Hong Kong-based donors to give tax-efficiently to projects of mutual benefit to the University and to our local community. I would like to express my sincerest gratitude to all donors and sponsors for their generosity which enables us to further our mission and sustain our meaningful work.

In my tenure, I will strive to promote interactions among all alumni and look forward to scaling new heights for WGAHK. I hope you can join me in this worthy endeavour and I look forward to seeing you all in our future activities.

Thank you for your continued support to WGAHK!

With warmest regards

Lisa Marie Djeng
Chairperson
Warwick Graduates' Association (Hong Kong)



Congratulatory Messages

from Partner Institutions

Message from IGDS

It gives me great pleasure to send my congratulations to the University of Warwick on its 50th anniversary.

Through our close collaboration between the Department of Industrial and Systems Engineering of PolyU and the WMG of Warwick University in offering the Integrated Graduate Development Scheme over the past 25 years, we have built up a very successful postgraduate programme which has been well recognized by the industry for preparing their engineers to take up senior management roles. Throughout the years, I have witnessed the extraordinary growth of Warwick University that has become one of the most impactful universities in the world.

I am privileged to be a partner of Warwick University and strongly believe that Warwick University is ready to scale new heights in academic and research excellence in the years to come.

Professor H.C. Man
Director of Studies, IGDS and Dean, Faculty of Engineering
The Hong Kong Polytechnic University



Message from Vocational Training Council

This year marks a special milestone in the history of The University of Warwick, as it celebrates its fiftieth anniversary. On this auspicious occasion, I would like to extend my warmest congratulations to the University.

Founded in 1965, The University of Warwick has undergone phenomenal development, advancing from a new public research institution located on the outskirts of Coventry, UK into a fully-fledged, internationally-acclaimed university. In the past fifty years, the University has been unceasingly making great impact on world education, research and professional services, sparing no effort to extending its impressive record of excellence and success. Graduates of the University are highly regarded by local and global enterprises many of whom have become influential leaders in their professions. I have every confidence that the University will go from strength to strength in the years to come.

There is no easy road to quality education. But I have not the least doubt that The University of Warwick will keep on taking bold steps to inspire innovation and creativity, rise to future challenges and continue to flourish. Education is an essential key to changing lives, transforming prospects, spurring opportunities and creating a better world. Vocational Training Council will work closely with the University of Warwick as it strives to extend its rich academic resources to the wider international community. As the theme of its fiftieth anniversary celebrations puts it - "Imagining the Future", let's apply ourselves to the full for the promising future.

Best of luck for the next 50 years!

Dr Lillian Wong
Senior Assistant Executive Director
Vocational Training Council



WGAHK

Executive Committee 2015



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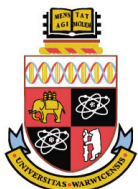
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HISTORY IN THE MAKING — Warwick in 1/2 Century



Jack (later Lord) Butterworth



The University's coat of arms



Library in 1965



Rootes Residences in 1969



The Queen's visit in 1970, pictured here with the President and Vice-President of the Students' Union



The Students' Union, Banks and Whitefields Residences in 1974



Graduation procession at Coventry Cathedral 1973

1965 - 1969

1965

- First Vice-Chancellor, Jack Butterworth has been in post for two years
- VC hand-picked 10 Founding Professors, admitted the first batch of undergraduate and postgraduate students, offering 18 undergraduate degree courses
- The University started with only two lecture theatres, a restaurant, a common room and a library with already around 45,000 books

1966

- The University received its grant of Arms by virtue of Letters Patent from the College of Arms
- The Coat of Arms features the symbols of both Coventry and Warwickshire, with the latin motto "Mens agi tat molem" which is translated as "the mind moves the matter"
- Rootes Social Building, Benefactors Hall of residence, the Science Block and the Library were opened

1967

- Lord Radcliffe became the first Chancellor at a ceremony held in Coventry Cathedral
- During the same ceremony, the first Doctorate and Masters degrees were awarded
- The School of Industrial and Business Studies, now Warwick Business School, was opened with 5 academic staff and 24 students
- Rootes Residences (A-L) were built and named after Lord Rootes, Chairman of the Promotion Committee founding the University

1968

- The first graduation ceremony was held in Coventry Cathedral



The first graduation ceremony in Coventry Cathedral

1969

- Staff Housing and Laundrette, Physics, Maths Research Houses and the Graduate Studies Building were opened

1970 - 1974

1970

- Groundbreaking for Arts Centre, with the first phase including a theatre, music centre, bookshop, and conference room
- The Queen paid a formal visit to campus
- The Arts Building, now Humanities Building, was built
- New proposals were put forward for the establishment of departments in Theatre Studies, Latin and Classical Studies, Psychology, Applied Social Studies, and Statistics

1971

- The Sports Centre was built
- University Radio Warwick was launched with studios situated in a wooden hut behind Rootes. The station was soon rebranded to URW312, and became RaW (Radio at Warwick) in 1999

1972

- White Koan, a painted steel and neon installation art located outside Arts Centre, was purchased by the University



