

Election Platform

Incendium,

Proposed Cabinet No. 1,

The 35th City University of Hong Kong Students' Union Executive Committee

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The Executive Committee's duties and responsibilities

The City University of Hong Kong Students' Union (The Union) Executive Committee is one of the five central organizations of the Union, exercising the highest administrative power of the Union. The Executive Committee is accountable to all Members. It is responsible for the administration of the Union and to represent the Union externally.

Member list of the proposed cabinet

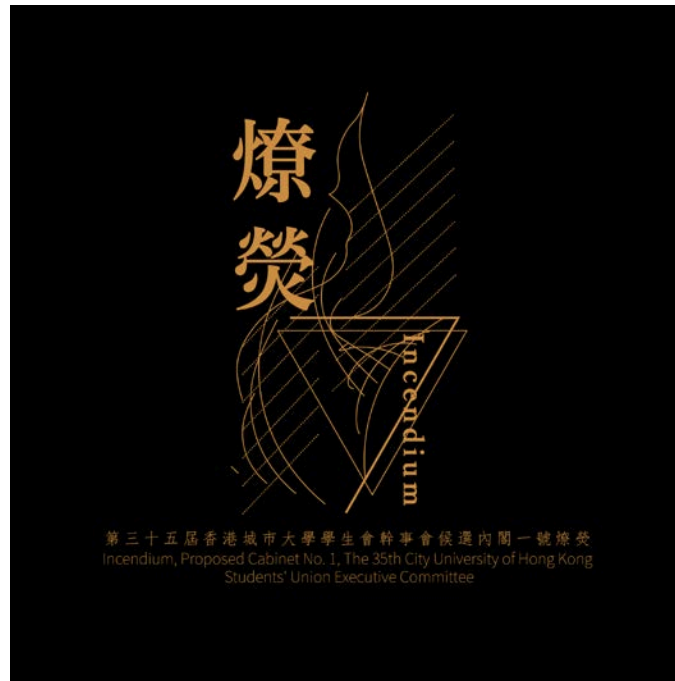
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Proposed General Secretary	Ma Yin Ka, Vivian	Bachelor of Laws	Year 1
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Proposed External Secretary	Liang Ho Wang, Owen	BSocSc Public Policy and Politics	Year 3
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The Meaning of our Name and the Logo

Name

We have adopted the word “Incendium” as the proposed cabinet’s name.

Logo



The meaning behind our name

Incendium -- heat of passion -- is the Latin word for fire. The yearn for freedom, democracy and justice has ingrained in members of a civilised community. In our homeland, unjust incidents have happened one after another, degree of freedom and democracy faces unprecedented challenges. As an institution that embraces freedom, as a breeding ground for future intellectuals, we should uphold the core civic values, voice out when facing injustice and protect a democratic and liberal society. Our cabinet aspires to light up that heat of passion inside our fellow students and to lead students to contribute to our society, to protect our core values, preserve our Hong Kong nation and incinerate the evil regime.

The meaning behind the logo

Our heat of passion is represented by the torch and the colour of yellow. They depict the glowing light that the heat of passion encompasses.

Our Vision

This year, Hong Kong and students of CityU are in turmoil. Despite the SU Executive Committee lacked successors to join the election at the beginning, the SU is bound to support our fellows, be they inside or outside the University, in this time of confusion.

Your support will surely enable us to further the objectives of the SU. We will serve and protect the interests of our members, and promote civic discussion in the University. To strive for the autonomy and democracy that the Hong Kong nation deserves, we will resist against the malicious rule of the Hong Kong Government, and voice the concerns of Hongkongers and our students. We hope that the spirit of predecessors can be continued by serving the CityU community without reservations.

Annual Working Plans

Date	Event
February 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Inauguration Ceremony of the Executive Committee• Students' Union Products Design Competition
March 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welfare Week
May 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Mahjong Competition
June 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• E-Sport Competition• Forum on the events of 4th June• Exhibition on Anti-extradition Bill
August 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Students' Registration Day• Notebook Welfare Programme / IT Welfare Festival• Orientation Camp
September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Book Fair• Forum• Seminar on Cantonese
October 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• City Banquet
November 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Culture Salon• Pride Parade• Human Library

Internal Working Plans

General Department

Aim

The General Department is engaged in the word-processing work, clerical and secretarial duties of the Students' Union Executive Committee. Examples include producing meeting agendas and minutes, scheduling working timeline and drafting documents. Also, the Department is responsible for the management of premises of the Students' Union, such as the Activity Centre and Photocopying Centre of the Students' Union.

