



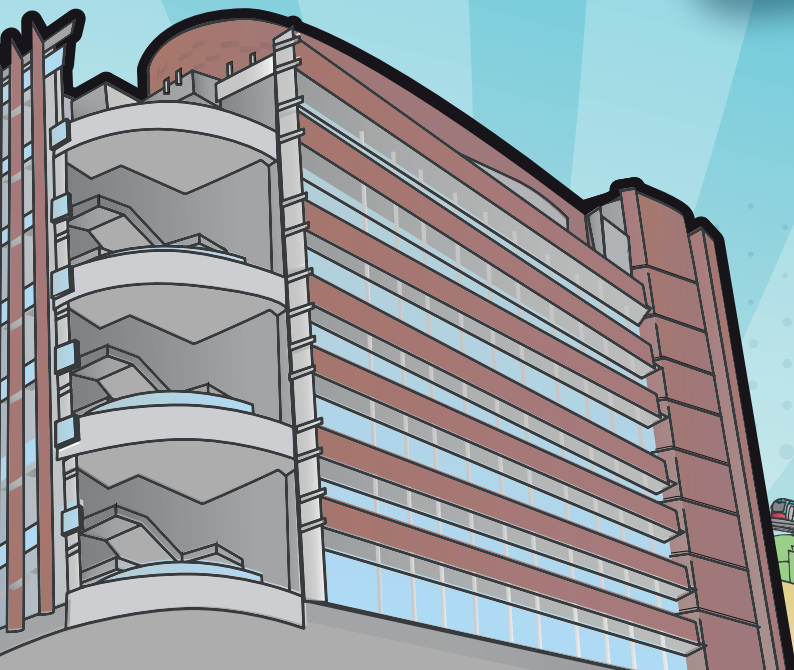
Faculty of  
**Social Sciences**  
The University of Hong Kong  
香港大學社會科學學院

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# SOCIAL SCIENCES

## UNDERGRADUATE PROSPECTUS

**2022-2023**





# VISION & MISSION

The Faculty of Social Sciences of The University of Hong Kong seeks to make a positive social contribution through a global presence, regional significance and engagement with the rest of China. The Faculty delivers impact through internationalisation, innovation and interdisciplinarity. It attracts and nurtures global scholars through excellence in research, teaching and learning and knowledge exchange. The Faculty aims to produce citizens with a global perspective who are critical thinkers, socially aware, ready to embrace diversity, and seek to make an impact on society.



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# DEAN'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the Faculty of Social Sciences at The University of Hong Kong. You have some difficult decisions to make but exciting times ahead. Coming to University is a chance for you to explore your future while learning about what kind of person you are and want to be. You can take the first steps in a long and prosperous career but you can also challenge your values and decide what is really important.

The Social Sciences are all about people; you will find the different ways we study people inside this prospectus. One thing the COVID-19 pandemic has taught us is how important social connection is in our lives! So we feel that it is more important than ever to study and understand how people relate to each other, support each other, come into conflict with each other, and live together. Our programmes seek to do this by encouraging students to grow through new experiences. Our students all have an international experience during their studies, so that they get a different perspective on the world. Our students also complete a "Social Innovation" internship, where they spend time in an organisation off-campus and help with real problems and issues in the community.

This year we're excited to announce a new degree programme: The Bachelor of Psychology. This is a new degree, offered for the first time in Hong Kong. It allows students to follow their interest in Psychology and Mental Health and pursue a first degree which leads directly to postgraduate pathways in Clinical Psychology, Educational Psychology, Counselling, and Social Work, as well as a wide range of careers.

Our largest degree is the Bachelor of Social Sciences; we also offer this degree in a joint programme with Faculty of Law through Government and Laws. We offer Bachelor's degrees in other disciplines such as Social Work (BSW) and Journalism (BJ).

We also offer an integrated Bachelor of Arts and Sciences degree in conjunction with the Faculty of Arts and the Faculty of Science. Students are free to study subjects from across the Arts, Sciences, and Social Sciences, and learn how to harness interdisciplinary knowledge between them. We offer individualized academic guidance to help students design a course of study that best suits them. If you want to explore your passions, this programme may be for you.

Ultimately, we strive to help develop critical thinkers with strong values of inclusiveness, who see the value in diversity and taking someone else's perspective. We think our graduates will be well-placed to help tackle problems in their communities around them, as well as some of the biggest problems facing us all. After all, many of our problems are social. Climate change is a physical problem but the only barrier to a solution is getting everyone to agree on what to do. Health is increasingly an issue that is affected by social processes like migration, urbanisation, nutrition, and physical activity.

Our graduates get jobs as social workers, psychologists, teachers, journalists, civil servants, data scientists, human resources professionals, and many more. If you're fascinated by how people live, work, and play, and want to help solve problems both big and small, then join us!



**Professor William Hayward**  
Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences  
October 2021

# DEPARTMENTS



The Department of Geography is the first and foremost geography department in Hong Kong. Since its inception, the Department has trained nearly 3,400 undergraduates including some world-class academics, prominent government officials, business leaders and senior professionals, etc.

The Department offers well-structured courses to keep students abreast of the most up-to-date knowledge and contemporary issues in Hong Kong and in the world. With strong emphasis on people-environment interactions, students will have the opportunities to investigate various phenomena and dynamics, for instance, climate change, economic and regional development, ecosystem services, globalisation, natural hazards, public health, sustainable development, tourism, transportation and urbanisation and so forth, in the rapidly changing world.



## POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

The Department of Politics and Public Administration is a founding department of the Faculty. During the past decades, the Department has contributed to the development of its discipline both locally and internationally through dedicated teaching, research and knowledge exchange.

Students are exposed to basic concepts and general features of political systems, as well as the organisation and functions of government. The specialist streams comprise comparative politics, international politics, political theory and ethics, and public administration.



# PSYCHOLOGY

The Department of Psychology is the oldest department of psychology in Hong Kong, and has been consistently ranked as one of the best in Asia. Our multi-disciplinary Neuroscience and Cognitive Science Programmes are both the first of its kind in Hong Kong.

Through our programme, students gain a broad knowledge of psychology, learn applicable research skills, and have opportunities to pursue specialised interests. Our courses are taught by experts in their fields, and span a range of areas including social psychology, cognitive psychology, developmental psychology, psychopathology, therapeutic psychology, and neuroscience. Students also receive training in research methods, and have opportunities to gain research experience in one of the many cutting-edge laboratories in the department, such as research internships and independent research projects.



# JOURNALISM AND MEDIA STUDIES CENTRE

Founded in 1998, the Journalism and Media Studies Centre (JMSC) brings professional journalism education to Hong Kong's premier university, creating an environment for vibrant interaction among students from Hong Kong, mainland China, Asia and the rest of the world.

