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I am Robin Albrecht, an international student from Germany majoring in Architecture and minoring in Urban Studies. When I first came to CUHK I was surprised that there was little interaction among local and non-local students on campus. In the past years at CUHK, I have been active in making the University a more inclusive place for the integration between local and non-local students.

Chung Chi International Association: Fostering Integration at Chung Chi

In 2017 I established the Chung Chi International Association and was elected its Founding President. The association aims at fostering mutual understanding and better integration between local, Mainland Chinese and international students at Chung Chi College through organizing activities, communicating with the Student Union, and participating in various College committees. Besides organizing activities with both local and non-local student participants, most notably we could establish a better communication channel between the College and its non-local students.

The Parallel Project: Pop-up exhibitions to advocate for more interaction between Cantonese and non-Cantonese speaking students at CUHK

I co-established The Parallel Project, a university-wide advocacy group raising awareness through public exhibition campaigns to the separation and little interaction in social life between Cantonese and non-Cantonese speaking students at CUHK. We have successfully organized several public campaigns at the University MTR Station and on the University Mall during the annual Art Fair. The main goal of the project is to raise awareness for better integration of non-local students into the local student community. In particular, the project hopes to raise awareness among local student societies to make their activities and information available bilingual so that local and non-local students can join activities together.

CUSU Council: The Bilingual Student Union

In spring 2019 I have joined the Council of the Student Union of CUHK as a Representative of Chung Chi College. I launched an initiative to make Student Union affairs comprehensively available in both Chinese and English – the first time in the 49 years of history of the Student Union. Throughout my studies at CUHK I noticed that Student Union affairs are hardly accessible to non-Cantonese speakers. By making its affairs accessible to all students at CUHK I hope to make a greater degree of participation in Student Union affairs accessible to non-local students.

I believe that all non-local students should have equal opportunities to get involved in student life on campus. My engagement at CUHK aimed to lay a foundation to make participation equally possible for everyone, no matter if you are a local or non-local student. I hope that in the future all activities on campus will be equally accessible to non-local students, so we can fully immerse ourselves into the campus community and engage in various campus activities.

I would like to express my gratitude for the support and recognition of the CUHK Convocation in awarding the CUHK Convocation Outstanding Campus Services Award, as well as to Chung Chi College for nominating me for this award. I am very grateful to have learned that I have been selected as the recipient of the scholarship for the 2019/20 academic year.

Awarding the Outstanding Campus Services Award recognizes not only my efforts and commitment in making the campus a more inclusive and accessible place for non-local students. It is also a recognition by the Convocation of the combined efforts of many people on campus in achieving a more accessible campus. It highly motivates me to work further on not only making the University but also Hong Kong a more inclusive society.

Once again, thank you for your support through awarding me the CUHK Convocation Outstanding Campus Services Award.



Robin and fellow members of the First Executive Committee of the Chung Chi International Association during an Orientation Workshop for incoming non-local Freshman at Chung Chi College.



The bilingual Council website of the allows non-Cantonese speaking students to access the information of the Council of the Student Union of CUHK, the highest legislative, scrutinizing and democratically representative body of the Union.