We do our best to ensure smooth operations in the Students' Union Executive Committee, providing our members with quality service.

Working Plans

Follow-up of the digitalization of documents

The digitalization of documents has been carried out in recent years. This year, The Department will continue to follow up the progress by backing up and classifying the documents into computers. This facilitates the use of files and enhances work efficiency.

Improvement of facilities of the Students' Union

The current conditions of the Activity Centre are unpleasant and require to be coped with immediately. It is suggested to have the old furniture replaced, battery charger and water dispenser installed. The Department will invite the University to have discussion on the renovation of the Activity Centre.

Moreover, a printer in the Photocopying Centre is currently out of order with only an old one left. A new printer with USE portal or wireless printing is suggested to be installed to facilitate the printing service.

Premises and Resources Management Department

Aim

Our department is responsible for managing all the materials and the venues under the Union. According to the needs of the affiliated societies, we would distribute and lend the material and the venues reasonably to ensure that the resources can effectively serve the students. Our department would also manage the usage of the Democracy Wall for expression of opinions on campus.

Working Plans

Management of the Democracy Wall

The purpose of setting up the Democracy Wall is to provide mediums for the full members to voice their opinions regarding the affairs of the Union, the University policy as well as social affairs, in hope of upholding the core value of democracy. Last year, memo sheets on the Democracy Wall marking the opinions of students have been torn off, the statue of Goddess of Democracy has been suffered from serious damages after being pushed over. Our department would continue enforcing the user guidelines of the Democracy Wall in order to protect the interests of full members and protect the freedom of expression of students.

Due to the obsolescence of the Democracy Wall, our department would renovate the Democracy Wall to improve its appearance.

Follow-up of the statue of the Goddess of Democracy

The statue of the Goddess of Democracy was pushed over by a Chinese graduate in July, which remains unrepaired until now. Besides the follow-up for repairment, our department would also like to produce a new statue of the Goddess of Democracy / based on the topic of protests against anti-extradition bills to show determination of HongKongers and students of the City University against the suppression of the Beijing government.

Registration Day

As the first activity to welcome the freshmen, our department would cooperate with other organisations and societies to organise the orientation day, in order to offer a platform for newbies to better understand every society of the Student Union and participate in the orientation camp.

Besides, our department will strengthen the promotion towards the non-JUPAS students to ensure that every students integrate into campus life while each society will grasp the opportunity to interact with more students.

The Students' Union PA System

Our department will organise classes to teach the students how to use the instruments appropriately in order to make sure that the resources are utilized appropriately and refrain students from affording heavy compensation due to the misuse of resources.

To increase the venues for organising the activities of the SU and the societies under the SU, the university is planning to reconstruct the multiple-use activity room F, G and H into the School of Law, greatly reduce the number of venues available for booking, further setting more constraints to the organisation of activities. Our department would request for more venues available for societies to book, to ensure the smooth progress.

University Affairs Department

Aims

Our department will continue to closely inspect and monitor the University's policy and other university affairs for the sake of protecting students' rights. Meanwhile, we would endeavour to voice students' opinions and demands.

Working Plans

Introducing the Regular Meeting Scheme with the Ex-Co

The Executive Committee of the Students' Union, being elected by our Full Members, is obliged to listen to our Full Members' opinion and voice it to the University. For that reason, we plan to boost the communication between the Students' Union and our Full Members by introducing a Regular Meeting Scheme for our Full Members to meet our Exco members once a week at the University Concourse.

Introducing new communication mediums for our full members

The Students' Union are currently adopting multiple communication media (including the CityUSU website - www.cityusu.com - and Facebook) for our members to communicate with us. To further our goal of active communication with our full members, the University Affairs Department plans to cooperate with the Information Technology Department in setting up a "Telegram Bot" at the Telegram platform, where we would actively collect and answer our members' enquiries and opinion.

Improving campus WiFi connection

For the past few months, the poor performance of the campus WiFi (i.e. frequent disconnections at various campus spots) have been subject to students' complaints and criticisms as it has brought inconvenience and repercussions to our students. To resolve this issue, the University Affairs Department plans to cooperate with the Information and Technology Department in conducting WiFi testings at selected campus locations where detailed reports will be sent to the University subsequently. In doing so, the University Affairs Department wishes to request the University to face up to the problem and take immediate actions to improve the WiFi performance.

