

# Student-as-Partners in Promoting University Campus Wellbeing and Engagement

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#### Student Engagement and Wellness

- Support our students' transition into university life,
- Assist our students who may encounter academic or personal issues,
- Support the physical and mental welfare of our students,
- Develop our students' potential and widen their horizons via extra-curricular activities and/or experiential learning,
- Support medical students' career development by exposure to a range of career exploration opportunities prior to graduation.

#### Global Challenges Faced by the MBBS Programme

- Ongoing staff movement is resulting in a shrinking pool of teaching and academic staff
  - Most of the academic advisers serve more than one cohort of students simultaneously
- The COVID-19 pandemic has irreversibly changed the way our students socialize
  - Zoom/video conferencing over f2f meetings
  - Texting/direct messaging over emails
- A More Passive Student Cohort that Lacks Initiative in Engaging the Academic Advisers
  - Feedback from advisers that students are un-responsive and un-engaged
- A More Diverse Student Population from Different Schools with a Larger Cohort
  - Up to 40% of students have no high school peers in the cohort
  - Up to 10% of students from non-local backgrounds

#### Implementation of Peer Mentorship and med.co

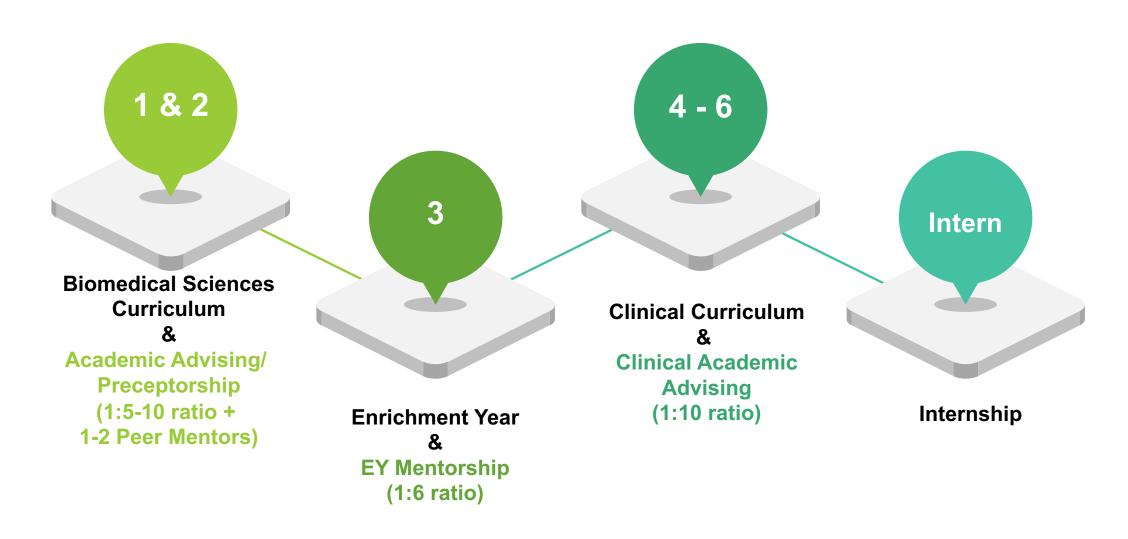


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### 1. Introduction of Peer Mentorship

