



香港城市大學
City University of Hong Kong



CityU
EXCELLENCE

Foreword

Every student is a rising star with unique learning experiences and distinctive expertise.

This collection of student profiles highlights the diversity of talent developed in a range of signature programmes organised by City University of Hong Kong (CityU) encompassing areas such as arts and culture, internship and mentorship, scholarship and service-learning, as well as sportsmanship.

CityU is committed to nurturing the talent of every student, helping them achieve their potential across the boundaries and become our future innovators, creative entrepreneurs, business leaders, educators and researchers.

As life in today's world changes ever more rapidly, CityU students take the initiative and seize every learning opportunities they encounter, becoming more agile and flexible in their approach to life. By collaborating in multi-disciplinary and cross-cultural environments, our students possess subject knowledge, international outlook and the ability to address the complexities of modern life.

Embracing the notions of engagement, fulfilment and enrichment, we recognise that our students need to develop themselves outside the boundaries of their discipline and reach the fullness of their potential. For this reason, students are encouraged to undertake internships, engage with service opportunities in society, develop an appreciation of arts and culture, and push themselves to their limits in sports.

We hope you enjoy discovering the students' stories we have selected in this booklet!



About CityU

Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings is one of the most authoritative university rankings in the world. CityU's 2020 ranking signals our commitment to our students, academic staff and international research. These metrics help us grow and improve ourselves creating a more robust institution.

Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) World University Rankings



* Also ranked #19 in Asia.

Quacquarelli Symonds (QS) Graduate Employability Rankings



* Also ranked #19 in Asia and #2 in Hong Kong.

ARTS & CULTURE



*Collaboration
and
creativity*



Collaboration and creativity

Our students have an opportunity to witness, experience, and engage in arts and culture from around the world. The CityU Arts Festival provides an immersive experience that nurtures an appreciation of the creative arts. The festival is a vibrant showcase of concerts and musical performances by students and professional artists. Participating in the festival, whether as an attendee, performer, event organiser or as part of a production team, provides CityU students with a creative outlet. The world today demands constant innovation and the need to be creative has never been more important.

CityU Musical

Theatre is all about collaboration, creativity and problem-solving. The annual production of a Broadway musical sees students transform themselves on stage and is a highlight of the CityU Arts Festival. From self-confidence to communication skills and emotional intelligence, all are at play on the stage.

CityU Harmonica

Dedicated and passionate, the CityU Harmonica proves that hard work pays off. Just a year after its formation in 2017, the amateur group was named first runner-up in the Seoul International Harmonica Festival (Orchestra category).

Isaac Han

 Bachelor of Arts in English Studies, Final Year 



Collaboration creates success

"I feel I walk tall and confident from all my experience with musical productions, mastering a whole range of skills from developing my voice, building confidence, collaborating with a diverse group of people, and developing my creativity. Every stage production is a product of teamwork from the musicians, actors, and stage crew to the technicians; we all come together to craft our product to create a great performance. Each time we perform, we are making improvements and refining every aspect of our performance. I transfer this approach to my academic studies and my work experience, constantly seeking ways to improve my performance in all areas of my life."

★ Main cast member of CityU Musical 2018 - Footloose

★ Main cast member of CityU Musical 2017 - Grease



Jenny Zhou

 Bachelor of Engineering in Energy Science and Engineering, Year 3 



Connecting creativity across art and science

"I see success as a product of creativity, be that in my role as a musician playing the Erhu, as the Vice President of the Chinese Orchestra at CityU, or in my studies in Energy Science and Engineering. All these roles require commitment and passion to create something fresh and unique. I love taking traditional Chinese culture and music and finding a new understanding or approach, which is exactly what I need to do in my studies."

