

# **The Honorary Graduate: Professor Dr David Hong Tsung Lan**

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## **Professor Dr David Hong Tsung Lan is to be awarded the Honorary Degree of Doctor of Business Administration**

Born in Shanghai, David Lan completed his early education in Hong Kong, joining the Hong Kong Civil Service in 1961 before studying to become a Chartered Secretary.

During his time with the Hong Kong Civil Service, David worked in a variety of departments, including Transport and Housing Authority. In 1979 David was appointed Official Justice of the Peace in Hong Kong.

In 1988, he was appointed Regional Secretary for Hong Kong and Kowloon before being appointed to Hong Kong's Principal Economic and Trade Representative based in Japan. In 1997, after the handover of Hong Kong, David Lan became the first Secretary for Home Affairs for the Hong Kong Government.

David Lan currently holds a variety of Board positions in the banking, commercial, infrastructure development and trust sectors including non-executive directorship to Nanyang Commercial Bank (Hong Kong) and Cheung Kong Infrastructure Holdings Ltd, Hong Kong.

David has been conferred with many awards including Doctor of Humanities and a Visiting Professorship from overseas institutions. In 1991, David was awarded the Imperial Service Order for his services to the Civil Service and in 2000 the Gold Bauhinia Star Medal in recognition of his contribution to public service.

The Honorary Degree is awarded in recognition of Professor Dr David Hong Tsung Lan's long and prestigious career in government in Hong Kong and his contribution to international trade education.