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International Symposium and Expo on Service-Learning & Socially Responsible Global Citizenship [Online]

Date: 9-10 July 2021

Connecting teachers, students, and the community to share their Service-Learning experiences and showcase their projects without the physical limitations of geographical boundaries and the hassles of time zones.

Keynote Speech



(Photo by Kathy Pham)

Keynote Speaker

Harry R. Lewis**Harvard University**

Harry Lewis is Gordon McKay Research Professor of Computer Science in Harvard's John A. Paulson School of Engineering and Applied Sciences. After graduating from Harvard College in 1968, he joined the Harvard faculty in 1974 and became full professor in 1981. His students include founders of Microsoft, Facebook, and Tripadvisor and professors at most leading American CS departments. Lewis has served as Dean of Harvard College and as interim Dean of Harvard's Engineering School.

Among computer science books he has recently authored or co-authored are *Blown to Bits: Your Life, Liberty, and Happiness After the Digital Explosion (2nd edn.)*, *Essential Discrete Mathematics for Computer Science*, and *Ideas That Created the Future*. His books about higher education include *Excellence Without a Soul* and *What is College For?*

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Highlights

Inspiring talks given by world-class scholars, experienced educators and researchers.

A series of **interactive workshops** hosted by facilitators from Vietnam, the Philippines, Israel, Hong Kong on different themes.

Spontaneous **conversations, knowledge exchange, experience sharing** with people from different ages, sectors, disciplines, cultures, and regions.

Immersive experience of some PolyU's service-learning projects, including our flagship Rwanda project.

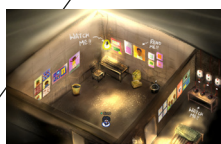
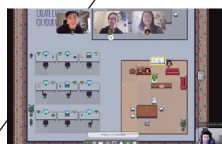
Topic:

Learning as Service



Those engaged in service learning probably think of it as something different from classroom learning. It's done in the field; it's done as a group; it's done to help other people.

But all learning is a form of service. Teachers, researchers, and scholars are preserving civilization and trying to improve it, one student and one academic work at a time. Students are not just making a better life for themselves; they are reflecting on the fate of humanity, why life is worth living at all, and how they can contribute to the lives of others..."
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Online platform:
Gather

Invited Talks



Andrew Furco

Associate Vice President,
Office for Public Engagement
University of Minnesota**The Transformational
Power of Service-Learning:
A Global Perspective**

Luke Terra

Director,
Community Engaged Learning
and Research |
Hass Center for Public Service
Stanford University**Service-learning as a high
impact practice to enhance
academic learning in K-12
classrooms**

Dion Chen

Principal
**YMCA of Hong Kong
Christian College****What a teenager could do?**

Language

English with simultaneous interpretation in
Cantonese and Mandarin for all invited talks.

Programme rundown

<https://www.polyu.edu.hk/slo/symposium/>

Find out more about Gather!