University Radio Warwick

1973

- The Modern Records Centre was founded
- The first issue of *The Boar*, the student newspaper still running today, was released and priced at 4p

1974

- The Students' Union Building was opened
- The first phase of Warwick Arts Centre was finished
- The Health Centre on campus was opened



The courtyard of the Arts Building featured on the cover of the 1973-1974 prospectus

HISTORY IN THE MAKING — Warwick in 1/2 Century



Students' Union in 1975



Senate House, the Arts Centre and the Koan



Social Sciences Building under construction



Margaret Thatcher visiting the Arts Centre in 1984



Professor Mike Shattock,
Registrar of The University
of Warwick 1983-1999



Warwick featured in Award Winning
Film "Degrees of Excellence"

1975 - 1979

- 1975
- A rent strike in spring resulted in a month-long occupation of Senate House during the summer term, while rent for a room in Rootes was £4.82 per week

- 1976
- The first expedition group of final year students from the Department of History of Art was sent to Venice



Aerial shot of campus in 1977

- 1977
- Lord Scarman succeeded Lord Radcliffe as Chancellor
- The Social Sciences Building was opened

- 1978
- The University completed the merger with the College of Education
- University sites have been renamed: Central Campus (formerly Main Site), Gibbet Hill (formerly East Site) and Westwood (formerly Coventry College of Education)



Front cover of the
1978-1979 prospectus
for the new Institute of
Education

1979

1980 - 1984

- 1980
- Warwick Manufacturing Group was (WMG) founded



Professor Lord
Bhattacharyya

- 1981
- The International Office was established to provide a focus for international students
- The Warwick Institute for Employment Research was established
- Professor Kumar Bhattacharyya was appointed Professor of Manufacturing Systems in the Engineering Department

- 1982
- Arden House was founded
- The Arts Building was extended to house the Department of Psychology
- Vice-Chancellor, J.B. Butterworth was made Commander of the Order of the British Empire (CBE) in the Queen's Birthday Honours
- Famous director Trevor Nunn was awarded an Honorary degree
- The joint School of Classics took part in an excavation at Lunt Fort in a collaboration with Coventry City Council

- 1983
- The University Science Park's Incubator Building was opened
- Sir Keith Joseph, Secretary of State for Education visited Warwick in November and received a hostile reception from the students who disagreed with the government's education policy
- 1984
- Then Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher opened the first building in the Science Park
- The Coventry Athletic Track at Westwood, the largest training track in UK at the time, was opened
- Work on the Arts Centre extension (Arts Centre Phase III) began as well as on the Social Sciences extension and the Biotechnology laboratory
- Dr. Clark Brundin was named as the next Vice-Chancellor
- Warwick featured in an award winning Film *Degrees of Excellence*

HISTORY IN THE MAKING — Warwick in 1/2 Century



"White Koan" by Sculptor Liliane Lijn



Leaflet introducing the Incubator Building of the University Science Park



Newly Appointed Vice-Chancellor
Dr. C.L. Brundin in 1985



Students in hostel bedroom in the 80s



Arts Centre, Butterworth Hall and Mead Gallery opened

1985 - 1989

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| <p>1985</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dr C.L. Brundin succeeded Lord Butterworth as Vice-Chancellor - The establishment of the Advanced Technology Centre by Warwick University and Austin Rover was announced - Warwick was awarded an additional 135 fully resourced UG student places - The Centre for Caribbean Studies was officially opened by Sir Shridath Ramphal, Secretary-General of the Commonwealth - The Centre for Research in Philosophy and Literature opened | <p>1986</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick launched part-time degree programme - The Mead Gallery, named in memory of former Treasurer and member of the Arts Centre Committee Phil Mead, was opened - The construction of Austin Rover's Advanced Technology Centre started - The Post Experience Centre was renamed Radcliffe House - Butterworth Hall was officially opened | <p>1987</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Warwick Graduate Association was launched - The Student's Union voted to call a rent strike and boycott of University services due to the University's refusal to halve rents in the Christmas and Spring vacations in response to government changes of housing benefits, of which the strike and boycott was called off when a package of measures were offered - New part-time BA degrees took place in the Arts Centre to allow people to study in the evenings only | <p>1988</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The University held three degree ceremonies for the first time - Warwick's anonymous benefactor was revealed as Helen Martin following her death, whose donations had enabled Anglo-American student exchanges, an American travel fund, the construction of a residence specifically for American students (Benefactors), the creation of the Arts Centre and the Jack Martin Residences - The official handing over of the pre-1960 Trades Union Congress Registry files to the University's Modern Records Centre | <p>1989</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Julia Offord was elected as Warwick's first female Students' Union President - The Secretary-General of the Commonwealth Sir Shirdath Surendranath Ramphal was appointed Chancellor of the University, succeeding Lord Scaman - Filming took place on campus for a BBC drama, <i>Virtuosi</i>, set on an American campus which Warwick stood in for - Dr. Clark Brundin was named the next Vice-Chancellor - The Prince of Wales filed in by helicopter to give a talk to the Rare Breeds Survival Trust in his capacity as Patron |
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1990 - 1994