Improving Student Cafeteria Services

Recently, we have received numerous complaints concerning the operations of the AC1 Cafeteria. The University Affairs department plans to actively and collectively collect students' opinions and subsequently follow-up with the issues.

Improving Hygiene Conditions

The University Affairs Department will continue to monitor and closely follow-up with the unsatisfactory hygiene conditions at the AC1 cafeteria. The University Affairs Department is particularly concerned with the disturbing and unpleasant smell at the AC1 cafeteria. Our department plans to raise this issue to the cafeteria operators and corresponding university units and request for immediate measures to solve the issue.

Introducing alternative payment methods

Besides, our department would like to explore the possibility of introducing alternative payment methods, say the addition of credit cards and mobile payments (i.e. Apple Pay). It is hoped that by introducing alternative payments, it would in turn bring convenience and boost the efficiency of the services of the University cafeteria.

Requesting the cafeteria operators to review their service providing policies

It is our observation that the cafeteria has been providing services to outsiders even during peak hours, which has eventually lead to a situation where there are many seats are taken by those outsiders and in turn insufficient seats are left for CityU students. For that reason, the University Affairs department plans to request the cafeteria suppliers to review their service providing policies and ensure that services would only be provided to personnel who present the authorized documentation.

Introducing Tuck Shops at the campus

After the Garden Cafe discontinued its service in September, 2019, the University Affairs Department would like to add more choice of food for students. Thus, we plan to make a recommendation to the University in introducing another Tuck Shop at the campus.

Improving Run Run Shaw Library services

It is our observation that many library users have been inappropriately reserving seats at the library by placing their own properties on the seats. The dire situation is further exacerbated before and during the examination period. The University Affairs Department plans to make a recommendation to the library in tightening their policies to the extent where students' properties are left on the seat for more than an hour, the security guards are authorised to clear up the said properties.

Introducing new sockets at lecture theatres

Many complaints from students have revealed that there are currently insufficient sockets at the lecture theatres. To facilitate teaching and learning, the University Affairs Department plans to request the University to increase the number of sockets at the lecture theatres, whilst repairing the defective ones.

Installing covers for campus walkways

The University Affairs department plans to make a recommendation to the University in installing covers for various existing campus walkways, including the walkway from Bank of China (Hong Kong) Complex building to Lee building (AC2) and the one from Lau Building (AC3) to Students' Residence.

Introducing more study area in CMC

The University Affairs Department plans to make a recommendation to the University in introducing additional study area at the Creative Media Centre.

Introducing shuttle bus routes from Yeung Building (AC1) to Run Run Shaw Creative Media Centre (CMC)

The University Affairs Department plans to actively collect students' opinions towards the possibility of introducing shuttle bus routes from Yeung Building (AC1) to Run Run Shaw Creative Media Centre (CMC), where subsequently our department would hand in a detailed report to the University for further discussion and exploration on the practicability of such policy.

Pushing for a raise in the Campus Internship Scheme (CIS) and the Campus Work Scheme (CWS) student helpers' pay.

The Campus Internship Scheme (CIS) and the Campus Work Scheme (CWS) are established in 2012 which provides paid-employment opportunities for student members. However, the helpers' pay is remained to be at \$52/hour and has yet to receive any raise since 2012. The participants' pay should be adjusted with the market.

To ensure that the interests of students are protected, our department would make our best endeavours to request the University for the increase in salary.

Increasing the number of student lockers and extending its application period

It is our observation that there are currently insufficient student lockers where many students are still on the student lockers waiting list. To this end, the University Affairs Department plans to request for an increase in the number of student lockers to satisfy the students' needs.

Furthermore, the University Affairs department also plans to make a recommendation to the University in extending the student locker application period and bolstering on-campus promotion.

Requesting more CMC studios

In regard to the inadequate number of CMC studios, our department plans to make a recommendation to the university in introducing more CMC studios for the students.

Students' Residency Policy

Extending the application period for student residence

It is our opinion that the current application period for students' residence would be too short (4 days only for freshman and a week for non-freshman) and inadequate where students are receiving inadequate information regarding the time of application. Therefore, the University Affairs department plans to make a recommendation to the university in extending the application period.

