

TEACHING AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION



Sustainability education is the foundation for preparing students to see the connections between what issues need to be addressed, the values that influence why we should act, and the skills that provide the insights on how to act.

SELECTED RESEARCH

The Research Centre for ESG (CESG) was created in 2020/21, to facilitate academic research, conduct knowledge transfer, and educate the community about ESG and business sustainability. Currently, the research of the Centre is funded by the Institutional Development Scheme of the Research Grants Council (RGC) of Hong Kong. The four research components are: (1) Incorporating social returns into the ESG integration process, (2) Improving KPIs of ESG reporting for listed firms, (3) Measuring consumer satisfaction on ESG performance, and (4) Enhancing the effectiveness of strategic corporate communication on ESG effort for listed firms.

COMMUNITY EDUCATION – BY STUDENT AFFAIRS OFFICE

Date/ Period	Name of Activity / Programme	Details
27 Nov 2022	HSUHK Volunteer Team - Green Market	The service recruited HSU Students to be one of the volunteer in green market.
1 Dec 2022	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Act As Disabled Person (Community Walk in Siu Lek Yuen)	Accompanied by Mr. William Chan, the General Secretary of Rehabilitation Alliance Hong Kong, the participants acted as disabled individuals and walked around the Siu Lek Yuen community.
7 Dec 2022	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Henna Workshop	To allow students to learn more about ethnic minorities in Hong Kong and promote social inclusion.
13 Dec 2022	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Waste Reduction Workshop	To encourage students to think about how to go green, reduce waste and encourage recycling when hosting large-scale events.
13 Jan 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Elderly Painting Workshop	To provide an service opportunities to student by designing harmonious pastel cards for the elderly in need. In this workshop, students could understand the physical and mental conditions faced by different elderlies.
8 Feb 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Coffee Powder Recycle Workshop	The workshop invited Sha Tin Recycling Station to encourage students to recycle and teach them how to turn used coffee powder into new products.
9 Feb 2023	College Assembly - HSUHK Liberal Agora - Ukraine: A Love Story	Mr Dominic Chiu, a National Geographic Award Winning Photographer, was our guest speaker to share his journey in the Ukrainian war zone and about being a financial service professional and a freelance photographer.
12 Feb 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Workshop about SDGs	The participants was introduced to the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) through interactive games.
16 Feb 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Elderly Geront Technology Workshop	Through the workshop, student understood the concept of "gerontechnology" , the health conditions faced by the elderly at home and the relationship between smart technology and the health of the elderly.
16 Feb 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Waste Reduction in Daily Life Workshop	To allow students to learn how to reduce waste in daily life, including household waste and food waste disposal.

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20 to 24 Feb 2023	HSUHK Careers Fair 2023	With the theme "Craft Your Sustainable Career", the Careers Fair 2023 enabled students to understand more about the skills and knowledge needed in the current and future employment market. Through our featured seminars, students learnt about the development of ESG in different perspectives and explore the ways to pursue a sustainable career in this fast-moving world.
9 Mar 2023	College Assembly - HSUHK Liberal Agora - Para Athletes' Sharing of the Spirit of Paralympics	As one of the events in the Inclusion Week, the guest speakers Ms Elaine Wu, Executive Director of the Hong Kong Paralympic Committee, Mr So Wa Wai BBS MH, Six-time Paralympic Gold Medalist and Mr Fan Ka Ho, Para Athlete (Table Tennis) had been invited to share their experience of Paralympics and messages about special educational needs with us.
25 Mar 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Filming Interviews with People with Disabilities	A blind guest was invited to conduct interviews with HSU students to raise students' awareness of the difficulties people with disabilities face in their daily lives. The interview was filmed and posted on YouTube.
25 Mar 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Elderly Home Visit	The event was held to let participants understand the living environment and physical and mental conditions of the elderly (service recipients).
31 Mar 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Chinese Handicrafts Workshop for Ethnic Minorities	In order to increase the understanding of Chinese culture among ethnic minorities, a group of HSU students organised a Chinese paper cutting and calligraphy workshop for them.
1 Apr 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Handicraft Workshop with Elderly	This was an Indigo dye bags handmade workshop for elderly. Through the workshop, elderly shared their knowledge and made new friends with both students and elderly.
13 Apr 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Paralympic Floor Curling & Volleyball Workshop	The workshop was held to increase students' understanding on disabilities by tasting two sport items of Paralympic.
14 Apr 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Eco Emyzme Detergent Workshop	To promote a green lifestyle and introduce the concept of upcycling, a group of HSU students organised an Eco Enzyme Detergent Workshop for children living in Yao Ma Tei.
15 Apr 2023	VolTrekksers Service-learning Scheme - Handicraft workshop with Disabled People	To link up HSU students and people with disabilities by making some handicraft together.

