



Jointly organised with the Consumer Council

A Day in the Life of a Researcher - Product Testing

Hosted by Experienced Consumer Education Officer(s) of
Consumer Council



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Application Deadline
14 Aug 2023 12:00 noon

Result Release
17 Aug 2023

Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the programme, members should be able to:

1. explain the outline of product testing, survey and research work;
2. acquire observational, analytic and problem-solving skills to execute product testing requiring meticulous planning, data collection and analysis; and
3. gain hands-on product testing experience under the guidance and be exposed to pursue scientific careers.



◆ Introduction

This course is intended to provide student members with an understanding of the daily duties of the research professional at the Consumer Council (Council). The first session covers an interactive introduction to conceiving and carrying out fair objective and unbiased experiments in conjunction with product testing for CHOICE, the Council's flagship publication. Student members will work in small groups to plan simple scientific experiment for a particular product and provide simulated consumer recommendations or salient consumer alerts. They will be guided to work on a PowerPoint presentation on their findings and outstanding works will be showcased on various promotion channels of the Consumer Council.

As product testing at the Council sometimes requires the use of laboratory equipment or chemical experiments to obtain critical data, the second session will take student members on a tour to an accredited laboratory that is commissioned to conduct product testing for the Council to unveil the mystery behind experiments and ultimately pique students' interest in pursuing scientific careers.

This programme is under collaboration with the Consumer Council.

◆ Schedule

Session	Date	Time	Venue
1	29 August 2023 (Tuesday)	09:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m.	Room 403 The Hong Kong Academy for Gifted Education Sha Kok Estate, Shatin, N.T. (Location)
2	30 August 2023 (Wednesday)	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Intertek Hong Kong 2/F, Garment Centre 576 Castle Peak Road Kowloon

◆ Target Participants

- P4 – P6 HKAGE student members in 2022/23 school year only
- Class size: 30
- Student members would be selected randomly by the computer system. The decision of HKAGE on the result of the selection should be final.

◆ Pre-requisite

No special prerequisites are needed.

◆ About the Consumer Council

Consumer Council is committed to safeguarding consumer rights. The Council's Research and Survey Division regularly conducts a multitude of tests on consumer products to provide unbiased comparative test results to help consumers make rational choices, to alert them to product hazards and to induce improvements in product quality and safety.

◆ Medium of Instruction

Cantonese with Chinese handouts

◆ Certificate

An e-Certificate will be awarded to participants who have:

- completed all sessions; AND
- completed the assignment with satisfactory performance.

Participants completed the assignment will receive an "Eco food bag" from the Consumer Council as a reward.



◆ Enquiries



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