

Homo Sapiens and Intelligence (MULSO023)

Introduction

With the development of life on earth, the emergence of hominids with intelligence helps transform and maybe destroy the natural world making it the way we see today. Lives on Earth have taken a very different trajectory because of our ancestors. What are the key characters and unique ability that define human beings? The use of tools, the use of language, ability of having abstract thinking, having the concept of time, the past and the future, and imagination, etc. Are these characters for better or for worse? Are they advancing the human beings or are they destroying the human species? Is human being a transitional species on earth which will be replaced by others, or are we going to stay on Earth for a long long time, and maybe even inhabit other planets. Intelligence may be the answer. At the end, I hope that we will explore the notion that we are not individuals. The intrigue relationship of human beings with the rest of the nature forms a tightly knitted web which is maintained in a homeostatic state with good buffering system in place. Perturbation will be testing its limit to restore the equilibrium. Learning what that limit is may be a good lesson to tell our future.

Programme Type

Public Lecture in Big History and Collective Learning ([Non-token-required](#))

Speaker(s)

Prof. King-Lau Chow, Professor, Division of Life Science, Division of Physics, HKUST

Target

Participants

 All secondary school students in Hong Kong

Medium of Instruction

 English

Capacity

100

Screening

Please answer the screening question on the online application form.



*The question must be answered by the student applicant and it can only be attempted once. The answer cannot be changed once the application is submitted. Selection is based on students' performance in answering the question.

Application Deadline **27 Mar 2017**

Application Result Release Date **28 Mar 2017**

Schedule

Session	Date	Time	Venue
1	8 Apr	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Lecture Theatre 3610, Li Dak Sum Yip Yio Chin Academic Building, City University of Hong Kong (AC2, 3610) #

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