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# NKUST'S Reflections on the UNESCO Chair: Terms 1 and 2 (2018–2026)

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## NKUST'S ROLE IN TERMS 1 and 2

Key Achievements

- **Hosting** international academic events under the UNESCO Chair framework
- **Research** outputs on gender and maritime labor, especially female seafarers in Taiwan
- **Student participation** in international education programs and intercultural collaboration
- Community-based **field learning** in southern Taiwan
- Strengthening **links** between local experience and global sustainability discussions

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## KEY CONTRIBUTIONS & LEARNING

Key Reflection

Gender should be viewed not only as a research topic, but also as an analytical lens.

UNESCO Chair exchanges helped us better understand women's

- structural challenges
- invisible contributions

This is especially important in

- maritime sectors
- high-risk work environments
- post-disaster communities

It also led us to rethink inclusion through **policy, education, and institutions.**

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## IMPACT BEYOND ACADEMIA

**In education:**

Our students participated in UNESCO Chair international learning activities and worked together with students from different countries.

What was especially meaningful is that students did not simply receive knowledge; they learned how to **build understanding through dialogue, comparison, and collaborative problem solving.**

**In regional engagement:**

Our students **entered local communities** in southern Taiwan to observe issues related to vulnerable groups and disaster preparedness.

This helped them understand that social vulnerability is not an abstract concept— **it is visible in everyday local life.**

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## Review of the Education Program (2018–2025)

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**Professor Yang's Reflections:**

- Grateful for this meaningful journey.
- Thanks for the valuable exchange platform.
- Students gained international vision and confidence.
- Together for sustainability.

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## Thank You

Because of you, these past eight years have been truly **meaningful.**

**Together,** we have connected research, education, and local action—and discovered new possibilities for **inclusion and resilience.**

This spirit of **shared responsibility** may be the most valuable legacy for us.

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