

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Office of Student Affairs
Student Disability Support Services

uShine SEN Service Team

Introduction



As a caring University, CUHK seeks to promote a positive learning environment for its students and is committed to offering equal opportunities in academic pursuits for students with disabilities. Students with special educational needs (SEN), for example, hearing impairment, physical disabilities and learning difficulties, may need extra support for their studies. In order to promote mutual support among students, the **uShine SEN Service Team** is established. It is hoped that both uShiners and students with SEN would better understand their strengths as well as develop a glowing and growing university life through this service network.

Eligibility

You are welcomed to become our uShiners if you are:

- ❖ Current full-time undergraduate or postgraduate students from any disciplines and study years
- ❖ **S**upportive, **H**elpful, eager to promote an **I**nclusive environment in CUHK, **N**urturing and **E**nthusiastic

Duty

You will provide supports to SEN students in the following areas:

- ❖ Format conversion of course materials and references for students with visual impairment
- ❖ Braille printing for students with visual impairment
- ❖ Note-taking for students with SEN in lectures and tutorials
- ❖ Assistance in the production of learning materials
- ❖ Provision of learning support to students with learning difficulties
- ❖ Provision of other special learning supports according to students' special needs
- ❖ Assistance in organizing educational activities

Participants are expected to serve 30 hours throughout the academic year (Mid October 2015 - end of July 2016) in order to fulfill the service requirement.

Benefits

By becoming a uShiner, you will gain:

- ❖ Knowledge about SEN
- ❖ Opportunity to attend Mental Health First Aid Certificate Course
- ❖ Training on communication skills, operation of learning aids & equipment etc.
- ❖ Opportunities in meeting and establishing friendship with students with SEN and other uShiners
- ❖ Recognition on Student Development Portfolio (SDP), if you have fulfilled the required trainings and service hours in an academic year (for undergraduate students)
- ❖ A letter of acknowledgement for your voluntary service (for postgraduate students)
- ❖ Opportunities to glow, grow and have fun!

Schedule

<i>Period</i>	<i>Activities</i>
*Sept 2015 – July 2016	Service: - Learning support service for students with SEN - Assistance in organizing educational activities
Mid to end of October 2015	Interviews for new uShiners
End of October 2015	Briefing for new uShiners
November 2015	Training on <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Knowledge of SEN• Operation of learning aids and equipment• Communication Skills
December 2015	Christmas Gathering
January - March 2016	- Mental Health Awareness Weeks - Mental Health First Aid Course (4 sessions) - 'World' exchange program (Barrier-free day)
June - July 2016	Summer Gathering

*Current uShiners may provide support service to students with SEN starting from Sept. For new uShiners, service will usually start in November after relevant training.

Application

Please complete the application form ([MS Word](#) / [PDF](#)) and send it to Miss Jasvinda Ng, Disability Services Manager (e-mail: sdss@cuhk.edu.hk). We will contact you within 7 working days upon receipt of your application.

Application deadline: **14 October 2015**.

Applicants will be invited to attend an interview.

Enquiries

For enquiries, please contact the Disability Services Manager at 3943 4766 or e-mail to sdss@cuhk.edu.hk

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