



香港資優教育學院  
The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education

## Future Curator Training Course

*Co-organised by the HKAGE & Hong Kong Museum of History*

Programme Code: HUM4751



### Overview

Future Curator Training Course is designed for secondary students with good potential or performance in studying history to help them reinforce their knowledge and realize their potential. The training aims to enhance students' knowledge in the operations of a museum and enable them to make use of various resources to design docent services. After finishing the course, the students should be able to organize others students and teachers to visit museum exhibitions and provide docent services.



### Objectives

1. To enhance students' interest and understanding in history and culture;
2. To enhance students' skills in studying cultural objects, analyzing and managing materials, creations and communications.
3. To enable students to observe the services and operations of a museum on site, and apply the knowledge they have learned to design a tour and the contents of a docent service;
4. To enable students' understanding of a curator's work, skills and knowledge;
5. To provide onsite training and off-campus learning opportunities for students.

## Contents

### Day 1, Early May (Saturday)

Time	Theme	Mode	Venue	Speaker or instructor
a.m. (1.5 hours)	Arrangement for school visits (docent training)	Explanation	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	The representative of the Hong Kong Museum of History

### Day 2, 13 July (Tuesday)

Time	Theme	Mode	Venue	Speaker or instructor
9:30 – 10:00a.m.	Introduction	Explanation	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Representative of HKAGE
10:00 – 11:00a.m.	Experience sharing: skills and duties of a docent	Seminar	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Experienced docent
11:00am-12:45p.m.	Visit & experience sharing: The story about Hong Kong	Visit	Exhibition Hall, Hong Kong Museum of History	Experienced docent
12:45 – 2:15p.m.	Lunch			
2:15 – 3:45p.m.	Museum Overview -functions -activities and services -daily operations	Explanation & visit	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Extension Services Unit, Hong Kong Museum of History

### Day 3, 15 July (Thursday)

Time	Theme	Mode	Venue	Speaker or instructor
9:30 – 10:00a.m.	Introduction	Explanation	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Extension Services Unit
10:00– 11:30a.m.	Seminar: Museum docent service	Brief talk & exchange	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Education Unit
11:30a.m. –12:30p m.	Preparation of course completion assignment (design the route and contents of docent service for an exhibition entitled “the story about Hong Kong”)	Group discussion	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Extension Services Unit
12:30p.m. – 2:00p.m.	Lunch			
2:00– 3:30p.m.	Organizing exhibition: e.g. cheongsam exhibition (to be confirmed)	Seminar & visit	Activity Room and Exhibition Hall, Hong Kong Museum of History	Natural History Unit

### Day 4, 20 July (Tuesday)

Time	Theme	Mode	Venue	Speaker or instructor
9:30 – 10:00a.m.	Introduction	Explanation	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Extension Services Unit
10:30 - 12:30p.m. (Starting off from HK Museum of History at 10 a.m., leaving HK Heritage Discovery Centre at 12:30 p.m.)	Archaeology and Cultural Objects, About Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre	Workshop & explanation	Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre	The Education Activities Team, Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre
12:45p.m. – 2:00p.m.	Lunch			
2:15 – 3:45p.m.	Restoration of cultural objects	Visit & activity	Conservation Laboratory, Hong Kong Museum of History	Central Conservation Section

### Day 5, 22 July (Thursday)

Time	Theme	Mode	Venue	Speaker or instructor
9:30 – 10:00a.m.	Introduction	Explanation	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Extension Services Unit
10:00a.m. – 12:30p.m.	Preparation of course completion assignment (student group should submit the information about the route and contents of its docent service, and practice on site)	Exchange & preparation	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Extension Services Unit
12:30 – 2:00 p.m.	Lunch			
2:15 – 3:45p.m.	Collection management	Visit & activity	Collection Management Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Collection Management Unit
3:45 – 5:00p.m.	The sharing of curator's working experience	Brief talk & exchange	Activity Room, Hong Kong Museum of History	Curator (Education & Promotion), Hong Kong Museum of History



## Individual or Group Practice and Course Completion Ceremony

Students should design the route and contents of their docent services for an exhibition entitled “the story about Hong Kong” and practice their docent services at the Exhibition Hall of the Museum on **10 August and/or 17 August**. The students should assess their own docent services and those of other students.

Students (individual or in group) should organize together with their schools a group of 20-40 students and teachers to visit the Museum **between October and November** after the school term begins. They should design a one-hour route for docent service, make preparation for the visit at school or the Museum, conduct the docent service, and assist the teachers in making a concluding summary at school or the Museum. The staff of the Museum and experienced docents will assess the performances of the students.

The course completion ceremony is scheduled for **early December (Saturday)** at the Hong Kong Museum of History.

**Venue:** Hong Kong Museum of History/ Hong Kong Heritage Discovery Centre

**No. of students:** 24

**No. of Hours:** 60 hrs.: lessons (28 hrs.), docent training (August – 12 hrs.), school visits (including preparations, docent service and summary – 20 hrs)

**Award:** Certificates will be awarded to students who have completed the course and all assignments.

### Requirements

- ❖ Preference will be given to students who are in S4 or above and are members (Humanities) of the HKAGE or members of the Support Measures for the Exceptionally Gifted Students;
- ❖ The participant should:
  - be inquisitive and interested in studying history;
  - have good language and verbal skills;
  - be a keen learner who is creative, responsible, perseverant, communicative and cooperative;
  - be interested in museum work;
  - be able to attend all the activities and complete the practical trainings as required.

### Application & Result Announcement

- ❖ The application form is available at <http://www.hkage.org.hk>.
- ❖ Please submit the fully completed application form to the HKAGE by post or fax (2490 4730) on or before **7 Apr 2010 (Wednesday)**. Late application will not be entertained.
- ❖ Application results will be announced through the website of the HKAGE after **5 p.m. on 9 April 2010 (Friday)**. **No notification by other means will be given to successful applicants.**
- ❖ Successful applicants should download the **Confirmation Slip** from the website and return the fully completed Slip to the HKAGE by fax on or before **14 April 2010 (Wednesday)**.
- ❖ For enquiries, please contact Miss Chu at 3698 3503.