★ Vice President of the CityU Chinese Orchestra



The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships
Presentation Ceremony and Graduation Dinner
香港賽馬會獎學金頒授典禮及畢業晚宴2018



Nurturing Compassionate Leaders
培育關愛社會領袖



Kate Lee

 Bachelor of Business Administration in Information Management, Year 3 



Leadership brings together talent

"I needed courage and determination to become the first President of CityU Harmonica, having never played the harmonica before. I was inspired by a poster on campus and within one year I had learnt to play harmonica and brought together the first executive committee, organising our debut annual stage performance at CityU. CityU Harmonica now celebrates its success with performances in Hong Kong and at international competitions. I hope our success can inspire others to discover their full potential in all that they do."

 President of CityU Harmonica



INTERNSHIP & MENTORSHIP



No substitute for workplace experience



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Our students have a real understanding of the workplace and their chosen industries through CityU's internship and mentorship programmes. Our partners span industry sectors, exposing our students to local as well as international corporations where they learn to apply their knowledge to the complex challenges businesses face today and learn what good leadership truly looks like. CityU students emerge knowing exactly what their career aspirations are and how to achieve them with inside knowledge and guidance from their managers and mentors.

Global Work Attachment Programme (GWAP)

In addition to local placements in Hong Kong, CityU offers opportunities for placements across Asia, Europe and Australia. Our students come away with more independence, confidence, flexibility and, of course, a more positive approach to challenges, a more nuanced understanding of different cultures, and a stronger ability to communicate.

Executive Mentoring Programme

CityU students learn, from a very personal exchange, the vision and values of senior business executives. This very individualised approach gives our students a strong professional voice which they are able to establish solid professional networks as well as connecting with clients and colleagues in both work and non-professional environments.

Tim Chung

 Bachelor of Business Administration in Global Business Systems Management, Final Year 



Challenge builds resilience

"My resilience to deal with the many varied demands at work has grown hugely. Faced with a setback I realise I can learn from this experience and get straight back to work with renewed energy, ideas and insight. I just didn't want to let any opportunity pass me by, so during my internship with the Deloitte Foundation, I stepped up and spoke out to express myself in all manner of situations. I've also travelled on exchange and internship placements overseas to understand the world from other perspectives and have a better understanding of my own culture."



Daria Kaneva

 Bachelor of Social Sciences in Public Policy and Politics, Year 3 



Clarity and motivation lead to success

"Getting honest feedback during my internship with the Compliance Team at Barclays, as well as in my role as Secretary General of the Model United Nations at CityU has helped me develop a more realistic approach to work. Being the best is not just about one person but about the client, the team, the management and finding the right balance in the mix. I now have a much stronger belief in myself and my abilities and I realise how much I enjoy the career I've chosen to pursue. I can't wait to get started and make my contribution."



Reese Wang

 Bachelor of Business Administration in Business Economics, Year 3 



Practical engagement reaps rewards

"The Executive Mentoring Programme helped me question myself and what I'm looking for in my career. Having the opportunity to ask questions and tap into my mentor's experience was so helpful in shaping my career goals, so I now know exactly what I want to achieve. Together with my internship in Sydney, Australia as part of the Global Work Attachment Programme, I've a better understanding of what employers are looking for: someone who can analyse situations and come up with effective solutions to grow the business. Being an integral part of the team and not just handling routine office duties has truly helped me focus on creating real outcomes for clients, ensuring I deliver to the best of my abilities."



SCHOLARSHIP

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Where talent excels

CityU offers an extensive range of financial support to ensure the best talent achieves the best results. Offering scholarships and prizes in recognition of student achievement, more than 3,800 awards are given to CityU students annually, totalling in excess of HK\$124 million a year. The majority of these are in recognition of academic achievement such as the prestigious Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarships while CityU also recognises non-academic achievement in areas including sports, leadership and community service, for example the Hang Seng Community Service Scholarships. We understand students need more than just financial support and so our awardees receive training in leadership, social networking skills as well as professional development opportunities.

Golden Key Club

CityU scholarship awardees are supported beyond just the immediate financial concerns. We take our top talent further with a range of professional development opportunities as part of CityU's Golden Key Club where alumni, industry professionals, and specialist trainers pass on first-hand the skills set needed in order to excel.

