Programme Requirements for
Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Global and China Studies

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 "Global and Chines Studies" stream for the award of Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Global and China Studies.

1. Programme Requirement – Year 1 Entry

1.1 To be eligible for the award of the Bachelor of Social Sciences with Honours in Global and China Studies 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 57 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 1 entry as listed in Table 1;

1.1.1.2 6 credit-units of specialisation course in Table 2;

1.1.1.3 18 credit-units* of major elective courses from Table 3;

1.1.1.4 18 credit-units* of elective courses in specific area from Table 4; *Among the 36 credit-units gained from 1.1.1.3 and 1.1.1.4, students must complete at least 9 credit-units at 3000-level and at least of 9 credit-units at 4000-level.

1.1.1.5 9 credit-units of University Core courses in Table 5;

1.1.1.6 6 credit-units of University English courses in Table 6;

1.1.1.7 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 Global and China Studies 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   42 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 2 entry as listed in Table 1;

2.1.1.2   6 credit-units of specialisation course in Table 2;

2.1.1.3   18 credit-units* of major elective courses applicable from Table 3;

2.1.1.4   15 credit-units* of elective courses in specific area from Table 4;
Among the 33 credit-units obtained from 2.1.1.3 and 2.1.1.4, students must complete a minimum of 9 credit-units at 3000-level and at least 9 credit-units at 4000-level.

2.1.1.5   9 credit-units of University Core courses in Table 5;

2.1.1.6   3 credit-units of General Education (GE) courses (see www.hkmu.edu.hk/FT_GE for the updated list of GE courses);

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 Global and China Studies 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   30 credit-units of core courses applicable to Year 3 entry as listed in Table 1;

3.1.1.2   6 credit-units of specialisation course in Table 2;

3.1.1.3   15 credit-units* of major elective courses applicable from 3;

3.1.1.4   6 credit-units* of elective courses in specific area from Table 4;

Among the 21 credit-units obtained from 3.1.1.3 and 3.1.1.4, students must complete at least 9 credit-units at 3000-level and at least 9 credit-units at 4000-level.

3.1.1.5   9 credit-units of University Core courses in Table 5;

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	✓		
ECON 2003AEF	Introduction to China and Regional Development	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 2001AEF	Diplomacy and Public International Law	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 2001AEF	Introduction to International Relations	3	✓	✓	✓
POLS 2002AEF	Introduction to Political Philosophy	3	✓	✓	
POLS 2003AEF	Introductory Comparative Politics	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2001AEF	Essentials of Qualitative Research Inquiry	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2002AEF	Essentials of Quantitative Research Inquiry	3	✓	✓	
STAT 2003AEF	Statistics	3	✓		
GCST 3002AEF	International Organizations and Global Governance	3	✓	✓	✓
GCST 3004AEF	Politics and International Relations in East Asian Region	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 4006AEF	The Greater Bay and Global Megalopolises in the Era of Great Transformation	3	✓	✓	✓
SOCI 4002AEF	Ethnicity, Nationalism and Multiculturalism in a Globalizing World	3	✓	✓	✓

Table 2: Specialisation course

Course code	Course title	Credit- unit
GCST 3005AEF	Summer Immersive Programme: Summer Sojourn / Internship / Language Intensive Course	6

Table 3: Major elective courses

Course code	Course title	Credit- unit
ECON 3006AEF	Economic Growth and Development	3
ECON 3007AEF	Global Political Economy	3
GCST 3001AEF	American Politics and Foreign Policy	3
GCST 3003AEF	International Security and War	3
POLS 3001AEF	Chinese Foreign Policy	3
POLS 3003AEF	Contemporary Chinese Politics	3
SOCI 3008AEF	Understanding Chinese Society	3
GCST 4004AEF	Social and Cultural Development in Southeast Asia	3
GCST 4005AEF	Special Topics in Global and China Studies	3
POLS 4006AEF	Global Justice	3
POLS 4010AEF	Theories of International Relations	3

Table 4: Elective courses in specific area

Course code	Course title	Credit- unit
ECON 2002AEF	Introduction to Macroeconomics	3
PSYC 2001AEF	Positive Psychology and Mental Health	3
PUAD 2001AEF	Introduction to Public Administration	3
SOCI 2004AEF	Social Problems and Social issues	3
SOSC 2002AEF	Logic	3
ECON 3002AEF	Intermediate Macroeconomics	3
ECON 3004AEF	Managerial Economics	3
ECON 3005AEF	Applied Economics in Public Policy Analysis	3
POLS 3002AEF	Civil Society and Governance	3
POLS 3005AEF	Political Psychology	3
PSYC 3005AEF	Life-span Developmental Psychology	3
SOCI 3004AEF	Globalization, Social Policy and Everyday Life	3
SOCI 3005AEF	Mobility, Place and Culture	3
SOSC 3004AEF	Community Engagement and Social Change	3
ECON 4004AEF	International Finance	3
ECON 4005AEF	International Trade	3
POLS 4001AEF	Comparative Authoritarianism	3
POLS 4002AEF	Comparative Democratization	3
POLS 4009AEF	Seminar on Conflict Resolution of Major Political Controversies	3
PUAD 4001AEF	Public Policy Studies	3
SOCI 4008AEF	Perspectives and Issues on Contemporary Urban Development	3
SOSC 4001AEF	Death, Dying and Memorialization	3

Table 5: 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 6: 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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