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## RECENT NEWS

### Welcome New Member

#### Member Institution

We are excited to announce and welcome a new associate member to FSTE — Yew Chung Community College (YCCC). Established in 2008 by the Yew Chung Education Foundation, YCCC has offered recognized study programmes at QF Levels 3 and 4 for 8 years. With the wealth of experience in Early Childhood Education, YCCC now offers Higher Diploma in Early Childhood Education programme and Diploma in University Foundation Studies programme.



### Individual Member

Following the departure of Mr. Michael Shreve (of Savannah College of Art and Design), Dr. David Pugh, Vice President of SCAD-Hong Kong has assumed the seat in early May. It has always been on our task list to expand the variety of choices for students and to explore collaboration possibilities with unique institutions. We are delighted to stay in touch with representative of SCAD-Hong Kong, a specialized professional arts university. At the same time, we thank Mr Shreve for the ideas-exchange opportunities over the past year.

We believe through joining hands with major tertiary education providers, we will be able to strive for quality higher education and shape the landscape of tertiary education in Hong Kong.

FSTE Chairmen got together at AGM

(from right)  
Professor Peter Yuen, Current Chairman  
Professor Wan Chin Chin, 1996-1998  
Professor Lee Ngok, 1994-1996  
Dr Charles Wong, MH, 2009-2011, 2000-2002  
Professor Enoch Young, BBS, 2002-2007



### Annual General Meeting 2016

The Annual General Meeting 2016 was held on 29 March 2016 with very favorable attendance even it was scheduled in the middle of Easter break. Not only it gave members a valuable occasion to keep abreast of recent happenings in the sector, it also provided an opportunity for practitioners to get together and mingle.



## PAST EVENT HIGHLIGHT

### New Office Opening

The Secretariat moved to a new location. An opening ceremony, officiated by Mr Eddie NG Hak-kim, SBS, JP, Secretary for Education and Professor Peter P. Yuen, Chairman of FSTE last October, was highlighted by many distinguished guests.

In the opening address, Professor Yuen welcomed guests to the ceremony and introduced the premiere issue of FSTE newsletter — FLASH. FLASH represents bright light, a flash of inspiration or insight, and serves as a channel for disseminating information to all stakeholders in the circle. FSTE committed to enhancing communication with the Government, industries, professional bodies and other stakeholders for the betterment of the whole sector, with a view to developing Hong Kong as an education hub. We would like to take this opportunity to express our deep gratitude to all guests for joining us at such a memorable event.





## PROJECT HIGHLIGHTS

### Teacher Competency Framework and Related Outcome-based Professional Development Programme for Teachers of Self-financing Post-secondary Education Sector

Teacher Competency Framework summarizes the knowledge, skills and behaviors that lead to successful performance. With descriptors for different levels of competencies identified, they are clustered into three domains, namely Learning & Teaching, Institutional Development, and Wellbeing. Such a framework will help practitioners establish direction and create momentum in continuous professional development. Professional development is the process of improving and increasing capabilities of teachers through solving problem in the workplace, exchanging views and strategies with colleagues, and through access to education and training opportunities. Structured Professional Development Programmes, aimed at providing knowledge and skills learning and teaching to participants so as to develop their technical know-how of classroom practice, will be rerun in August 2016. More details on the Framework and next round of programme are available at [qess.fste.edu.hk](http://qess.fste.edu.hk).

### Closer Alignment Meeting between Insurance ITAC and FSTE

To facilitate the communication and collaboration between institutions and Insurance ITAC, a closer alignment meeting was held on 3 December 2015 to understand the demand and supply of both sides. Through this opportunity, QFS presented the CPD arrangement, while ITAC members shared their training needs of Insurance Industry. Institutions were expected to acquire updated market trend and explore the possible way forward for CPD. Institutions inclined to put more efforts and emphases on lifelong learning and continuing education.



### Towards a Sub-degree General Education Framework – Facilitating Credit Recognition and Transfer

#### GE Seminar on Transfer Practices (18 December 2015)

Professor Isabella Poon (CUHK) and Professor Gray Kochhar-Lindgren (HKU) were invited to share GE curriculum design and the principles behind current transfer practices in their institutions.

#### GE Sharing Forum - Reflection on General Education Development and Implementation: What works and what doesn't? (19 February 2016)

Professor Lui Tai Lok (HKIEd) and Dr Joe Lau (HKU) shared their areas of expertise as well as extended experiences from GE course development to class implementation.

#### Seminar on GE Curriculum in Sub-degree Institutions - Expectations for Direct Admission into Professional versus Liberal Arts Programmes (15 June 2016)

Dr Patrio Chiu (CityU) and Dr Jiji Zhang (LU) were invited to share how the design of GE aligned with the vision and mission of their universities, so as to understand the expectation for direct admission into their programmes.



Do visit the project website at [qess2.fste.edu.hk](http://qess2.fste.edu.hk) for latest details and information.

