The Law Mentorship Programme – Briefing Session

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The Law Mentorship Programme 2010-2011 is the 7th year of mentorship programme since its first launch in October 2002. It is jointly organized by the Faculty of Law and The University of Hong Kong Law Alumni Association aiming to provide law students with the opportunity to meet legal practitioners, judges and distinguished persons in other fields to enhance their educational, social and personal growth through a supportive relationship with their mentors.

This year, the Mentorship Programme has attracted an overwhelming wave of more than 200 students at the briefing session at the University. A warm address by Mr. Kenneth Kwok SC, LLB (1972) PCLL (1973), President of the Association, was followed by an introduction of the programme by Ms. Jessica Young from the Faculty. Apart from having Mr. Liu Kwun Wa, William, LLB (2005) PCLL (2006), along with us, two final-year law students, to share our experience as mentees, it was an honour to have Mr. Albert da Rosa Jr., LLB (1977), PCLL (1978), LLM (1991), as well as Ms. Yeung Yat Chi, Eirene, LLB (1983) PCLL (1984), long supporting mentors, as speakers.

Ms. Yeung has launched a surprise for the audience when two graduate mentees of hers came forward. Up till this day they still meet from time to time to organize activities such as weekend hiking trips. This truly depicts a walking example of a closely-bonded mentor-mentee relationship.

A new and impressive online system for applications was introduced by Ms. Rachel Li, public relations officer of the Faculty and coordinator of the Programme, and the lively occasion was concluded by a question-and-answer session. We are extremely grateful for the generosity of alumni and friends in dedicating their time to the Programme. The invaluable support by mentors who are all distinguished members in their own fields has helped tremendously to realize the aims of the Programme. The great value of the Programme is certainly recognized by the students as reflected by their enthusiastic responses over the years. It is hoped that both mentors and mentees would find the Programme rewarding with the joint efforts for the benefit of the younger generation.

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