Kiki Hung

Bachelor of Arts in Translation and Interpretation, Final Year



Determination proves inspirational

"The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarship gives me the opportunity to fulfil my ambition to break stereotypes in society. I want to break the stereotype that those with a disability only need assistance with their disability, the truth is that we can make a significant contribution to society. I've a rare neuromuscular disease and this scholarship means I'm able to buy the necessary equipment to enable my studies. Being a scholarship recipient, I've the opportunity to meet some inspiring speakers such as the first Hong Kong woman to climb to the summit of Mount Everest. Meeting such compelling role models drives me on to make an impact on how people live their lives."

★ The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarship Scheme - Undergraduate Scholarship for Students with SEN



Casey Chung

 Bachelor of Arts in Media and Communication, Final Year 



Leadership and dynamic communication

"I now find a balance between working on my major, Media and Communication, and developing my other skills, of which my primary focus is dance and communicating through movement with the CityU Dance Society. The CityU Scholarship for Hong Kong Talents has enabled me to pursue both of these. I believe true communication is not about being right but about getting your point across in a way that people truly listen to your ideas. It takes skill to be able to do that in either speech or dance. The Dance Society and the Golden Key Club both help me develop myself in this way."

★ CityU Scholarship for Hong Kong Talents - Institutional Scholarship



Tobbie Leung

 Bachelor of Engineering in Bioengineering, Final Year 



Curiosity leads to new discoveries

"My studies have been enhanced immeasurably by my scholarship, opening up both my study area and my vision for myself. A component of the Innovation and Technology Scholarship is my mentor who helped me prepare for my study exchange to Sweden. In Sweden, and also in London on my recent exchange programme, I met fellow scholars from a host of different countries and I've returned to Hong Kong with many new ideas for my studies and service project at CityU. I've to say I feel renewed with greater passion and energy for my work, inspired by the different approaches to my study. What I have witnessed overseas helped me look at my own work with a more critical eye."

★ Innovation and Technology Scholarship



SERVICE- LEARNING



Making a difference



Making a difference

CityU students have a clearer understanding of society and themselves through service-learning experiences in the CityU community and the community at large. They gain a new perspective on society connecting their learning to real-life lessons learned through community service. CityU students explore their personal motivation, develop critical thinking to resolve real-world problems and come to see social issues from a new perspective. To date, our students have delivered over 10,000 service hours in Hong Kong as well as over 2,000 hours overseas. Interacting with people from very different backgrounds develops our students' patience and empathy. In order to have an impact on the world, they develop their teamwork and decision making skills.

Servant Leadership Training Programme

CityU's Servant Leadership Training Programme instils a positive attitude and a service-driven mind-set. By developing their team building and leadership skills, students learn how to effectively plan and implement service programmes that have an impact. As they progress through their university life towards graduation, their skills set grows and they transit to senior leader, manager or director positions on service projects.

