

# Email Announcement (Jan 14, 2015)

Dear History Majors in All Programmes,

Welcome back! As announced in the December issue of the *History Department Newsletter*, the Special Collections and Learning Centre (AAB1132) is due to open in mid January, and now we are happy to inform you that the Centre is available for you to use starting from the coming **Monday, Jan 19**. The Centre will be open from **2 pm to 6 pm** on all weekdays (except public holidays). If you need to use the room at other times, advanced booking with the Department is necessary. Please work with Ms Renee Chan (ext 7107) on such requests.

There are computers, lots of seats, and an array of reference tools in the Centre but most significantly, it features two special collections:

1. **Honours Project/ Thesis Collection:** A near-complete collection of History Honours Projects and Theses (BA/BSSC/BA+BEd/MSSC) submitted since the early 1990s. A catalogue is available so you can browse through what kind of topics past students worked on for their Honours Projects. All undergraduate projects and M Soc Sc (in Contemporary China Studies) theses can be consulted at the Centre only, they cannot be checked out.
2. **The Chang Collection:** Shelves of ancient works, monographs, edited volumes, and periodicals donated to the Department by the family of the late Professor Chang Chuen, who served as the Department's first Head in the late 1970s and passed away in 2000.

Please note that users may also enjoy some support at the Centre because our Research Postgraduate Students and Teaching Assistants will take turns to station there. Please feel free to discuss with the **RPg/TA on duty** any homework questions you may have. They will be happy to give you one-on-one support. You are also welcome to consult them on general research skills and they can provide guidance for you. Mr. Thomas Ho (TA) will coordinate the duty shift and he will email you shortly to provide further information.

We hope that you will enjoy coming to the Centre and find the facilities and support helpful. Don't miss the opportunity. Wishing you all a very successful semester.

Sincerely  
Department of History