

Biomedical Engineering Student Staff Consultation

Date and Time: Thursday 24th March

Meeting Number: 1

Location: 210 14 Alliance Lane

Students Present: Jason Park, Mevan Idangodage (1st year), Maria Zarco-Vera (2nd year), Chloe Wang (2nd year)

Staff Present: A/Prof Yan Wong

Name	Topic	Actions
YW	Introductions and overview of the purpose of the student staff consultation form. Open floor for initial questions and concerns the students may have.	
MZ-V	The course is structured in a way that it can be hard to meet other biomedical engineering students. The Biomed Sci and 1 st year eng classes are very large. It's also difficult due to covid and that there is no department of biomedical engineering as a central focus for students to meet/congregate. Students floated the idea of having one class where all the students were put together in a lab or tutorial.	YW to discuss with unit coordinators if there is a good unit for this to occur.
YW	Acknowledged these issues and floated the idea of running a bbq for students to meet once restrictions eased. Also informed students that a cohort was applying to create the Biomedical Student Society through MSA. YW suggested creating a Moodle hangout site for all the biomed eng students.	YW to follow up with the student body about the submission and to create the moodle site.
YW	General question about how first/second year went and whether BMS1021 fit in with the eng units.	
CW/MZ-V	Both really enjoyed first year. BMS1021 was a standout. CW asked why they need to do all these other units if you are sure you want to do biomed eng. This is in reference to some of the more broad engineering first year units. MZ-V said there were not enough 1 st year electives that were Biomed oriented. They would like the option to choose from Science units or an ethics unit (ATS1264) CW: MCB2011 has been a standout unit. "It's been really good" JP: ECE2071 has been hard. We've been struggling, we	

	<p>are learning C for the first time. There are communication issues. E.g. lecturer didn't show how to download onto a mac. Content isn't hard but they don't feel like they have the base knowledge.</p> <p>JP: Love the science units. PHY2011, interesting content, a lot of students. Good background</p> <p>MC-V ENG2005 love the demonstrators, really good unit structured well</p> <p>First year, a lot physics and eng. BMS1021 is good, mostly biomed students. Not met any biomed students</p>	
MC-V	<p>Raised that it's a bit stressful every time the course map changes even if they are "cosmetic" e.g. co-bagging units.</p> <p>Asked if the students could have a common room or place to hang out.</p>	
YW	<p>Closed the meeting and thanked all the students for their time.</p>	