

Professor Chan Ka Leung, Francis (陳家亮教授) is appointed Dean of the Faculty of Medicine, The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK) from 1 February 2014 after an interim deanship from 1 January 2013. Professor Chan is the Choh-Ming Li Professor of Medicine and Therapeutics of CUHK. Since 1 April 2013, he has been a member of the Board of the Hong Kong Hospital Authority.

Professor Chan graduated as top student with honours from the Faculty of Medicine, CUHK. After completing his postgraduate training as a Croucher Foundation research fellow in Canada, he joined CUHK as lecturer of the Faculty of Medicine in 1997 and became Professor of Medicine and Therapeutics in 2005. He had contributed to academic management services at the University in various capacities – previously as Director of Institute of Digestive Disease, Assistant Dean (General Affairs), and Associate Dean (Clinical) .

An outstanding teacher, Professor Chan was bestowed a number of teaching awards including Faculty's Teacher of the Year Award for 5 consecutive years from 1999 to 2004, Master Teacher Award in 2004, and Vice-Chancellor's Exemplary Teaching Award in 2000 and 2007.

As an internationally renowned clinician-scientist in peptic ulcer bleeding, helicobacter pylori and endoscopic therapy, Professor Chan has published over 400 full scientific articles in high impact international journals and his h-index is 50. He is the only researcher in academic history who has published 7 first-author original research articles in the top two prestigious medical journals, namely The New England Journal of Medicine and The Lancet. Besides, his contributions to medical research have been recognized worldwide with many national and international awards. He received the following honours: The David Y. Graham Lecturer (The American College of Gastroenterology 2005) ; The Most Outstanding Contribution Award (Clinical Therapeutics, Food and Health Bureau, HKSAR Government, 2007); State Scientific and Technological Progress Award (National Office for Science and Technology Awards, PRC, 2007); Sir David Todd Lecturer (Hong Kong College of Physicians 2007); Andy Martynoga Memorial Lecturer 2008; Croucher Senior Medical Research Fellowship 2008; High Impact Research Paper Award (2008-2010); JGHF Marshall and Warren Lecturer 2011; Science and Technology Award (Ministry of Education, PRC, 2011) and Professor Richard Yu Lecturer 2012. Professor Chan is the first scholar in China to be selected by The Lancet to exemplify his academic profile. In recognition of his outstanding academic achievement, he received the degree of Doctor of Science from the Chinese University of Hong Kong in December 2011.

He is an Honorary Consultant at the Prince of Wales Hospital and Chairman of the Specialty Board in Gastroenterology and Hepatology, Hong Kong College of Physicians.

Besides serving the medical and academic profession, he also actively participates in community service. During the SARS outbreak, Professor Chan organized a large-scale screening test to detect silent SARS infection for over 12,000 Hong Kong citizens. In recognition of his contributions to the society, he received the life-time honour of the Justice of Peace in 2010.