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Founding Faculty Win HKUST's Science Teaching Awards

The 1997 School of Science Teaching Awards at the Hong Kong University of Science and Technology have been won by three of the University's longest serving faculty members.

The winners--Dr Michael Altman (Physics), Dr Paul Carlier (Chemistry) and Dr Yue-Kwun Kwok (Mathematics)--taught the University's first class of students in 1991 and now have 19 years of HKUST teaching experience between them.

"These excellent teachers have served the University since its earliest days," said Prof Shiu Yuen Cheng, associate dean of science. "They excel in all types of teaching, from large undergraduate classes to the individual supervision of postgraduate students."

This is the second year of the School's Teaching Awards. Only a small number of awards are made each year, based on faculty nominations and student evaluations.

-Dr Altman teaches courses in electricity, magnetism, modern physics and advanced experimental physics. HKUST was his first teaching appointment after completing his PhD in physics at Brown University in 1988.

-Dr Carlier teaches courses in organic chemistry. HKUST was his first teaching appointment after completing his PhD in organic chemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1988.

-Dr Kwok teaches mathematics for engineers. He received his PhD in applied mathematics from Brown University in 1985 and was an assistant professor of mathematics at San Jose University before joining HKUST in 1990.

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