

Working in Partnership

The Open University of Hong Kong



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The Partner

The Open University of Hong Kong (OUHK), formerly the Open Learning Institute of Hong Kong (OLI), claims to be the first University offering open and distance education in Hong Kong.

In 1995, The Hong Kong Council for Academic Accreditation (HKCAA) recommended that OLI be granted self-accrediting status to validate its own programmes and award its own qualifications.

The change in its title, in May 1997, reflects the recognition of the University's academic standing, achievements and contributions over the past years.

Unlike traditional universities, who benefit from Government funding, OUHK has been a self-financing university since 1993.

The Project

The partnership with the Open Learning Institute of Hong Kong (OLI) began in 1989, when OLI offered three Open University Foundation courses (Maths, Science & Arts) to approximately 1,200 students for its first presentation in October.

The formal arrangement between the two institutions is covered by a licensing agreement, allowing OUHK to select and license courses from within the OU curriculum and adapt or translate them to suit their local requirements, according to the terms & conditions of their contract. Hong Kong students work within OUHK programmes of study and are awarded OUHK qualifications.

The Aim

- To assist OUHK in establishing themselves as the first distance learning provider in Hong Kong, using some of The Open University's teaching materials and associated teaching methods.
- To assist OUHK in achieving its mission to become a centre of excellence in distance and adult learning.

The Benefits

- The opportunity to internationalise course content to the benefit of both institutions.
- To provide students with courses which meet their requirements both professionally and socially.
- To provide the possibility of institutional exchange visits for academic staff wishing to enhance their research opportunities.

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