### Pilot Project on Qualifications Framework (QF) Promotion for Industries in Schools – Insurance and Logistics Industries

#### Insurance Industry

Three workshops introducing basic knowledge, competence and career development of the insurance industry were delivered in January 2016 which attracted about 100 senior secondary students. The first workshop, was conducted by Mr William Lai, School of Continuing Education, Hong Kong Baptist University, described the basic information of different genres of insurances. Other two workshops "A Taste of being Insurance Detective" (official name is available in Chinese only 保險小偵探體驗) were facilitated by The Hong Kong Federation of Insurers (HKFI) and Zurich Insurance (Hong Kong). Instructors of these two workshops made use of real cases to introduce knowledge of underwriting and claims. Most of the participants appreciated the quality of workshops and offered positive feedbacks.

To further arouse students' interests, a mini-movie competition was launched, and the Selection Committee, comprising field experts, academia and representative from QFS, interviewed all entrants in late April 2016. An award presentation ceremony, officiated by Mr Allan Yu, Chairperson of Insurance ITAC; Mr Albert Kwok, Committee Member of Insurance ITAC; and Mr Patrick Pang, General Manager of QFS, was subsequently held on 13 May 2016. Thanks for the sponsorship by Hong Kong Insurance Practitioners General Union and Hong Kong Federation of Insurers.

Results of the mini-movie competition:

Champion: King Ling College  
1st runner-up: King's College  
2nd runner-up: St Mark's School  
Facebook 我最喜愛的微電影大獎: King Ling College  
最佳內容獎: Caritas St. Joseph Secondary School



#### Logistics Industry

Workshops on "Modern Logistics Management" were held on 17 October 2015 and 30 January 2016 respectively. These two workshops aimed to promote QF and Logistics Industry to senior secondary students. Special thanks to speakers from Department of Supply Chain and Information Management of Heng Seng Management College, Dr Daniel Mo and Dr Eugene Wong, for sharing the basic information of logistics management. Students were able to apply the learned knowledge and skills to the board game.







## Diploma Yi Jin Promotion Campaign 2016/17

### Printed Advertisement

The core theme for 2016/17 is "Your Dream, Your Future!" (你想就是理想). Five brilliant youngsters in different professions suggested a diversified choice of electives in the programme. Posters and Programme Booklets were distributed to over 500 points around Hong Kong.



### Promotion Video

A new initiative was introduced this year — a mini-movie 星期七檔案DSE — shot by Bomba, a popular Youtuber. The video is so popular that it hits over 664,000 view rates since its release on 21 December 2015.



### School Seminars

Not only the passive approaches we used to adopt, we also managed to grasp some face-to-face opportunities with prospective students. A series of School Seminars were held between November 2015 and January 2016 with a lot of positive feedback. Various institution providers were invited to present useful information about Diploma Yi Jin. Participants could know better about the uniqueness of the programme and its qualification recognition.



### Information Expo

Annual Information Expo, organized by EDB and supported by FSTE, was held on 14 and 15 May 2016. It provided a platform for students, parents and teachers to grasp first hand of available programmes, to raise questions and answer queries relating to the programmes. Guest speakers were invited to share various topics, including DYJ, SSSDP and VPET. Current students and graduates shared their experience as well.



### Change in Programme Award Title

In compliance with the Award Titles Scheme under the Qualifications Framework (QF), the English award title of the programme has been changed to "Diploma Yi Jin" effective 1 January 2016, with the Chinese award title remains unchanged. The recognition of the programme as a QF Level 3 qualification is not affected.



## Joint Institution Basketball Tournament 2016

In addition to 13 boys' teams joining the tournament held on 19 March 2016, we also got a friendly match between two girls' teams from HKU SPACE Po Leung Kuk Stanley Ho Community College (HPSHCC) and Vocational Training Council (VTC). Thanks for the involvement of all participating students and the support from Member Institutions. Results of the tournament are as follows:


Champion: The Community College at Lingnan University &  
Lingnan Institute of Further Education  
1st runner-up: Hong Kong Institute of Technology  
2nd runner-up: Vocational Training Council



## Joint Institution Singing Contest 2016

It was another success with 14 units of contestants from Member Institutions gathered and competed on 16 April 2016. The dancing society of IVE (Tsing Yi) performed as the curtain rose and a popular boys group — C AllStar joined us as guest performer. Being former winners of similar students singing contests, not only C AllStar pushed the event to its climax with their charisma and voices, they also encouraged contestants to "sing out" their best. Thanks for the participation of all contestants and the venue sponsor — Hong Kong College of Technology.

Results of the Singing Contest are as follows:  
 Champion: Yew Chung Community College  
 1st runner-up: Hong Kong Institute of Technology  
 2nd runner-up: School of Professional Education and Executive Development (SPEED) of The Hong Kong Polytechnic University



Highlights are extracted and recorded in a short video at [www.fste.edu.hk](http://www.fste.edu.hk).



## UPCOMING EVENT

## Conference 2016

FSTE and HKCAAVQ will jointly organize a conference with the theme “Enhancing Student Learning Experience” on Thursday, 17 November 2016 at PolyU Hung Hom Bay Campus. We are accepting abstracts/papers for presentation. Latest information and details of paper submission are available at [www.fste.edu.hk/conference2016](http://www.fste.edu.hk/conference2016).



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