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19 Apr 2023 to 5 May 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Photo Exhibition "Limiless"	A group of HSU students organised an exhibition showcasing photos taken by ethnic minorities living in Yuen Long, highlighting their cultural heritage, including food, sports, folk culture, and daily life in Hong Kong.
22 Apr 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Painting Workshop with Elderly	HSU students invited elderly to join a painting working in HSUHK campus and provided a campus tour to them.
29 Apr 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Inclusion Fun Day	A group of HSU students arranged a visit to the HSU campus for a group of ethnic minorities and invited HSU students to serve as helpers. The event aimed to increase HSU students' understanding of the lives of ethnic minorities in Hong Kong through interactions with them.
1 May 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Green City Hunt in Yau Ma Tei	A group of HSU students arranged a city hunt to introduce children living in Yao Ma Tei to the recycling facilities in their community.
5 May 2023	Student Leaders Enhancement Series - Talk on "Tips on organising sustainable and green event"	The Conservancy Association (長春社) was invited to deliver a talk to encourage student organisations to organise their events in a sustainable and environmentally friendly manner.
20 Jun 2023 to 22 Jul 2023	Campus Life Mentor Training	Related to inclusion - "different types of students and their diverse needs", for example, SEN, Non-local, LGBTQ, etc.
23 to 29 Jun 2023	VolTrekks Service-learning Scheme - Overseas Service-learning trip to Mongolia	The project was to let HSU students explore SDGs 4, 12 and 13 in Mongolia.
4 to 6 July 2023	Mental Health First Aid (Youth version)	Related to inclusion - "different types of students and their diverse needs", in particular, Mental illness
9 Aug 2023	Crisis Management for O Camp organiser	Related to sustainability - "Wastage of resources", for example, water game, souvenir, food, etc.; Related to inclusion - "different types of students and their diverse needs", for example, SEN, Non-local, LGBTQ, etc.

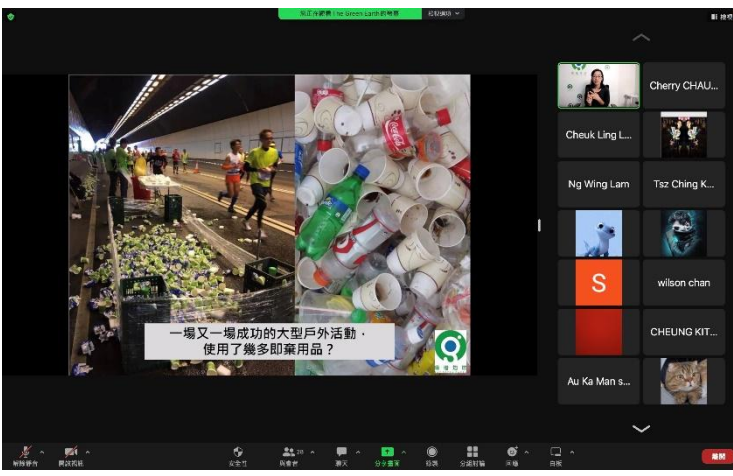
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Participants acted as disabled individuals and walked around the Siu Lek Yuen community in the event of "Act As Disabled Person" and could understand the physical and mental conditions faced by different elderlies in the "Elderly Painting Workshop".



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COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Institute for Youth Sustainability Leadership (IYSL)





IYSL at The Hang Seng University of Hong Kong aspires to be one of Hong Kong's major initiatives for mobilising young people to achieve the United Nations' Sustainability Development Goals (SDGs) through youth education and empowerment. The Institute aims to be a hub for sharing knowledge, expertise, and resources of sustainability development with various stakeholders in the wider community.

(i) University Scholars Leadership Symposium (USLS) 2023

As a global exposure of HSUHK's commitment to SDGs and youth leadership, six HSUHK students attended the 11th University Scholars Leadership Symposium (USLS) 2023 at United Nations Conference Centre, Bangkok, Thailand from 1-4 August 2023, via the arrangement and support by IYSL and VPLSE. The symposium was organised by Humanitarian Affairs Asia, an international NGO networking young leaders for global initiatives and development.

Our students shared their views on Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) and related issues with hundreds of delegates from various parts of the world.

