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Before joining the Hong Kong Polytechnic University in 2008, Mr Murray Mackenzie was employed at the Auckland University of Technology, New Zealand, as a senior lecturer and programme leader for the Bachelor of International Hospitality Management. He has 17 years experience lecturing and teaching in Northern Ireland New Zealand and Hong Kong.

As a former Chef, his industry experience has taken him to several countries, including New Zealand, Australia, South Africa, Northern Ireland and England where he has worked with renowned chefs such as Paul Rankin (Cayenne) and Peter Gordon (The Sugar Club). Murray has held key positions in major hotels and restaurants such as Executive Sous Chef, Head Banqueting Chef and Executive Head Chef, and has worked in the hospitality industry for over 25 years.

Apart from teaching and lecturing to culinary student (since 1990), he has also competed in several culinary events, including Hotelompia (2000) and Northern Ireland Saloon Culinare (2000).

In his current position with The School of Hotel and Tourism Management (SHTM) he oversee the food and beverage programmes and activities, teaching wine studies and food and beverage management.

Mr Mackenzie completed his Master of Education in 1997 through the University of Ulster in Northern Ireland. He is now studying and researching for his PhD which will be completed in 2013.