



# Faculty of Social Sciences

## Available Major and Minor Options (Quick Glance)

(For Non-Social Sciences Faculty Students)

Majors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• China Studies (Social Sciences stream)</li> <li>• Cognitive Science</li> <li>• Counselling</li> <li>• Criminology</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• Media and Cultural Studies</li> <li>• Neuroscience</li> <li>• Politics and Public Administration</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Social Work and Social Administration</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Urban Governance</li> </ul>

Minors
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• China Studies (Social Sciences stream)</li> <li>• Cognitive Science</li> <li>• Counselling</li> <li>• Criminology</li> <li>• Geography</li> <li>• Human Resource Management</li> <li>• Journalism and Media Studies</li> <li>• Media and Cultural Studies</li> <li>• Neuroscience</li> <li>• Politics and Public Administration</li> <li>• Psychology</li> <li>• Social Work and Social Administration</li> <li>• Sociology</li> <li>• Urban Governance</li> </ul>

For details, please refer to individual factsheets.



## Faculty of Social Sciences China Studies

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>provide students with solid general knowledge of historical and social change and development in China, particularly in the areas of history, culture, politics, social development, urban and regional development, and emerging social and economic issues in the context of historical and economic transformation.</li> <li>enhance students' ability to exercise critical judgment on humanities and social science subjects and current issues concerning China's development.</li> <li>provide students with the opportunity of developing a grounded understanding of historical and social change and development in China through experiential learning activities (e.g. exchange, fieldwork and internship).</li> <li>equip students with the basic theoretical and methodological training that would enable them to pursue further study at the postgraduate level on China studies and/or Asian studies.</li> <li>enhance students' awareness of social issues and problems in China and prepare them for advocacy of improving the human condition in China.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Faculty of Social Sciences	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b> SINO1003, SINO2003 and two 6-credit introductory courses from the Faculty of Social Sciences</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b> SINO1003 and SINO2003</p>	
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	China Major/Minor helps students for any job which needs China background and information, or dealing with China, including government agencies (e.g. foreign affairs department, departments working on inter-governmental relations and cooperation), news agencies, business, international organizations, NGOs, etc.	
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp. 10 – 13)</p> <p><a href="http://www.chinastud.hku.hk">http://www.chinastud.hku.hk</a></p>	
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## Faculty of Social Sciences Counselling

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<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• equip students with the basic theoretical orientations and therapeutic skills in;</li> <li>• sensitize students to the ethical issues, professional concerns, and emic and etic counselling techniques in various settings;</li> <li>• enhance students' self-awareness towards their own world values, beliefs and philosophy of life; and</li> <li>• prepare students for receiving further training in becoming a counselling professional.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Social Work and Social Administration (SWSA)	
<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b> SOWK1004/SOWK1012 and 2 out of GEOG1002 or GEOG1003 or GEOG1005 or GEOG1012 or GEOG1016 or GEOG1017/POLI1003/PSYC1001 or PSYC1004/SOCI1001 or SOCI1003/SOWK1001 or SOWK1002 or SOWK1004 or SOWK1011 or SOWK1012 or SOWK1013 or SOWK1014/SINO1002 (not more than one from the same discipline)</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b> SOWK1004/SOWK1012</p> <p>For details, please check with SWSA.</p>	
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	<p>The Counselling programme is intended for students who want to apply effective counselling and communication skills for problem solving among all walks of life. A large selection of elective courses introduces theoretical and practical skills and competencies to enable graduates to engage effectively in the work of counselling in a range of professional fields. The flexibility allows students to gain a strong understanding of their selves, the community, society and ethical practice. A wide range of jobs for you to choose from because you will be equipped with transferable skills which are valued by employers such as great observation and listening skills; effective communication skill; efficient problem solving skills; an empathic attitude; and, most importantly, a high sensitivity and non-judgmental outlook that have an influence on people and make people from all walks of life more willing to work with you.</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Social Work and Social Administration, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers &amp; Placement).</p>	
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.41 – 43)</p> <p><a href="http://www.socialwork.hku.hk/programme/bss/counselling.html">http://www.socialwork.hku.hk/programme/bss/counselling.html</a></p>	
<b>Contact:</b>	<p>T: 3917 4732 / 3917 2094 E: bss@socwork.hku.hk</p>	