The JMSC's mission is to support civil society and an informed citizenry through a vibrant and professional news media, to enhance professional standards, to bolster journalistic integrity and to help students build vital communications skills valuable for any future career. The JMSC pursues these goals through its teaching programmes, research, professional services and its industry and academic partnerships.



# SOCIAL WORK AND SOCIAL ADMINISTRATION

The Department of Social Work and Social Administration is the first social work training institute in Hong Kong's history of professional social work education. Since 1950, it is our core mission to provide rigorous academic and professional training in social work. We are also a leader in counselling, behavioural health, expressive arts therapy, mental health and gerontology education. Our commitment to improving the quality of life of people has kept our social work education at the forefront of the changing social welfare landscape. Many of our graduates are now social work leaders in the region. Others became esteemed clinical practitioners, government officials, directors and senior managers in NGOs, as well as professors in major universities.

The Department also offers two majors/minors in 'Social Policy & Social Development' and 'Counselling' for the Bachelor of Social Sciences Programme to provide students with solid foundation in social sciences, social consciousness, effective communication and problem-solving skills. Graduates are best equipped for positions of Officers in the government which finances and administers the largest bulk of social services, or planning and management positions in non-governmental and private agencies, etc. Graduates can also pursue further studies in practical cutting-edge evidence-based postgraduate programmes provided by the Department (e.g. Master of Social Work, Master of Social Sciences, and Master of Philosophy, etc.).



# SOCIOLOGY

The Department of Sociology, founded in 1967, has a long tradition in research and teaching about local cultures and societies. With the advent of large scale social transformations, this sociological lens on everyday life and cultures has broadened, framed within a global context.

Sociology provides students with critical analytical and methodological skills for understanding individuals and their connection to communities and societies, across a range of social indicators - class, crime, economy, education, gender, marriage and family, media, punishment, and religion.



# Generic Components of the Undergraduate Curricula

At HKU, students are required to complete 24 to 36 credits of Common Core Curriculum courses and 12 to 18 credits of Language Enhancement courses in Chinese and English as stipulated in the Regulations for First Degree Curricula in order to graduate.



**COMMONCORE**  
THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

The Common Core Curriculum is a series of interdisciplinary organised courses that aims to develop students with a broader perspective of the complexities and the interconnectedness of the issues in everyday lives; to cultivate students' appreciation of cultures; to enable students to see themselves as members of global and play an active role as responsible individuals and citizens; also to enable students to develop the key intellectual skills that will be further enhanced in their disciplinary studies. The Common Core Curriculum is divided into four Areas of Inquiry (AoI): Scientific and Technological Literacy, Humanities, Global Issues and China: Culture, State and Society. All of them are organised around active learning and learning by doing.

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## English Language Enhancement Courses

English Language Enhancement courses include a 6-credit of Core University English and a 6-credit of English-in-the-Discipline. The courses aim to equip students with essential English language skills required for academic writing and speaking in the University.

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## Chinese Language Enhancement Courses

Students can choose to take one Chinese Language Enhancement course out of three courses that are designed for Cantonese, Mandarin and non-Cantonese speakers to cater the specific needs of students from different backgrounds. The courses aim to train students to be effective communicators and life-long learners as well as to equip them for future careers.

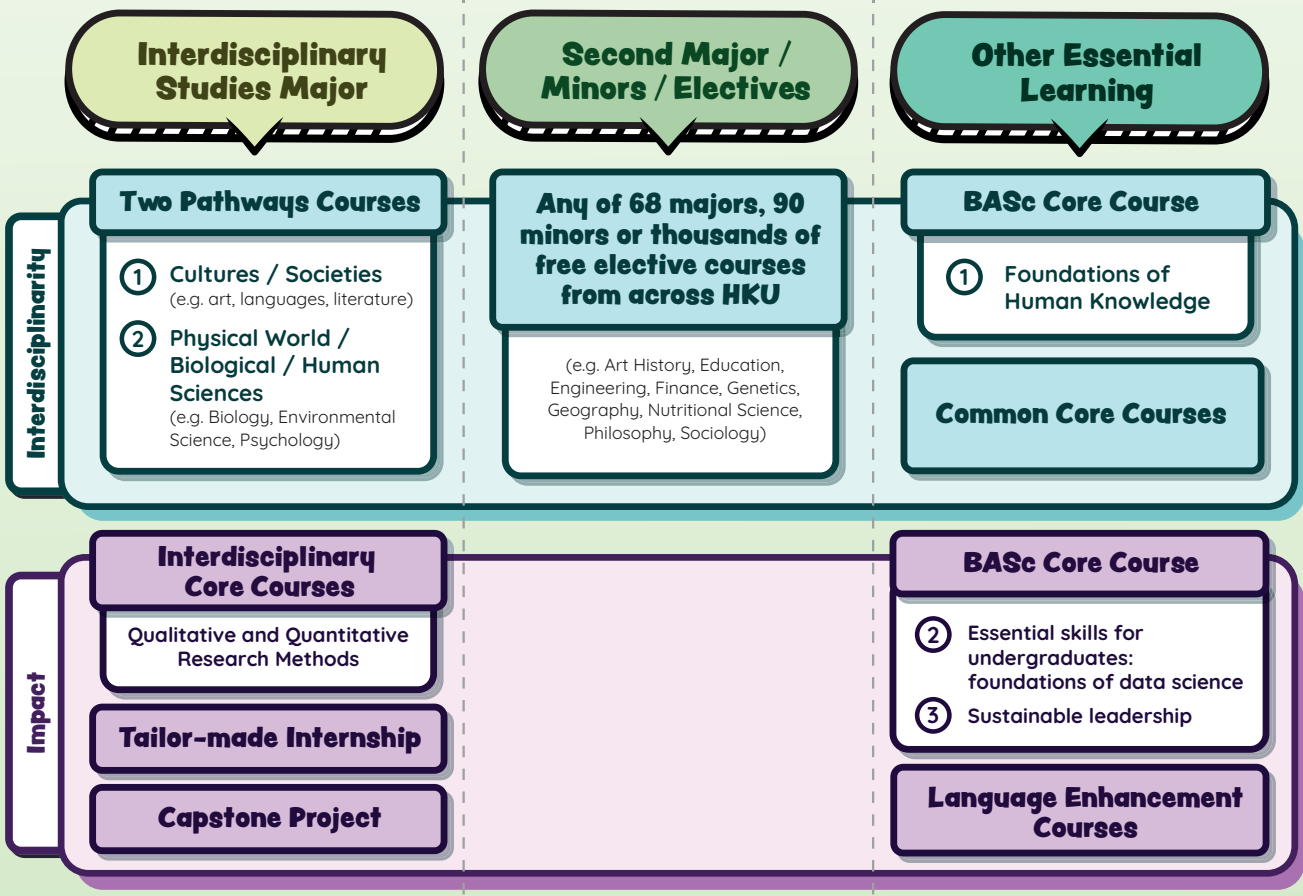


# BASC

## Bachelor of Arts and Sciences 文理學士

The BASc curriculum equips students with an interdisciplinary focus and prepares them to make an impact by solving the world's problems. Each student achieves these goals in a personalised and tailor-made manner whilst being supported by a mentor and other students from the BASc family.

