

BFin(AMPB) Orientation Day for 2024-2025 Intake Freshmen

On August 31st, 2024, the BFin(AMPB) programme welcomed its newest cohort with a lively and engaging Orientation Day, marking the beginning of an exciting academic journey. This year, 32 eager freshmen were joined by 11 dedicated helpers in a series of activities designed to foster connections and build a strong sense of community among the incoming students.

The day began with ice-breaking games that quickly turned strangers into friends. These activities were thoughtfully crafted to help the freshmen feel at ease, encouraging them to step out of their comfort zones and start forming bonds that will last throughout their university years. The spirit of camaraderie continued with mass games, where teamwork and collaboration were key, further strengthening the group dynamics.



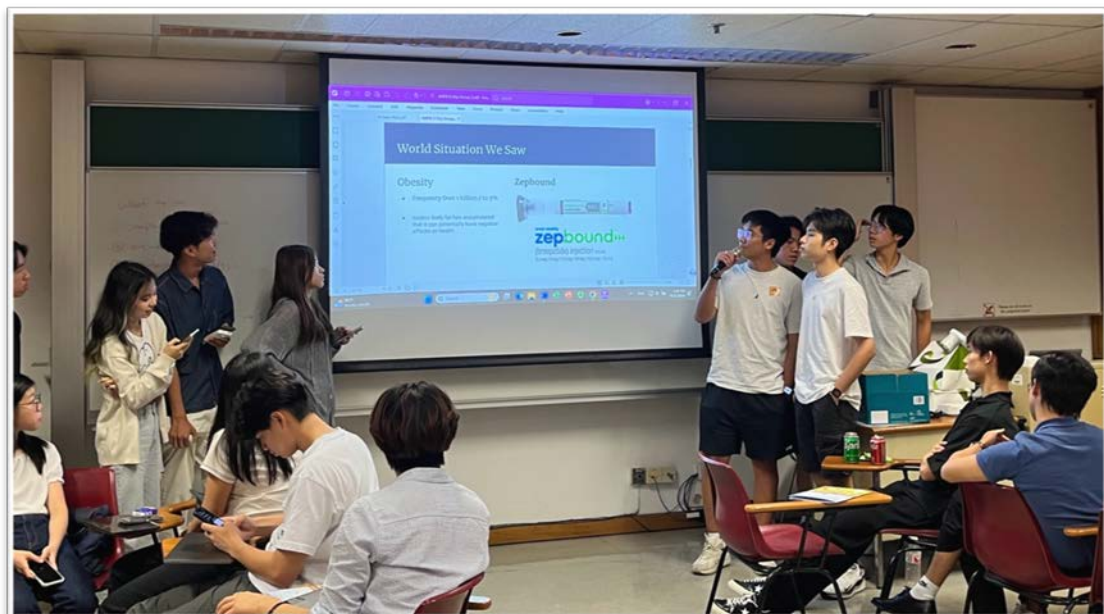
Freshmen playing ice-breaking game

A highlight of the day was the insightful sharing session by our esteemed Programme Director, [Prof. Anna Wong](#), and Deputy Programme Director, [Prof. David Lee](#). Both professors offered valuable advice on how to navigate the challenges of university life, emphasizing the importance of self-discipline, strategic planning, and continuous personal growth. Their tips on balancing academics with extracurricular activities were particularly appreciated by the freshmen, who are eager to make the most of their time in the programme.



*Student helpers and freshmen with Prof. Anna Wong and Prof. David Lee
(fourth and fifth from the left of the front row)*

To wrap up the day, the freshmen participated in a mini-pitching game, an innovative exercise designed to hone their presentation and communication skills. This activity provided a taste of what lies ahead in their academic journey, particularly in developing effective pitch decks, a critical skill for their future university assignments.



Freshmen presenting after group discussion on the innovation exercise

Overall, the BFin(AMPB) Orientation Day was a resounding success, setting a positive tone for the year ahead. We look forward to seeing how these new connections will flourish and how our freshmen will grow and thrive within the AMPB community.

Feedback from BFin(AMPB) freshmen:

- Arthur Wai: *"It was really helpful because we get to know each other before the start of the semester and also get to know more about the course through the talk given by Prof. Wong and Prof. Lee."*
- Aaron Ng: *"As a freshman, the BFin(AMPB) Orientation Day was very helpful for me to not only get to know my peers but also to receive valuable information about my upcoming year of studies. It was motivating to hear the experiences of the second- and third-year students in the programme, and I also enjoyed both professors sharing their insights and introducing us to the course."*