Introducing 24-hour Condom Vending Machines

To promote safe sex, the University Affairs Department plans to make a recommendation to the University in introducing 24-hours condom vending machine(s) at the students' residency area.

Requesting to enhance the finance transparency

Currently, it is the practice where the Student Residence Office (SRO) and the Hall Masters would not release a detailed financial statement of each hall. However, it is observed that the SRO have never responded to the students' demand of releasing financial statements in each years' consultation meetings and which severely lacks transparency. Therefore, the University Affairs Department would request the SRO to publicly release their financial statements.

Academic Department

Aim

Our department hope to prevail the learning atmosphere and express the students' concern over university courses and problems, in a bid to protect the interest of the students.

Working Plans

Recommending the University to increase the number of CCIV classes

Currently, more than 80% of the CCIV classes offered to students are instructed in Cantonese. However, it is still observed that there are currently inadequate number of classes offered to students as some students were still unable to register for CCIV courses. To tackle the problem, the Academic Department will request the University to increase the number of CCIV classes to fulfill the students' needs.

Students' concern over course registration to the University

Requesting the University to release and review the policies for the course registration arrangement

There have been students complaints concerning the lack of transparency in regards to the course registration arrangement policies where some students claimed that they had been completely deprived of the opportunity to register a particular course as a result of the policy. In a bid to clarify students doubt, the Academic Department would invite each department to release and review the policies for the course registration arrangement.

Inviting the University to include waiting lists for major courses registration

The Academic Department plans to recommend the University to also introduce the waitlist system for major courses registration.

Requesting different department to provide adequate minor courses

Currently, there are students' complaints concerning the extremely inadequate minor complementary courses, giving rise to a failure in completion of Minor. The Academic Department plans to make recommendations to the university in requesting different departments to clearly state their position in whether related courses will be offered in the up-coming 2 years

Recreation Department

Aim

The Recreation Department is responsible for the recreational activities in the Students' Union Executive Committee. Holding a variety of activities, we hope our students can relieve stress and learn more about the culture of the CityU and Hong Kong.

Working Plans

the Orientation Camp

The Orientation Camp of the Students' Union is a highlight of the orientation activities for our freshmen as it is a prelude to their new journey. This year's camp will emphasize on social issues, encouraging our students to care more for society while spicing up to their university lives.

Book Fair

In recent years, the Sino United Publishing book stores have been dominating in the book selling field. We hope to invite more local independent bookstores to the Book Fair to provide students with more variety in book choices, whilst it could raise their awareness to local culture.

Culture Salon

The Culture Salon aims to create a platform for cultural exchange. The students can enhance cultural and critical thinking skills by having sharing and interactions with other students and guest speakers on a specific topic.

Mahjong Competition

Mahjong, being one of the most prevalent and local recreational activities in Hong Kong. The Recreational Department would like to organize a Mahjong competition for students to interact. On the other hand, students who have never tried Mahjong might have a chance to be exposed to and inherent this tradition.

Public Relations Department

Aim

Our department aims at facilitating the communication between the full member and the University in a bid to build a good relationship. Our department would like to create a platform for communication to encourage the full member to proactively voice their opinions and partake the activities considering the University and the SU affairs through organising a wide variety of activities. In addition, our department would provide more information as to the SU, boosting transparency and better understanding the working progress of the SU, in turn increasing the sense of belonging of students towards the SU and the University.

Working Plans

Inauguration ceremony

Inauguration ceremony is the time where a formal declaration of taking office will be made. However, we consider that the past inauguration ceremonies would be too much formalised. While much of resources were used for greeting the guests, the full members were not benefited. If our Cabinet gets elected, we would like to simplify the procedures of the inauguration ceremony in order to save the unnecessary expenditures, and at the same time build up good relationships with other stakeholders.

Newsletter of the CityU SU

Our department would like to publish Newsletters for the SU, including the activities organised by the SU and our working progress. The Newsletter will be distributed quarterly in order to encourage a better understanding of the routine duties of the Student' Union and to increase the transparency.

The recruitment of the sub-committee

Our department would continue recruiting the sub-committee to increase the opportunities for students to get more experience from working for the executive committee and to encourage the students to develop their potentials and serve for the full members.

