Experiencing Service-Learning: Be a Comma

What is it?
- It is a small unit design project.
- Students will be attached to one family for the home improvement work.

Background
Although Hong Kong is a global center of wealth, the reality for many residents in this city is facing a severe housing condition. While the living styles of some rich residents are luxurious, life for millions is filled with struggle and financial insecurity. According to the survey of the Hong Kong Housing Authority in 2017, nearly half of the population are facing housing struggle. The lack of affordable and adequate housing in Hong Kong coupled with the increasing demand for living spaces has led to the growth of subdivided housing.

What to do?
- Visit and interview the family living in the subdivided unit;
- Discuss with the family and make proposal on the design of the improvement work;
- Conduct sourcing and installation.

What is expected to learn from the experience?
- Have better understanding on the housing issue of Hong Kong;
- The challenges that the grassroots family are facing;
- Working with architects and developing solutions for family in need.

Application:

Service Period: Oct – Dec 2019
Programme Fee: $500 + $500 (deposit)
* Deposit of $500 will be fully refunded to participants taking part in the programme at least 3 times during the service period.

Quota: 6
Application Deadline: 23 Sept (Mon), 3pm

The service does not have fixed schedule. Instead, participants will communicate through a WhatsApp group, which the service days could be come up with the family and other volunteers. Usually, it takes about 3 to 4 hours per session on weekdays night or weekends.