

## SED visits Chicago (with photos)

The Secretary for Education, Dr Choi Yuk-lin, visited Chicago, the United States (US), on May 27 and 28 (Chicago time). She had a tour of local universities and conducted in-depth exchanges with education experts on developing Hong Kong into an international hub for post-secondary education. The Secretary-General of the University Grants Committee (UGC), Professor James Tang, joined the tour.

On May 27 (Chicago time), Dr Choi visited Northwestern University and met Professor of Mechanical Engineering and Civil and Environmental Engineering of the University, Professor Liu Wing-kam, who is also a member of the Research Grants Council of the UGC. They exchanged views on efforts in promoting academic research in Hong Kong, as well as the latest developments in building Hong Kong into an international education hub.

On the same day, Dr Choi paid a courtesy call to the Consul General of the People's Republic of China in Chicago, Mr Zhao Jian, to brief him on the latest education developments in Hong Kong and the collaboration between higher-education institutions in Hong Kong and the US as well as the future opportunities.

On May 28 (Chicago time), Dr Choi visited the University of Chicago to meet its leaders and explore ways to better utilise its Hong Kong campus to advance the strengths of Hong Kong as an international hub for post-secondary education.

She pointed out that the University of Chicago Hong Kong campus has yielded success since its establishment a few years ago. It is a testament to Hong Kong's sound education infrastructure and highly internationalised post-secondary education sector. She looked forward to counting on the University's continuous staunch support for Hong Kong developing into an international post-secondary education hub, bringing more of its leading programmes to Hong Kong and strengthening academic exchanges between Hong Kong and the US to nurture future talent.

Dr Choi will attend the NAFSA 2024 Annual Conference & Expo in New Orleans on May 29 (New Orleans time).

