

The University of Hong Kong
Faculty of Education
School-University Partnerships Office
Teacher Ambassador Programme (TAP) 2026-27: Info Sheet

Purpose

The Faculty of Education (the Faculty) at The University of Hong Kong has always valued collaborative and generative partnerships between schools, teacher educators and researchers. We are also keen to reimagine “Partnership” by adding greater value and flexibility to our existing relationships and fostering more dialogue between the Faculty and schools. In short, we seek to develop partnerships that thrive on reciprocity, trust and continual renewal and development. The School-University Partnerships (SUP) Office is now inviting school principals to nominate committed teachers / middle-managers / experienced teachers in various disciplines from their schools to take part in the Teacher Ambassador Programme (TAP) 2026-27.

Role of TAP Teachers

The Programme is comprised of **two parts**. First, TAP Teachers will have the chance to *attend two to three workshops / training sessions* (including one to two subject-based workshops) on how to conduct subject-based professional lesson observations, including post-lesson conferencing supported by theory and practice. Second, TAP Teachers will be invited to work alongside our own Faculty colleagues through a process of co-learning to *conduct Professional Practicum lesson observations during semester 2 between February and March 2027*. They will support student-teachers through teacher education classes at HKU, offering guidance and sharing their insights with beginning teachers.

Benefits and CPD hours

We envision that the Programme will not only enable TAP Teachers to enhance their supervisory and leadership skills but also broaden their repertoire through understanding other school settings and cultures. The Programme therefore provides a valuable platform for teachers to engage in professional dialogue and cultivate ongoing growth. In recognition of their Continuous Professional Development (CPD) as well as their expertise and support rendered for the community of teaching and learning, the Faculty is pleased to present a Certificate of Appreciation to TAP teachers including their CPD hours.

Professional Practicum Programmes

In 2026-27, the TAP will involve student-teachers from the Faculty’s 5-year double degree and PGDE programmes, including Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education in Language Education (English); Bachelor of Arts and Bachelor of Education in Language Education (Chinese); Bachelor of Education and Bachelor of Science; and Full-Time Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) programme. The subjects include Secondary Chinese Language, Secondary English Language, Secondary Mathematics, Physics, Biology and Chemistry.

Quota for TAP 2026-27

A maximum of 30 TAP places are available for 2026-27. Each school may nominate *up to 2 teachers (preferably with at least 5 years of teaching experience)* for the 2026-27 programme. A selection interview may be required, and the Faculty reserves the right to the final decision.

Timeframe

June / July: Nominations & Applications

November / December: Attend 2-3 TAP workshops (New TAP Teachers Session; Subject-based Workshops)

February / March: Lesson Observations (Join HKU supervisors/academics on supervisory visits to observe lessons delivered by student-teachers during their Professional Practicum)

Nominations for TAP 2026-27

If your school would like to nominate teachers to participate in TAP 2026-27, please complete and return the enclosed reply slips to the Faculty of Education:

(1) **School Reply Slip** on Page 3 of this document (to be completed by the Principal)

(2) **Nominated Teacher Reply Slips** on Pages 4-5 of this document (to be completed *by each nominated teacher and endorsed by the Principal*)

After receiving the completed reply slips, our Faculty will review the nomination(s) and get back to your school by September 2026.

Confidential Information

All data related to schools, students/student-teachers, lesson observations within the Teacher Ambassador Programme shall be deemed strictly confidential. HKU retains ownership of the information including any copies or derivatives. Teachers participating in the Programme must maintain the confidentiality of such information both during and after the conclusion of the Programme.

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School Reply Slip
(to be completed by the Principal)

Our school would like to nominate the following teachers (*who have at least 5 years of teaching experience*) to participate in the Teacher Ambassador Programme in the 2026-27 academic year.

Name (Maximum: 2 nominations)	Position (e.g., Assistant VP, Professional Practicum Coordinator, Vice Panel Head)	Subject	No. of years of teaching experience	Nominated by the Principal (please tick "✓" the box)

* ☐ Our school understands that teachers joining the Teacher Ambassador Programme shall undertake lesson observations and provide supervision and guidance to student-teachers as assigned by the Faculty of Education. TAP Teachers shall have the competence to fulfil these duties in a professional manner.
(*Please confirm by ticking "✓" the box)

Name of Principal: _____

Name of School: _____

Signature of Principal: _____

Date: _____

(Please kindly return this School Reply Slip together with the Nominated Teacher Reply Slip(s) to the Faculty of Education by fax: 2548 0375 or email: partnershipoffice@hku.hk.)

Nominated Teacher Reply Slip (1)

(to be completed by nominated teacher and endorsed by the Principal)

Name of School: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Email: _____ Mobile: _____

Please tick "✓" the relevant description(s) about you and provide details as necessary.

- ☐ Alumni of HKU (Programme: _____ ; Year of graduation: _____)
- ☐ Professional Practicum Mentor of HKU student-teachers (Year of mentoring: _____)
- ☐ Recommended by colleague(s) of Faculty of Education, HKU (_____)
- ☐ Awardees of Chief Executive Award for Teaching Excellence (Year of award: _____)
- ☐ Others: _____

Please provide a brief summary of your relevant qualifications and teaching experience
(e.g. position and main duties at school, any mentoring experience for student-teachers)

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Signature of Nominated Teacher

Signature of Principal

Date

Date

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Nominated Teacher Reply Slip (2)

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Name of School: _____

Name of Nominee: _____

Email: _____ Mobile: _____

Please tick "✓" the relevant description(s) about you and provide details as necessary.

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