The Associate of Science in Information Technology graduates, Mr. KO Chung Ming, Mr. MAN Yiu Chung, Mr. NG Ho Tong and Mr. WAN Chun Wa were awarded the championship in the Final Year Project competition 2009 and their accomplishment in this regard was positively reported by Sing Tao Daily on 19 June 2009 (Friday).

Under the co-supervision of Dr. LAU Ho Lam and Dr. TSOI Yau Chat, Desmond, KO et al. designed a novel web-based system* which expedites the finding of a suitable path to the destination. This application provides a simple yet effective and user-friendly tool which greatly improves the current campus map system. Using this system a user needs only to key in the destination room number; the system then searches for the best path to the destination from its nearest lift. Moreover, a preview of nearby scenery will be displayed to increase its usability.

“This project provided an opportunity for us to apply all we have learnt in the past two years. Besides, one important skill I have learnt is to cooperate well among the group members, a good communication skill and attitude is also the key of success despite of proficient technical skills. I am so glad that our project is appreciated by the judges as well as other people.” said KO Chung Ming.

* This system has been launched at: http://www.dco.cityu.edu.hk/locationMap/index.php
“Many people may be afraid of hearing the term "Final Year Project (FYP)". For me, it is a good opportunity to practice my problem solving skills, and to learn how to cooperate with teammates. In last academic semester, we learnt a programming tool called "Google API" and performed some research on Google tile map. Therefore, FYP is good for us to enhance our programming skill and knowledge.” said MAN Yiu Chung.

“I have personally observed all the members in the group are self-motivated and enthusiastic on their work. Also they are mature, reliable and able to work under pressure. With these positive working attitudes, they worked together closely towards the project goal and were able to manage the project well.” said Dr. Desmond TSOI.

Captured screenshots of the web-based system developed by KO et al. for their Final Year Project.
A newspaper clipping headed “城大生救路癡，設計校園網路地圖” reported the details of this awarded Final Year Project on 19 June 2009.