



Life Education Series: Social Communication (F1LES006T)

Introduction of the talk

Interpersonal communication is essential in our daily life. Some people handle it with ease, while others view it as a thorny issue. In fact, we all need to apply effective communication skills to convey our message to others whether at work or in our social or daily life. The skill of communication is an important factor that affects our interpersonal and social relation. Only those communicate well can easily persuade others and get their trust and support. For gifted students, various gifted qualities such as sharp observation, high sensitivity, perfectionism, strong sense of justice may affect the development of their interpersonal relationships and may cause difficulties in their social life and communication with others.

This talk aims to enhance students' awareness of communication behaviours and improve their communication skills through the guest's sharing and peer discussion. Participants will learn how to apply the concept of communication and some effective communication tools. Issues related to social communication will also be explored. We hope that participants will be inspired to enhance their communication skills and improve their social relationships.

Introduction of the series

In response to the developmental needs of gifted students, the Life Education series is provided with topics of affective education such as self-concept; self-management; personal attitude, beliefs and values; emotion management; career and life planning education; social and communication skills; leadership training and problem-solving skills and resilience (EDB, 2015). Professionals, alumni and gifted youth are invited to share their personal stories and inspire students in this platform.

Programme Type

Talk

Speakers

Mr Tom Tse

The story of Tom Tse, an undergraduate student majoring in Media and Communication at CityU, provides us with an excellent example of how age does not matter when it comes to doing something great in life. Since at very young age of 15, Tom has been exploring his passion and talent in event management and communications. He began his attempt in public speaking in 2014 by taking up the role of the Master of Ceremony for the Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education

Events and contributed greatly to the success of the events. Since then, he has continued to polish his communication and event management skills by becoming the Programme Host at RTHK and the speaker of TEDx CityU Hong Kong. Subsequent to his TEDx talk on education system in Hong Kong, he published his first book *20 letters to the Secretary for Education* to demonstrate his passion on his concern over improving the education system in Hong Kong. In addition, he has also acclaimed several achievements including the Youth Arch Student Improvement Award, and the Hong Kong Outstanding Students Award from Youth Arch Foundation. His success story has proven that anyone can be extraordinary by stepping out of their own comfort zone.

Target Participants



- S1 to S3 HKAGE student members
- Class size: 40
- *First-come-first-served*

Medium of Instruction



Cantonese

Intended Learning Outcomes

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

1. Acknowledge the functions and impacts of social communication;
2. Master at least one effective communication skill and reflect on their own social communication situation;
3. Acquire the strategies for handling conflicts and accepting different opinions.

Application Deadline

5 February 2021, 12:00 noon

Schedule



Date	19 Feb 2021 (Friday)
Time	5:00 p.m.– 7:00 p.m. (Please arrive at 4:45p.m. for registration)
Venue	Online Platform

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