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Subject Code	SO4037	
Subject Title	Public Health Optometry	
Hosting Department	School of Optometry	
Level	4	
Class Quota	45	
Medium of Instruction	English	
Subject Duration	3 Semesters	
Teaching Staff	Dr Lydia Yu, Dr Chi-wai Do and Prof 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 and LCR English subjects.	
Pre-requisites	Nil	
Selection of students required?	No	
Subject Synopsis	https://www.polyu.edu.hk/so/- /media/department/so/content/study/subject-descriptive-form/so4037.pdf	
Service Project		
What will students do to serve?	Students will organise a vision screening project or 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 and each group of students is responsible for organizing and implementing a community vision screening/vision care education programme/eye health campaign in Hong Kong, 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 as helpers (service hours: at least 20 hours) organised by the school in order to get some hands-on training. * Students may have to pay an additional outbound activity fee for overseas projects.	
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?	Hong Kong	District: To be advised
	Chinese mainland	Province:
	☐ Taiwan ☐ Macau ☑ Overseas	Country: Cambodia City: Phnom Penh
When will students serve?	During weekends (in Hong Kong) or during semester break (Overseas),	
Fee payable by students	depending on the availability of the targeted service users N/A for HK projects	

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Subject and Service Attributes		
Service Mode	#OnlineService #HybridService #F2FService	
Service Language	#ServiceClient_Cantonese #ServiceClient_English #ServiceClient_Putonghua #ServiceClient_OtherNonEnglish	
Service Location	#Location_HK #Location_MainlandChina #Location_Taiwan #Location_Macau #Location_Overseas	
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