

Programme Requirements for Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Politics and Public Administration

Students admitted to the Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours programme are required to declare the stream they wish to pursue at the time prescribed by the University. The available streams are:

- i. Ageing Society and Services Studies
- ii. Applied Economics
- iii. Applied Social Studies
- iv. Global and China Studies
- v. Politics and Public Administration

These programme requirements are applicable for students pursuing the “Politics and Public Administration” stream for the award of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Politics and Public Administration.

1. Programme Requirement – Year 1 Entry

1.1 To be eligible for the award of the Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Politics and Public Administration through Year 1 Entry, a student shall:

1.1.1 obtain 120 credit-units as prescribed below, of which no more than 30 credit-units shall be at 1000-level, at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

- 1.1.1.1 81 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 1;
- 1.1.1.2 3 to 6 credit-units of major elective courses from Table 2 (6 credit-units for students taking POLS 4005AEF Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration);
- 1.1.1.3 12 to 15 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 3 (12 credit-units for students taking POLS 4005AEF Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration);
- 1.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses in Table 4;
- 1.1.1.5 6 credit-units of University English courses in Table 5;
- 1.1.1.6 6 credit-units of General Education (GE) courses (see www.hkmu.edu.hk/FT_GE for the updated list of GE courses);

and

1.1.2 attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

2. Programme Requirement – Year 2 Entry

2.1 To be eligible for the award of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Politics and Public Administration through Year 2 Entry, a student shall:

2.1.1 obtain 93 credit-units as prescribed below, of which at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

2.1.1.1 66 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 2 entry as listed in Table 1;

2.1.1.2 3 to 6 credit-units of major elective courses from Table 2 (6 credit-units for students taking POLS 4005AEF Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration);

2.1.1.3 12 to 15 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 2 entry as listed in Table 3 (12 credit-units for students taking POLS 4005AEF Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration);

2.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses in Table 4;

and

2.1.2 attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

3. Programme Requirement – Year 3 Entry

3.1 To be eligible for the award of the Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Politics and Public Administration through Year 3 Entry, a student shall:

3.1.1 obtain 66 credit-units as prescribed below, of which at least 24 credit-units shall be at 3000-level and at least 24 credit-units shall be at 4000-level:

3.1.1.1 48 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 1;

3.1.1.2 3 to 6 credit-units of major elective courses from Table 2 (6 credit-units for students taking POLS 4005AEF Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration);

3.1.1.3 3 to 6 credit-units of elective courses in specific area applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 3 (3 credit-units for students taking POLS 4005AEF Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration);

3.1.1.4 9 credit-units of University Core courses in Table 4;

and

3.1.2 attain the CGPA for graduation as prescribed in the Regulations for the award of undergraduate degrees.

Table 1: Core Courses

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
ECON 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Economics	3	✓		
POLS 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Political Science	3	✓		
PSYC 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Psychology	3	✓		
SOCI 1001AEF	Foundations of Social Sciences: Sociology	3	✓		
POLS 2001AEF	Introduction to International Relations	3	✓	✓	
POLS 2002AEF	Introduction to Political Philosophy	3	✓	✓	
POLS 2003AEF	Introductory Comparative Politics	3	✓	✓	
PUAD 2001AEF	Introduction to Public Administration	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2001AEF	Essentials of Qualitative Research Inquiry	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2002AEF	Essentials of Quantitative Research Inquiry	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2003AEF	Statistics	3	✓		
ECON 3005AEF	Applied Economics in Public Policy Analysis	3	✓	✓	✓
ECON 3007AEF	Global Political Economy	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 3001AEF	Chinese Foreign Policy	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 3002AEF	Civil Society and Governance	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 3003AEF	Contemporary Chinese Politics	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 3004AEF	Hong Kong Government and Politics	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 3005AEF	Political Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PUAD 3001AEF	Public Sector Management	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 3007AEF	Social Policy and Social Administration	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 4001AEF	Comparative Authoritarianism	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 4002AEF	Comparative Democratization	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 4003AEF	Contemporary Political Theory	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 4007AEF	Political Analysis	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 4008AEF	Selected Topics in Contemporary Hong Kong Politics	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 4010AEF	Theories of International Relations	3	✓	✓	✓
PUAD 4001AEF	Public Policy Studies	3	✓	✓	✓

Table 2: Major elective courses

Course code	Course title	Credit- unit
POLS 4004AEF	Final Year Internship in Politics and Public Administration	3
POLS 4005AEF	Final Year Research Project in Politics and Public Administration	6
POLS 4006AEF	Global Justice	3
POLS 4009AEF	Seminar on Conflict Resolution of Major Political Controversies	3

Table 3: Elective courses in specific area

Course code	Course title	Credit-unit	Year Entry		
			1	2	3
ECON 2001AEF	Introduction to Microeconomics	3	✓	✓	
ECON 2002AEF	Introduction to Macroeconomics	3	✓	✓	
GCST 2001AEF	Diplomacy and Public International Law	3	✓	✓	
PSYC 2001AEF	Positive Psychology and Mental Health	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 2001AEF	Essentials of Sociological Inquiry (Classical Theory)	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 2002AEF	Essentials of Sociological Inquiry (Contemporary)	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 2003AEF	Popular Culture in Contemporary Society: East Asian Perspective	3	✓	✓	
SOCI 2004AEF	Social Problems and Social issues	3	✓	✓	
SOSC 2002AEF	Logic	3	✓	✓	
SOSC 2003AEF	Mathematics for Social Sciences	3	✓	✓	
ECON 3001AEF	Intermediate Microeconomics	3	✓	✓	✓
ECON 3002AEF	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3	✓	✓	✓
ECON 3003AEF	Introductory Econometrics	3	✓	✓	✓
ECON 3006AEF	Economic Growth and Development	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 3001AEF	American Politics and Foreign Policy	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 3002AEF	International Organizations and Global Governance	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 3003AEF	International Security and War	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 3004AEF	Politics and International Relations in East Asian Region	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3003AEF	Cognitive Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3004AEF	Consumer Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3005AEF	Life-span Developmental Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3006AEF	Personality Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
PSYC 3010AEF	Social Psychology	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 3004AEF	Globalization, Social Policy and Everyday Life	3	✓	✓	✓
ECON 4001AEF	Econometrics and Forecasting	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 4001AEF	China and Global Governance	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 4002AEF	Non/Post-Western International Relations	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 4003AEF	Rising Powers in the Developing World	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 4004AEF	Social and Cultural Development in Southeast Asia	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 4006AEF	The Greater Bay and Global Megalopolises in the Era of Great Transformation	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 4006AEF	Hong Kong Society	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 4007AEF	Memory, Culture and Society	3	✓	✓	✓

Table 4: University Core courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit-units
UNI 1002ABW	University Core Values	2
UNI 1012ABW	Social Responsibilities	1
UNI 2002BEW	Effective Communication and Teamwork	3
UNI 3002BEW	Entrepreneurial Mindset and Leadership for Sustainability	3

Table 5: University English courses

Course Code	Course Title	Credit-units
ENGL 1101AEF [#]	University English: Reading and Writing	3
ENGL 1102AEF [#]	Presentation Skills	3

Students who have attained Level 5 or above in DSE (or equivalent) may opt to complete ENGL 1002AEF and/or ENGL 1003AEF to fulfill the programme requirements in lieu of ENGL A1101AEF and/or ENGL 1102AEF.

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