



HKU's prestigious Academy for the Talented brings together nominated students from a diverse network of top partner high schools across the world. The unique programme challenges ambitious students to better understand their intellectual potential and advance both their academic and personal development.

#### **Members Benefits**



2 Meet top students from around the world and successful business mentors through the Academy's events and programmes



Receive exclusive offer of scholarship for summer courses held by HKU Summer Institute and other international events/ conferences



Attend credit-bearing courses offered by HKU



Access to Chi Wah Learning Commons during summer



10% discount on all purchases from HKU Visitor Centre



Inauguration ceremony for new comers



- Explore your interests through our wide range of events and programmes in various academic disciplines
- Opportunities to join international conferences in Hong Kong and overseas
- Internship opportunities for members with outstanding academic achievements



- Mentorship Programme
- Star Catcher Series

# Hear what the Academy members Say

#### **Nobel Week**

In collaboration with the National Society of High School Scholars (NSHSS), two Academy members received scholarships to attend the Nobel Week in Stockholm. During the Nobel Week, they met and interacted with Nobel laureates.



I had once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to join the 'Nobel Week Dialogue', where the world's leading scientists, key policy makers and Nobel prize winners had an academic discussion on the catastrophic water crisis. Through the participation in the Nobel Week, I was inspired by the Nobel prize winners who demonstrated steadfast dedication and persistence in their research.



## **Internship Opportunities**

The Academy extends exclusive internship opportunities to some of its leading members. Members have a chance to receive hands on work experience and build their connections.



As winners of the Decacorn Entrepreneurship Bootcamp 2018, we are honoured to have an internship opportunity in the ActionHouse International, an award-winning sports & lifestyle PR and marketing agency. Throughout the week on February 11-17, we participated in the coordination and preparation process of the Standard Chartered HK Marathon 2019. Apart from sorting out materials and organizing data, we had extensive opportunities to interact with other colleagues and work out event logistics together, so as to ensure that the event can carry out smoothly. This internship was definitely a stimulating and exciting experience, and was also conducive to boosting our abilities to organize events and activities in the future.

Hubert Wong, St. Paul's Co-Educational College

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## The International Symposium on STEM Education

The International Symposium on STEM Education brings together 100 students across the world for an academic exchange at HKU. It gives members who are interested in STEM a fantastic opportunity to explore their interests and and advance their skills and knowledge in the latest technology.



Putting together creative ideas from different high schools and presented to some STEM leaders in Hong Kong was a very eye-opening experience for me. Everyone is so creative and from different cultural background which make each of our input unique.

Loaah Eltemsah, Al-Ghazaly High School



## **Startup Weekend**

Organised by a group of young entrepreneurs, Startup Weekend provides participants with a chance to develop ideas from nothing to prototype in two days and to pitch their proposals to a panel of already successful entrepreneurs. Participants are coached by business entrepreneurs throughout the proccess and work with like-minded students to develop the business proposals.



One of the judges, Mr Joseph Chan, Programme Lead of Business Design and Innovation Programme of HKU, inspired me a lot. He revealed that all startup ideas in this event would fail, as he explained thoroughly the problems of each idea and ways of improvement. I've never thought that launching a startup was that challenging! This experience would surely be an important blueprint for me to pursue my dreams or even launch my own company in the future.

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