(ii) Sustainability Projects

Project Theme (Title)	Abstract
Art and Nature (Watercolour Leaf Printing Workshop)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 22 September 2022, combined artistic expression with nature-inspired leaf printing, fostering appreciation for the environment and sustainable art. - Participants created artwork while learning about conserving biodiversity.
Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives (Sustain the Sustainability Talk Series - Driving Diversity & Inclusion on Campus) <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 10px;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Bekar Fariba Salma Deiva Executive Assistant The Institute for Youth Sustainability Leadership Moderator</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Hassan Ahmed BBA (ECON), Year 3 Founder & President EM-Power Panelist</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Husain Araaj Maroof BBA (F), Year 3 Vice President EM-Power Panelist</p> </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  <p>Iyampaul Singh BBA (FBI), Year 3 Co-founder & Chairman EM-Power Panelist</p> </div> </div>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Held on 29 September 2022, aimed to foster inclusivity and understanding among students, faculty, and staff from diverse backgrounds, contributing to a welcoming campus environment.

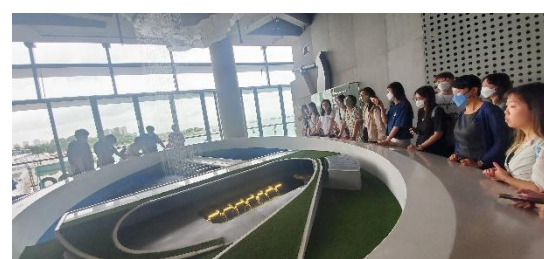
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<p>Environmental Conservation (Exhibition: Wildlife Assortment @Ma Lai Hau Hang)</p>  <p>香港瘰螥 石葛蒲</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Ran from 21 to 30 September 2022, raising awareness about Ma Lai Hau Hang's rich biodiversity and ecological significance. - Showcased wildlife specimens and educational displays, providing insights into the region's natural heritage and the need for conservation.
<p>Campus Sustainability (Open Talk: The HSU Campus: A Balance of the Humanities and the Sciences)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Held on 6 October 2022, emphasised the importance of striking a harmonious balance between humanities and sciences for a sustainable campus community.
<p>Environmental Awareness and Appreciation (Ma Lai Hau Hang Eco-tour x Watercolour Leaf Printing Workshop)</p>  <p>葉脈拓印工作坊</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Offered a unique experience on 20 or 27 October 2022, immersing participants in Ma Lai Hau Hang's beauty and diverse habitats. - The watercolour leaf printing workshop allowed attendees to express creativity while connecting with nature.
<p>Diversity and Inclusion Initiatives (Sustain the Sustainability Talk Series - Halloween Night)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Held on 30 October 2022, aimed to foster inclusivity and cultural exchange among diverse participants. - Provided a platform for social interactions and understanding, bringing together students and participants from diverse backgrounds.
<p>Sustainable Agriculture (Produce Green Foundation: Organic Farming Workshop)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - On 6 November 2022, promoted sustainable agricultural practices and raised awareness about organic farming. - Participants included HSU students, HSU staff, and local community members.

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<p>Community Engagement (Social Capital Builder Logo Award)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Presented on December 14, 2022, by CIIF for contributions to social capital growth during the pandemic. - IYSL successfully invested time and effort in enhancing social capital, with contributions to all 17 Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
<p>Innovation and Sustainability (Smart Campus, Smart Solutions: HSUHK Innovation Project Competition 2023)</p> 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In March 2023, initiated by Centre for Teaching and Learning (CTL) aimed to foster innovative ideas and solutions integrating smart technologies to improve campus sustainability and efficiency. - Twelve student teams participated, aligning with all 17 SDGs.

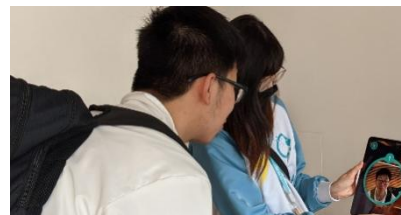
Community Activities by other Offices / Schools / Departments

Honours Academy (HA) organised a Global Immersion Programme (GIP) in Singapore in collaboration with the Residential College 4 of The National University of Singapore (NUS) in 2023, focusing on the themes of Housing and Social Policy, Technology and Economy, Youth and Community, and Cultural Diversity.

As part of this immersive experience, students had the opportunity to visit significant sites, including Marina Barrage and the NEWater factory, to gain an in-depth understanding of Singapore's water management strategies and the importance of sustainable water solutions. Through these immersive experiences, students not only broadened their knowledge but also developed a global perspective on addressing water challenges and promoting sustainability in their own communities.



