

雲大棉博士

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雲大棉博士畢業於香港工業專門學院(香港理工大學前身)，一手創辦英美洋行有限公司，現為該公司主席。

雲博士在年青時代已熱心公益，一九七〇年出任東華三院總理；七三至七六年間促成博愛醫院列作地區醫院，使其取得穩定經費來源。他於早年創辦九龍東區扶輪社，推動內地以至世界各地的慈善工作，曾透過國際扶輪社籌得一千五百萬美元，在內地設廠生產小兒麻痺症疫苗，致力根除這種可怕的疾病。他參與童軍工作二十多年，亦曾擔任南華體育會會長及董事。一九八九年，雲博士毅然放下事業，全身投入慈善工作，協助創辦中華慈善總會，並出任該會董事。雲博士尤著重教育項目，至今已捐款資助內地興建逾一百所扶貧小學。他亦捐助甘肅省水資源匱乏的地區建造四千多個水窖。雲博士曾連續兩屆當選全國政協委員；二〇〇八年榮獲「世界傑出華人獎」。

雲博士自一九九七年起捐款予香港公開大學，資助有經濟困難的學生繼續學業。為表揚雲大棉博士對教育及本校發展所作的貢獻，現恭請校董會主席先生頒授榮譽大學院士榮銜予雲大棉博士。

Dr Wan Tai-min graduated from the Hong Kong Technical College (predecessor of the Hong Kong Polytechnic University). He is the sole founder of Anglo-American Traders Ltd, and currently serves as the company's Chairman.

Dr Wan has dedicated himself to community service since he was young. During the 1970s, he served as a Director of the Tung Wah Group of Hospitals and contributed significantly to the change in status of Pok Oi Hospital, which saw it become a district hospital eligible for stable and substantial government funding. In order to support charity causes in mainland China and around the world, Dr Wan founded the Rotary Club of Kowloon East and raised US\$15 million through Rotary International for producing polio vaccines in mainland China to help eradicate the disease. He has also been involved in the Scouts for over 20 years, and has served as President and Director of the South China Athletic Association. In 1989, he decided to set aside his career and devote himself entirely to charity work, particularly in education. He was instrumental in the founding of the China Charity Federation in 1989 and became its director. Over the years, Dr Wan has donated towards the construction of more than 100 primary schools in poverty-stricken areas across the mainland and some 4,000 water kilns to mitigate water shortage in Gansu Province. He has twice been elected a member of the National Committee of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference and in 2008, was honoured with the World Outstanding Chinese Award.

Dr Wan has been making donations to the OUHK since 1997, enabling students with financial difficulties to continue their education. In recognition of Dr Wan's contribution to education and the University, may I invite the Chairman to present him with the Honorary University Fellowship.