CityU Banquet

The CityU Banquet has been a long tradition of the SU, attracting lots of staff and students to participate and assemble to share enjoyable moments. Next year our department would like to continue this meaningful event in the hope of forging an unforgettable memory.

Reinforce the communication between the societies and the SU

Our department would like to strengthen the communication with the societies, including regular meetings with representatives of the societies to understand the demand and opinions in order to offer assistance when it is necessary.

Information Technology Department

Aim

As technology advanced greatly, students are likely to use electronic devices for both learning and daily life. The IT department will try to benefit students by allowing students to buy electronic devices with lower cost and more convenient so students can enjoy the advance in technology.

Working Plans

Notebook Welfare Programme

This year, we will continue to hold the notebook and electronic products welfare programme for students to buy notebooks and relevant products at a cheaper price which will reduce the financial burden of students. In the upcoming year, we will ask the suppliers to provide bigger discount rate for more products. At the same time, we will discuss with potential suppliers and investigate the probability of extending the discount to more existing products including mouse and keyboard to hold an information system festival.

Concerns about the Wifi speed

A high-speed and reliable wireless network is indispensable for e-learning. However, according to our observations, the reliability and speed of the wireless network in our school is unsatisfactory., The connection drop can easily happen in many locations. This year, we will test the wifi signal at multiple locations, list out the locations where the signal is weak and cooperate with school affairs department to express students' concern for the wifi network.

E-sports competition

In recent years, e-sports has been a popular event. In order for students to enjoy the excitement and joy of e-sports, we will organize an e-sports competition this year.

Student Union Email Subscription service

In order to provide students more up-to-date information about our events, we will set up a mass email service apart from our current communication platform including Facebook and our website. We will cooperate with public relationship department to include monthly report in our newsletter to provide a better overview on our services.

Publication and Promotion Department

Aim

The Publication and Promotion Department is responsible for all the publications, information distribution and promotional affairs of the Executive Committee. In order to adapt to the change in media distribution, we will enhance digital and multimedia production. Utilizing different social media platforms, we hope to reach out more members of the Union. To improve transparency of the Students' Union and to allow students to be informed of our events' details and state of affairs, the publication department is going to coordinate with other departments and provide and promotional materials. The department is also going to increase publication related to social affairs in order to improve students' awareness of social affairs.

Working Plan

Students' Union souvenir

The publication department is going to hold a competition to let students design their desired souvenir. Voting will be held to let students choose the best design. The student union will set up booths to sell the finished souvenir. This is to promote students' sense of belonging towards the University and the Students' Union

Setting up the Students' Union's Instagram account and Telegram channel

As the trend in social media changes, the publication department is going to set up a SU Instagram account to enhance communication between the Union and students. A Telegram channel is also going to be set up to allow students to receive information from the Students' Union as soon as possible.

Schedule Book

The Publication Department is going to design and produce schedule books and include information like calendar weekly schedule and on-campus map. The department will distribute the schedule book as soon as possible to allow students to plan their year in advance.

Student Welfare Department

Aim

The Student Welfare Department is responsible for providing quality welfare and daily services to our members of the Union, for example discounts and sponsorships. We hope that we can bring convenience and benefits to our members.

Working Plans

New Policies on Cut Price Operation

Product Price

Despite the price are comparatively low to the general market, we will adjust for the Cut Price to keep the price in a low range for our members.

Product Types

Our members reported that the products in Cut Price are not diversified enough. We will try to provide a great variety of products by cooperating with different suppliers.

Opening Hours

Our members welcome the current trial on the extension of the opening hours. We prefer maintaining the trial arrangement to benefit our members.

Welfare Week

We will hold a Welfare Week for Cut Price on a seasonal basis. By giving discounts and add supplies of popular products, we ensure that all of our members can be benefited from the Welfare Week.

Other welfare

We will find different vendors to provide useful discounts on, for example, food & drinks, movie tickets and clothing. In addition, we will provide special products according to different seasons and festivals to enhance the festive mood.

Adjustment on the Temporary Membership fees and welfare

Despite lots of exchange students visit City U each year, the Temporary Membership applications are not as popular as expected. The reasons behind may be that the application fee is relatively high and the exclusive welfare from the membership is relatively low. We will discuss with the Union Council regarding the application fee and increase the benefits to attract more Temporary Members.

