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DEPARTMENT OF GEOGRAPHY & RESOURCE MANAGEMENT
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Dialogues in Human Geography: Future Opportunities and Challenges for Research

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4:30 – 6:00 pm (UTC+8)
Rm 109, Chen Kou Bun
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This session brings together two of the world's foremost human geographers whose pioneering work has fundamentally reshaped Anglophone Geography, particularly in geographical thought, economic geography, and political geography. After some preliminary remarks by the speakers on future opportunities and challenges for research, the session will be opened up to the broader audience among Hong Kong's geographical community to address key issues and challenges related to research, publication, networking, institutional development, the future of geography, and so on.



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Trevor Barnes grew up in the UK, moving to the University of Minnesota in 1978 to complete an MA and PhD in Geography. He's been a professor in the Geography Department at the University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada since 1983. He was made a Distinguished University Scholar at UBC in 2003, and subsequently became a Fellow of the Royal Canadian Society in 2011, and a Fellow of the British Academy in 2015. He was awarded the Royal Geographical Society's Founder's Medal in 2019. His research and writings have been primarily in economic geography, and the history and philosophy of geography. He is the author or editor of 15 books, and some 200 papers and chapters in edited collections.

Alexander Murphy

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Alexander Murphy is Professor Emeritus of Geography at the University of Oregon and, currently, a Visiting Research Professor at the University of Hong Kong. He specializes in political, cultural, and environmental geography. He is the author of more than 100 research articles and book chapters, and several books, including most recently *Geography: Why It Matters* (Polity Press, 2018; translated into Chinese by Peking University Press). In 2014 he was elected to membership in the Academia Europaea. Murphy is a Past President of the American Association of Geographers, and former Senior Vice President of the American Geographical Society. He co-edited the journal *Progress in Human Geography* for eleven years, and *Eurasian Geography and Economics* for eight years. In the early 2000s he chaired the U.S. National Academy of Sciences – National Research Council Committee charged with identifying "Strategic Directions for the Geographical Sciences." In 2014 the American Association of Geographers bestowed on Murphy its Lifetime Achievement Award. He holds a bachelor's degree in archaeology from Yale University, a law degree from the Columbia University School of Law, and a Ph.D. in geography from the University of Chicago.



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