### The Hong Kong Polytechnic University

## **Subject Description Form**

Subject Code	APSS1D40						
<b>Subject Title</b>	Innovations in Educational Technology						
Credit Value	3						
Level	1						
GUR Requirements Intended to Fulfill	This subject intends to fulfill the following requirement(s):  Healthy Lifestyle AI and Data Analytics (AIDA) Innovation and Entrepreneurship (IE) Languages and Communication Requirement (LCR) Leadership Education and Development (LEAD) Service-Learning Cluster-Area Requirement (CAR) Human Nature, Relations and Development [CAR A] Science, Technology and Environment [CAR D] Chinese History and Culture [CAR M] Cultures, Organizations, Societies and Globalization [CAR N] China-Study Requirement Yes or No Writing and Reading Requirements English or Chinese						
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	NIL						
Assessment Methods	100% Continuous Assessment  1. Group Assignment and Presentation  2. In-class test  3. Essay  • The grade is calculated acce • The completion and submirequired for passing the su • Student must pass all comp	ssion of all component a bject; and	assignments are				

#### **Objectives**

This subject introduces students to the latest educational technologies and their applications in teaching and learning to help students understand the impact of technology on education and the role of technology in shaping the future of education, equip students with the skills and knowledge necessary to use educational technology effectively in their academic pursuits, prepare students for life-long learning and adapting to the changing landscape of educational technology, promote ethical and responsible use of technology in education, as well as help students to understand the scientific methods that have been applied in education and their contributions to the rational understanding of the nature of learning.

# **Intended Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of this module, students will be able to:

- a. Identify and describe the latest educational technologies and their application in teaching and learning.
- b. Analyse the impact of technology on education and the role technology plays in shaping the future of education.
- c. Demonstrate proficiency in using educational technology tools and resources for academic pursuits.
- d. Understand the importance of educational technology in life-long learning.
- e. Apply critical thinking skills to analyse ethical and responsible use of technology in education.

#### Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus

- 1. Introduction to Educational Technology
  - Definition of educational technology
  - Historical overview of educational technology
  - Emerging trends in educational technology
- 2. Interactive Learning and Immersive Learning
  - Basic concepts of interactive learning and immersive learning
  - Creating interactive and immersive learning experiences
  - Metaverse and Edu-Metaverse
- 3. Gamification and Game-based Learning
  - Definition of gamification and game-based learning
  - Game design principles and their application in education
  - Serious games and persuasive games
- 4. Mobile and Social Media Learning
  - Basic concepts of mobile and social media learning
  - Mobile and social media learning for language learning and cultural exchange
  - Collaborative learning via socialisation platforms
  - Social media analysis in education

- 5. Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) and Open Education Resources (OERs)
  - Introduction to the use of MOOCs and OERs for academic pursuits
  - The role of MOOCs and OERs in higher education and life-long learning
  - Benefits and limitations of MOOCs and OERs
- 6. Artificial Intelligence (AI) for Education
  - Basic concepts of AI and Machine Learning (ML)
  - Personalised learning and learning analytics
  - AI's roles in the educational system
- 7. Ethical and Responsible Use of Educational Technology
  - Data encryption, management, and privacy protection
  - Ethical considerations related to AI and ML in education
  - Transparency and interpretability of AI and ML models
  - Case studies of ethical and responsible use of AI and ML in education

# Teaching/Learning Methodology

This subject's core content will be taught-in-class with the support of a variety of mediums, including lecture notes, videos, and references available on the learning management system (i.e., Learn@PolyU).

Additionally, students will have access to six hours of pre-recorded themed seminars presented by renowned educators and researchers in the relevant areas. These seminars aim to provide students with fresh perspectives on the use of educational technology in teaching and learning, including the associated benefits, limitations, concerns, and considerations, at various education levels.

To further complement the in-class learning experience, students are expected to engage in self-directed learning by reading selected materials and references to reinforce the concepts covered in class. This approach is intended to facilitate an in-depth understanding of the subject matter while promoting independent and life-long learning skills.

#### Assessment Methods in Alignment with Intended Learning Outcomes

Specific assessment methods/tasks	% weighting	ol	Intended subject learning outcomes to be assessed (Please tick as appropriate)				
		a	b	c	d	e	
Group assignment and presentation	40%	✓	<b>√</b>	<b>√</b>	✓	✓	
2. In-class test	40%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
3. Essay	20%		✓	✓	✓		
Total	100%		•				

Explanation of the appropriateness of the assessment methods in assessing the intended learning outcomes:

Continuous Assessments include assignment, group presentation, in-class test, and essay writing.

The group assignment and presentation, based on a given theme related to the use of educational technology and its potential ethical issues, requires students to collaborate within their groups, identify the pros and cons of educational

technology in the given context, and apply critical thinking skills to analyse the impact and ethical and responsible use of technology in education. This assessment aims to evaluate students' ability to work collaboratively and think critically about the ethical implications of educational technology.

Towards the end of the semester, students are expected to write an essay of at least 800 words. This essay serves as an assessment of students' ability to effectively use educational technology tools and understand the importance of educational technology in lifelong learning.

Two in-class tests are designed to evaluate students' performance in the first and second parts of the subject in relation to the intended learning outcomes.

#### Student Study Effort Expected

Class contact:			
■ Lecture	39 Hrs.		
Other student study effort:			
■ Themed seminars (online learning)	6 Hrs.		
Self-directed learning	15 Hrs.		
Assignment, group presentation, and essay	52 Hrs.		
Total student study effort	106 Hrs.		

# Reading List and References

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