

SHAPING FUTURE LEADERS

The School for Higher and Professional Education (SHAPE), a member institution of the Vocational Training Council (VTC), is a place where students are encouraged to set, pursue and achieve high academic goals. Since our establishment in 2003, we have developed a reputation for providing quality top-up degree programmes across numerous disciplines.

SHAPE has a strong network of leading institutes, enabling Higher Diploma graduates and other sub-degree holders to progress to a reputable and recognisable top-up degree programme and providing working adults with an opportunity to pursue further study at Master's level in Hong Kong.

SHAPE at a Glance

About 50 top-up degree programmes offered in 8 popular study areas available

Partner with over 10 universities in the United Kingdom, Australia and Mainland China

Serve more than 3,000 students every year

Over 24,000 graduates since 2003





World-class, Specialised and Flexible Study Programmes

We offer programmes covering the sought-after professions in a wide range of areas including accounting and finance; applied science; business and management; childcare, elderly and community services; computing and information technology; design; engineering; as well as hospitality, tourism and leisure. Our programme provision is featured with international elements, offering students with international exposure opportunities including participation in exchange activities and international contests. Some of our lectures are conducted by experienced teaching staff of our partner universities, which maximise students' learning outcome.

Our students also benefit from our growing portfolio of programmes and effective articulation pathways. Our articulation arrangements with partner universities also enable student to gain maximum benefit from their Higher Diploma studies and allow them to complete their degree study in 12 to 30 months. The part-time option also offers students a great deal of flexibility in their education.

Academic Accreditation

We have undertaken a series of accreditation exercises for our non-local top-up degree programmes with the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ).

At present, about 50 of our accredited programmes are pitched at Level 5 under the Qualifications Framework. We are making continuous effort to acquire HKCAAVQ recognition for all our non-local top-up degree programmes. Some of the programmes are also recognised by professional bodies in the related trades.

Comprehensive Supports

Our students can learn at an inspiring environment that is supported by our purpose-built campus and our internationalised teaching team. Students can enjoy the facilities, such as the learning resources centres, study rooms and sports centres, provided by all VTC member institutions including Hong Kong Institute of Vocational Education (IVE) and Hong Kong Design Institute (HKDI). Our professional faculty positively impact on students' progress and success by impartment of specific expertise and skills enhancing employability.

Our Partner Universities

United Kingdom

Birmingham City University Coventry University Nottingham Trent University Sheffield Hallam University Solent University University for the Creative Arts

University of Central Lancashire
University of Hull
University of Lincoln
University of Northumbria at Newcastle
University of the West of England, Bristo

Australia

RMIT University

Mainland China China Pharmaceutical University

Who we are

- One of the 13 member institutions of VTC, specialising in provision of top-up degree programmes
- Partner with 13 universities in the United Kingdom, Australia and Mainland China.

What we offer

- A wide range of highly regarded programmes with degrees that are awarded by partner universities and recognised internationally and locally
- Full-time and part-time study options facilitate students' progress in obtaining the degree qualifications responsive to the their personal development need

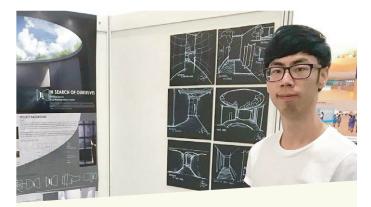




How we deliver

- Forge links with both overseas and local universities to offer the popular academic programmes for Hong Kong students
- Widen students' international exposure through different opportunities such as international contests and exchange activities
- Draw on experienced academic staff, state-of-the-art facilities and comprehensive support from member institutions of VTC

What our alumni say



This top-up degree programme has broadened my horizon in global perspective. I'm not only able to learn the international interior design trends from the UK lecturers, but also cultivate creative thinking and professional design skills that help develop my career path.

Rondo Leung

Graduate of BA (Hons) Interior Design Birmingham City University

Steve Leung Travelling Scholarship Awardee



66 The impressive and supportive learning experiences at SHAPE have inspired me to become a capable teacher. Also, the diverse education background and expertise of the UK lecturers have broadened my horizon in the early childhood education. Now I am ready and confident to be a teacher in another new chapter of my life.

Rita Tsui Yeung

Graduate of BEd (Hons) Education and Early Years University of Hull

Leung Man Yiu Alvin Prize Awardee for Best Hong Kong (VTC SHAPE) Education Finalist 2018

About VTC

Vocational Training Council (VTC), established in 1982, has always been at the forefront of vocational and professional education and training (VPET). As a statutory body, we exist within Hong Kong education system to ensure the skills of the Hong Kong workforce remain fresh and future ready. Our mandate to provide VPET is vital in meeting industry needs, and in fulfilling the aspirations of some 200,000 young people and in-service workers every year who attend programmes at our 13 member institutions.



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