

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
Office of University General Education
Criteria for SDG-related voluntary activity requirement of the SDG Study Scheme

There are a wide range of altruistic activities and community services on and off CUHK campus. To be counted as an SDG-related Voluntary Activity (SDG-VA), seven criteria are proposed as follows:

- (i) The activity is able to respond to at least one of the 17 SDGs.
- (ii) The activity is organized/co-organized/funded/supported by a CUHK unit, the HKSAR government or a creditable non-governmental organization. For student-initiated activities, a teaching staff has to serve as the activity advisor and document the proof of the students' involvement.
- (iii) The activity can be any form of volunteering except any activity in which a student is involved for curriculum-required internship or credit-bearing placement.
- (iv) The activity is participated by students on voluntarily basis without any kind of monetary reward (e.g., stipend or salary). Acceptance of small amounts of transportation and/or meal allowance is negotiable.
- (v) The total service hours (i.e., actual contact with beneficiaries or problems at hand) should be at least 26 hours, which excludes pre-service planning and post-service evaluation and reporting.
- (vi) The activity should be demonstrated to have a given number of immediate beneficiaries as well as a potentially wider impact on the community or society.
- (vii) Upon fulfillment of the above requirements, the student concerned is required to submit a reflection paper, articulating the relevance of the project to one or more SDGs, their learning experience and gains, as well as the impact of their project in at least 500 words (English) / 800 words (Chinese) through Blackboard.

The Committee on Sustainability Education reserves the right of interpretation and revision of the content hereinabove.

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