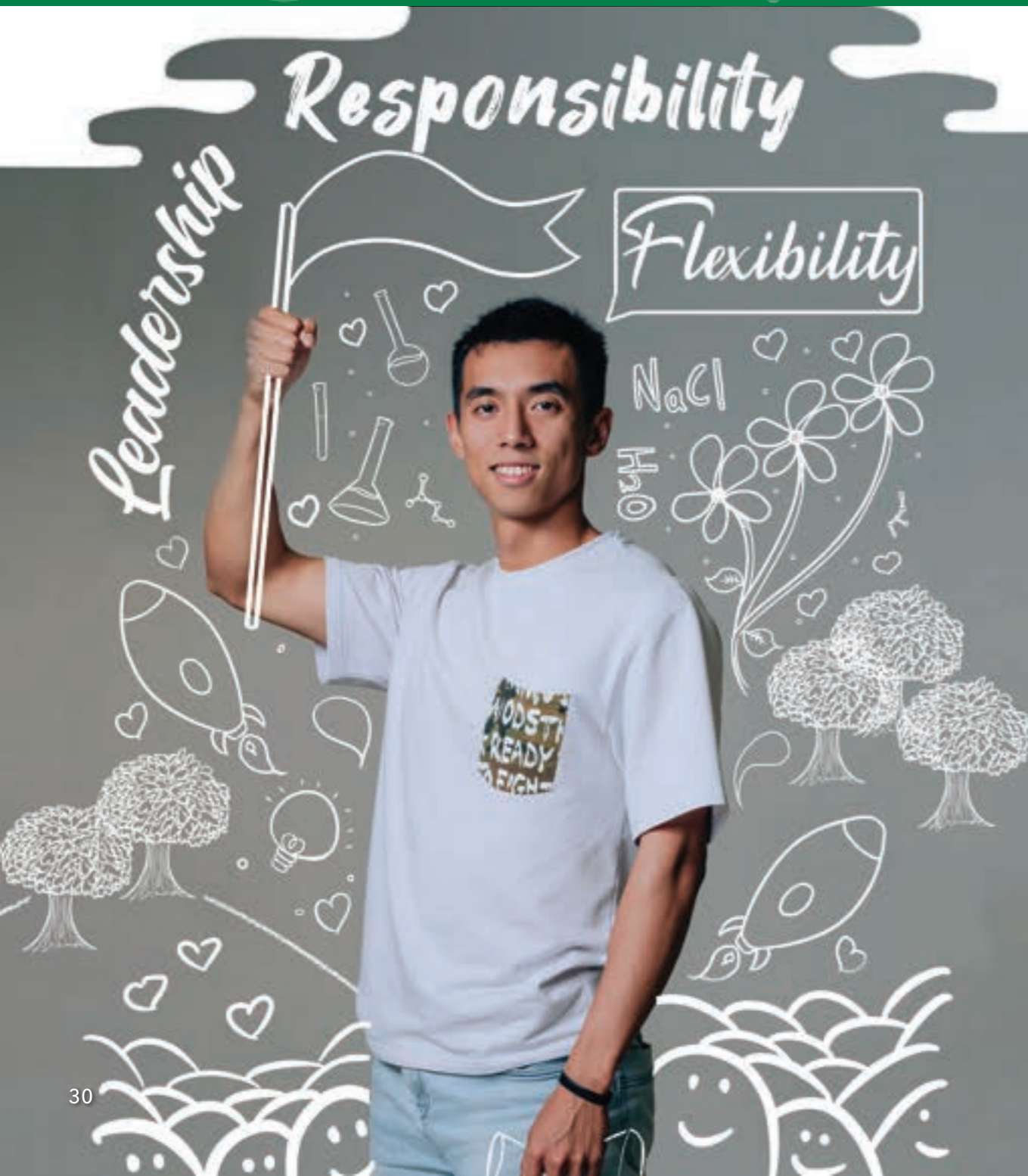
Chow Kin

 Bachelor of Science in Chemistry, Final Year 



Leadership begins with a serving heart

"Working for and helping others compels you to look at issues from different perspectives. Working on the Servant Leadership Training Programme puts you alongside people other than your friendship group and family; meeting service users, social workers, and health professionals. Collaborating with all these stakeholders takes patience and diplomacy, something I have had to develop in my work on programmes helping the elderly and low-income families as well as my work as a global volunteer in Nepal after the 2015 earthquake. In fact, I received the Hang Seng Community Service Scholarship this year for my volunteer work, which has encouraged me to continue to develop my skills recognising social issues, understanding others and evaluating how we should respond to these."



Tommy Tang

 Bachelor of Business Administration in Finance, Year 3 



Learning through service

"Working on the Service Leadership Training Programme, I've developed my managerial skills, and IT skills for developing websites for NGOs across Hong Kong. From managing a budget and listening to stakeholders, to deploying resources and manpower, I've learnt what it takes to be a true leader. And if I find I don't have the necessary skills, I quickly acquire them. I was thrilled to receive the Hang Seng Community Service Scholarship in recognition of over 300 hours of voluntary service in Hong Kong and Nepal."