Students will major in Interdisciplinary Studies where they will take five courses from each of the two pathways so that they gain knowledge from diverse disciplines. Students can also take an additional major/minors/electives to further enhance their interdisciplinarity.



### BASc Curriculum Structure

Common Core Courses	24 Credits	Language Courses	12 Credits	BASc Core courses	18 Credits
Interdisciplinary major and two pathways	84 Credits	Social Innovation	12 Credits	Free electives/ Other major or minor	90 Credits
<b>Total : 240 Credits</b>					

**NEW**

**BPsych**

**JUPAS Code: 6705**

## Bachelor of Psychology

心理學學士

*(Subject to University's Approval)*

The new BPsych Programme puts great emphasis on enhancing students' understanding of psychological phenomenon and principles through first-hand practical experience, applying knowledge and skills to real-life situations, and research-intensive learning. Students will be equipped with basic skills across all areas of Psychology, including the biological and cognitive bases of behaviour, developmental changes, social influence, and contemporary issues. They will also be provided with opportunities for tackling novel problems as well as experience of addressing issues that are ill-defined. Through the comprehensive training in the Programme, students' skills in critical analysis, reasoning and self-reflection can be developed.

The Programme provides an internationally-recognised qualification in fundamental aspects of Psychology that allows students to pursue both professional training in applied aspects of Psychology (e.g. Educational Psychology or Clinical Psychology), and advanced research training in all related research areas of Psychology, including Cognitive Science and Neuroscience.

Apart from the Psychology major, students are given flexibility to explore their academic interests in a wide variety of disciplines across all faculties in the University. For example, students may opt to declare a second major in Social Sciences disciplines, such as Cognitive Science, Counselling, Criminology, Neuroscience, etc., if they are considering further study or work in the professions related to mental health.