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| <p>1990</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The University was awarded the "Carl Bertelsmann Prize" for its outstanding innovative ideas and initiatives - Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher visited campus for the second time to open the Advanced Technology Centre - Rover set up a new company at Warwick — "Rover Learning Business" — to train over half of its workforce - The Vice-Chancellor opened the Warwick Study situated on the first floor of the Students' Union - The Warwick Boar wins the Impact Prize at the Guardian Student Media Awards for the most improved publication | <p>1991</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Scaman House was founded. Sir Arthur Vick, Former Chairman of Council and Pro-Chancellor, attended the naming ceremony of the Arthur Vick Residences - The Rootes Refectory was transformed and provided all-day service - The 2+2 Degree Programme was launched in collaboration with four local Further Education Colleges - Building work got underway on the Library extension which would house BP's archives and those of the Modern Records Centre | <p>1992</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vice-Chancellor Dr Brundin resigned and Prof. Whittenbury was appointed Acting VC - Michael Hesselstine opened the Engineering Management Building - Sovereign Court was built, the newest addition to the Science Park - A topping out ceremony was held on the roof of the Library extension | <p>1993</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor Sir Brian Follett succeeded Dr Brundin as Vice-Chancellor - The philosopher Jacques Derrida delivered a lecture entitled "Spectres of Marx: The State of Debt, the Work of Mourning and the New International" on campus - The Library extension was officially opened by the British Library Board Chairman Sir Anthony Kenny - The University's Hillfields Centre, set up to provide education and training for those living in the Hillfields areas, was opened | <p>1994</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick Research Fellowships, a £10M scheme entirely financed by the University was launched, for some of the brightest young researchers in the UK and abroad - Lord Attenborough visited the Arts Centre for a special showing of his new film <i>Shadowlands</i> - The Philosopher Professor Edward Said delivered a lecture in the Arts Centre Conference Room entitled <i>Afterword to Orientalism</i> - The Departments of Arts Education, Science Education, Education and the former Institute / Faculty Office amalgamated to form the Warwick Institute of Education, replacing the Faculty of Educational Studies |
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HISTORY IN THE MAKING — Warwick in 1/2 Century



Mathematics Institute Building



A view of campus in 1988



Margaret Thatcher opening the Advanced Technology Centre in 1990



The Gibbet Hill extension in 1997



Wall painting "Everything" by Ian Davenport commissioned for the new building of the Institute of Mathematics and Statistics in 2004

1995 - 1999

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The climbing room in Warwick's Sport Centre was opened - Dr Stephen Hill, from the Department of Classics and Ancient History, directed an international team to save two ancient Byzantine mosaics from being washed away at Ciftlik, Turkey - The first instalment of £1M donation out of a total of £5M was received from the WPH Charitable to help establish the Medical Research Institute at Warwick - Students graduated for the first time on main campus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Ramphal Building was constructed - The University held its first winter Degree Ceremony - The UK Indoor Climbing Championship was hosted at Warwick's indoor climbing facility which was renamed "The Bear Rock Indoor Climbing Centre" - Nelson Mandela was awarded an Honorary Doctor of Laws by the Chancellor Sir Shridath Ramphal at a special ceremony at Buckingham Palace - The second phase of the Claycroft Residences opened, providing 312 rooms for postgraduates | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Arts Centre received funding from the National Lottery to carry out substantial refurbishment - Professor Zeeman opened the new £3.5M pound Mathematics Institute Building - The Biological Sciences and Medical Research Institute buildings opened - Tony Blair, the then leader of the opposition, and his wife Cherie visited campus | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Michael Loveitt BioMedical Library and Information Centre opened - Warwick became the first University in Britain to install an on-line broadcast quality TV and radio studio - Ted Pridgeon and his wife Myrtle visited the Department of Biological Sciences and its Medical Research Institute to donate £1.2M to fund a research Professorship in Neuroscience - Union North was officially opened - Warwick's new Sports Pavilion was opened by former Olympic athlete and Honorary Graduate David Moorcroft and Coventry City Football Club Chairman Brian Richardson | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick won a National Energy Efficiency Accreditation Scheme Award in recognition of its effort of not increasing its spending on energy and water over six years - The England Women's National Football Squad used the University as its base training camp - The Piazza development was completed - Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal visited and addressed the Victim Support conference held at Warwick Arts Centre - The Business School's new Executive MBA Programme offices building opened |