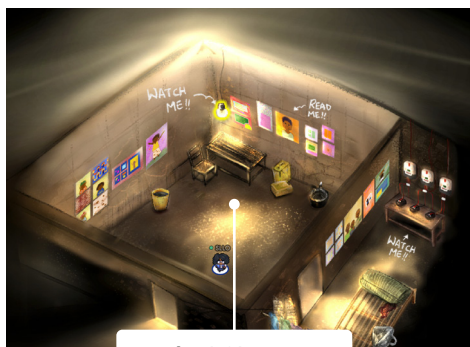
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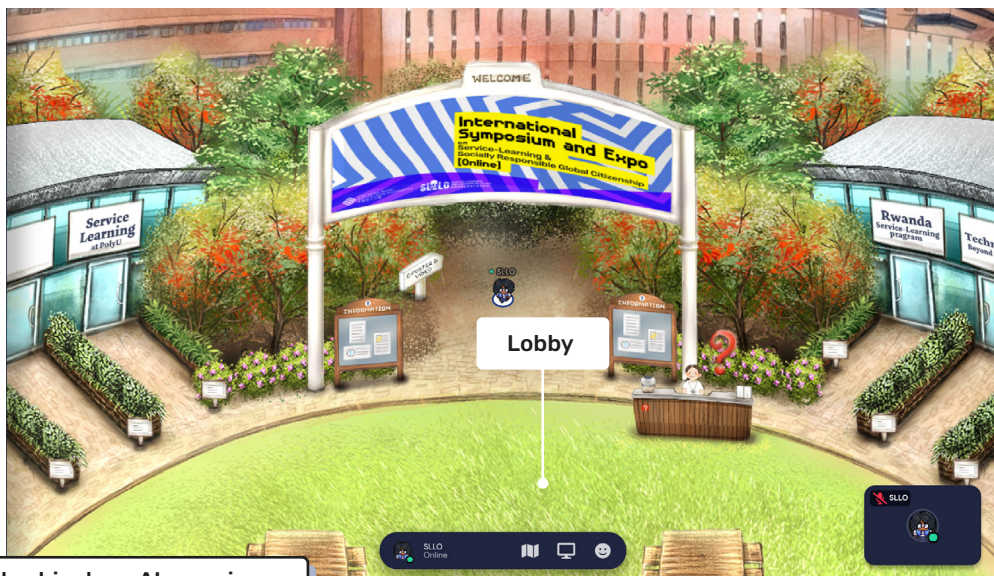
The symposium and expo will be held online on Gather. Gather is a web-based virtual space that combines the convenience of tele-conferencing with the privacy afforded from spatiality. Video-calling and 2D maps combine to let participants walk around and walk up to people and talk with them. There will be rooms for poster & video sessions, large talks, workshops, and exhibitions. You will also find fascinating and lively illustrations depicting different service-learning projects in our highly customized town!



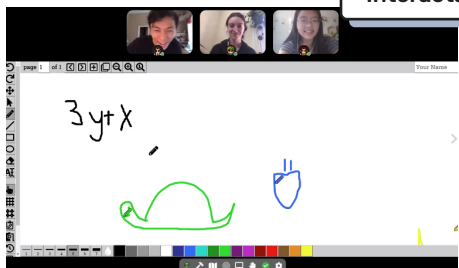
Project Showcase



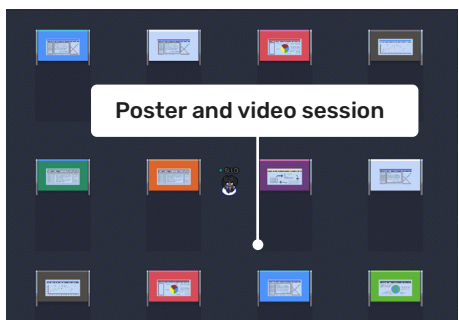
Interactive objects or AI experience



Lobby



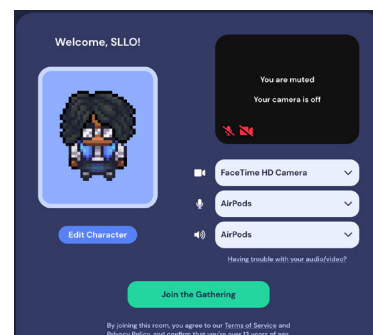
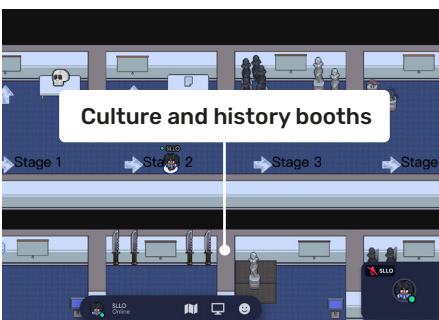
Interactive room



Poster and video session



Culture and history booths



Participants can design their own characters before entering the space.