### BPsych Curriculum Structure

Common Core Courses

**36 Credits**

Language Courses

**18 Credits**

Major in Psychology

**84 Credits**

Social Innovation and Global Citizenship

**24 Credits**

Free electives/ Other major or minor

**78 Credits**

**Total : 240 Credits**

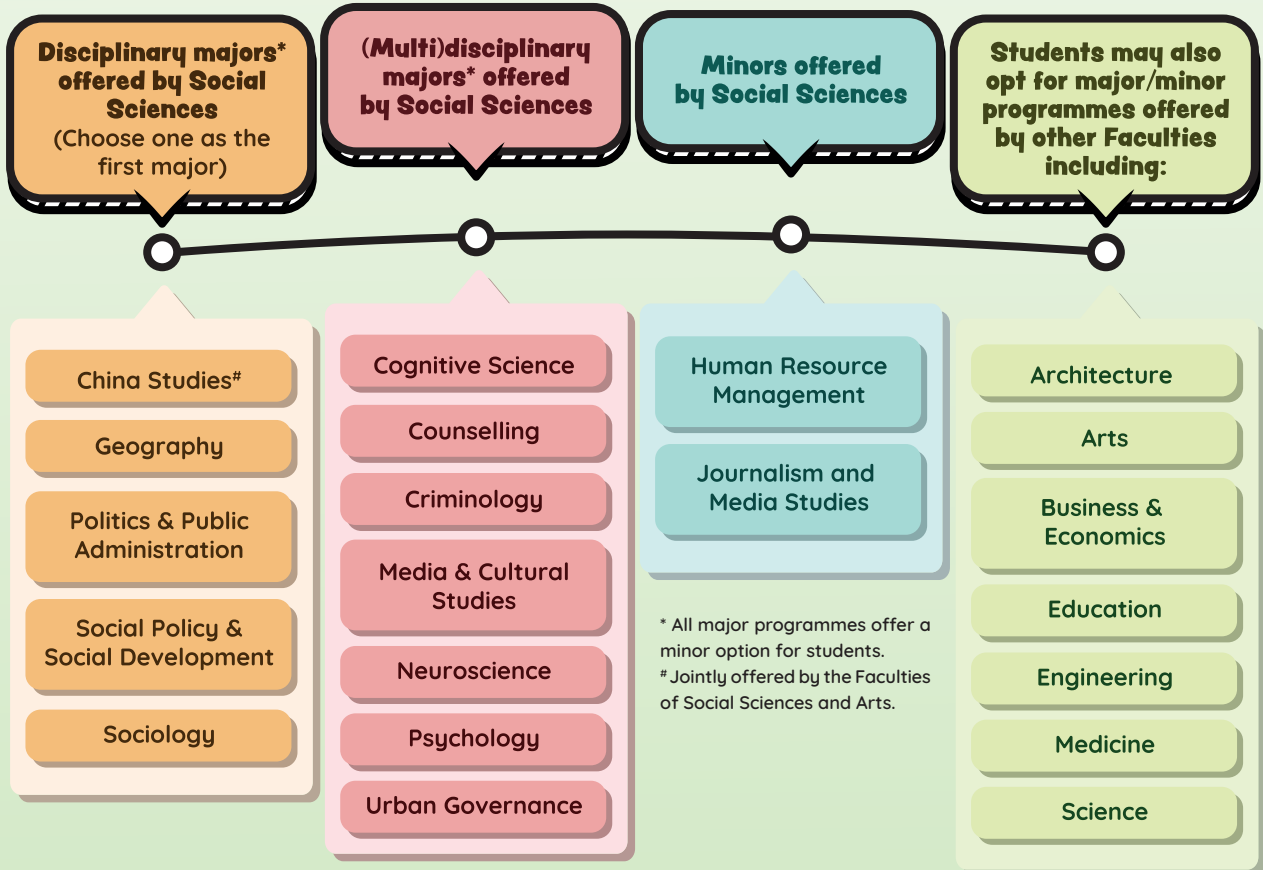
**BSocSc**

**Bachelor of Social Sciences**  
**社會科學學士**

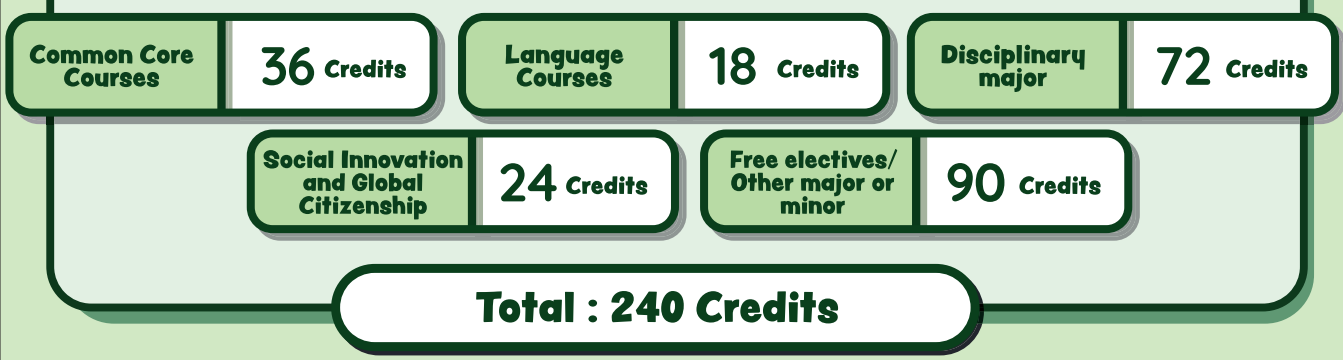
Students in this BSocSc curriculum may choose to major in one of the five core disciplines: China Studies, Geography, Politics and Public Administration, Social Policy and Social Development, and Sociology. Students may also opt for a double major in (multi)disciplinary options such as Psychology, Cognitive Science, Counselling, Criminology, Media and Culture Studies, Neuroscience, Urban Governance as well as majors offered by other Faculties of the University. Students can choose to combine a major with one or two minors.

The BSocSc curriculum requires all students, as a condition of graduation, to undertake 24 credits (equivalent to 4 courses) of off-campus learning under the twin themes: **Social Innovation (12 credits)** and **Global Citizenship (12 credits)**.

**Major and minor programmes with BSocSc**



**BSocSc Curriculum Structure**



Bachelor of Social Sciences 社會科學學士

# BSocSc DISCIPLINARY MAJOR PROGRAMMES

## FLEXIBLE!

- FREE** choice
- NO** quota
- NO** selection

Students are offered great flexibility to explore their academic interests during the first year of studies by taking different social sciences introductory courses. Starting from the second year of studies, students may declare one of the following five disciplinary majors as their first major and further study on the selected discipline.

### China Studies

Jointly organised by Social Sciences and Arts, the programme addresses the growing interest in the study of Greater China from a multi-disciplinary approach. Wide range of courses are offered to introduce China's political, economical, social, and cultural traits in the past and present.

The major also offers experiential learning opportunities and exchanges that focus on China Studies on the Mainland, Taiwan, or any China Studies centre overseas.

### Geography

Geography is a diverse discipline that involves both natural and social sciences with a focus on the major issues facing societies in a rapidly changing world.

This major provides students with an understanding of the relationships between people and the natural environment, how these relationships have changed with space and over time, and the role of geography in the issues and problems facing people, places and society.

## Politics and Public Administration

This major aims to provide students with basic knowledge in political science and public administration and to develop students' ability in critical analysis of complex political issues in the real world.

Students may choose to specialise in one of the following four streams: Comparative Politics, International Politics, Political Theory and Ethics and Public Administration.

## Social Policy and Social Development

This major aims to build students' competency to become change agents in the society and their communities. Students are exposed to contemporary social development issues and social policy responses to these issues in the local and global contexts.

Students are equipped to be competent to work in non-profit, for-profit, and social enterprise sectors for social changes and to be innovators in these sectors.

## Sociology

This major seeks to nurture students to become knowledgeable, critical and caring members of society.

The programme offers students a solid foundation in Sociology. Its wide ranging course offerings also allow students to examine in a more concentrated manner a number of specialist areas within the discipline, including media and culture, cultural heritage, and criminology.

**JUPAS Code: 6731**

**BSW**

# Bachelor of Social Work

## 社會工作學學士

The BSW curriculum covers various disciplines, including social welfare and social policy, specialised social work theory and practice, human behaviour and social environment, social research, law, sociology, and psychology. In the second and third years of study, students are required to complete two skills laboratory courses and two theory courses - all of which adopt the problem-based learning model. Students will have a field work placement arranged by the Department in the summer between the third and fourth year of the curriculum. The placement, which lasts for ten weeks, takes place in local or overseas agencies under professional supervision. There is a second placement in the fourth year of study. On successful completion of the curriculum, students are eligible to apply for registration as Registered Social Workers with the Hong Kong Social Workers Registration Board.



### BSW Curriculum Structure

Common Core Courses

**36 Credits**

Language Courses

**18 Credits**

Social Work Professional Core (including two placements)

**150 Credits**

Free electives

**36 Credits**

**Total : 240 Credits**

**JUPAS Code: 6810**

# **BSocSc (G&L) & LLB**

## **Bachelor of Social Sciences (Government and Laws) and Bachelor of Laws**

**社會科學學士(政治學與法學) 及  
法學士(雙學位課程)**



Jointly offered by the Department of Politics and Public Administration and the Faculty of Law, the 5-year programme enables students to study two curricula and be awarded two degrees upon completion. The curriculum consists of a combination of Social Sciences and Law courses.

Satisfactory completion of five years in the programme leads to the award of the degrees of Bachelor of Social Sciences (Government and Laws) and Bachelor of Laws (LLB). Students may also opt out at the end of the second year to exit with only a Bachelor of Social Sciences (Government and Laws) upon completion of the fourth year of study. The study of the fifth year for the two degrees is on a self-funded basis and the tuition fee is set at a higher level.

### **BSocSc(G&L) & LLB Curriculum Structure**

<b>Common Core Courses</b>	<b>24 Credits</b>	<b>Language Courses</b>	<b>12 Credits</b>	<b>PPA / Social Sciences Courses</b>	<b>84 Credits</b>
<b>Law Professional Core</b>	<b>156 Credits</b>	<b>Social Innovation/ Global Citizenship</b>	<b>12 Credits</b>	<b>Free electives</b>	<b>12 Credits</b>
<b>Total : 300 Credits</b>					

**JUPAS Code: 6822**

**BJ**

# Bachelor of Journalism

## 新聞學學士

The BJ programme is a communications-focused double-major curriculum for a digital age. Students use the journalism component of the curriculum to build critical thinking and communications skills across multiple media. By the end of the four-year curriculum, they will be able to produce accurate and deeply researched written work on a variety of subjects, shoot and edit compelling video documentaries, and create data-driven online journalism.

In their second year, each student will choose another academic major to combine with the journalism component, thus creating a bespoke degree that will allow them to explore fully their unique intellectual interests. Throughout the curriculum, the emphasis is on experiential real-world learning. All students will complete at least one summer internship at a media publication or other communications-focused organisation.