Channels for Promotion and Opinion

Some of the members opined that welfare information are not enough. We will add more promotion on websites, social media and leaflets to spread out the welfare offers. Also, to understand the needs of our members, we will collect members' opinions on the welfare offered.

Financial Policies

Aim

The financial secretary is obliged to manage the assets of the Students' Union prudently and to maintain a healthy financial status for the Students' Union. For prudent utilisation of the Annual Fee and Entrance Fee that our full members contribute, we would work on enhancing the transparency of the Students' Union finance, and ensuring a fiscal balance to be struck.

Working Plans

Regular release of Financial Report and active collection of Full Members' Opinion

To achieve the aim, the Financial Secretary will publicly announce the financial highlights of the Students' Union at the midterm and the late-term of the Executive Committee's term of office. During the mid-term announcement of financial highlight, the Financial Secretary would also actively collect Full Members' opinions regarding the financial development of the Students' Union, and subsequently reviewing the financial conditions and consider for any improvements or changes in the future.

External Working Plans

University is a place to foster the intellectuals, and university students are the decision makers in the future of the society. As university students, we should not only focus on the study, but also contribute to the society. Thus, we hope we can inform the students about the situation in our society and some discourses by sharing, enabling our students can go beyond the theory and practise those in reality.

Hong Kong nation first encounter the problems regarding the future of Hong Kong, as the colony deprived of the right of self-determination, she has no bargaining power but controlled by both the English and the Chinese governments. Since the handover till now has been 22 years, not yet reached half of the proposed ending date. Promises in the Sino-British Joint Declaration are broken as shown in the followings: the cross-border execution such as the persecution of Li Bo and the interpretation of law to disqualify the Legislative Council members. The dire situation is exacerbated after the anti-extradition protests. Not only the pro-Beijing government uses the police force and the pro-Beijing violent protesters to injure the Hong Kongers, but also allow the politics overriding the rule of law, and selective law enforcement to allow the prosecutions based on the political factors.

The Chinese Communist government has been further limiting Hong Kong people's rights. We shall focus on the second crisis of Hong Kong's future and be prepared before 2047 comes. Hong Kong nation must fight for a say in Hong Kong's prospect because only Hong Kong people have the right to do so.

Our department believed that Hong Kong nation has its own right to determine the future of Hong Kong through self-determination, without excluding any choices for achieving self-determination. The Beijing government declined to promote the marginalisation of Hong Kong with no intention to uphold the core value of high degree of autonomy, showing its determination to destroy the culture of Hong Kong. In a bid to preserve the local lifestyle, our department believed that the independence of Hong Kong would be more preferable than other choices.

1) Constructing the sense of identity of Hong Kong nation

Hong Kong nation is not defined by ethnic, origin and the bloodlines. But if an individual recognize and identify themselves, showing willingness to inherit and protect the local culture as well as the core values, will form a part of the Hong Kong nation. Hong Kong nation respect the basic rights and the universal values, regarding the freedom and democracy and the rule of law as the core values, making the citizens proud of the uniqueness of the Cantonese and traditional Chinese characters, recognising the difference between the precious Hong Kong culture and other nations.

Our department promote self-determination by the unit of nation, determining the destiny of Hong Kong after 2047. The construction of sense of identity constitute the pivotal step of preparation for the self-determination. Our department will organise a wide variety of activities in order to boost the sense of belonging towards the Hong Kong nation and encourage discussions and expression of opinions concerning the issues of Hong Kong nation, nation's self-determination and the future development of Hong Kong.

2) Connecting with the international community

The Chinese Communist government has been tyrannizing over decades, eradicating races in East Turkestan and Tibet by intervening with regional national autonomy, destroying freedom of religion and disregarding human rights. Hong Kong has now fallen into its clutches. Using Putonghua as the medium of instruction for teaching the Chinese Language Subject and seeking to implement national education and granting 150 “One-way Permits” daily, the Chinese Communist government attempts to execute cultural assimilation and eliminate the Hong Kong nation by these policies. As the frontline in confronting the reign of terror, we must unite with the nations who are also suppressed to defy the tyrant. In the meantime, we would also connect with the international community and let the world understand the importance of democracy with the situation in Hong Kong. With the coalition of all democratic countries, we shall stop the expansion of this malicious regime together as a whole.