2000 - 2004

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick Medical School opened - Bill Clinton visited Warwick to give his last major foreign policy address as US President - The University's new London premises in Westminster were officially opened - Westwood Library closed - Warwick's Council and Senate approved the appointment of Professor David VandeLinde as the University's new Vice-Chancellor - Warwick Diabetes Care, a new national centre, was launched by Colin Dexter, the creator of <i>Inspector Morse</i> and himself a diabetic | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor David VandeLinde succeeded Sir Brian Follet as Vice-Chancellor - The new Computer Science building was formally opened by IBM's Senior Vice-President (Technology and Manufacturing) Nicholas M. Donofrio - Warwick was awarded £2.5 million from the Wolfson Foundation to support biomedical research at the University - Estelle Morris, who studied at the then Coventry College of Education, and later Warwick's Institute of Education had been appointed the Secretary of State for Education and Skills | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sir Nicolas Scheele succeeded Sir Ramphal as Chancellor - Warwick was selected by the Government to host the National Academy for Gifted and Talented Youth - Lord Puttnam visited the University to give a lecture as part of the Speakers' Corner series - The BioMedical Research Institute was officially opened by Lord Wolfson of Marylebone - Warwick Business School was commissioned to provide a programme to develop the management and business skills of footballers who want to become football managers - The Centre for Lifelong Learning was established | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick acquired the former headquarters of National Grid, which it converted into University House - HRI Wellesbourne and Kirtton were to form a new department within the Faculty of Science which was to be known as "Warwick HRI" - Professor Margaret Archer of the Department of Sociology presented Pope John Paul II with a copy of <i>Work and Human Fulfillment</i> - Lord Butterworth died on the 19 June | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The first cohort of 64 students graduated from the Medical School - A new Mathematics and Statistics building was opened - The new Registrar was announced — Mr Jon Baldwin - Warwick merged with Horticulture Research International (HRI) - The first ever UK Robot Football Championship took place at Warwick - The very first Warwick Student Arts Festival took place. 50 acts performed over five days - Warwick was the venue for an important agreement between the Labour Party and the Trade Unions on Labour policy and trade union law — the "Warwick Agreement" |

HISTORY IN THE MAKING — Warwick in 1/2 Century



Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal visited the campus



Prime Minister Gordon Brown opened the Warwick Digital Lab in 2008



University House



Professor Lord Kumar Bhattacharyya and Professor Sir Nigel Thrift collected Queen's Anniversary Prize at Buckingham Palace in 2010



Bluebell

2005 - 2009

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick hosted the International Children's Games - Warwick was voted as having the best campus of any British University by students surveyed by Opinionpanel - Warwick Sport was founded - The Freedom of Information Act (FoIA) 2000 came into force. People inside and outside the University now had the right to access all types of recorded information held by the University - Warwick joined a government pilot project — "The Carbon Trust Project" — aimed at reducing carbon emissions produced by HE institution | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick became involved with the Birmingham Science City initiative, which aims to pull together world-class science and technology within the city and its region - Professor Nigel Thrift succeeded Professor VandeLinde as Vice-Chancellor - The refurbished Senate House re-opened under the new name Coventry House, housing the NHS Institute of Innovation and Improvement, the Molecular Organisation and Assembly in Cells (MOAC) Doctoral Training Centre, the Systems Biology Centre and the Islamic Prayer Hall - The Department of History announced the pilot MA in History which is delivered almost entirely online | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Vision 2015 was launched - The Maths Houses were awarded Grade II* listed status by English Heritage - International Gateway for Gifted Youth (IGGY) was launched - The Institute of Advanced Studies was launched - The Reinvention Centre's new social teaching space opened at Westwood in the old site for Surfers' Bar. The Reinvention Centre was based in Sociology and worked in collaboration with Oxford Brookes - A team from Warwick won the BBC Two show <i>University Challenge</i> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sir Richard Lambert succeeded Sir Nick Scheele as Chancellor - Prime Minister Gordon Brown opened the Warwick Digital Laboratory - The Warwick Prize for Writing was launched - The Teaching Grid in the Main Library opened in order to develop teaching at Warwick in line with the University's Strategy - Warwick launched its new car-share scheme, WarwickShare, to manage the increase of traffic in and around campus - The Wolfson Research Exchange in the Main Library opened | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Copper Rooms opened, the construction of which involved the demolition of the back of the old Students' Union - The Dirty Duck opened (a traditional pub, the name of which was chosen after a student vote) - The Indoor Tennis Centre at Westwood, the International Digital Laboratory and the Clinical Trials Unit received BREEAM Excellent Status in recognition of their high levels of environmental sustainability - Warwick's first ever Alumni Weekend took place - The Duke of Kent visited Warwick HRI at Wellesbourne |

