opdated on 5 December 2023	SN2S04
Subject Code	
Subject title	Mentoring Health Ambassadors for School Communities
Hosting Department	School of Nursing
Level	3
Class Quota	54
Medium of Instruction	English
Subject Duration	Semester 2 + Summer Term
Teaching Staff	Dr. Eileen Cheng, Dr. Li Yan
Target Students	GUR, open to all
Pre-requisites	Nil
Selection of students required?	No
Subject Synopsis	The complex healthcare needs of schoolchildren in the community have been raised, especially in underprivileged populations such as new immigrants in the school communities of Hong Kong. It is important that trained health ambassadors assist schoolchildren who have knowledge deficits in self-care and health promotion concepts. The impact of this service-learning project is that it has provided a "real-world" experience for students' practice learning, and it is meaningful to serve these underprivileged people in the community from a health science perspective. All the planned activities require that students have a sense of intellectual ownership and a better understanding of themselves and their abilities. They show a higher level of thinking and improved performance in service delivery. One of the major goals of this mentoring program is to cultivate students' social responsibility and cultural sensitivity to serve this underprivileged section of the community. They are expected to be caring, innovative and effective in their communications with the schoolchildren and the community stakeholders through the mentoring relationship. Teamwork brings this multidisciplinary group of students together and team spirit helps them work better in groups. Working together as a multidisciplinary team is a skill developed with the help of trust-building activities. Team building is essential throughout the mentorship and project planning and implementation.
Service Project	
What will students do to serve?	<ul> <li>i) Students are committed to the mentoring program (Sem. 2+3) with a positive attitude;</li> <li>ii) Students are willing to work together to deliver primary healthcare;</li> <li>iii) Students show interest in working with children and delivering health education and health promotion activities (e.g. health screening, health talk for students in primary schools; and</li> <li>iv) Students are committed to working weekdays/weekends for mentoring service in a primary school in semesters two to three and providing at least 40 hours of direct services to collaborating schools.</li> <li>The service component includes skill training workshops, project plan development, implementation of the training health ambassador's program, and program evaluation. This is a training of trainers via a mentorship program for training health ambassadors to raise health awareness and to support a healthy school environment in the school communities of Hong Kong. Two workshops and training in real-time settings of primary schools</li> </ul>

Updated on 5 December 2023 will be delivered by students to train the primary school students as health ambassadors (mentees). Primary school students. We have very strong existing collaborating partners Whom will students serve? for the mentorship program for primary school students as health ambassadors locally- $\boxtimes$ District: Kwun Tong, Tsing Yi, Kowloon City Hong Kong Province: Chinese mainland City: Where will students serve? Taiwan Macau Country: Overseas City: Students will provide service in the daytime during weekdays or occasionally weekends across Semesters 2 to 3 When will students serve? N/A Fee payable by students **Service Attributes Service Mode** #OnlineService  $\boxtimes$ #F2FService #ServiceClient\_Cantonese **Service Language** #ServiceClient\_English #ServiceClient\_Putonghua #ServiceClient\_OtherNonEnglish

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#Location\_Taiwan #Location\_Macau #Location\_Overseas

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**Service Location** 

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