



PROF. DAVID CHRISTIAN IN HONG KONG

- Public Lecture on Big History
- Student Conference on Humanity, Sustainability & Artificial Intelligence

Introduction

(BHCL/001)

Big History, an emerging discipline introduced by Prof. David Christian:

- tells the story of the universe from the Big Bang to our complex modern societies by drawing on insights from disciplines such as astronomy, physics, biology, archaeology, history, and economics.
- shows how different knowledge disciplines are connected, and helps us reflect on the big questions: Why does our universe exist? Where do we come from? What challenges will the future hold for our planet and ourselves?
- provides a powerful framework to address complex real-world problems.

Big History and Collective Learning, first introduced in 2016/17, aims to introduce this emerging discipline to educators and students in Hong Kong. In 2017/18, the project develops with an ambition to further promote and create a Big History learning community in Hong Kong.

As an extension to [Big History and Collective Learning 2017/18](#), this event gives you an opportunity to meet the **Big History Founder** introducing the story and **hear what the young generation has to say** about the challenges and opportunities ahead of them at this threshold moment in history.

Speakers

Prof. David Christian

Distinguished Professor of History at Macquarie University, Australia

Director of [Big History Institute](#) at Macquarie University, Australia

Co-founder of [Big History Project](#)

Student Speakers

Secondary school students selected at Big History and Collective Learning 2017/18 –

Student Forum by a panel of Professors

Target Participants

Interested secondary school teachers and students

Capacity: 150 (First come, first served)

Language

English

Schedule & Programme

Date	29 September 2018 (Saturday)
Time	1:30pm – 6:00pm (Registration begins at 1:00pm)
Venue	Mrs. Padma Harilela Lecture Theatre WLB104, 1/F, The Wing Lung Bank Building for Business Studies, Shaw Campus, Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU), Kowloon Tong Campus Map of HKBU
Programme	Public Lecture on Big History by Prof. David Christian Student Presentation on Humanity, Sustainability and Artificial Intelligence

Application Deadline 21 September 2018

Enquiries

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