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2010 - 2014

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The Knowledge Centre launched online to share information about research being conducted at the University with alumni and other stakeholders - The Queen presented the University and WMG with a Queen's Anniversary Prize for Higher and Further Education - Institute for Advanced Teaching and Learning (IATL) was launched to serve the academic community by supporting the development of innovative teaching methods | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The newly refurbished Modern Records Centre opened - Bluebell Halls of Residences opened - The University agreed a major investment into IGGY in order to refresh the brand - The Energy Awareness Campaign — "Let's Make It Happen" — took place on campus - The University of Warwick Publications Service was introduced to complement the Warwick Research Archive Portal - Warwick replaced five diesel vehicles with electric vans, supplied by Smith Electric Vehicles, using funds from the Department of Transport's Low Carbon Vehicle Procurement Programme | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick formed strategic partnerships with Monash University and Queen Mary University of London - Warwick Sports Field Team received praise from the Sports Turf Research Institute and FIFA for maintaining the quality of the pitches which were used by teams ahead of their matches at the City of Coventry Stadium during the Olympics - The Nursery created its own Forest School - Warwick Volunteers' Key School Partners programme celebrated a successful first year. Six local schools took part - Warwick launched a joint venture with the Royal Shakespeare Company called Teaching Shakespeare, with input from the Warwick Business School, the Warwick Institute of Education and the Department of English - The Student Careers and Skills Service launched the Placement Learning Unit | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Professor Nigel Thrift officially opened the Learning Grid Routes - The new gym opened on campus - Alice Oswald won the third Warwick Prize for Writing for her poem <i>Memorial</i> - Mathematics Institute awarded Regius Professorship by the Queen to mark the Diamond Jubilee - Business Secretary Vince Cable visited WMG to launch a £10M simulation technology engineering research programme to see how WMG's research was helping Midlands SMEs - <i>The Boar</i> was voted Student Publication of the Year by Ones to Watch and named Student Publication of the Month in Feb 2013 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Warwick was named University of the Year by <i>Times</i> and <i>Sunday Times Newspaper</i> - Lord Kumar Bhattacharyya, Chairman of WMG, was made a Fellow of the Royal Society, along with Martin Hairer, Regius Professor of Mathematics - The first students were inducted into the new WMG Academy for Young Engineers - The first ever International Collaborative Moot took place with Law students from Warwick and Monash |

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Celebration of the Golden Jubilee

The University of Warwick celebrates its 50th Anniversary in 2015. For 50 years we have been forward-thinking; for 50 years we have been constantly imagining, realising and creating the future.

Showcase

Throughout the 50th Anniversary the University hosted a diverse mix of events, including two major campus-based festivals, namely Festival of the Imagination and The Warwick Festival of Music, Imagining the Future Lecture Series and IMAGINING A UNIVERSITY: The University of Warwick Art Collection at 50.

Connecting International Alumni

With a third of Warwick's alumni living outside the UK, the University would like to make sure that they were as involved in celebrating Warwick's 50th Anniversary as alumni in the UK.



For more information on the 50th Anniversary celebration, please visit : www2.warwick.ac.uk/about/warwick50/

GRP International events

The University of Warwick is engaging with alumni and key international partners in areas of Warwick's research excellence in five strategic locations across the world. An exciting programme of research-led events took place in Brussels, Beijing and Hong Kong, New York, Singapore and Venice focusing on Warwick's multi-disciplinary research excellence and expertise within each of our Global Research Priorities surrounding a central theme of Sustainable Futures.



Celebrating Warwick's 50th Anniversary in Hong Kong

15 May 2015@British Council, Admiralty
Led by the Innovative Manufacturing GRP, this event brought together Warwick and Hong Kong experts working in the field of innovative manufacturing to focus on the theme of Sustainable Futures: Design to be Green.

Welcomed by Professor Sir Nigel Thrift, Vice-Chancellor of The University of Warwick, the drinks reception after the seminar provided a great opportunity for our Hong Kong-based alumni to mark a very special milestone in part of the celebrations.



International Alumni Week

The week of 13-19 April 2015 was set aside as International Alumni Week. Warwick's Careers and Skills team organised and held its second Annual Careers Event in Hong Kong. The focus of the event was "Leadership" and the importance of these skills, whatever the stage of your career, or the job sector you work in. Over 70 alumni and current students attended the event on 9 April and had an inspirational and enjoyable evening.

Warwick Leadership Careers Event

9 April 2015@CPA Australia's office suite, Wan Chai



Sharing by Warwick alumnus Martin Kwok (MSc Management)

A Year at a Glance – WGAHK activities in 2015

Spring Dinner

14 March@Jade Garden, Causeway Bay



University of Warwick 50th Anniversary Celebration in Hong Kong

15 May 2015@British Council, Admiralty



Summer Degree Congregation 2015

18 July@Butterworth Hall, Warwick Arts Centre



Lisa Marie Djeng, WGAHK Chairperson,
addressed to the graduates



Lisa and Sir Richard
Lambert, Chancellor
of The University of
Warwick

WGAHK Scholarship 2015

Established in 2002, the WGAHK Scholarship was the first of its kind set up by local alumni outside the UK. The Scholarship which amounts to HKD20,000 is opened to all Warwick first year undergraduate entrants from Hong Kong.

Overwhelming responses were received this year and among which five students were shortlisted to attend the interview conducted by the three judges, namely:
Professor Jesús Seade (Head of judging panel)
Former Professor of Public Economics, The University of Warwick
Sydney S. W. Leong Chair Professor of Economics and Former Vice-President, Lingnan University

Lisa Marie Djeng (BSc Economics)
WGAHK Chairperson and WGAHK Scholarship Founding Chairperson

Michael Ngai (BSc Management Science)



The winner of this year's Scholarship is King-yeung Luk, a King George V graduate who will be reading Economics at Warwick. The judges highly commended King-yeung's outstanding performance in his academic works and school services, as well in sports and music. The other four short-listed finalists are:

Justin Chan
Jasmine Lam
Pak-fai Leung
Priyanshi Ajesh Shah

The presentation ceremony was held on 14 September and King-yeung was presented the Scholarship by Professor Jesús Seade and Lisa Marie Djeng. The four shortlisted finalists were each awarded a book voucher in recognition of their efforts and achievements.



