

# LegCo Secretariat launches 2019 internship programme (with photos)

The following is issued on behalf of the Legislative Council Secretariat:

The 2019 internship programme organised by the Legislative Council Secretariat (the Secretariat) for local tertiary students commenced today (May 27), providing training opportunities for 21 undergraduate students and six sub-degree students, nominated by 17 tertiary institutions.

From today to July 5, the 27 students will be attached to various divisions of the Secretariat to acquire hands-on experience in its support services provided for the Legislative Council (LegCo). They will also meet with the President and Members of LegCo, and heads of divisions of the Secretariat as well as observe meetings of LegCo and its committees so as to better understand the constitutional functions of LegCo. In addition, the students will participate in a training workshop introducing the work of LegCo as well as an interactive role-play during which they will play the role of Members to experience the passage of a bill.

At an orientation session held by the Secretariat this morning, the students were given an overview on the work of the Secretariat to make preparation for the internship programme. The Secretary General of the Secretariat, Mr Kenneth Chen, met with the students and said, "The Secretariat is going through the busiest period in this year. During the six-week internship, students will have a closer look at how the Secretariat serves the Council. Meanwhile, through this internship programme, students will have chances to interact with Members of different political spectrum. This will help them consider the diverse views held by Members."

The students then toured the LegCo Library and Archives, the Public Complaints Office, as well as the education, visitor and press facilities in the LegCo Complex to gain an understanding of the various support services provided by the Secretariat for LegCo.

"I look forward to the opportunities of meeting with LegCo Members and learning the professional work attitude from the Secretariat staff, as well as building a wider social network," a student said during the orientation session.

The internship programme is an annual event held by the Secretariat since 2013 during the summer vacation of students.