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# Criminology

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>Criminology is an interdisciplinary field in the social sciences, drawing especially upon the research of sociologists, but with important contributions from the fields of anthropology, psychology, law, history, etc. The programme seeks to promote an understanding of how and why crime occurs, including both individual, group and community factors. It also provides a framework for learning about the process and operations of the criminal justice system from the point of contact with the police through to imprisonment.</p> <p>The programme is useful for students who wish to assume a professional position in the criminal justice system and anyone else having a general interest in crime and its control.</p>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Sociology	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b>            SOCI1001 and 2 out of the following (not more than one from the same discipline):            GEOG1002/GEOG1003/GEOG1005/GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 or POLI1003 or PSYC1001/PSYC1004 or            SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1004/SOWK1011/SOWK1012/SOWK1013 or SINO1002</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b>            SOCI1001</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Sociology.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	The programme is useful for students who wish to assume a professional position in the criminal justice system or those wanting to work with offenders. For details, please check with the Department of Sociology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.43-46)</p> <p><a href="https://sociology.hku.hk/programmes/undergraduate/criminology/">https://sociology.hku.hk/programmes/undergraduate/criminology/</a></p>
<b>Contact:</b>	<p>T: 3917 2050 / 3917 4320</p> <p>E: socidept@hku.hk / sociug@hku.hk</p>

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## Faculty of Social Sciences Geography

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>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. The Geography undergraduate programme aims to provide students with an understanding of the geographical aspects 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 investigation and analysis of the issues and problems facing people, places and society. The programme also seeks to give students the opportunity to explore key elements of the knowledge and understanding embodied in the geography discipline; study aspects of geography that stimulate their intellectual interests; and acquire discipline-specific and generic skills to enable them to pursue their chosen career or continue onto higher education.</p>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Geography	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b> GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 and 2 out of the following (not more than one from the same discipline): POLI1003 or PSYC1001/PSYC1004 or SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1011/SOWK1014 or SOCI1001/SOCI1003 or SINO1003</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b> GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Geography.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	<p>Geography is able to offer a range of important subject-based skills and transferable skills. As such, it affords new challenges and skills to students and equips them for a large number of potential occupations. For details, please check with the Department of Geography, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers &amp; Placement).</p>
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.19-23)</p> <p><a href="http://geog.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Disciplinary_Major_or_Minor_in_Geography.html">http://geog.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Disciplinary_Major_or_Minor_in_Geography.html</a></p>
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# Media and Cultural Studies

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme seeks to nurture students to become knowledgeable, critical and caring users and producers of media and culture. The flexible programme structure draws on a wide range of related courses from the social sciences and humanities. It aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provide students with multi-disciplinary knowledge in the operation of the media and the state of culture;</li> <li>• enhance students' critical understanding of the world of media and culture by exposing them to historical and comparative analyses of the subject;</li> <li>• encourage students to appreciate and care for the continuing efforts to improve the state of media and culture and through this to improve social life as whole.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Sociology	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b>            SOCI1001 and 2 out of the following (not more than one from the same discipline):            GEOG1002/GEOG1003/GEOG1005/GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 or POLI1003 or PSYC1001/PSYC1004 or            SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1004/SOWK1011/SOWK1012/SOWK1013 or SINO1002</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b>            SOCI1001</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Sociology.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with the Department of Sociology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.46-48)</p> <p><a href="https://sociology.hku.hk/programmes/undergraduate/media-cultural-studies/">https://sociology.hku.hk/programmes/undergraduate/media-cultural-studies/</a></p>
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## Faculty of Social Sciences Sociology