Tristan Lau

 Bachelor of Business Administration in Management, Final Year 



Emotional intelligence triumphs

"I pride myself in seeking out opportunities rather than just waiting for events to unfold and I look to anticipate the needs of others. Working on the Student Ambassador Programme at CityU is a case in point, where I had to think on my feet when hosting visitors to the university, responding to questions and being personable whilst projecting a professional image at all times. I've also learned to develop my voice and how I project the right image in my experience emceeing events at CityU, including the Employers' Luncheon and the Opening Ceremony of National Museum (Taiwan) Exhibition."



SPORTSMANSHIP



Pushing the limits



Pushing the limits

While CityU students excel in their academic achievements, sports play a part in shaping their character. Participation in sports and competitions boost motivation and energy, helping to find the balance between physical and mental development. CityU has an impressive track record in its sporting achievements, winning the Grand Slam in the Inter-Collegiate Sports Competition of the University Sports Federation of Hong Kong, China (USFHK) for nine times. CityU is upping its game to promote physical wellbeing across campus with the Wellness for All campaign comprising workshops, fitness assessments and outdoor pursuits. CityU students develop discipline and time management skills in practising their chosen sport and overcome setbacks with a positive attitude to strive harder. Sports, ultimately, are all about teamwork, which gives an individual a sense of identity whilst contributing to the group.

CityU Sports Teams

With a wide variety of physical activities that push participants in team and individual sports, CityU is a leader in competitive sporting events, winning the overall first runner-up in the Inter-Collegiate Sports Competition 2018/19 of USFHK. Recruited from students across campus with a sporting talent, more than 300 athletes in 16 sports compete in inter-collegiate and international events.

Sports Ambassador Programme

CityU Sports Ambassadors are recruited from our sports teams and develop their leadership and coaching skills through promoting sports within the wider community, providing sports training to primary and secondary school students, and under-privileged groups.

Quintus Kilbourn

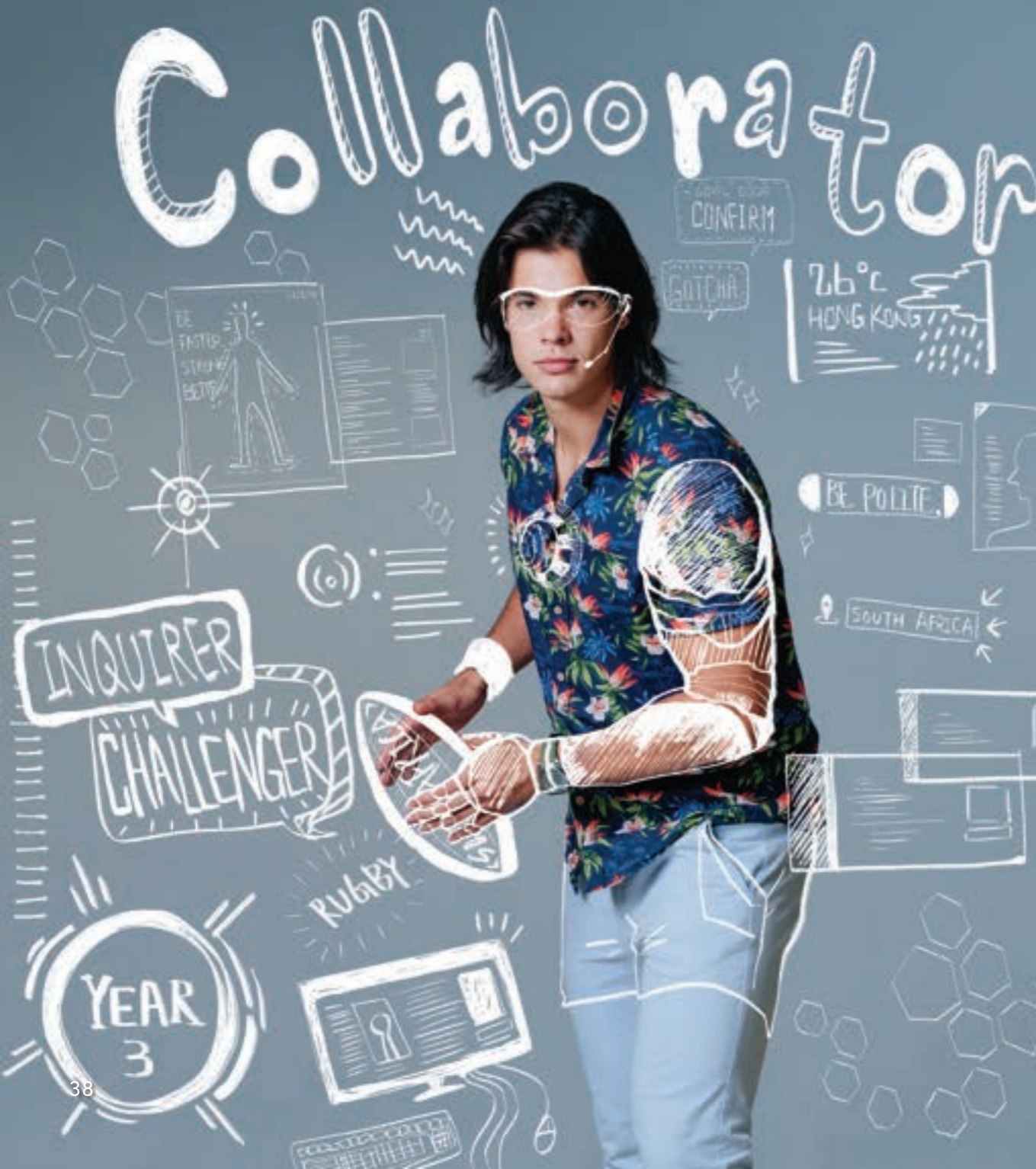
 Bachelor of Science in Computer Science, Year 3 



