

THE EDUCATION UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF LIBERAL ARTS AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Research Output/Impact/Knowledge Transfer Prize
for the Dean's Research Fund 2019/20

**Brief Introduction of Awardee's
Research/KT Publication/Study/Output and Future Research/KT Development**

Awardee (Dept): Dr Tam Cheung On, Associate Professor (CCA)
Publication Title/KT project: An Empirical Study of Geahigan's Inquiry Model in Learning Art at Senior Secondary School Level

A. *Briefly introduce your research/KT publication/study/output for which you have received the prize.*

The title of the output is:

Tam, C. O. (2019). An Empirical Study of Geahigan's Inquiry Model in Learning Art criticism at Senior Secondary School Level. *The International Journal of Art and Design Education*, 38(2), 344-359.

This paper is derived from a GRF project entitled "Developing students' critical response to visual arts: A study of inquiry approaches and outcomes in learning art criticism". The International Journal of Art and Design Education has an Impact Factor of 0.333, ranked A in the MS-based English Journal Ranking List of EdUHK 2019 and ranked Quarter 1 in SJR2018.

In this paper, inquiry-based model has been clearly proven to be an effective strategy for improving students' performance on art criticism writing and has impacted in four areas:

1. Encouraged reflections and exchange of views
2. Well-constructed unit plans
3. Facilitation of multiple perspectives
4. Construction of personal knowledge

B. *How you used/will use your prize and perhaps its usefulness to your research/KT development?*

The prize will be used in the following ways:

1. Purchase of a notebook computer

I have obtained a GRF project which will begin in January 2021. The project is about developing online exhibitions for school students learning visual arts. The notebook will facilitate my meetings with teacher participants in their schools.

2. Employment of student helpers

Students helpers will be recruited to work with teacher participants on a one-to-one basis to support the development of two online exhibitions by each teacher participant.

3. Purchase of reference books

The online exhibitions will be curated according to specific themes. Exhibitions catalogues and books in different art themes will be purchased as references.

4. Employment of research assistant

The GRF grant cannot fully cover RA salary for the whole period of the proposed study. The prize will be used to cover a part of the RA salary.

C. Expected research/KT outcomes/outputs/impacts arising from this prize.

1. Journal papers
2. Seminars with teachers
3. Updates of art criticism website