The "Food Waste and Us" project, led by Honors Academy (HA) students from the 1st and 2nd cohort, aimed to raise awareness and promote sustainable practices within the Residential College (RC) community. Inspired by their HA Global Immersion Programme in Singapore, the students had decided to focus on the topic of food waste. The project ignited a sense of responsibility and promote a culture of sustainable living within the RC community by raising awareness about waste management, understanding food waste, and exploring the importance of contributing to society and the environment.



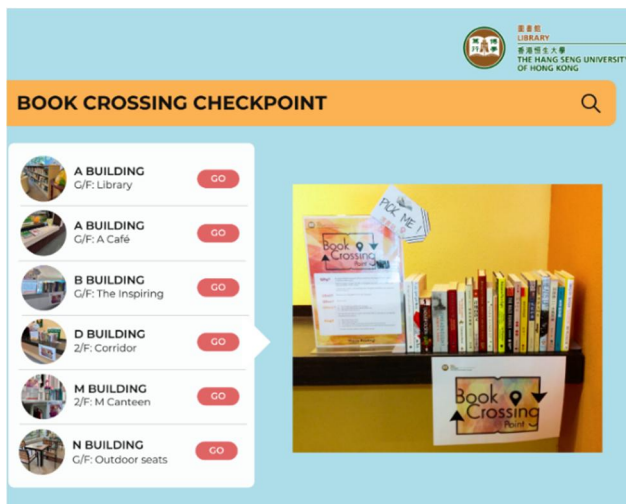
Co-operated with the Department of Art & Design (AAD) and Human Ip, a local artist, a watercolor leaf printing workshop was hosted and a part of the findings of this nullah opposite the HSU campus was exhibited at Space for All in HSUHK Library.



In Between Self-Reinforcing Strength & Co-Creation by artists Mok Yat-san and Man Fung-yi, and curated by Chan Sai-lok, in Library.

This exhibition theme revolved around mindfulness, mental health, and community art, all stemming from Mok and Man's self-scrutiny in delving into their 'Heartfield' in Chiang Mai, Thailand. The act of 'planting' serves as a metaphor for the daily practice of self-reflection and perceiving the fundamentals of life cycles. Drawing inspiration from nature, the artists had created this series of works incorporating recyclable bamboo.





Rising to speak for sustainability education, campaigns about knowledge transfer have been launched. Within the Library's Book Crossing, 80% of books were selected by HSUHK community members, they were widely shared in 6 different regular points in Campus. A free-to-take concept has been applied to this initiative, 1037 books were shared within the whole academic year.

The English Language Centre (ELC) and Institute for Youth Sustainability Leadership (IYSL) co-organised a competition titled "Inter-Institution Edutainer Competition: UN Sustainable Development Goals". This competition aimed to recruit contestants to produce short English videos that raise awareness about one of the following UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) in an educational and entertaining way:

- SDG 4: Quality Education
- SDG 5: Gender Equality
- SDG 10: Reduced Inequalities
- SDG 11: Sustainable Cities & Communities
- SDG 12: Responsible Consumption & Production
- SDG 13: Climate Action
- SDG 14: Life Below Water



On 19 March 2023, the Institute for Chinese Language and Culture (ICLC) held a workshop called "Rice Culture and Farming Experience" in the agricultural fields of Pat Heung in Yuen Long. Dr Chow Sze Chung and Ms Kitty Hung from the "Sangwood Kids Club" introduced the traditional farming skills and practices.

By participating in traditional agricultural activities, participants gained first-hand experience with sustainable practices, understood how local farms could operate in an environmentally friendly manner that conserves resources and protects the land for future generations. The workshop also emphasised natural methods and rehabilitation of the soil, which are key tenets of sustainable agriculture.





On 25 February 2023, a visit to the local organic farm in San Tin was organised for students of GEN2011 Plants and Civilisation (launched under Department of Social Science for Semester 2, academic year 2022/23). Students not only learned about the operations of local organic farms and the challenges brought by climate change, but also got a taste of the countryside in Hong Kong.

The Talent Development Scheme was launched under School of Decision Sciences in academic year 2022/23 with two workshops organised: (i) Time Management & (ii) Personality Dimensions. The aim of the TDS is to enrich students' learning experiences outside the classroom with the following four objectives:

- Enlighten future
- Enrich learning experiences
- Equip employability and leadership skills
- Enable collaboration for projects and competitions



By participating in the Service-Learning Programme under Department of Mathematics, Statistics and Insurance, two groups of BSc-DSBI Year-4 students analysed the data provided by Food Grace, a non-profit charitable organisation focusing on food recycling, and presented their findings on 12 January 2023 at Food Grace. In addition, they visited the company with teachers to learn about their workflow of food recycling and the data collection methods.

