

Joseph Shing Him Chan is a 2nd year viola student of University of Queensland (UQ) BMus(Hon) after graduating from Sydney Conservatorium High School in 2015. Joseph regularly works with the UQ Symphony Orchestra towards their performance in QPAC. He has conducted variety of works in UQ like Mahler's Symphony No.2, Tchaikovsky's Romeo and Juliet Overture, William Walton's Symphony no.1 and Shostakovich's Hamlet Suite. Last year, Joseph played as assistant principal viola for Australian International Symphony Orchestra Institute in Tasmania working under the baton of Johannes Fritzsch and Matthew Coorey. In August, Joseph was invited on tour with UQ to play with Xi'an Symphony Orchestra working with Dane Lam; he also got to conduct a rehearsal of Beethoven's 8th Symphony on this tour. He is currently principal violist in UQ Symphony Orchestra.

Joseph learnt conducting in Sydney Conservatorium from Dr Carolyn Watson for two years. In 2013, he completed the Scholar Conductor course sponsored by the Symphony Services International under the tutelage of Christopher Seaman. At the present, he is learning viola from Professor Patricia Pollett and conducting from Dr. Warwick Potter.