



Community Laboratory

(A2HUM001C, A2HUM002C, A2HUM003C)

Introduction

Do social enterprises exist purely for the sake of public welfare? Do they make a profit?
Are social enterprises equivalent to non-profit organisations?
Are there differences between “Corporate Social Responsibilities (CSR)” and “Creating Shared Values (CSV)” ?

Amid of the COVID-19 pandemic, numerous schemes of social innovation have emerged in the past year. The society has also been more aware of the notion of sustainable development. With “**Community Laboratory**”, Advanced Learning Team under the Talent Development Division aspires to introduce participants who are passionate about societal issues an opportunity to step into the real neighbourhood. In the series, participants will be able to learn more about social innovation and social entrepreneurship, as well as to evaluate the local “new normal” and developmental needs under the pandemic.

In a series of workshops and community field trips, participants will meet with **Mr Francis Ngai, the founder, and CEO of Social Ventures Hong Kong, as known as “The Father of Social Enterprises”** and conduct research on various topics, e.g., poverty, waste and pollution, urban renewal, housing, sunset industry and more. Subsequently, they will discuss about and suggest solutions to the issues in groups.

Programme Type / Level

Humanity Course (Level II) ([Token-required](#))

Instructor(s)



Mr Francis Ngai

Founder & CEO, Social Ventures Hong Kong



Ms Edith Chan

Head of Imagination, Social Ventures Hong Kong

Pre-requisite

No special prerequisites are needed

Target Participants

- ❖ S1 to S5 HKAGE student members only in 2021/22 school year
- ❖ Class size: 3 themes, 24 per theme

Medium of Instruction

Cantonese

Certificate

E-Certificates will be awarded by HKAGE to participants according to the criteria below:

- ❖ **Certificate of Completion:** Attended all sessions
- ❖ **Certificate of Merit/ Distinction:** Completed all assignments with satisfactory performance

Application Procedure

- No screening questions, written test or other screening methods are required for this programme.
- Student members **can sign up to three themes at the same time**. One token is required for each theme. **First-come, first-served**.

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the programme, participants should be able to:

1. define what is social innovation and social entrepreneurship;
2. describe at least one challenge and its need in the community;
3. be inspired to take small steps to improve the quality of life of the local community and the world as a whole; and
4. appreciate different perspectives and apply problem-solving skills.

Schedule

Theme 1 - (A2HUM001C)				
From Urban Renewal to Gentrification: 'New and Old' Integration				
Session	Date	Time	Venue	Event
1	21 Jan 2022	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Zoom Meeting	*Introductory Seminar: What is Social Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship?
2	12 Feb 2022	10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		Preparatory Workshop
3	26 Feb 2022	9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		#Community Field Trip
4	9 Apr 2022	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.		*Presentation and Sharing Session

Theme 2 - (A2HUM002C)				
Craftmanship: Life as a craft				
Session	Date	Time	Venue	Event
1	21 Jan 2022	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Zoom Meeting	*Introductory Seminar: What is Social Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship?
2	5 Mar 2022	10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		Preparatory Workshop
3	12 Mar 2022	9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		#Community Field Trip
4	9 Apr 2022	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.		*Presentation and Sharing Session

Theme 3 - (A2HUM003C)				
Food for the People: Roles and values of food in our lives, economy, and society				
Session	Date	Time	Venue	Event
1	21 Jan 2022	5:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Zoom Meeting	*Introductory Seminar: What is Social Innovation and Social Entrepreneurship?
2	19 Mar 2022	10:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		Preparatory Workshop
3	26 Mar 2022	9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.		#Community Field Trip
4	9 Apr 2022	10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.		*Presentation and Sharing Session

- * Session 1 and 4 of all themes will be held together.
- # Community field trips will be held in a virtual tour format.

Application Deadline

14 Jan 2022 12:00 noon

Token will not be returned if student members withdraw from the programme after the application deadline.

Enquiries

For enquiries, please contact us on 3940 0101 or email at programme@hkage.org.hk.