

Accounting Scholars Programme (ASP) & Executive Mentoring Scheme (EMS) Shanghai Expo Study Tour

Day 1:
Check-in at the
Swan Hotel Shanghai

ASP & EMS



Day 2:
Attending classes at the
Shanghai University of
Finance and Economics
(SUFE)



Shanghai

Day 3:
Visiting the Expo

EXPO



Day 4:
Oriental Pearl TV
Tower & QiuPing
Restaurant tour



Study

Day 5:
Volkswagen
factory plant visit

Tour

Day 6:
PricewaterhouseCoopers
(PwC) firm visit



Day 7:
Returning home



My favorite pavilion ...

China Pavilion – The "Riverside Scene at Qingming Festival" video show was amazing!

(Wu Cheuk In, BBAAC)

Spanish Pavilion – The electronically animated giant baby; 6.5 meters tall, breathing and blinking.

(Mr David Yip, AC Undergraduate Coordinator)

Most memorable moment

The visit to Volkswagen's factory; its mass production is really economical and marvellous!

(Wu Sisi, BBAAC)

The happy sharing with teachers and elite students.

(Ng Hon Nung, BBAACW)

The "tea" dinner at QiuPing Restaurant with uniquely designed dishes!

(Su Rui, BBAACW)

2010



Fun-filled Summer Camp with Mentors

June is an exciting month for AC students: examinations have finished and bright and sunny summer days await. After a year of hard work, our students deserve a break, so the Department organized a day camp for students on June 12, 2010 at Lady MacLehose Holiday Village in Sai Kung Country Park.

Lady MacLehose Holiday Village lies amid beautiful natural scenery, and is an ideal location for a day camp. The camp provided a valuable opportunity for Executive Mentoring Scheme (EMS) and Accounting Scholars Programme (ASP) mentees to meet their mentors socially, and to build relationships with them through a series of indoor and outdoor activities that were exciting and fun. 43 mentees and 8 mentors joined the event.

Outdoor Fun

The mild weather was perfect for an outing. Students were eager to engage in the outdoor activities available at the camp site. The boys just loved playing on the basketball and tennis court, and would probably have jumped in the pool if they had had their swimming trunks. There was also archery, which was very popular among the students. However, many who tried it found that their arms ached afterwards, as drawing the bow string requires great strength!

Indoor Breeze

Indoor activities were also extremely popular. Students gathered in the indoor badminton court, playing games with their mentors or challenging each other. There was also a karaoke group and a squash team. It was a wonderful day for both students and mentors: they got to relax, enjoy some leisure time, gather with their friends, and meet each other.

Executive Mentoring Scheme (EMS)

- 1-year scheme
- Primarily for Year 2 students
- Each mentee is assigned an external mentor

Accounting Scholars Programme (ASP)

- Established in 1999
- 2-year programme (2nd and 3rd year)
- Each ASP member is assigned an internal mentor and a professional mentor
- All ASP members are required to undertake a series of well-structured professional development trainings



麥理浩夫人度假村
Lady MacLehose Holiday Village





Out of Classroom Activities

Students Express Gratitude for Mentors' Guidance

On 3rd December 2009, a special Thanksgiving Dinner was organised to demonstrate appreciation for the contributions made by the mentors who took part in last year's Executive Mentoring Scheme (EMS). The dinner also served as an opportunity for forthcoming mentees to meet and chat with their mentors, and to get ready to fully participate in this fruitful programme.



The atmosphere at the dinner was relaxed, and the mentors and mentees had a good time

The EMS is one of the many ongoing initiatives of the Department. This popular year-long scheme, which has now been running for four years, offers students the opportunity to engage in comprehensive mentoring activities with practising accounting professionals. Student mentees are shortlisted, interviewed and selected carefully to ensure they have the desired attitude and level of commitment, whilst all mentors are experienced accounting elites with extensive mentoring experience.



Participation in the EMS is a great way to learn, network and gain a real-world perspective

The magic match between mentor and mentee really does help the latter to grow professionally. Most of the 2009 mentors and graduating mentees attended the Thanksgiving Dinner, during which they celebrated the year's accomplishments. At the same time, the forthcoming mentees had the opportunity to communicate actively with their future mentors and obtain the latest industry updates.



Yi Diandian (right) and her mentor Season Cheng (center) with another mentee

Yi Diandian, a year-2 BBAAC student, considers the year-long experience with her mentor to have been a fruitful one. "My mentor Season Cheng, a Big 4 practitioner, has shared many memorable moments with me. We have visited the Big 4 office; we have jointly organised karaoke activities with other mentors; and we have even gone cruising with other mentors on a yacht. These are all very memorable events for me, and Season is now part of my circle", said Diandian.

Cheryl Tai, Season's new mentee in the 2010 EMS, cannot wait to kick-off the mentoring scheme: "People who have participated in the scheme have all recommended that I take part, and I have realised that this really is a golden



Cheryl Tai, a 2010 EMS mentee, joined the scheme to expand her professional network

opportunity for me to establish a network with practising accountants. Not only will these mentors share some of their insights about the industry with us, but they will also act as guardians who will help us to grow professionally in our careers and develop better personalities."

BBQ Gathering Connects Students and Business Elite

The Department organised a weekend beachside BBQ on 6 June 2009 in Siu Lam, Tuen Mun. Over 60 students and business elites attended this joyful activity.

The BBQ was just a part of the plentiful activities that the Executive Mentoring Scheme (EMS) offered to its students.

Organised by the Department, the EMS offers invaluable chances for AC students to network with business professionals. Participants in the EMS are guided by mentors from different business sectors.

This BBQ provided a great environment for the students and their mentors to interact in

a casual setting. Mentors and mentees could dine together and exchange information with each other. Smiling faces and laughter could be found everywhere. This activity indeed helped foster harmonious relationships between mentors and mentees.



A great number of people participated in the fun event



Faculty members, mentors and mentees



A devoted mentor chatting happily with students