A diverse faculty and student body ensure a lively learning environment that feeds students' curiosity about the world. Class size is kept small to foster classroom discussion as well as the family feeling that makes the Journalism and Media Studies Centre a very special place at HKU.



### BJ Curriculum Structure

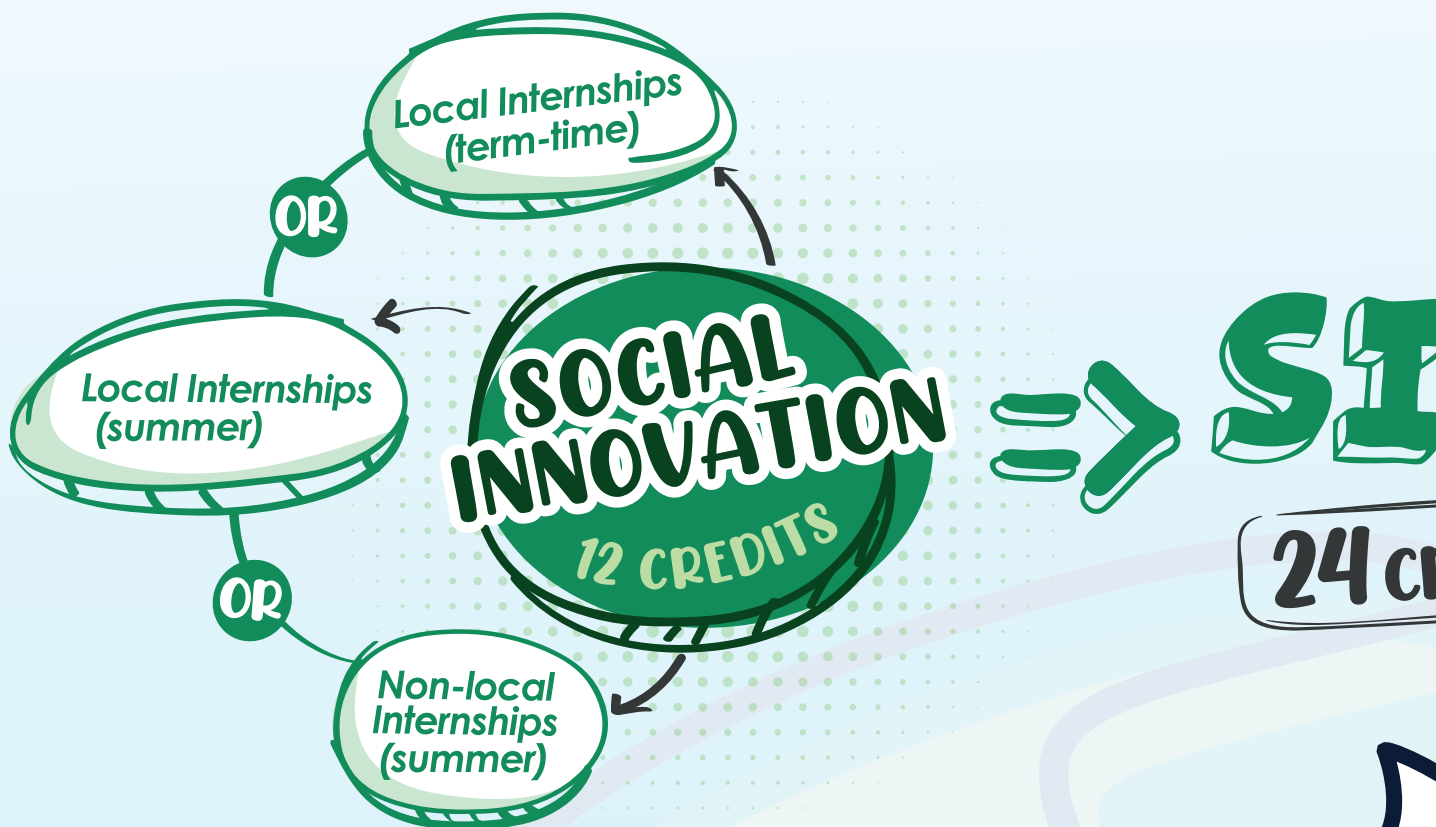
Common Core Courses	36 Credits	Language Courses	18 Credits	Major in Journalism	72 Credits
JMSC Internship	12 Credits	Global Citizenship	12 Credits	Second major and free electives	90 Credits
<b>Total : 240 Credits</b>					





# SOCIAL INNOVATION

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## Graduation Requirements

Curriculum	Social Innovation (12 credits)		Global Citizenship (12 credits)
BASc	✓		
BPsych	✓	AND	✓
BSocSc	✓	AND	✓
BSW		Nil (Free Electives)	
BSocSc (G&L) & LLB	✓	OR	✓
BJ			✓

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# GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP



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**GLOBAL  
CITIZENSHIP**  
12 CREDITS

Exchange  
Programmes

Project-based/  
Placement-based  
Internship

Research  
Internship

Dual Degree:  
BSocSc@HKU  
+  
MA@ Geneva



For more information, please visit the Faculty's Social Innovation and Global Citizenship website: [www.socsc.hku.hk/sigc](http://www.socsc.hku.hk/sigc).

# INTERNSHIP PROGRAMMES

The Internship Programmes are specially designed to encourage students to maximise their full potential by going beyond the confines of the campus, their academic discipline and geographical boundaries.



## Local Internships

Local internships offer students the off-campus learning opportunities to work on a variety of social issues in Hong Kong. The settings include local and international NGOs, think-tanks, political parties and social enterprises, etc.



## Some Internship Community Partners:



## Non-local Internships

Non-local internships provide students with placement opportunities abroad in various countries. There are two types of non-local internships: Placement-based internships and cross-disciplinary project-based internships (GloCal Projects).

**Placement-based internships:** Students will be offered a placement in private or non-profit organisations in Australia, Canada, Italy, South Korea, Taiwan, the United Kingdom and the United States, etc.

**GloCal Projects:** Students will be assigned to work on a project to gain first-hand experience to work with international NGOs and/or local community partners in India, Nepal, Thailand and Vietnam, etc. Through working on the projects, students will apply community research skills in social sciences globally and make an impact locally.



# STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES

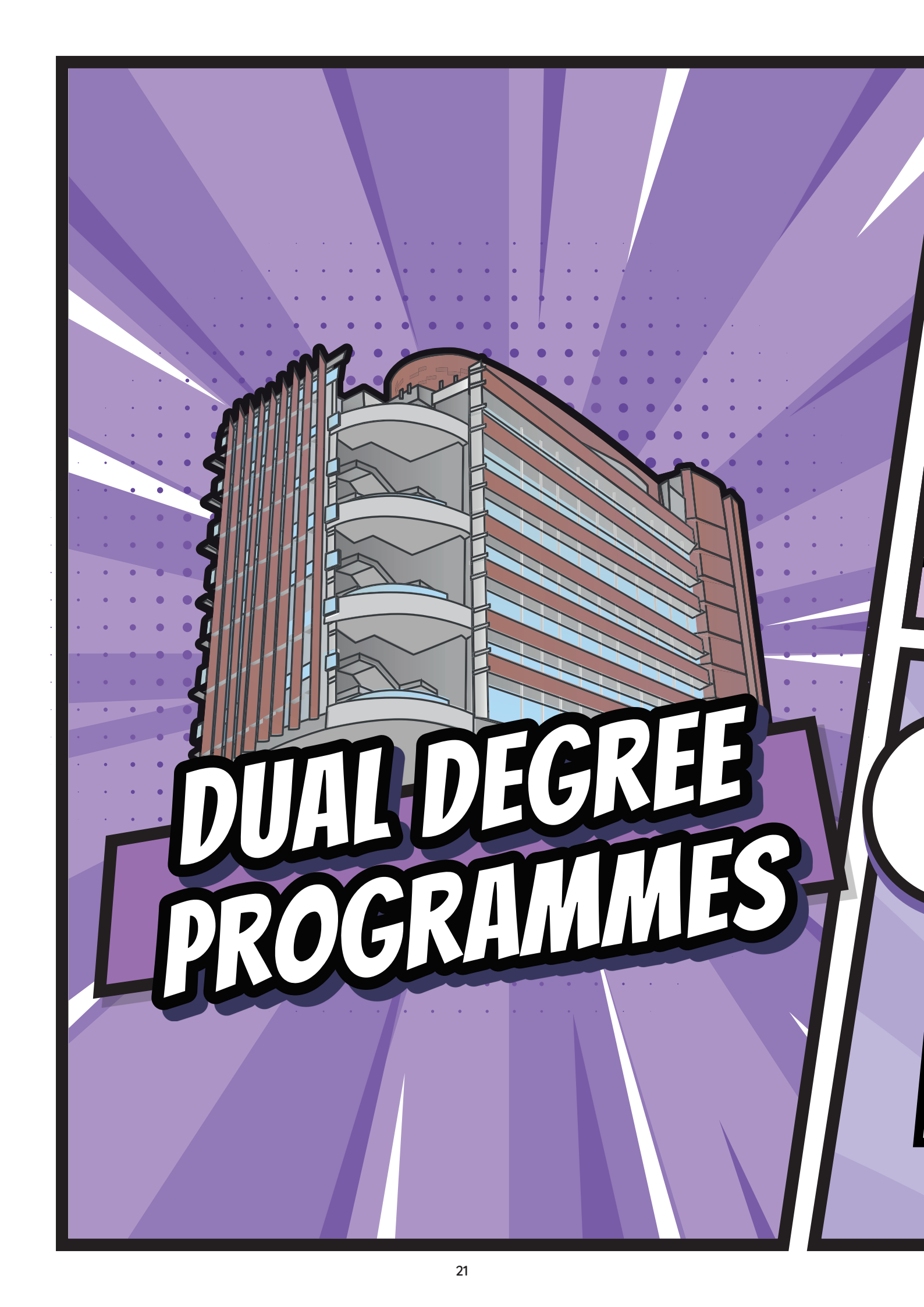
The University offers different exchange opportunities to all full-time undergraduate students with outstanding academic performance and good standing. Through student exchange programmes, HKU students will study at partner institutions for one semester or one academic year to get a taste of studying abroad.

Students may also apply for credit transfer in order to fulfil the degree requirements at HKU. Scholarships and sponsorships will be provided to students according to their academic standing and financial needs.

Collaborating with more than 300 exchange partner institutions worldwide, more than 250 Social Sciences students benefit from the HKU exchange programmes annually.

On top of the University-level exchange programmes, the Faculty has also established connections with the following internationally renowned universities to broaden students' horizon and facilitate cultural exchange:





**DUAL DEGREE  
PROGRAMMES**



2 years + 2 years

# HKU-Sciences Po

This 4-year undergraduate degree programme will give students two Bachelor's degrees from two highly respected international universities - one from Europe - Sciences Po - and one from Asia - HKU. Students will spend the first two years in France and the third and fourth years in Hong Kong.

The learning experience at Sciences Po not only facilitates students' understanding of, and builds bridges between, Asia and Europe, but also enhances their international exposures further with multinational companies.



[www.socsc.hku.hk/hku-sciences-po.html](http://www.socsc.hku.hk/hku-sciences-po.html)



2 years + 2 years

# HKU-UC Berkeley



Students, upon successful completion of this 4-year undergraduate dual degree programme, will earn two Bachelor's degrees - one from USA - and one from Asia - HKU. By spending the first two years at HKU and the third and fourth years at UC Berkeley, students shall obtain a Bachelor of Social Sciences from HKU, and a Bachelor of Arts from UC Berkeley.

Students will complete most of the compulsory courses of the major at HKU. They will also have to take disciplinary electives, and/or to pursue a second major or minor, plus free electives, at UC Berkeley.

[www.socsc.hku.hk/hku-ucberkeley.html](http://www.socsc.hku.hk/hku-ucberkeley.html)



# HKU + GENEVA

The Graduate Institute

## BSocSc + MA



In collaboration with the Graduate Institute of International and Development Studies Geneva (Geneva), the Faculty offers a concurrent degree "Bachelor of Social Sciences + Master of Arts\*\*" to BSocSc students. Students will complete 3 years of study at HKU and apply to Geneva for admission to one of their designated MA programmes.

On admission, students will complete their HKU 4<sup>th</sup> year of study in Geneva by taking graduate-level courses at Geneva, the credits of which will be transferred back to the HKU BSocSc degree. After successfully completing their 4<sup>th</sup> year of study in Geneva, students may obtain the BSocSc degree from HKU and stay on for an additional year to obtain an MA degree from Geneva. The learning experience at Geneva, which includes an optional internship in one of the 40 international organisations based in Geneva, will facilitate graduates to embark on careers in one of these organisations, such as UN Offices, WTO, and organisations in labour, telecommunications, human rights, HIV/AIDS, etc.

