

HKCC offers bright path for secondary school graduates

he Hong Kong Community College (HKCC) is kicking off its admission exercise for the 2005/ 06 academic year in mid-June, targeting local secondary school leavers. The College received more than 5,200 applications for entry to its 13 two-year full-time Associate Degree (AD) programmes with about 2,400 places in total last year. Over half of the successful applicants had at least two passes in Advanced-Level subjects.

Currently, HKCC has a student population of about 3,700. Students at HKCC are able to experience a comprehensive campus life. Apart from in-class lectures and interactive projects, students are encouraged to participate in a variety of student activities, such as summer exchange visits, complementary studies, study tours and site visits.

Graduates of HKCC enjoy rosy prospect in terms of both further studies and career development. According to its 2004 graduate survey, about 75 per cent of the respondents pursued Bachelor's degree studies, either full-time or part-time, and over 50 per cent received more than one offer for their articulation studies. Among this year's 35 graduating students in Associate in Engineering, 31 have already been admitted to degree programmes offered by the eight public-funded universities.

HKCyberU launches online MBA

KCyberU has partnered with the reputed Edinburgh Business School of the Heriot-Watt University in the UK to offer its first MBA programme online. This highly popular business school takes pride in its large, international student base, with students coming from 150 countries.

Employing Heriot-Watt's quality teaching materials, supplemented with local face-to-face tutorials, this MBA programme provides students with comprehensive management knowledge in areas of accounting, economics, finance, marketing, organizational behaviour, project management and strategic planning.

Students of the programme will be required to complete seven core courses and two electives in about one to two years' time. Students who hold relevant academic qualifications at degree level may be granted exemption from a maximum of two core courses.

The deadline for application is 20 June and an information session will be held on PolyU campus on 9 June. For seat reservation or for more details, please call 2882 0811, send an email to enquiry@hkcyberu.com or visit HKCyberU website at: www.hkcyberu.com.

SPEED courses for working professionals

olyU's School of Professional Education and Executive Development (SPEED) is now inviting applications for its wide array of part-time programmes, leading to PolyU-SPEED or overseas universities' academic awards.

In its new admissions exercise, SPEED will offer a total of 15 award-bearing programmes at Executive Diploma, Bachelor's degree and Master's levels.

Among them is a new one-and-a-half-year programme named Executive Diploma in Human Resource Management (EDHRM), which is designed for aspiring HR executives to keep their competencies up to date. Some other part-time programmes offered by SPEED's overseas partner institutions will also commence classes in August and September.

To help learners know more about SPEED's part-time programmes, an Info Day will be held in mid-June on PolyU campus.

For more information, please visit www.speed.polyu.edu. hk or call SPEED's hotline on 3400 2828.