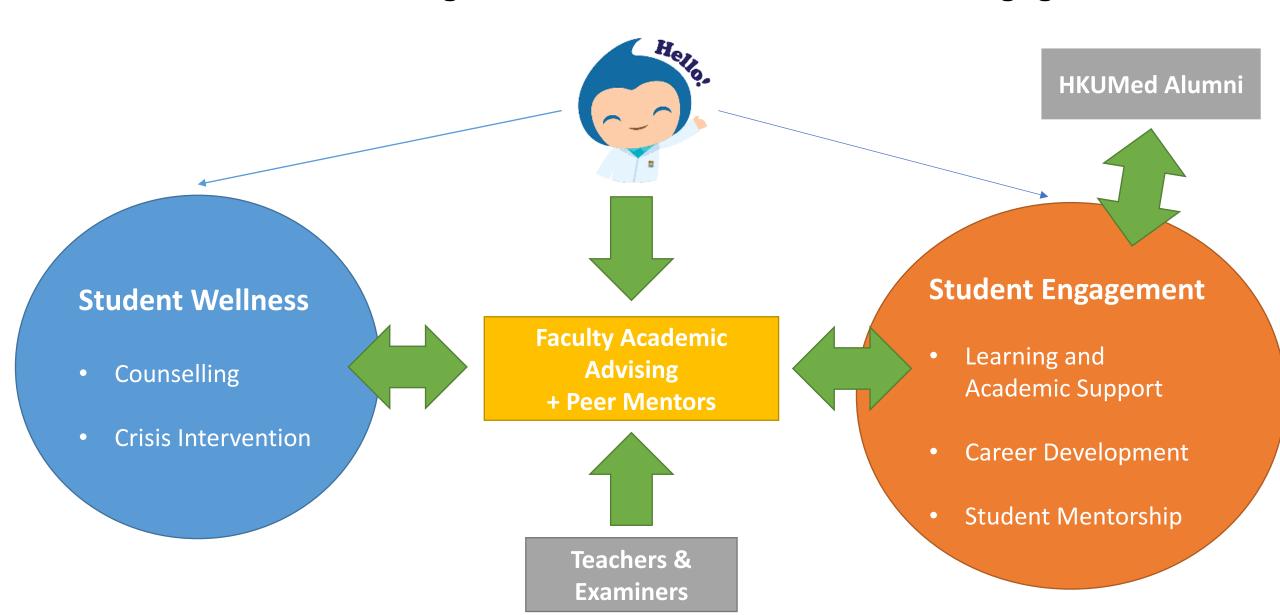
- 40-50 senior students (MBBS III and up) sign up every year to be peer mentors for first year medical students
- 1-2 peer mentors are paired up with a faculty academic adviser and his/her group of first year medical students
- Joint mentorship of students in pastoral care and academic support
- Opportunities to plan events/programmes in collaboration with faculty

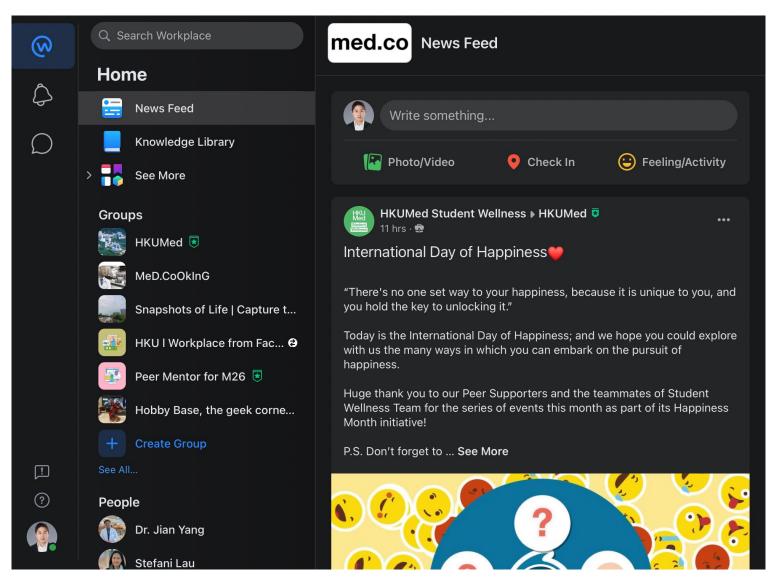
## Incorporation of Peer Mentorship into Academic Advising System



#### A balanced ecosystem where the academic adviser is the focal point of support

#### Framework of Strategic Communications and Student Engagement







**Web Browser** 

**Phone App** 

#### **HKUMed** is on Workplace

Join or log in using single sign-on (SSO) or an email address

Log in with SSO

Log in with email address

OR

Create account with your access code (1)

Unlimited tools for you and your team to work together, wherever you are.





Cai Nanpeng Bobby joined the group.

Yu Yin Long Paco joined the group.

Liu Yutong joined the group.

Chan Chun Wing joined the group.

Cheung Shun Lai joined the group.