*\*\*Anthropology and Sociology or International Economics or International History or International Law or International Relations/Political Science or International Affairs or Development Studies*



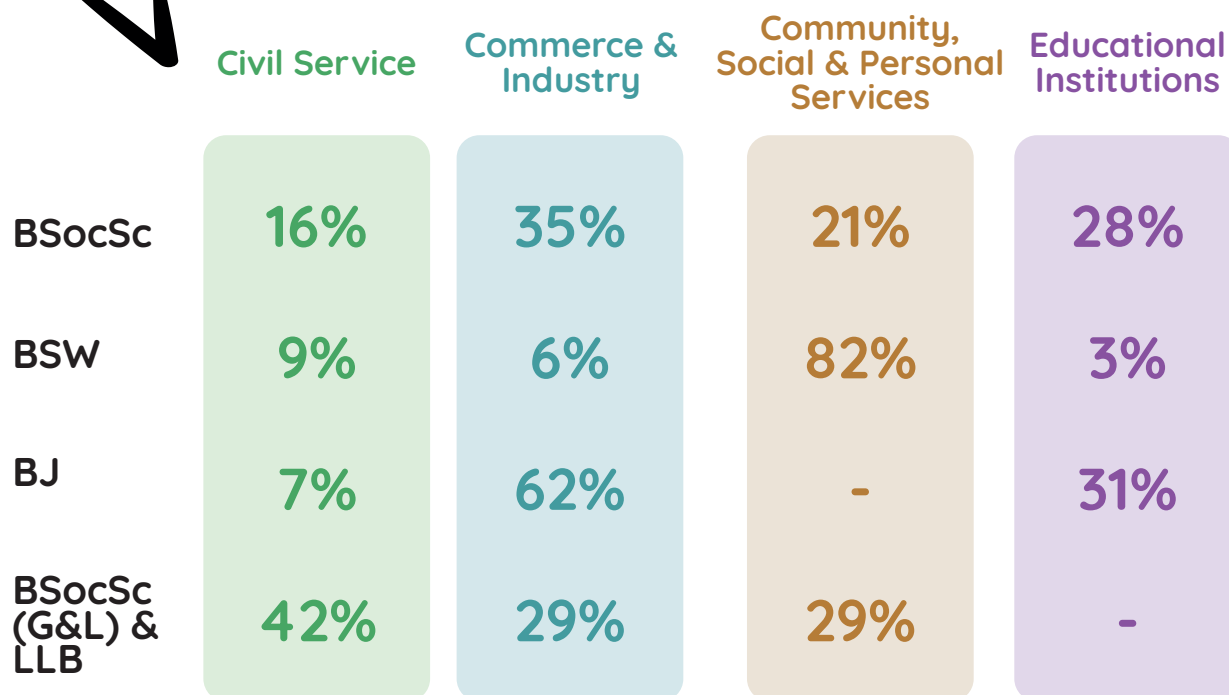
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# CAREER PROSPECTS

The Faculty aims at educating talented young leaders with personal attributes that are valued by employers. Graduates are well equipped to pursue careers in government, politics, public corporations, community organisations, media, and the private sector. Career prospects are promising for social sciences graduates, and this is fully reflected in the outstanding achievements of our alumni in various sectors of the society. Graduates who choose to further studies are often accepted to highly competitive programmes with scholarships by internationally renowned institutions.

Graduates from the BSW curriculum are qualified for registration as Registered Social Workers with the Hong Kong Social Workers Registration Board. They are also competent to work as professional social workers in government or non-governmental organisations.



Source: Graduate Employment Survey 2020



# JUPAS

# ADMISSIONS

**6212**

Bachelor of Arts and Sciences

**6717**

Bachelor of Social Sciences

**6810**Bachelor of Social Sciences  
(Government and Laws) and  
Bachelor of Laws**6705**

Bachelor of Psychology

**6731**

Bachelor of Social Work

**6822**

Bachelor of Journalism

To satisfy the minimum entrance requirements of the University, applicants should achieve the following in Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE):

- Level 3 or above in English Language;
- Level 3 or above in Chinese Language;
- Level 2 or above in Mathematics;
- Level 2 or above in Liberal Studies; and
- Level 3 or above in Two Elective Subjects.

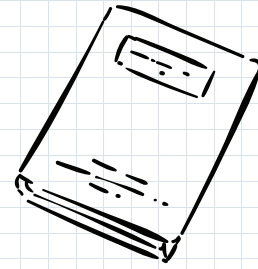
## How to apply

If you wish to apply for admission on the strength of your HKDSE qualifications, you should make your application through the Joint University Programmes Admissions Systems (JUPAS). Please refer to the JUPAS Guide for information on application procedures.

## Explanatory Notes:

- The result of the Mathematics Extended Part (Modules 1 or 2) will be recognised as equivalent to that of a full elective in fulfilling the University Entrance Requirement on the condition that one of the elective subjects must be a Senior Secondary Subject (i.e. Category A Subject).
- “Attained with Distinction” obtained prior to 2018, or “Attained with Distinction (I)” or “Attained with Distinction (II)” obtained in or after 2018, in Applied Learning subjects (other than Applied Learning Chinese) will be used as additional supporting information. In the meantime, student learning experiences in Applied Learning subjects may be considered within the context of other learning experiences in their application.
- Other Language subjects will be used as unspecified elective subjects. The minimum requirement is Grade E.
- There is no additional requirement other than the University’s minimum entrance requirements for 6705 Bachelor of Psychology, 6717 Bachelor of Social Sciences, 6731 Bachelor of Social Work and 6822 Bachelor of Journalism.
- 6212 Bachelor of Arts and Sciences requires Level 5 in English Language, and a 1.5 subject weighting will be given to English Language. Level 3 or above in Extended Module 1 or 2 of Mathematics is preferred (but not required). Candidates with level 4 in English Language and good results in other subjects will be exceptionally considered on a case-by-case basis. If these candidates are admitted, they will be required to take 6 additional credits in Core University English to complete their degree studies.
- 6810 Bachelor of Social Sciences (Government and Laws) and Bachelor of Laws requires Level 5 and Level 4 or above in the English Language and Chinese Language respectively, and Level 3 or above in Mathematics Compulsory Part and Liberal Studies.
- The Faculty accepts combined certificates of HKDSE with no penalty. The best attempt of HKDSE subjects within latest 2 years (i.e. 2021 and/or 2022) will be counted.

# REQUIREMENTS



## Non-JUPAS

The Faculty welcomes applications for undergraduate admissions through the Non-JUPAS Admissions Scheme from candidates who come from non-mainstream schools in Hong Kong and are applying for admission on the strength of qualifications other than the HKDSE.

Due to the differences in educational systems, school-leaving qualifications for entry to universities abroad may not necessarily be accepted by HKU. Details of the general university entrance requirements in respect of qualifications from different countries, please refer to [www.aal.hku.hk/admissions](http://www.aal.hku.hk/admissions). Students may contact [admissions@hku.hk](mailto:admissions@hku.hk) for advice on eligibility for HKU undergraduate admission.

Please note that admission is on a competitive basis. There are no fixed quotas for non-JUPAS applicants, and thus, the number of students admitted may vary every year. Candidates having satisfied the minimum entrance requirements do not necessarily guarantee admission to the University.

