



# The Chinese Idea of a University: Phoenix Reborn

## Book Launch and Book Talk

### Author & Speaker

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### Moderator

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**Time:** 5:45 pm - 7:05 pm

**Mode:** Hybrid (Face-to-Face / ZOOM)

**Location:** Multi-purpose Area, 2/F,  
HKU Main Library

**Language:** English

### About the Talk

Blending Chinese and Western ideas of a university and based on rich empirical data collected from premier universities in Mainland China, Hong Kong, Taiwan and Singapore, Professor Yang will share his insightful and inspiring reflections on higher education development in Chinese societies.



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Professor Yang Rui is Professor and Dean in the Faculty of Education at the University of Hong Kong. With over three decades of academic career in China, Australia and Hong Kong, he has an impressive track record on research at the interface of Chinese and Western traditions in education. He has established his reputation among scholars in English and Chinese national languages in the fields of comparative and international education and Chinese higher education. Bridging the theoretical thrust of comparative education and the applied nature of international education, his research interests include education policy sociology, comparative and cross-cultural studies in education, international higher education, educational development in Chinese societies, and international politics in educational research. His international reputation is evidenced by his extensive list of publications, research projects, invited keynote lectures in international and regional conferences, leadership in professional associations and membership in editorial boards of scholarly journals.

His books include *Governance Reforms in Higher Education: A Study of China* (2014), *Third Delight: Internationalization of Higher Education in China* (2002), *A Study of the Macro Background of Higher Education Development in China* (in Chinese, 1995) and *On Contemporary Educational Reforms* (in Chinese, 1994).

### Moderator

Professor Law Wing-Wah is a retired professor at the Faculty of Education, the University of Hong Kong. His research contributes to understanding the interplay between globalisation and localisation on education and development in various areas, including educational policy, higher education, citizenship and citizenship education, educational and curriculum reforms. His work serves as a bridge for the exchange and development of educational research between China and the rest of the world. His recent book on higher education is *Politics, Managerialism, and University Governance: Lessons from Hong Kong under China's Rule since 1997*, published by Springer in 2019.