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Dear UGC Research Impact Fund Panel,

**Letter of collaboration from the
Centre for Innovative Service-learning (CISL), Hong Kong Baptist University
Research Impact Fund**

I am writing this letter to confirm the collaboration between the Hong Kong Baptist University (HKBU) Centre for Innovative Service-learning (CISL) and Dr Cecilia Chan in her Research Impact Fund proposal on the assessment of generic skills. Partnering on this project would be a great way to benchmark against other institutions across Asia and share innovative practices.

Dr Chan's research proposal matches with the mission and plans of CISL which is to provide academic service-learning opportunities for students and developing approaches to assess student learning and measure impact. The validated student perception inventory on generic skills, which Dr Chan developed has already been used by students in HKBU and five other universities (HKUST, CUHK, LU, EduHK and HKU) in Hong Kong in a previous collaboration. The new proposed research aligns exactly what CISL needs - to assess our students' skills development and provide enhanced service-learning opportunities.

As the research fund is primarily for measuring impact, our university will contribute in a number of ways: the research inventory, framework and e-system. This will allow us to have representative data. Findings are expected to advance GS theory, implementation, policy and show impact. We also hope to promote development of graduate attributes inside and outside of academia.

As the aims of Dr Chan's proposal are in line with the mission of CISL, I hereby give my full support towards this research impact fund proposal. Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 3411 7412 or at cindychan@hkbu.edu.hk

Yours faithfully,

Ms. Cindy Chan
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