



Community Engagement

## HKU Faculty of Dentistry holds Summer Programme 2011 for prospective students

24-30 July 2011



**“I was fascinated by the technology...”, “A real taste of the work of a dentist...”, and “Fabulous!” were some of the comments from participants of the Dentistry and Oral Health Summer Programme, which took place at the HKU Faculty of Dentistry from 24 to 30 July 2011.**

Organised by a team led by Dr Chun-hung Chu, the programme introduced the Bachelor of Dental Surgery degree and dental career paths to 120 potential dental students, a quarter of whom were from overseas. After a welcome from Dean Lakshman Samaranayake, the Associate Dean for Undergraduate Education, Dr Cynthia KY Yiu, presented an outline of problem-based learning (PBL) at the Faculty. Participants then experienced their first PBL tutorial, led by current dental students.

Tours of various Faculty facilities in the Prince Philip Dental Hospital were given throughout the week. Activities included polishing teeth in the Simulation Laboratory, taking dental X-rays of a dummy in the Oral Radiology Unit, and making tooth models in the Dental Technology Unit. Social events organised by dental student leaders let participants make friends and explore HKU life.

Participants also learnt about oral hygiene in the clinics of Periodontology and Public Health, observed dentists treating patients in the Reception and Primary Care Unit, and performed computer-simulated treatment for a deformed face in the clinics of Orthodontics and Oral and Maxillofacial Surgery. Photos from the summer school can be viewed at: <http://facdent.hku.hk/gallery/index.php?album=summer-programme-25-29-7-2011>.

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*Knowledge exchange (KE) at the HKU Faculty of Dentistry (<http://facdent.hku.hk>) aims to maintain a two-way dialogue between the Faculty and all sectors of the community. The Faculty's KE strategy, public education, and community activities form part of the Faculty's fourth mission of "engagement". We will be pleased to consider any suggestions or comments, or community/school invitations; please e-mail [dentktu@hku.hk](mailto:dentktu@hku.hk)*