Inquisitiveness and collaboration get top score

"I'm deeply curious about the world and I'm always looking out for new experiences, which is one of the reasons why I love playing on the CityU Men's Rugby Sevens Team. I've played rugby since I was five and every time you step onto the field you never know what to expect. Receiving the Sports Scholarship for Non-local Students gave me the opportunity to leave my home in South Africa and live and study in a new culture here at CityU in Hong Kong."

"Quintus exhibits both strength and skill out on the pitch and is a key player and the starter of the team. He combines dedication, commitment and a strong respect for his teammates." - CityU Rugby Sevens Team's Coach



Francis Li

 Bachelor of Social Sciences in Criminology & Sociology, Year 3 



Skills save the game

"I've played many sports throughout my life, but as the goalkeeper of CityU's Women's Soccer Team, I am improving so many skills. I've enhanced my communication skills, as our team comprises students studying different subjects and from different countries, effective communication is a must. I've strengthened my leadership skills, as I need to give instructions to my teammates and gain their trust. I've improved my time-management skills, as I have to find a balance between my academic and sports commitments. And I've refined my listening skills, as it is essential to be open to receiving feedback from your teammates and coach in order to reflect on your own performance. The Student Athlete Admissions Scheme at CityU has helped me keep my passion alive and contribute to our team winning the champion in the Inter-Collegiate Women's Soccer Competition 2018/19, organised by USFHK."

"It's a joy to witness Francis' outstanding goal-keeping skills. She contributed to CityU's success in the USFHK this year, saving all three penalty shoot outs. She absolutely deserves the champion status." - CityU Women's Soccer Team's Coach



Poon Sheung Hei

 Bachelor of Science in Surveying, Year 2 



Endurance wins through

"When studying and playing sports, I've learned to be determined and build my resilience to overcome any obstacles or challenges. In fact, I'm actually studying my second degree at CityU in order to pursue my dream job as a surveyor. As the captain of CityU's Men's Table Tennis Team, I need to be the best at my sport but I also need those executive skills to deal with the administration of the team, mediating between different opinions within the team to get the best out of the team."

"I can see that Sheung Hei's effort has really paid off. He often says a win is never guaranteed so you must always work hard and try your best." - CityU Table Tennis Team's Coach





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