

Dr Fok Wing-huen

Honorary Fellow

Address

Deputy Chairman of the Council Mr Augustine Wong, President Professor S. Joe Qin, Honorary Fellows, members of the Lingnan community, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

It is my great honour to become an honorary fellow of Lingnan University. I am privileged to deliver this address on behalf of all the three new honorary fellows, Dr Winnie Ko Pui-shuen, Mr Chong Shing-hum, and myself.

When I was appointed to serve the Council and the Court of the University about seven years ago, I knew little about Lingnan. But soon after I am involved in the University's business and interact with the faculty members and students, I started knowing the uniqueness of Lingnan, and have since been deeply impressed by two things.

Firstly, the strong spirit of teaching and learning here. Faculty members have been spending unreserved and invaluable efforts to teach the students, and the students are eager to learn in a humble manner. This may sound obvious for educational institutions, but is actually not so easy to achieve in reality. Lingnan must have strong faith in education, and put it into sustained actions to attain such a precious culture. There is no wonder why Lingnan has always been ranked top three globally for "quality education" in the Times Higher Education Impact Rankings ever since the category was introduced some years ago.

Secondly, most students are willing and ready to serve the society even before they graduate, thanks to the core credit-bearing service-learning programmes in the curriculum. Certainly the University's motto "Education for Service" is both honoured and adhered to. This corresponds nicely with the motto "Service above Self" of Rotarians, and I have been a Rotarian for almost 30 years now, serving the needy in the society.

The "learning for advancement and serving the society" mentality happens to be shared by Dr Winnie Ko Pui-shuen, Mr Chong Shing-hum, and myself. Although we walked different paths in life, we have all been gaining strength through continuous learning and other means, and serving the society selflessly with our capabilities and resources.

Together with Dr Winnie Ko Pui-shuen and Mr Chong Shing-hum, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to Lingnan University for awarding us with honorary fellowships to recognise our achievements and contributions. We hope that Lingnan students will continue to be educated to serve the society, and that, with the support of the Council, the new President, Professor S. Joe Qin, will raise the University to new heights!

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謝辭

尊敬的嶺南大學校董會副主席黃浩明先生、校長秦泗釗教授、各位榮譽院士、嶺南大學同仁、各位嘉賓：

今天成為嶺南大學的榮譽院士，是我莫大的榮譽。能夠同時代表三位新榮譽院士，包括高佩璇博士、莊成鑫先生和我本人致辭，我亦感到非常榮幸。

我記得七年前，當我剛被委任成為嶺南大學校董會和諮議會成員時，對這大學認識不深。但當我參與大學事務及與教授和學生們交往不久，便開始了解嶺南大學的獨特之處，並自此對大學兩方面的印象特別深刻。

首先是大學的教與學氣氛濃厚，教員們不遺餘力地教導學生，學生們亦積極並虛心地學習。在現實中要達到這在教育機構看似自然的情況，其實殊不容易。嶺南大學能擁有這珍貴的教與學文化，想必是對教育有著強烈的信念，並長期付諸行動而成。不難想象，為何自從幾年前泰晤士高等教育大學影響力排名榜加入「優質教育」世界排名以來，嶺南大學每年都在千多所大學之中，位列三甲！

再者，通過必修帶學分的服務研習課程，學生們大多在畢業前已準備好及願意服務社會，這完全遵照嶺南大學「作育英才，服務社會」的校訓，也恰巧和我過去近30年作為扶輪社社友，一直遵從「服務大我」的格言，致力服務社會上有需要的人相類似。

無獨有偶，積極求進和服務社會，均是高佩璇博士、莊成鑫先生和我本人的理念。雖然我們走過的人生路不相同，但都會通過不斷學習和其他途徑，持續提升自己，並將自己擁有的能力和資源，無私地服務社會。

今次嶺南大學頒授榮譽院士榮銜給高佩璇博士、莊成鑫先生和我本人，表揚我們的成就和貢獻，我們誠心感謝，並謹此祝願嶺南大學學生們能繼續在教育下服務社會，在新校長秦泗釗教授的領導和校董會的支持下，大學能屢創新的高峰！