

Student Development Services (SDS) Student Life and Resources Section

Guidelines for Organising Student-led Activities

The University has taken serious measures to prevent and eliminate sexual harassment on campus, with a zero-tolerance policy in place. As activity organizers, students should have the responsibility to observe and follow the following guidelines in organising activities:

- 1. Safety is the top priority in conducting any activities.
- 2. Comply with university regulations and observe the laws of Hong Kong.
- 3. Be circumspect on designing activities. Venue usage shall not involve any commercial, political, profit-related and/or personal activities.
- 4. Be aware of sexual harassment and review the activities thoughtfully. Avoid body touching in the activities.
- 5. Adhere to the rules regarding anti-discrimination.
- 6. Observe and take care feelings of members. No forcing and only encouraging members to join the planned task. Members can say no if they are not willing to join.
- 7. No alcohol drinks in the activities.
- 8. Always keep campus and campsite clean. Be friendly to our environment, reduce waste and encourage reuse and recycle.
- 9. Be considerate and not to cause disturbances and inconvenience to the public.
- 10. Exercise extra cautions in clarifying proposed sponsorships to avoid commercial traps.
- 11. Protect the personal data of organisers and participants according to the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance.
- 12. Observe the University's Policy for Group Personal Accident Insurance Students.
- 13. Report promptly and notify the respective academic department and/or Student Development Services (sdssat@cityu.edu.hk) of any emergencies for assistance.

Students are recommended to visit the <u>University's Committee Against Sexual Harassment</u> (CASH) website, to complete the <u>online tutorial</u> to raise awareness and understanding of sexual harassment issues. Organising student-led activities shall comply with the applicable laws in Hong Kong, as outlined in the relevant <u>publications</u> issued by the Department of Justice.

When planning overnight camps and day activities, student organisers should bear in mind the following:

Communication

- Effectively communicate within the team: share a common objective
- Coordinate all organisers and facilitators with their actions
- Keep all participants informed of the activities
- Maintain communication between student organisers and SDS

Training

- Both student organisers and their team should be trained in handing emergency incident, skills in handling physical injuries, and anti-harassment measures
- Be aware of potential risks and able to minimize them
- Plan age-appropriate activities and make them all under supervision by student organisers
- Always minimize risk of injury and avoid any harassment
- Follow rules of the venue when using facilities

Freshmen aged under 18

- Provide extra care for these participants
- Inform parents/guardians in case of any application for early leave of the overnight activities
- Request participants to provide contact details of their parents or guardians when they enrol in the activity

Protection of personal information

- Collect participants' personal information in a legitimate and fair way for orientation purposes only
- DO NOT disclose the collected data unless informed consent is given

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