



Law Mentorship Programme 2010-2011

Mentorship Dinners

2 & 3 November 2010

This year's Mentorship Programme has once again attracted overwhelming support from law students. Following the Briefing Session on 27 September 2010, 234 students applied for the Mentorship Programme through the newly launched online system, 172 students were eventually selected as this year's mentees. Mentees were encouraged to form a group of two and were asked to indicate their preference of mentors (solicitor, barrister or in-house counsel). We were also delighted to have received the continual support from many alumni and friends who agreed to be the mentors. The mentors are from different areas of the profession, including judges, barristers, solicitors and in-house lawyers.

To initiate the first contact between mentors and their mentees, the Faculty and the Law Alumni Association organized the Mentorship Dinners on 2 & 3 November 2010 at the Loke Yew Hall. Before the dinners, the mentors were greeted by the Dean, Professor Johannes Chan SC (Hon) (LLB 1981, PCLL 1982) and the President of the Law Alumni Association, Mr. Kenneth Kwok SC (LLB 1972, PCLL 1973), while the mentees received briefing from Ms. Jessica Young (Associate Professor), on matters in relation to the dinner, follow-up activities and communication with mentors. Representative(s) of each group then greeted and accompanied their mentors to the Loke Yew Hall, where they enjoyed the dinner, after a short speech by the Dean.

From the laughter that filled the hall, we could clearly see that the mentor-mentee relationship begun with thrill and joy in the cosy atmosphere and ambience of Loke Yew Hall. The dialogue between the mentor-mentee would not stop after the dinner. Mentees were expected to take the initiative to organize at least one more gathering before end of March 2011, or even more. It was hoped that through this platform, mentors and mentees would develop and maintain relationship beyond the two gatherings, and that the tradition of the Law Faculty would be continued and be passed on from alumni to the students.

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