

# Junk Mail

UNSW news for Hong Kong alumni



## Hong Kong Chapter News & Events

### Vice-Chancellor & Chancellor to visit Hong Kong

Professor Fred Hilmer AO who took up the position of Vice-Chancellor on 19 June 2006 will be visiting HK on 8 July to meet UNSW alumni at the Alumni & Graduation Dinner on 8 July.

Before his appointment as Vice-Chancellor, Professor Hilmer was Chief Executive Officer, John Fairfax Holdings Limited from 1998 - 2005. Prior to joining Fairfax he was Dean and Director of the Australian Graduate School of Management (AGSM) in UNSW, and previous to that Professor Hilmer was a director of McKinsey & Company - responsible for managing the Australian practice.

In 1991 the Australian Institute of Management awarded him a special John Storey medal for distinguished contribution to the advancement of management thinking in Australia.

The HK Alumni & Graduation Dinner will also mark the first official visit of leading businessman and philanthropist, David

Gonski, who took up the position of Chancellor of UNSW on 1 August 2005.

David Gonski has had a long association with UNSW. He graduated BCom LLB from UNSW in 1977 and has been a Member of the Board of Directors of the UNSW Foundation since 1999.

Mr Gonski is chairman of Coca-Cola Amatil, the corporate advisory firm Investec Wentworth and Investec Bank (Australia); a director of the ANZ Banking Group and the Westfield Group; and a member of the Prime Minister's Community Business Partnership. He is well known for his advocacy of corporate social responsibility and is widely regarded as one of the foremost thinkers in Australian corporate law.

Mr Gonski is also a leading figure in the arts community, being Chair of both the Australia Council and the National Institute of Dramatic Art as well as President of the Board of Trustees of the Art Gallery of New South Wales.

Don't miss the opportunity to meet the men who will be leading UNSW into its next phase.

### June 2006

In June, UNSW bids farewell to Vice-Chancellor Professor Mark Wainwright, who many of you will know from his days as Dean of Engineering. Mark has built many strong ties and friendships with alumni in Hong Kong (HK) and will be missed.

However, with every departure there is also an arrival and we are delighted to welcome the incoming Vice-Chancellor Professor Fred Hilmer and Chancellor David Gonski to HK in July.

I also want to take the opportunity to introduce and welcome Eric Sampson who took up the position of Development Manager, UNSW HK Foundation Ltd at the end of March 2006. Eric is based in the UNSW HK Office and is responsible for the development, implementation and execution of strategies to increase philanthropic support for UNSW from individuals and corporations in HK.

In the last issue of Junk Mail, we announced the 2006 HK Alumni Chapter Scholarship winner, Alice Wong. In this issue you will get to meet Alice and hear about how the scholarship has helped her.

Finally, I would like to tell you that this will be my last issue of Junk Mail before I return to Australia. It has been six years since I moved to HK and the UNSW HK Office was established. During that time the alumni network has grown exponentially. My job has been enriched by all the wonderful people I have had the pleasure to work with and get to know. The work of the HK Alumni Executive Committee has both impressed and humbled me. The enthusiasm and time they devote to UNSW demonstrates their incredible commitment and is evident of how much they value their degree and the personal relationships they have built as a result of their time at UNSW.

So thank you to all those people who have made my time in HK so memorable. I wish you all the best.

**Liddy Korner**  
Manager, UNSW HK Office

**THE event of the year**

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THE UNIVERSITY OF NEW SOUTH WALES

The Chancellor Mr David Gonski AO  
The Vice-Chancellor Professor Fred Hilmer AO  
and the UNSW Hong Kong Alumni Executive Committee

invite alumni, graduates and friends of UNSW  
to join them at the

**UNSW ALUMNI & GRADUATION DINNER  
HONG KONG 2006**

Saturday 8 July 2006  
The Hong Kong Bankers Club  
43/F Gloucester Tower, 11 Pedder Street, The Landmark, Central

7.00pm Champagne Cocktails  
7.30pm Dinner

The evening will feature fabulous food, Australian wines  
and great entertainment

Ticket Price : HK\$450  
Theme : Old Hong Kong  
--Best dressed prize--

RSVP by 23 June 2006  
Gladys Lo, UNSW Hong Kong Office  
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the night of all nights, a  
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GRADUATION DINNER.**

## Strengthening business education

The University announced last month that it was moving to strengthen its position as the leading provider of business education and research in the Asia-Pacific region.

The proposed move to integrate the Australian Graduate School of Management (AGSM) and the Faculty of Commerce & Economics (FCE) has progressed with the establishment of working parties reporting to management and steering committees.



AGSM is recognized as Australia's pre-eminent graduate business school and one of the leading business schools in the Asia-Pacific region. FCE is a regional leader in undergraduate and postgraduate business education and research. Integration will deliver critical scale:

by combining the two entities the University can deliver the depth and breadth of disciplines required to meet the increasing competitive international market for business education. This will strengthen UNSW's position as a regional leader in business education, give the University a competitive edge internationally and provide a strong platform for growth.

## News bites ...

- UNSW will be opening an office in Mumbai, India on 30 October 2006.
- The Financial Times (UK) 2006 ranking of executive programs placed AGSM as the leading business school in Australia for the 5th consecutive year.
- The UNSW Foundation Year Asia program was officially launched in Singapore last month.

## Beijing Alumni Chapter established

If you travel between HK and Beijing, you might want to get involved in the activities of the newly formed Beijing Alumni Chapter, lead by Mr George Cheung and other UNSW alumni living in Beijing.

The Beijing Alumni Chapter will hold its first event the Capital Club Beijing on Tuesday, July 11, 2006. Other guests will include the UNSW President of the Academic Board, Professor Tony Dooley and the Director of Marketing & Development, Ms Clare Taylor. All UNSW alumni are welcome to attend.

**TIME:** 7:30 - 10:00 p.m.

**VENUE:** Capital Club Beijing, 50/F, Capital Mansion

6 Xin Yuan Nan Road, Chaoyang, Beijing 100004

Tel: (86 10) 8486 2225 [www.thecapitalclub.com](http://www.thecapitalclub.com)

**COST:** RMB 50 for unlimited local beer and soft drinks

**RSVP:** Please RSVP by 3 July 2006 by emailing Events Committee Chairperson, **Ms Wang Jing**



## Scholarship alleviates financial pressure

Alice Wong is the 2006 recipient of the UNSW HK Alumni Scholarship. This year she commenced her first year of undergraduate medicine at UNSW and is living in Shalom College on campus.

### *How has the scholarship helped you?*

The scholarship has made it easier to live on campus and helps to cover my expenses - like internet access fees and text books, which all add up.

The scholarship also takes some of the pressure off my parents because I have two younger sisters who are still at school. I am not the only child that my parents have to support and it really helps a lot in that aspect.

### *What are you enjoying most about the course?*

Although the medicine degree is challenging, I am really enjoying it and I think I made the right choice. The thing I like most about the course is the visits to the hospital. It puts it all into perspective and reminds me of the reason I am doing medicine. You get to talk to patients, listen to their stories; it's a really good experience.

### *Life on campus?*

It's very convenient and I am meeting lots of people. I am getting involved in activities like inter-college sports, going to the uni gym. I've also joined the editorial team for the literary publication at UNSW.

### *Last words?*

I know that the HK Alumni Chapter is working hard to raise more money so that one day this will be a full scholarship. My \$2,000 scholarship had been really helpful in alleviating some of the financial pressures but a full scholarship will make a huge impact to a student who cannot afford to study.

I would like to thank the HK Alumni Executive Committee and every one who supports the great work they do.