WGAHK wishes all freshmen the best in their studies, and hope that they have an enjoyable and fruitful time at Warwick.

If you would like to support the WGAHK Scholarship with donations, please email us at scholarship@warwick.org.hk.

Freshers' Cocktail Reception

14 September@Tastings Wine Bar, Central

The event was jointly presented by WGAHK and Warwick Hong Kong Public Affairs and Social Service Society (WHKPASS). We were honoured to have invited our distinguished alumnus, Chip Tsao (陶傑) (BA in English and European Literature) to join this gathering which was attended by current students and alumni spanning different decades. Mr Tsao shared with participants his life at Warwick. He also shared his insights into and views on a wide range of topics ranging from current affairs, multi-cultural diversity, beauty pageants, to his personal life when he was a young adult.

Hailed as the "First Wit in Hong Kong", Mr Tsao is a renowned multi-lingual columnist, broadcaster, writer and, more recently, film director. He has worked with many local media in Hong Kong and currently writes for *Apple Daily* and *Hong Kong Magazine* and hosts a weekday current affairs radio programme *Summit* (光明頂) at the Commercial Radio Hong Kong. In 2014, Mr Tsao's directorial debut *Enthralled* won citywide attention.



Presentation by Professor Wang Qing, Professor of Marketing and Innovation, Warwick Business School on 21 September 2015

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Meeting of the Friends of the University of Warwick in Hong Kong

22 September 2015@Grissini Restaurant, Grand Hyatt Hotel

The meeting was chaired by Dr Roy Chung, Chairman of the Friends of the University of Warwick in Hong Kong and Industrial Professor of the University of Warwick, attended by Mr Ian Rowley, Director of Development, Communication and External Affairs. Directors of the Trust include Lisa Marie Djeng, WGAHK Chairperson, and past WGAHK Chairperson — Liam Lai and Dr Edmund Lee. Participants exchanged views regarding the charitable trust development and its way forward.

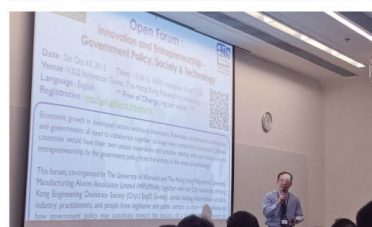
Established in 2012, The Friends of the University of Warwick in Hong Kong Limited allows Hong Kong-based alumni and friends to support Warwick's 50 Forward fundraising campaign with a tax-efficient philanthropic gift.



Forum on "Innovation and Entrepreneurship: Government Policy, Society, and Technology"

17 October 2015@The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

WGAHK is a supporting organisation of the Forum co-organised by The University of Warwick and The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Manufacturing Alumni Association Limited (WPUMAA) and CityU Engineering Doctorate Society



Warwick Events in Hong Kong 2015

Warwick International Foundation Programme (IFP) Seminar

2 June 2015@British Council, Admiralty



Mr Thomas Such, Warwick IFP Manager of the International Office gave an overview on the Warwick IFP, including the programme structure, admissions requirements, as well as the application procedure.

Pre-departure Briefings

Every year The University of Warwick (Hong Kong Office) organises Pre-departure Briefings to provide useful information for offer holders and parents in Hong Kong and South China with the support from Warwick Hong Kong Society (WHKS), Warwick Hong Kong Public Affairs and Social Service Society (WHKPASS) and WGAHK. Invaluable tips and advice are given to students during the meet and mingle session with current students and alumni after the formal presentation.

Pre-departure Briefing

18 July 2015@JW Marriott, Shenzhen



Pre-departure Briefing for Postgraduate and Exchange students

21 July 2015@Regus, Wan Chai



Pre-departure Briefing for Warwick IFP students

22 July 2015@Regus, Wan Chai



Pre-departure Briefing for Undergraduate Students

18 Aug 2015@Regus, Wan Chai



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Warwick News

1. Warwick latest rankings

The latest university league tables confirm Warwick's position as one of the UK's leading institutions. Warwick is ranked 6th in the Guardian (May 2015) and the 8th in Times Good University Guide (Sep 2014).

Warwick is ranked 48th in the QS (Sep 2015), 80th in the Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2015-16 (Oct 2015), and 92nd in Shanghai Jiao Tong Academic Ranking of World Universities (Aug 2015). Warwick is now in the top 100 of every major university world ranking. This is Warwick's best ever result in the history of these three league tables.



2. The Princess Royal's visit

Her Royal Highness The Princess Royal visited the University on 9 October 2015 to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the awarding of its Royal Charter of Incorporation.

During the visit Her Royal Highness met with academics, students and administrative staff from across the university and unveiled a stone inscribed with a message celebrating Warwick's 50th Anniversary. The stone will then be used as a foundation stone for the University's new Teaching and Learning Building which is due to open in 2016.



3. Warwick's next Vice-Chancellor and President announced



The University announced the appointment of Professor Stuart Croft as its next Vice-Chancellor and President to succeed Professor Sir Nigel Thrift in February 2016.