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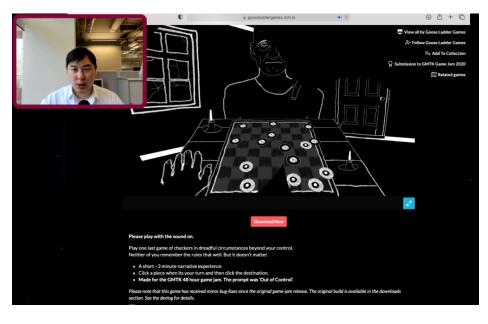
Hey everyone, it was great to meet you all this morning!

I'd like to also introduce our two peer mentors here, Clement and Alvin, who are our MBBS IV students. They've been really supportive to our faculty work and learning support over the past couple of years, so its great to have them both as our peer mentors for the group

If there's something you would like to discuss individually, I'll be free next Friday morning for meet up. But otherwise we can find a way to have a group meet up in the coming weeks.

- Closed system
- HKU Account SSO Access
- No Ads
- Allows for Secret Groups
- Messaging app

## 1. New Ways to Engage with Students







**Twitch Stream – Gaming for MedEd!** 

**Interest groups** 

### 2. Mutual Learning Opportunities



#### 3. Student-led Academic Support

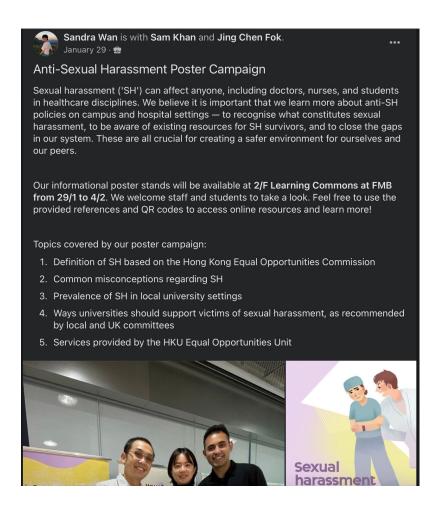
#### 2022-23 Academic Year

- Learning Support Session for MBBS I Preparation for Formatives and OSCEs (November 15, 2022)
  - Hosted by 🧝 : Dr Kendrick Shih & shared by: MBBS III Justin and Winson

#### 2021-22 Academic Year

- Preparation for the First Formative Assessment (November 30, 2021)
  - Hosted by 
     : Dr Tomasz Cecot | Dr Mei Li Khong | Dr Kendrick Shih & shared by:
     MBBS | students Victoria, Jing, and Clement.
- Active recall techniques using ANKI (October 19, 2021)
  - Shared by 🗽 : MBBS I Ho Ka Chun Clement, Jing Chen Fok, Victoria Anna Yeo & MBBS I Hei Man Winson Chan

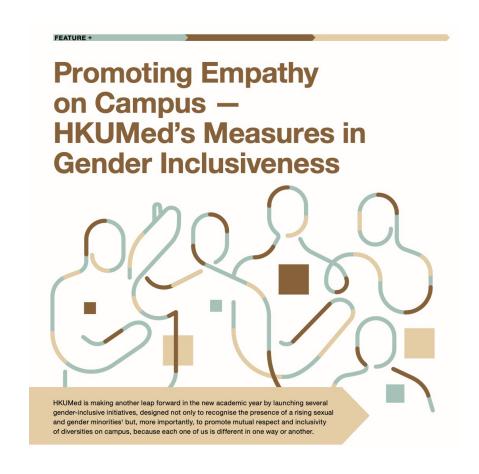
## 4. Student-Led Campaigns/Initiatives

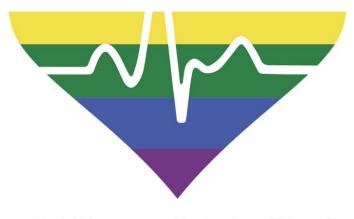






### 5. Changes in Faculty Policy





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28 September 2022
(Wed) 6:30 - 7:30pm

Mrs Chen Yang Foo OI Telemedicine Centre (MTC)
Faculty Learning Commons, 2/F
William MW Mong Block, 21 Sassoon Road

Let's talk about

LGBT+ health

#### Summary

- Peer mentorship is a chance to engage senior students in shaping the learning and social environment of our faculty
- Peer mentors can help to bridge the gap between teachers and students
- Peer mentor-led programmes have in turn created new co-curricular activities and faculty policies
- It is ultimately a chance to let our students enlighten us on how we can do better as a faculty

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