Our stances

On confrontational tactics and legal supports

Our department advocates non-violent resistance, however if the regime does no improvements we will not exclude any forms of resistance against the regime. It is notable that the sacrifice of citizens’ lives is attributed to the neglect of needs by the regime. Therefore our department will not condemn any form of resistance. We promise to make our best endeavours to help every protester and provide assistance, especially on legal assistance to the arrested students.

Tiananmen Square Massacre

The Massacre unveiled the evilness of the Chinese communist regime which is imprinted in many HongKongers. Although the democratisation of China is not among we HongKongers, we should still remember the moral of this historical incident -- oppose the Chinese communist regime. When there is little progress made for both China and Hong Kong’s democratisation, we should first strive for democracy for our nation, but not for China.

Regarding University Chancellor System

Chancellors own the rights of appointing members of both the Court and the Council, and amending the University’s legislation, granted with much power. In fact, members appointed by the CE, especially the Court’s president, are people with no prior experience in the educational field. This poses adverse impact of the University’s decision-making as well as executive efficiency. To protect CityU and other universities’ autonomy and management, our cabinet demands the abolition of making the CE the universities’ chancellor supported by our fellow students through a referendum.

Public Order Ordinance

The government has repeatedly manipulated the Ordinance, established in the colonial period, to suppress the freedom of assembly and of demonstration, and even have the title ‘rioters’ forced on protesters at her will. Joining peaceful assembly is one of our fundamental rights that should not be suppressed by any bad law. Furthermore, there are numerous ambiguous terms in the Ordinance, manipulating such a law is contradicting the rule of law that the government claims to uphold. In fact, the Ordinance was established by the Hong Kong British Government in order to handle the 1967 Leftist Riots yet abolished upon the approval of the Hong Kong Bill of Rights Ordinance. It was made effective again by the Provisional Legislative Council, in which members were elected by only 400 people in Hong

Kong. The Ordinance has been manipulated in recent years as a weapon against the opposition. In view of the bad law, our cabinet urges its abolition.

National Anthem Bill

Since 2015, HongKongers have been booing the national anthem in multiple occasions. The NPCSC figured the urgency of establishing the National Anthem Law. Our cabinet holds the view that the proposed law does not only tighten the freedom of expression, banning people from producing derivative work for expressing their political views, the law also goes against its legislative intention. The incidents of people booing the anthem indicates exactly how they disregard their national identity as a Chinese. According to a 20-year survey conducted by the Centre for Communication and Public Opinion Survey, HongKongers' pride for the anthem has dropped from 54.8% in 2010 to only 36.1% 2016, even lower than that before the handover. Mere legislation can hardly establish a national identity. On the contrary, the Public Opinion Programme reflects that over 80% of respondents identified themselves as HongKongers. Being intervened by China, voicing out for high-degree autonomy, fighting shoulder to shoulder, the HongKonger identity is founded without any need of legislation. Manipulating the National Anthem Law to carry out patriotic education is not only ineffective but also triggering further resistance from HongKongers. We should never be compelled to praise another nation. The Chinese and Hong Kong Communist regime intends to force the Chinese identity on us, killing the Hong Kong nation. Our cabinet objects stiffly to such despicable act.

Regarding Putonghua be used as the medium of instruction for teaching the Chinese Language Subject

Education is a significant part of cultural heritage. Recent educational policies, yet, have been posing threats to our Hong Kong culture. The policies of using Putonghua as the medium of instruction for teaching the Chinese Language Subject and deleting listening and speaking papers (using Cantonese) in the Chinese public exam are causing huge controversy. Regarding using Putonghua as the medium of instruction for teaching the Chinese Language Subject, its teaching efficiency is doubted. Putonghua is not the mother tongue of most Hong Kong students. Using Putonghua as the medium of instruction for teaching the Chinese Language Subject impacts students' acquisition of subject knowledge. It is said that Putonghua is more similar with modern Hanyu which improves students' Chinese proficiency. In fact, as a spoken language, Putonghua is not comparable to written Hanyu. After all, language proficiency requires constant practice of reading and writing. When students cannot even understand thoroughly in a foreign language, let alone improve their language proficiency. Another controversial policy would be deleting listening and speaking papers in the Chinese public exam. The government recognises that Cantonese is the mother tongue of most students. Hence, their proficiency need not be taught with governmental resources. Yet, conducting daily conversations differs with conducting critical analysis in Cantonese which is tested in public exams. If students' manipulation of Cantonese is near perfect, the HKEAA would not have been criticising their performance all these years. The government's multiple attempts at removing Cantonese elements from our educational system without sound reasoning arouses suspicion of her intention. Our cabinet believes that as Hong Kong nation's common language, Cantonese secures a place in our culture. Apart from allowing students to learn Cantonese through formal education, we should also protect Cantonese's status by promoting Cantonese as a written language so that it could be passed on also in written form.

