

Subject Code	SO4037
Subject Title	Public Health Optometry
Hosting Dept	School of Optometry
Level	4
Class Quota	40
Medium of Instruction	English
Subject Duration	3 Semesters
Teaching Staff	Dr. Patrick Ting, Dr. Chi-wai Do and Dr. Henry Chan
Target Students	DSR subject for Year 4 Optometry students who have attempted Clinical Optometry 1, 2, and 3; Ophthalmic Optics and Dispensing 1 and 2.
Pre-requisites	Nil
Selection of Students Required?	No
Subject Synopsis	http://www.polyu.edu.hk/so/pdf/52444/SO4006.pdf
Service Project	
What will students do to serve?	<p>Students can organize a vision screening project, a vision care education programme or eye health campaign in order to arouse public awareness of the importance of vision care. Students are expected to work in groups (5-6 students per group) and each group of students is responsible for organizing and implementing a community vision screening in Hong Kong, Mainland China or Overseas*. This subject lasts for 3 semesters and students are required to spend at least 40 hours in the preparation and rendering of community services. Lectures will be delivered to allow students to understand the basic concepts of vision screening along with other discipline-specific modules. Students will also be arranged to participate in at least two vision screenings (service hours: at least 20 hours) organized by the school in order to get some hands-on training.</p> <p>* Students may have to pay an additional outbound activity fee for both mainland and overseas projects.</p>
Whom will students serve?	The target beneficiaries are people who may have difficulties in accessing optometric care including elderlies, schoolchildren (especially kindergarten and primary school students), new immigrants, low-income families, ethnic minority groups and people with physical and mental disabilities.
Where will students serve?	

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When will students serve?	During weekends (in Hong Kong) or during semester break (in Mainland China or Overseas), depending on the availability of the targeted service users
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