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## CONTINUING SUCESS: EMILY CHUNG



As she sat in the offices of Australia Academic Services in Hong Kong, talking with a representative about the University of New Hampshire, she wondered what UNH would be

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like. As the conversation went on, she knew that UNH was where she wanted to continue her studies. It would be a long journey from Hong Kong to Durham but Emily Chung was ready, excited and somewhat anxious.

Navitas recruited Emily for its Pathway Program. She arrived on campus in the fall of 2011. The program worked well, smoothing her transition to life at UNH and preparing her for taking university courses. With a major in psychology, Emily plans to someday become a counselor. "Classes are challenging, but it's good, I am learning a lot," states Emily. She laughs: "They are much, much larger than the Navitas classes." Currently enrolled in four classes, she works hard to find the right balance between classes, studying and extracurricular activities, as most students do.

Emily appreciates the attention she received during her Navitas year: "I was glad I did the program, it taught me to be more interactive both in the classroom and outside of it." Emily has taken those teachings and applied them

to her everyday life here at UNH, getting involved wherever she can. She has traveled to New Orleans as part of an alternative spring break service trip (helping to re-build homes), is a member of the Christian Impact Club and the Crew Club, and is vice president of the Psychology Club. Somehow Emily has also found the time to volunteer in local schools with Seacoast Reads, teaching children reading and math skills. She is grateful to be able to help and gets a lot of satisfaction from the experience: "I wanted to work with the children, to understand the problems they were having and help them learn."

With Emily's passion and drive, we look forward to seeing what the future holds for her as she makes progress toward her degree here at the University of New Hampshire.

~ contributed by Kyle Mallinger and Anna Bruning, Navitas at UNH

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