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<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme seeks to nurture students to become knowledgeable, critical and caring members of society. The programme offers students a solid intellectual foundation in Sociology. Its wide ranging course offerings also allow students to examine in a more concentrated manner a number of specialist areas related to the discipline, including media and culture, anthropology, and criminology. As a whole, the programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provide students with knowledge in the conduct of social life;</li> <li>• enhance students' critical understanding of the social world by exposing them to historical and cross-cultural analyses of the subject; and</li> <li>• encourage students to appreciate and care for the continuing efforts to improve social life in the globalized world of today.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Sociology	
<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b>            SOCI1001/SOCI1003 and 2 out of the following (not more than one from the same discipline):            GEOG1002/GEOG1003/GEOG1005/GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 or POLI1003 or PSYC1001/PSYC1004 or            SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1004/SOWK1011/SOWK1012/SOWK1013 or SINO1002</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b>            SOCI1001/SOCI1003</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Sociology.</p>	
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with the Department of Sociology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)	
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a>            (pp.35-38)</p> <p><a href="https://sociology.hku.hk/programmes/undergraduate/sociology/">https://sociology.hku.hk/programmes/undergraduate/sociology/</a></p>	
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# Politics and Public Administration

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• provide students with basic knowledge and conceptual frameworks of political science and public administration;</li> <li>• develop students' ability in critical analysis of complex political issues in the real world;</li> <li>• equip students with necessary perspectives and skills in identifying and articulating politically feasible solutions to public policy problems;</li> <li>• enable students integrate theories and methods of political science and public administration into interdisciplinary analytical exercises; and</li> <li>• prepare students to engage in advocacy for social innovation and better governance.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Politics and Public Administration	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b>  POLI1003 and 2 out of GEOG1002 or GEOG1003 or GEOG1005 or GEOG1012 or GEOG1016 or GEOG1017 / PSYC1001 or PSYC1004 / SOWK1001 or SOWK1002 or SOWK1004 or SOWK1011 or SOWK1012 or SOWK1014 / SOCI1001 or SOCI1003 / SINO1003 (not more than one from the same discipline)</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b>  POLI1003</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Politics and Public Administration.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with the Department of Politics and Public Administration, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement).
<b>Further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.23-27) <a href="http://ppa.hku.hk/programmes/ug/ug-ppa">http://ppa.hku.hk/programmes/ug/ug-ppa</a>
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## Faculty of Social Sciences Psychology

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>allow students to develop basic skills across all areas of Psychology, including the biological and cognitive bases of behavior, developmental changes, social influences, and psychopathology.</li> <li>provide students with training in statistical and research methods that are essential for the implementation and consumption of psychological research.</li> <li>develop skills in critical analysis, reasoning, and self-reflection.</li> <li>provide students opportunities for tackling novel problems, and give them experience of addressing issues that are ill-defined.</li> <li>be an internationally-recognized qualification in fundamental aspects of Psychology that allows students to pursue both professional training in applied aspects of Psychology (e.g., Clinical Psychology, Educational Psychology) and advanced research training in all areas of Psychology.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Psychology	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><u>Major:</u> PSYC1001 &amp; PSYC1004 and 2 out of the following (not more than one from the same discipline): GEOG1002/GEOG1003/GEOG1005/GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 or POLI1003 or SOCI1001/SOCI1003 or SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1004/SOWK1011/SOWK1012/SOWK1013 or SINO1002</p> <p><u>Minor:</u> PSYC1001</p> <p>For details, please check with Department of Psychology.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with Department of Psychology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.28-31)</p> <p><a href="http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Psychology_Major_Minor_2013-14.pdf">http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Psychology_Major_Minor_2013-14.pdf</a></p>
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<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>Cognitive Science is the scientific study of the mind and mental phenomena. For example, what is consciousness? Do other animals have language? Could a computer ever think? What is mental imagery? Answering these questions relies upon an interdisciplinary perspective, and so Cognitive Science adopts methodologies from computer science, psychology, philosophy, linguistics, and neuroscience. Students who take this major will be exposed to research in all these disciplines, and will integrate results from across the different approaches in order to more fully understand the complexities of the mind and the brain. A core aspect of the programme is to ensure that students learn skills from different research traditions; for example, a Cognitive Science student could be expected to learn how to run psychological experiments, apply formal linguistic analysis, or critique a philosophical argument. In doing so, this program will develop students who have a variety of formal intellectual skills, and can bring those skills to bear on a range of issues in our increasingly technological world. Students with a Major in Cognitive Science will also be able to act as a bridge between those who are technically skilled and those who seek to understand technology, by placing formal computational analysis within the context of human thought and behaviour.</p>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Psychology	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b> 2 out of COMP1117/LING1000/LING2034/PHIL1012/PSYC1001 and 2 out of the following (not more than one from the same discipline): GEOG1002/GEOG1003/GEOG1005/GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 or POLI1003 or PSYC1004 or SOCI1001/SOCI1003 or SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1004/SOWK1011/SOWK1012/SOWK1013 or SINO1002</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b> 2 out of COMP1117/LING1000/LING2034/PHIL1012/PSYC1001 For details, please check with Department of Psychology.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with Department of Psychology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp. 39-41)</p> <p><a href="http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Cognitive_Science_Major_Minor.pdf">http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Cognitive_Science_Major_Minor.pdf</a></p>
<b>Contact:</b>	<p>T: 3917 5867 E: <a href="mailto:ugpsyc@hku.hk">ugpsyc@hku.hk</a></p>

