

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF DENTISTRY

213th Congregation
cum Diploma and Prize Presentation Ceremony

Friday, November 22, 2024

Grand Hall, Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre,
Centennial Campus, The University of Hong Kong

Programme

University Anthem & Procession In

National Anthem

Declaration of the Opening of the Congregation

Address by the Acting Dean of Dentistry

Conferment of Degrees and Presentation of Diploma

(in the following sequence)

- Doctor of Philosophy
- Master of Philosophy
- Master of Dental Surgery in Endodontics
- Master of Dental Surgery in Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery
- Master of Dental Surgery in Paediatric Dentistry
- Master of Dental Surgery in Periodontology
- Master of Dental Surgery in Prosthodontics
- Master of Science in Community Dentistry
- Master of Science in Dental Materials Science
- Bachelor of Dental Surgery
- Advanced Diploma in Orthodontics

Hippocratic Oath *(by BDS graduates)*

Presentation of Prizes and Awards

Valedictory by Graduate Representative

Declaration of the Closing of the Congregation

Procession Out

End of Ceremony

Group Photo Taking

Hippocratic Oath (by BDS graduates)

I swear to fulfil, to the best of my ability and judgement, this covenant:

- I will respect the hard-won scientific gains of those physicians in whose steps I walk, and gladly share such knowledge as is mine with those who are to follow.
- I will apply, for the benefit of the sick, all measures which are required, avoiding those twin traps of overtreatment and therapeutic nihilism.
- I will remember that there is art to medicine as well as science, and that warmth, sympathy, and understanding may outweigh the surgeon's knife or the chemist's drug.
- I will not be ashamed to say "I know not", nor will I fail to call in my colleagues when the skills of another are needed for a patient's recovery.
- I will respect the privacy of my patients, for their problems are not disclosed to me that the world may know. Most especially must I tread with care in matters of life and death. If it is given me to save a life, all thanks. But it may also be within my power to take a life; this awesome responsibility must be faced with great humbleness and awareness of my own frailty. Above all, I must not play at God.
- I will remember that I do not treat a fever chart, a cancerous growth, but a sick human being, whose illness may affect the person's family and economic stability. My responsibility includes these related problems, if I am to care adequately for the sick.
- I will prevent disease whenever I can, for prevention is preferable to cure.
- I will remember that I remain a member of society, with special obligations to all my fellow human beings, those sound of mind and body as well as the infirm.
- If I do not violate this oath, may I enjoy life and art, respected while I live and remembered with affection thereafter. May I always act so as to preserve the finest traditions of my calling and may I long experience the joy of healing those who seek my help.

Hippocratic Oath (modern version), 1964, by Louis Lasagna, Academic Dean of the School of Medicine at Tufts University, Massachusetts, USA.