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Clayton to Head Journalism School In Hong Kong

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The first School of Journalism and Mass Communication Center is now established in the British Crown Colony at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

Headed by Charles C. Clayton, professor of journalism on leave from Southern Illinois University here, the school has launched four research projects and a program of in-service training for Hong Kong newspaper workers.

"This feat is some kind of record, for as of last August all that existed was the idea and a grant from the Asia Foundation to underwrite the first two years of the school," Mr. Clayton said.

When the school opened in the fall, the University decided to limit enrollment for journalism majors for the first year. About 150 students who expressed interest had been given written examinations. After individual interviews with the top 20 students from the written examinations, six majors were selected and three other students permitted to register for journalism courses as their minor.

Under the British system, there can be no more than one professor for a school or department. Other members of the staff hold titles of lecturer, and reader. Mr. Clayton, who accepted an appointment as visiting professor to start the school, will stay there for one year.

A graduate of the School of Journalism at the University of Missouri, Mr. Clayton served as assistant to the publisher, editorial writer and city editor at the St. Louis Globe-Democrat for 30 years.