## Admissions Enquiries



**Admissions Office:** MG14, Ground Floor, Main Building,  
The University of Hong Kong

**Telephone:** (852) 3917 5886

**Enquiries:** [www.admissions.hku.hk/contact-us](http://www.admissions.hku.hk/contact-us)



# TUITION FEES, SCHOLARSHIPS, FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

## Tuition Fees

The tentative annual tuition fees for intake of the academic year 2022-2023 are HK\$42,100 and HK\$171,000 for local and non-local students, respectively.

## Scholarships

HKU offers entrance scholarships to prospective outstanding local and non-local candidates who are planning to pursue full-time undergraduate studies. Please visit [www.aal.hku.hk/admissions](http://www.aal.hku.hk/admissions) for the eligibility and selection criteria. Once admitted to HKU, students may also apply for the merit-based scholarships and also enrichment scholarships for their overseas learning experiences. The list of award schemes are available on the Scholarships Office website at [www.scholarships.hku.hk](http://www.scholarships.hku.hk).

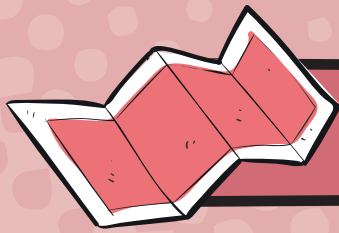
## Financial Assistance

Local students with financial needs are eligible to apply for the Tertiary Student Finance Scheme (TSFS) offered by the HKSAR Government. Please visit the website of the Student Finance Office, Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency at [www.wfsfaa.gov.hk/sfo](http://www.wfsfaa.gov.hk/sfo) for guidelines and details. Supplementing the Government financial assistance schemes, there are a number of bursaries and interest-free loans managed by HKU to assist students with financial hardship. Information can be obtained from the website of the Centre of Development and Resources for Students (CEDARS) at [www.cedars.hku.hk/campuslife/finances/ufo](http://www.cedars.hku.hk/campuslife/finances/ufo).

## Explanatory Notes

According to the definition by the HKSAR Government adopted for education-related areas in the post-secondary education context, non-local students are students holding:

- student visa/entry permit to study in Hong Kong;
- dependent visa/entry permit and were aged 18 years old or above when they were first issued with such documents by the Immigration Department of the HKSAR;
- visa/entry permit under the Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates (IANG), issued by the Director of Immigration of the Hong Kong Immigration Department.



# CAMPUS FACILITIES

## HKU Libraries

The HKU Libraries offer a conducive environment for study, research, and knowledge exchange. The Libraries consist of the Main Library and six specialist branch libraries. Besides offering a congenial environment for study and research, the Libraries also provide a wide range of information resources including a comprehensive collection of books, journals, audio-visual materials and a rapidly expanding collection of article databases, e-books, e-journals and e-news. The Special Collections house a unique selection of Hong Kong materials, rare books, pamphlets and microforms.



## Learning Commons

The Learning Commons is a campus hub equipped with comfortable learning environment and modern learning facilities that encourages and facilitates individual and group study. Students are provided with a variety of spaces such as quiet study areas, reading and lounging areas and group work rooms for individual or collaborative learning activities. Essential services, such as printing, copying and scanning, are also made available at Learning Commons:

- Chi Wah Learning Commons
- The Oval
- The Curve

A Student Advisory Services Zone is set up in the Chi Wah Learning Commons where students may seek advice from a number of HKU departments.



## Residential Halls and Colleges

HKU has 17 residential halls and residential colleges, which are situated on the Main Campus, on Pokfulam Road, Sassoon Road and Lung Wah Street. Each hall has its own tradition, history, culture and unique characteristics. Residential hall life is a part of Whole Person Education of the University. Students can learn to be independent, and are given the chance to interact closely with people from different cultural backgrounds.





# Student Ambassadors Scheme



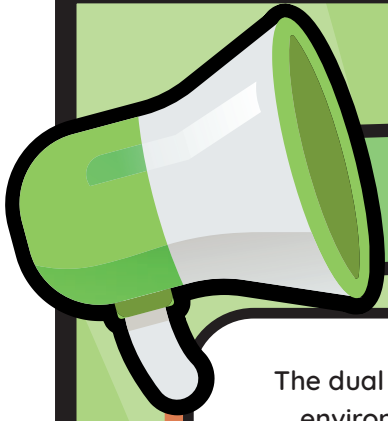
The Student Ambassadors Scheme aims to provide an exclusive opportunity to enrich students' campus life, develop their skills and extend connection with a variety of professionals, academia and peers.

Student Ambassadors will be invited to take part in major events organised by the Faculty, serving as representatives of the Faculty to share their exciting and rewarding experience to guests, peers, prospective students and international students in the role of Faculty Student Advisers and/or Buddy Mentors, as well as provide support to Faculty's campus activities, such as Information Day, Student Prize Presentation Ceremony and Congregation, etc.

All full-time social sciences undergraduate students are welcome to join. Newly registered Student Ambassadors will receive a little welcome pack containing surprise gifts. In addition to a Certificate of Appreciation, the Faculty will keep a tier point system to recognise student ambassadors' efforts and participation. They will have the opportunity to receive more surprise gifts once they have accumulated certain tier points. The top tier "prize" would be a gathering with the Deanery and a featured article in the Faculty's newsletter "Societist".



<https://www.socsc.hku.hk/fsa>



# GRADUATE VOICES

The dual degree programme was highly multicultural environment and fundamental for my admission. There are very few opportunities in higher education, giving you the time to reflect on who you truly want to become, cumulating academic and professional experiences as well as studying in two fascinating places between Europe and Asia.



**Mr PRUNIER Maxime Jean-emmanuel**

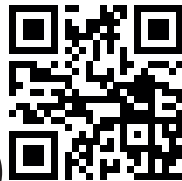
HKU-Sciences Po Dual Degree 2018 graduate



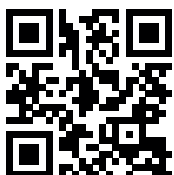
BSocSc offers us a high level of freedom regarding our academic choices and provides us with rich experiential learning opportunities including overseas exchange and internships under the two themes of Social Innovation and Global Citizenship. The flexible programme structure allows us to decide which discipline we wish to major in after we try out different subjects/disciplines during the first year.

**Miss TIN Tsz Huen Charis**

BSocSc 2021 graduate



The academic training in BSocSc had strengthened my critical thinking and analytical skills. I also learnt from the academic training that social responsibility can be innovative. It inspired me to do things in a socially responsible way. Therefore, in my career choice, I have a clear mission that I would like join and start a company with a strong focus on social responsibility.



**Mr CHAN Pak Hong**

BSocSc 2013 graduate

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