

Faculty Teaching Award 2018-2019

Mr. CHOI Chun Wai, Sam
Department of Asian and Policy Studies



Mr. CHOI Chun Wai, Sam (left) is presented with the Faculty Teaching Award by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

Mr Sam Choi Joined the Department of Asian and Policy Studies in 2016. His research interest is in the studies of historical political geography and urban politics.

He upholds “Empowering education” to nourish students to be critical thinkers, involved citizens and future “social changers”. This teaching philosophy is organically incorporated into his teaching, curriculums design and University teaching development.

Sam emphasises social caring and connections in education. To help students nurture historical sense and empathy towards the social issues, and gain multi-dimensional insights to refresh their knowledge, he systematically incorporates experiential and field studies in two levels into the curriculums of all his courses.

On the one hand, he organises “model workshops”. From “Model UN” to “Model Court”, students role-play as a way to put themselves in others’ shoes. It allows students to expose to nearly-reaching realities of social issues, see or experience something from someone else's point of view, understand and empathise with diverse perspectives and opinions. On the other hand, Sam breaks through the limitation of the classroom by directly bringing students to walk around the city locally and overseas. Students and

Sam together: traced the boundary of colonial Victoria City to explore the early colonial city life; explored the local agriculture and industry in the North East of New Territories to study urban planning; visited Tainan Incinerator to observe the waste management at the “core” of incinerator; spent days in Taichung to learn how the locals rebuilt the community after 9.21 earthquake; stayed with the social enterprises to experience how the old towns are re-generated; visited the production line of Shanghai Volkswagen Automotive to study the foreign-investment policy; had sharing seminars with the governments of Hong Kong, Taipei city, Taichung city and Kaohsiung city, etc.

Sam promotes Internationalisation and inter-universities collaborations on teaching and learning. He received generous grants to initiate inter-universities partnerships on comparative field studies for students to explore Greater Bay Area planning and global cities governance. In 2017, it was the first time of university and students from Hong Kong to discuss with the scholars from the think tank proposing the Greater Bay Area planning. In this summer, Sam established the partnership between EdUHK and Shanghai Jiao Tong University, which was the first official collaborations of the two universities in history, to advance the study of global cities governance. Sam successfully organised rounds of comparative field studies in Hong Kong and Shanghai as the platforms for scholars’ and students’ closer interactions and in-depth understandings regarding the cities’ urban planning.

Empowering education believes in the influence of “being together”. Sam accompanies his students on the journey of university life and study. “To involve” instead of “to teach”, Sam works together with students to be critical thinkers, involved citizens and future “social changers”. His team was successfully granted support from the FLASS to promote up-cycling in the community. Students and Sam first time joined and won the Hong Kong-wide inter-universities policy study competition. In the consolidation course, students are encouraged to initiate their mini-community projects as part of their UePortfolio to review, apply and contribute their knowledge to solve community problems and build a better society.

Being an active public intellectual, Sam promotes knowledge transfer through civic education. He advances public engagement on urban and policy planning as well as raises public awareness of Hong Kong- China politics. Besides being active in local and foreign media, Sam also has public talks in colleges and schools.

Recently, Sam has participated in the UePortfolio Supervisor Mentorship Scheme and the Mentoring Scheme for Preparation for Teaching Award 2019/20 to share his teaching experiences with colleagues and contribute to a more vibrant EdUHK community of teaching and learning.

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Dr. TSE Choi Yeung, Andy
Department of Health and Physical Education



Dr. TSE Choi Yeung, Andy (left) is presented with the Faculty Teaching Award by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

Dr. Andy Tse has been teaching undergraduate and postgraduate courses related to physical education and sports science in the Department of Health and Physical Education since September, 2015. Andy receives high regard in not only quality teaching but also dedicated student development and honours project supervision. His teaching philosophy is that a teacher should create a safe and equal learning environment that allows students to express themselves and embrace the differences of others. Every student will have equal opportunity to develop their own potential and strengths, and cooperate with each other to overcome one's weakness. He adopts research-integrated and experiential learning strategies in all the courses including motor learning and statistics. Students were able to understand the latest research findings on the subjects and incorporate these findings into practical school environment. Through these strategies, students could gain a real-hand experience on conducting a proper research instead of simply sitting in the lecture and listening to the statistical theories and knowledge. Andy is also active in exploring innovative teaching and he has been working closely with both LTTC and Blended Learning for University Enhancement (BLUE) Project for the promotion of VR technology in his teaching. He is currently working with LTTC on applying VR technology in assisting students on learning a complete novice motor skill and the feedback and results are positive. Other than teaching, Andy is also passionate on student's all-round development and provides regular pastoral care and career advice through developmental academic advising system and senior tutorship in Robert Black Hall. Apart from his

contribution in EdUHK, Andy also continually made contributions to the society by promoting physical exercise and latest evidence-based motor learning techniques to different children populations (e.g. typical development; autism). For example, he was also frequently invited to deliver talks in different special schools (e.g. 6 special schools under Hong Chi Association; one under PLK group and one under TWGHs group) on the benefits of physical exercise participation on sleep, emotional well-being and behavior functioning. He is also an active member in the learning circle of Special Educational Needs (PE) and an invited member in the Fundamental Movement Learning Circle led by EDB. Through joining these learning groups, Andy could grasp the latest information and issues happened among the frontline PE teachers which in turns enhancing his teaching in the academia. Oppositely, he could also bring in research findings to the learning circles. Lastly, he published articles on Sportsroad (Sports magazine). Furthermore, I was interviewed by mass media to disseminate my research findings (see evidence-based materials for more information).

Certificate of Merit 2018-2019

Dr. LEE Hoi Man, Sarah
Department of Science and Environmental Studies



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Dr Sarah Lee has been teaching undergraduate and postgraduate course related to Science education and General Studies education since January 2016.

Sarah believes that teaching is a work of heart. That is, teacher works wholeheartedly to benefit student learning and the work of teaching touches the heart of students. In light of this, Sarah actively involves in the design and development of programmes and courses, such as the infusion of STEM education. In addition, she keeps encouraging her students to make reflection on their teaching, which is vital to the teaching profession. She spends time on consultation and pastoral care to further nurture her students with positive attitudes towards teaching, career planning as well as life.

Certificate of Merit 2018-2019 (Group Award)

Group Leader

Dr. LI Yu Wai, Vic

Department of Social Sciences

Group Member

Dr. HUI Lai Hang, Dennis

Department of Social Sciences



Dr. HUI Lai Hang, Dennis (left) and Dr. LI Yu Wai, Vic (middle) are presented with the Certificate of Merit (Group Award) by Professor LI Wai Keung, Dean(LASS).

The team members are the Programme Leader and Associate Programme Leader of the Bachelor of Social Sciences in Global and Environmental Studies. Since taking up the positions in July 2017, they have driven continuous reforms of the programme curriculum, promoted implementation of interdisciplinary learning experiences in individual courses and the programme. Various initiatives are rolled out to enhance the flexibility of the programme structure to meet students' diverse academic interests and needs, and to ensure that the distinctiveness of the programme.