

## Man-Yat (Jack) Chu, The 2016-17 Allan and Kathleen Rosevear Gateway Fellow at International House, UC Berkeley



Happiness is simple: maybe it is from a mouthful of water, a rose, nothing more. One form of happiness is the pursuit of knowledge. We are fulfilling the slightest curiosity in our life. For me, it is to look at how the world works from physics point of view.

Brought up in Hong Kong, I was fascinated by various TV documentaries. One program that I remember the clearest is one about relativity. I was amazed by the intriguing phenomena of black holes, time dilation and length contraction. Even though I don't understand the concepts completely, I am thrilled by how extreme those concepts are.

Therefore, I kept studying hard to grab all the physical concepts.

Time flies like an arrow, this is my 21<sup>st</sup> year in my life. I kept my childhood dream to pursue physical knowledge. Now, I am very grateful that I can study in UC Berkeley, the top university in the field of physics. Different from the first 21 years in my life, I need to face the cultural change in my learning environment. In particular, I am going to stay in I-House in the first year. I look forward to the experience. As I was cultivated in the Chinese culture, I am a more conservative than people in the west. I wish that the experience of my coming residency will grant me a more open minded mindset. It is the time to open up my horizon!

**The Allan and Kathleen Rosevear Gateway Fellowship** was established in 2007 by International House alumnus Allan Rosevear and his wife Kathy. This fellowship prioritizes support of students pursuing studies in Physics and Astrophysics.

Mr. Rosevear was employed at North American Aviation Autonetics Division, Rockwell International, and Boeing Company in Anaheim, CA, retiring in 1998. His work included development and production of inertial instruments and navigation systems, computer systems design, and software engineering. Mr. Rosevear's hobbies include gardening, hiking, travel, and model railroading. Originally from Cincinnati, Ohio, Mr. Rosevear graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in Physics from Earlham College in 1960 and enrolled at UC Berkeley the same year, earning his Master's degree in Physics in 1962 under the Chairmanship of Carl Helmholz. Mr. Rosevear lived at I-House for two years, forming friendships with students from around the world.

\*