



Dear Students,

SSA Weekly News provides you with updates on student life and activities at HKUST. Get involved and take part in the activities of interest to you!

### DSTO Update



#### Henan Summer Camp 2025

Date: 3 – 12 June 2025 (10 days)

Destination: Henan Province, China

Itinerary: Please click [HERE](#) (subject to change in case of any unforeseen circumstances)

Camp Fee: **HK\$800 + Deposit HK\$800** (to be refunded upon completion)

Eligibility: **All full-time LOCAL students** (i.e., Home Return Permit Holders)

If you are interested, please complete the online application form [HERE](#) by **21 Mar 2025 (Fri)**. Shortlisted applicants will be invited for a selection interview scheduled on 26, 27, or 28 Mar 2025. For any inquiries, please contact us at [ssa@ust.hk](mailto:ssa@ust.hk).

### Activities of Student Organizations

#### ISDSS Company Visit

Date & Time: Sat, 29 Mar at 12:00 – 14:00

Venue: KOODESIGN Studio, Causeway Bay

Organizer: Integrative Systems and Design Students' Society, HKUSTSU

Registration: Please click [HERE](#)

Enquiry: [su\\_isdss@connect.ust.hk](mailto:su_isdss@connect.ust.hk) | IG @hkustsu\_isdss



### External Activities

- 「中國民營鐵路發展研修計劃」, 百年樹人慈善基金會主辦, 2025 年 3 月 20 日截止
- 「尊重知識產權研討會」, 香港書刊版權授權協會主辦, 2025 年 3 月 19 日截止
- 香港學生內地實習計劃 2025, 香港金融專業人士協會主辦, 2025 年 3 月 31 日截止
- 「再思義工計劃 2025」, 再思社區健康組織 C.H.O.I.C.E. 主辦, 2025 年 4 月 21 日截止
- 七十五周年校慶對聯創作比賽, 香港中文大學新亞書院主辦, 2025 年 5 月 30 日截止

Please click [HERE](#) for the details and more activities.

### Scam Alert

With the rise of digital technology and the popularity of social media, more and more people are spending their time engaging in online activities, such as banking and investing. Unfortunately, this increase in e-commerce and online investment has also led to a rise in fraudulent activities, as scammers seek opportunities to exploit victims.

### Online Shopping Scam

Have you ever shopped online but not receiving the goods after payment? Most scammers defraud consumers with the following tricks:

#### Scammers posing as sellers

- Special Offers – Attract buyers with limited offers, sales, overseas purchasing services
- Lose contact upon receiving money – Ask buyers to transfer money into designated accounts and refuse to trade face to face. Upon receiving the money, the sellers will vanish into thin air.

#### Buyers Alert

Characteristics of suspicious online shops on social media platform:



The pages have been run only for a few days or weeks. No physical store address or telephone number is shown. (Hint: The “Page Transparency” section in the platform shows the date the page was created.)



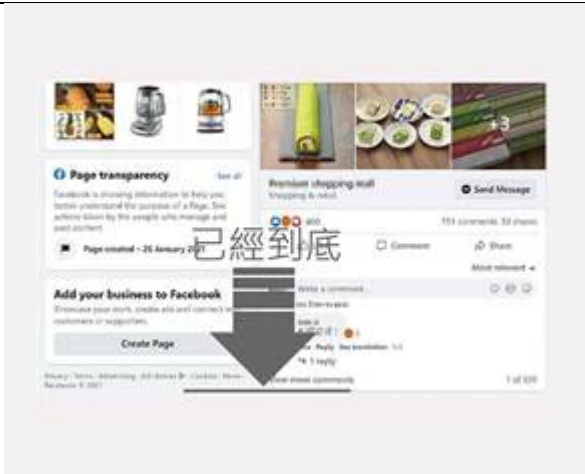
The pages may be advertised on the platform to boost the visibility



Paid posters are hired to leave good reviews or comments, creating the illusion that the shops attract considerable patronage



A variety of products are being sold on the pages and most are hot items



Only a few posts are created on the pages



Most photos in the posts are captured from other online shops

Any Tips for Scam Prevention?

- Patronise reputable online sellers, trade face to face whenever possible
- Purchase tickets and shopping coupons through official sales channels
- When selling goods, do not just rely on deposit slips as proof of completed payments
- Before payment, you should search the phone number, bank account number, page name, etc. provided by the seller, and pay attention to negative reviews
- In case of doubt, terminate the transaction immediately
- If in doubt, input phone numbers, social media account names, etc, in [Scameter+](#) to assess risk, or call **18222** for enquiries

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