

Faculty Teaching Award 2020/21

Dr CHOW Chi Ching Gary
Department of Health and Physical Education



Dr CHOW Chi Ching Gary (left) was presented with the Faculty Teaching Award by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

Dr Gary Chow Chi-Ching has joined the Department of Health and Physical Education in 2016 after his long working experience in other departments of the Education University of Hong Kong. He is one of the important and emerging knowledge leaders in physical education of Hong Kong who can generate knowledge that advances the field. He believes that “Teaching is all about creating an effective learning environment for students so as to stimulate their curiosity, to keep their learning alive, enabling them to take charge of their learning and to allow everyone to contribute”. He constantly communicates with the PE community, provided unique visions, and even drives the community forward in the ever-changing education environment. He equipped the students, colleagues, and community with the ability to wisely use e-learning strategies and advanced technology for online PE during school suspension. He strives to solve problems in emergencies through innovative approaches. He made necessary changes to his mode of teaching in response to the new education normal.

He openly shares his knowledge and collaborates with the community to cope with the new normal. His excellent track record in programme management and contribution to teaching and learning have been highly recognized. His project “EdU Touch Resource Pack - Phase 2”, funded by Knowledge Transfer Fund, has been invited by VP(RD) to be included in the booklet, namely “Knowledge Transfer @ EdUHK – Partnership”, which aims to highlight EdUHK KT and applied research projects.

Gary is also appointed as the Chair of Departmental Learning and Teaching Committee in HPE. He has been teaching a wide variety of teaching areas, including both theory and practical driven courses ranging from undergraduate to postgraduate level. He provides supervision to the field experience of PE teacher training. He also works as the honours project / capstone project convenor to coordinate BEd(PE) students' final year project. Gary has a strong sense of responsibility to his students, and he takes their success very seriously. He was recognized for making valuable contributions to learning and teaching as well as student development. His teaching excellence and teaching leadership have been widely appreciated by students and academic/teaching staffs. Gary also plays as a scholar in the discipline of sports science and physical education. He has successfully obtained the Early Career Scheme (ECS) funding 2021–22. He continued his academic development because he believed that research could also add value to his teaching excellence.

Certificate of Merit 2020/21

Dr HE Yang Sunnie
Department of Cultural and Creative Arts



Dr HE Yang Sunnie (left) was presented with the Certificate of Merit by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

Experienced in both academic teaching and practical applications of tertiary arts education. Sunnie has been working in the field for over 10 years and she has served in the Department of Cultural and Creative Arts since 2017. In addition to her responsibilities in teaching, she is currently acting as the associate programme leader of the Bachelor of Arts in Cultural and Creative Arts programme. Being a passionate teacher, Sunnie believes that arts and culture are indispensable in providing students with important tools to understand the world and actively engage in society.

As an interdisciplinary educator, Sunnie has been effective in teaching students from a wide range of backgrounds, and she enjoys teaching through the lens of both music and visual arts students. Her classes reflect her arts perspective as an arts practitioner, and she challenges each student by assigning projects that reflect real types of work in the arts. In addition, Sunnie has expanded the arts management internship programme, adding more new internship providers over the past few years and providing assistance to students in their career advancement.

As an ardent supporter of the Arts, Sunnie informed the design and implementation of partnership-based projects with both the campus and the local community. She has contributed her time to many community projects, including “DAYs” and “Boliwood”, two student exhibitions curated at chi K11 Art Space; “Grad

Show 2021” at Fringe Club; “Artistic Excellence” a student exchange project in cooperation with IFT Macau; “The Creative Image Room” with Canon HK; and “Arts@School” with Po Leung Kuk...

As a researcher, Sunnie’s research focuses on the areas of arts entrepreneurship and management, curriculum development, and creativity in arts education. Her work has been widely published in journals and books including Springer, The Journal of Arts Management. Her research has been presented at local, regional, and international conferences, including the 2nd BIBAC conference at Cambridge University, UK; the Association of Arts Administration Educators (AAAE), New York, U.S.A.; the International Symposium of Music Education (ISME), Finland; so as to at local conferences in Hong Kong and GBA China.

In short, Sunnie’s work advances an understanding of the function and benefits of arts as community assets. She is deeply committed to the arts and education, and honored to be a member of CCA, FLASS.

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Dr MA Kin Hang Matt
Department of Social Sciences



Dr MA Kin Hang Matt (left) was presented with the Certificate of Merit by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

Dr Ma Kin Hang Matt joined the Department of Social Sciences (SSC) in 2017. His research primarily focuses on local history, with particular emphasis on Taoist communities, popular religion and intangible cultural heritage in Hong Kong.

As Dr Ma's training has always been associated with history and anthropology, he constantly uses his training to arouse students' interest in history and culture. He is always trying new means to inspire our students in thinking about the fundamental question in the study of culture: "how humans live?" In addition, he is also involved in developing new courses in the field of social history, field-based experiential learning, and cultural heritage.

Dr Ma believes that identifying the source of materials and reading them carefully is imperative. Although students are now surrounded by an abundance of information, he is always aware that accessing good quality source of materials is crucial. To achieve the goal of enhancing information literacy, he developed a multimedia courseware to facilitate students' access to different archives.

Besides, Dr Ma also received a grant to develop VR resources for teaching intangible cultural heritage in Hong Kong. The project will provide students hands-on experience in collecting field data and processing VR teaching and learning materials. Overall, Dr Ma is a dedicated teacher and is willing to explore the

possibilities to further develop different resources to improve his teaching as well as to enrich student's learning experience.

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Dr WONG Tai Choi Richard
Department of Science and Environmental Studies



Dr WONG Tai Choi Richard (left) was presented with the Certificate of Merit by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

Dr Wong is specialized in Science and STEM Education, Environmental Conservation, and Pedagogy. He has been teaching various courses ranging from kindergarten teachers training to Doctor of Education level. His multidisciplinary background, teaching and FE supervision experience in Science, Biology, Chemistry, LS and GS, appearance in a number of publications and online channel, relationships with established schools and organizations would be valuable to the University, SES Department, Science and the STEM education.

Dr Wong's teaching slogan is "To Guide and to Link" which means guiding students to study and helping them to link up with knowledge. His teaching would be integrated into "Green SCITEAMS" education which including but not limited to environment, science, culture, information technology, technology, engineering, art, mathematics and society. Teaching in classroom is the top priority in his professional career to show "To Serve and to Lead". He actively involves in the design and development of programmes and courses. Numerous indoor and outdoor activities are offered to enrich teaching. His articles, books, projects, Facebook fan page, outreach talks and tours are have been well integrated into his courses for STE(A)M education, STSE education and multidisciplinary learning in forms of lecture, activities, case study, e-learning materials. He involves in many internal and external Knowledge Transfer projects. The materials of those projects are infused into his courses to enhance teaching and learning. He also spends time on consultation and pastoral care to further nurture his students with positive attitudes towards

teaching, career planning as well as environmental conservation. Further comments and positive feedbacks are received from students as conclusive support for his commendable teaching performance.