Professor Croft is currently Provost at Warwick. As Provost, he leads on the academic development of the University, including academic resourcing strategy and implementation, working with the Vice-Chancellor, Pro-Vice-Chancellors and with Chairs of Faculty in developing and supporting academic departments.

Professor Croft joined Warwick in January 2007 as Professor of International Security in the Department of Politics and International Studies (PAIS) and was appointed as Warwick's Pro-Vice-Chancellor for Research (Arts and Social Sciences) in 2011.

4. New Year's Honours for Vice-Chancellor Nigel Thrift

Vice-Chancellor Professor Nigel Thrift was awarded a knighthood in the New Year's Honours List for 2015. Professor Thrift remarked, "this honour is a wonderful way of helping to mark the very first day of the University of Warwick's 50th Anniversary year. To me the award recognises the numerous successes that we have all achieved together over the last ten years. I want to thank all those — staff, students, alumni, and our supporters and donors — who have played their part in Warwick's many attainments."

5. Warwick REF Success

The Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014 results were published on 18 December 2014. Congratulations to the University of Warwick which has successfully repeated its 7th place ranking, with no less than 14 academic departments ranked in the UK top ten, and 87% of the University's research activity ranked at a quality level of either 3* or 4*.



6. Exchange Students awarded Scholarships for Excellence

James Da Costa and Jasmine Johnson, exchange students from the University of Warwick, were recipients of the 4,000 Scholarships for Excellence 2015-16, awards offered by the UK Government to promote education links of mutual benefit between the UK and Hong Kong. James and Jasmine are studying Economics and Sociology at The University of Hong Kong respectively.



7. WBS London opened at the Shard

Mayor of London, Boris Johnson officially opened Warwick Business School's new base at the Shard on 2 June, as part of Warwick's 50th Anniversary celebrations, unveiling a glass sculpture to commemorate the opening of the new site on the 17th floor of the 95-storey building — the tallest in the EU.



8. Removal Notice - University of Warwick (Hong Kong Office)

With effect from 13 February 2015, the University of Warwick (Hong Kong Office) relocated to the following address. Our telephone number and email address remain unchanged.

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Close Up with Chairpersons

Assuming the role of Chairperson and steering the growth of an alumni association is undeniably a challenging and demanding task. We are honoured to have invited four past and current Chairpersons of alumni associations here in Hong Kong to share with us their experience of leading a group of volunteers and how their services have made a meaningful difference to the Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong.



Yvonne Leung (BSc in Management Science)
WGAHK Chairperson (2001-2004)

Current position
Managing Director, PFC International Company Limited

What made you decide to take up the role of Chairperson?

The objective of WGAHK is to organise regular series of social, business and educational events that will facilitate networking opportunities, offering valuable connections in a both social and professional context. By taking up the role of Chairperson of WGAHK, I was hoping that I could help contribute to growing a vibrant and active network that all alumni can enjoy, benefit from and take pride in.

What were the challenges?

- 1) To get commitments from committee members given their busy schedule.
- 2) To increase alumni participation especially for those years where we don't have a committee member who represents them.
- 3) How to cultivate alumni interest and support.
- 4) How to gain the University's recognition and support.
- 5) Ways to raise funds for our Scholarship Fund.

What did you gain out of that experience?

- 1) How to organise events to raise participation.
- 2) How to prioritise.
- 3) How to leverage on the University resources and support.
- 4) Made some really good friends from all walks of life.

What was the fun?

It was fun but also hard work.

What was the most memorable moment during those years?

The celebration of the 10th Anniversary of WGAHK. It marked an important milestone for WGAHK and I was proud to be part of a team in leading WGAHK to the next decade.

How do you see the value and potential of the Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong?

Alumni are brand ambassadors, dispersed around the globe and contributing to the reputation of their alma mater. By providing support for alumni, there can be returns on investment for both graduates and the University. To continue attracting talented students, Warwick must maintain its reputation, not only through the quality of academic programmes offered but also the accomplishments of their alumni. The stories of successful alumni are essential for university recruiting programmes.

By having a strong alumni community, universities can potentially retain their former students throughout their careers, again creating value for both parties. For alumni, they can continue their affiliation with the university throughout their lives. Casual dialogue during events which University staff often attend allows alumni to reflect on their experiences and discuss their careers, which the University can either use in the classroom to prepare upper-year students or to adjust their curriculum where necessary. These events are also excellent for networking, presenting an opportunity to interact with alumni in intermediate or senior-level corporate positions who can provide career advice or referrals.



What made you decide to take up the role of Chairperson/Committee Member?

Natalie Law, then the Vice-Chairperson, and Nancy Chui, the then Director of the University of Warwick (Hong Kong Office), sweet-talked me joining the Executive Committee for the specific task of recruiting young members and building a sustainable current students-alumni relationship.



What were the challenges?

Fostering current students — alumni relationship is proven to be a naturally daunting task because Hong Kong and Warwick are geographically in different timezones. Planning activities with current students are not easy. Moreover, current students only have a three-month summer stay in Hong Kong, which means joint activities have to happen during the summer. On top of that, all essential WGAHK Scholarship's operation take place in late August to early September. Everything happens in the nick of time.