Same sex marriage and LGBT's rights

Hong Kong is named as an open and international financial centre yet she is far from accepting in terms of LGBTQ+ rights. The recent loss in judicial review of homosexual marriage, in contrast with Taiwanese same-sex marriage legislation, is a wake-up call for HongKongers to reflect on local LGBTQ+ movements. In pursuit of liberty and justice, our cabinet believes the right to self-determination of every individual in society should be protected, including marriage rights. Hence, the LGBTQ+ community should also enjoy the rights to get married. In the recent same-sex marriage judicial review, a judge states that Hong Kong is still split on this issue. At the same time, however, the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights incorporated in local legislation protects that everyone should not be discriminated against. In order that the public can understand more about the LGBTQ+ community, the government should incorporate LGBTQ+ knowledge into our sex education so that students of this community can develop a clearer sense of their sexuality with a little less confusion in their course of development; the public can gain adequate knowledge for their consideration of same-sex marriage legislation in the future; and lessen discrimination stemming from misunderstanding. Furthermore, the government should also legislate on sexual orientation discrimination to protect LGBTQ+ rights, reinforcing local human rights protection and developing a truly open international hub.

The other political stances

Regarding disqualification of legislators and candidates

The 'small circle election', functional constituencies and the vote-bidding will bring detrimental effect to the Hong Kong's democracy. In the Legislative Council election, the Hong Kong government would enlarge its political power insofar as dequalification of the candidates and the petition to the court requesting the disqualification of the Legislative Council elected candidates. In the upcoming District Council Election in 2019, Joshua Wong Tsz-Fung who have applied for South Horizons West is the first disqualified candidate. Hong Kong has been an electoral authoritarian regime. Our department is determined to protect the right to elect and be elected, strongly object to the government's unjust disqualification. As regard to the ineffective election system, our department believed that election should not be the only way to fight for democracy.

Events

Making the short version of social issues and discourses, and stands

We will adopt the status of 'Executive Committee of Student Union' to make the declaration to express our stance on social issues. We will also make the short version of those complicated social issues and discourses, in order to enable our students to have a better understanding of related issues.

Participation of social campaign

As it is our responsibility to enhance the public concern of public affairs and the society, we plan to street booths to promote and info those social issues. We will also participate in social demonstrations including 1 July protest and LGBT social movements

Hong Kong Higher Institutions International Affairs Delegation (HKIAD)

We will continue the work in Hong Kong International Affairs Delegation (HKIAD), which includes meeting leaders around the globe, NGOs and experts, and holding activities locally, like forums, assemblies and street booths in order to mobilise international support against the Chinese Communist manipulation.

Forums

Hong Kong is in the critical movement of history now, and substantial controversies have been arose, Hong Kong seems to have a bleak future. We will invite different guests and scholars to discuss those important issues like the future of Hong Kong. We hope the forums can bring up the atmosphere of discussion on the campus, and find out a new path for the society.

Human library and exhibition

As a diverse society, there are different kinds of people in Hong Kong. With a view to enhancing the understanding of the diversity of society and tighering the connection between the students and society, we will invite different kinds of persons who have a deep stereotype in the society. We hope it can reduce the misundering between the students and the minority and build up the trust at community.

Cantonese music festival and busking

As Hong Kong is facing the cultural invasion from China, we will definitely protect our local culture with no doubt. Music as an essential component of the culture construction, we will hold a Cantonese music festival and invite the local musicians and rappers to perform in the university. We hope it can enhance the understanding and interest of local music industry to the students.

The blood donation week

Hong Kong's blood bank is in constant shortage. Donating blood is the civil responsibility of people with a healthy body. The blood donation week provides venues inside the campus for blood donation in a hope to make blood donation more convenient and incentivise students in this regard. It is hoped that our fellow students would understand the value of every bag of blood collected, fulfil their civil responsibility and commit themselves to helping people.