What did you gain out of that experience?

True to the students. Help them to achieve. True to the advancement of education. Uphold the integrity of education.

What was the fun?

Because of my role in the Scholarship and Student Welfare Team, I got to know students spanning over a whole decade, and they are way smarter than me!

What was the most memorable moment during those years?

I started to have a lot of memorable and meaningful moments in the latter part of my tenure. Running into many graduates — whom I used to work with during my tenure — now working in well-known companies in Central, and witnessing many of them becoming qualified lawyers on their admission days. What can be more memorable than knowing that they have become successful!

How do you see the value and potential of the Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong?

In mind of sustainability, continue to build; in mind of the youngs, continue to foster. The Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong will flourish.



Liam Lai (LLB Law)
WGAHK Chairperson (2011-2014)

Current position
Founder, Filters Lane

Lisa Marie Djeng (BSc in Economics)
WGAHK Chairperson (2015-now)

Current position
Executive Director and Hedge Fund Portfolio Manager,
Keywise Capital Management (HK) Limited



What made you decide to take up the role of Chairperson?

I have been involving with the WGAHK since early 2000s. I also had experience working in alumni associations of INSEAD, SOAS and Tsinghua University Executive MBA as Committee members and Directors. I was involved in liaising WGAHK with various UK universities association including LSE and SOAS which led to the formation of the annual Joint UK Alumni party. I believed that I could help our alumni to connect to the root of Hong Kong, and that WGAHK could be an ideal platform for alumni to contribute not only to the Warwick community, but also the Hong Kong community at large.

What were the challenges?

We saw that there have been a few distinct groups of alumni in Hong Kong – Undergraduates, Postgraduates, MBAs/DLMBA, IGDS and also the latest VTC MSc programme group. These recent graduates didn't know how to connect. We have been trying to pull these different groups together and tie them back to Hong Kong. We are pleased to see more interactions between these groups and the March 2015 Spring Dinner saw the keen participation from young, senior alumni and also IGDS and VTC MSc friends. This is encouraging for us.

What did you gain out of that experience?

The feeling that we have made progress towards our goal always makes me feel proud of contributing.

What was the fun?

The fun is really in being a part of building something and achieving real benefits for alumni through personal interconnections and idea sharing.



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What was the most memorable moment during those years?

The most memorable moment certainly was in 2003 when I established the WGAHK Scholarship with HKD3,000 and I am proud to see the Scholarship has entered its 14th year this year. Also it was a true honour to be the Alumni Guest Speaker for this year's Warwick Economics and MBA graduation ceremonies this July. Another special moment marked the award of the Honorary Doctorate Degrees for a few prominent Hong Kong politicians and senior officials. It really gave me a sense of connection with Hong Kong's history and business community.

How do you see the value and potential of the Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong?

Outside of United Kingdom, I think Hong Kong has the potential to be a major hub for Warwick alumni and the University in the region. WGAHK has been the most active UK alumni association in Hong Kong and also one of the most vibrant associations of Warwick globally.

I hope very much in the future we can become a vibrant and active part of the local business community, and that within the University's global community we can become the essential hub to connect with business and alumni leaders in the region.

And most important of all I do look forward to seeing not only the second generation, AND also the third generation continues to keep up the Warwick spirit in Hong Kong.



Jane Wong (MSc in Engineering Business Management)
Chairperson, The University of Warwick and The Hong Kong Polytechnic University Manufacturing Alumni Association Limited (IGDS) (2007-2012)

Current position
Hong Kong Representative of voestalpine VAE GmbH

What made you decide to take up the role of Chairperson?

To enhance linkage among alumni.

What were the challenges?

Organising various activities with the aim of attracting and re-connecting alumni coming from various business and industrial fields to join the functions to establish contact and build friendship.

What did you gain out of that experience?

Making a lot of friends, learning from others their scope of business, and refreshing organisation and interpersonal skills.

What was the fun?

Hanging around with good friends during activities.

What was the most memorable moment during those years?

During the walk on the Hong Kong - Shenzhen Western Corridor before it was opened in 2007, our group took a photo holding the IGDS banner. A guy passed by and said, "wow, you are from IGDS. I am also one of it. I didn't know that the alumni association exists!" I was so happy and proud that a senior alumnus graduated in the 90's recognised our identity!

How do you see the value and potential of the Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong?

Surely the Warwick alumni community in Hong Kong is active and serves an important link between the University and alumni, and can make contribution to our alma mater.



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Into the New Era

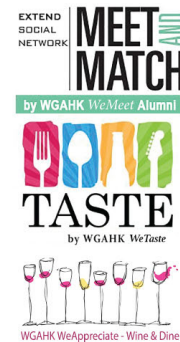
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Within the past two decades, WGAHK seeks to offer activities of different kinds to members of all interests and needs with the aim of fostering the fellowship among Warwickers in Hong Kong. To progress with time, in 2016, WGAHK will launch an array of novel and fun-filled programmes.

Stay tuned and see you in 2016!

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