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## Faculty of Social Sciences Neuroscience

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓ The major# option/minor option is open to all HKU undergraduates. Candidates are required to have Level 3/above in HKDSE Biology, Chemistry or Combined Science OR equivalent courses (subject to the approval from the Department of Psychology), before enrolling in the neuroscience core courses.	
<b>What is it about?</b>	Neuroscience is an interdisciplinary subject. It is the study of the processes of the brain and nervous system, and their behavioral outcomes. This programme combines breadth of exposure to different fields and depth of learning experience in neuroscience study, it provides a fertile academic ground and significant academic advantage for students to further their studies and research in the neuroscience area, and eventually to translate their research findings into practical applications. Apart from the traditional neuroscience careers such as neuroscientist, neurologist, biological psychologist etc., there are other careers such as computer science, education, machine learning, artificial intelligence, public policy, medicine and pharmacology etc. benefit from a neuroscience perspective.	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Psychology	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b>          PSYC1001 &amp; two pre-requisite courses at introductory level from any faculties, bearing in mind the pre-requisite requirements for courses listed in the “Disciplinary Electives”, and take the relevant pre-requisite courses as necessary.          Note: Should there be an overlap of introductory courses for the two majors, candidates will be exempted from such requirements for neuroscience major and are required to make up any credit shortfall arising from such double-counting by taking disciplinary electives.</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b>          PSYC1001          Declaration of Neuroscience major/minor is not available via the SIS during course selection period or add/drop period. Students who would like to declare major/minor in Neuroscience are required to submit an <a href="http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Neuroscience_Major_and_Minor_2017.pdf">online application form</a> to the Department of Psychology one week before the end of add/drop period each semester. For the successful candidates, they will be informed by the respective faculties about the declaration result after add-drop period each semester. For details, please check with Department of Psychology.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with Department of Psychology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)
<b>Further information:</b>	<a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.52-55) <a href="http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Neuroscience_Major_and_Minor_2017.pdf">http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Neuroscience_Major_and_Minor_2017.pdf</a>
<b>Contact:</b>	T: 3917 5867 E: <a href="mailto:ugpsyc@hku.hk">ugpsyc@hku.hk</a>

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## Faculty of Social Sciences

# Social Development

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• provide students with basic knowledge of social development;</li><li>• equip students with theoretical frameworks to analyze social development in diverse global contexts;</li><li>• develop students' ability in critical analysis of contemporary social issues, specifically the impact of globalization and connections between the local and global;</li><li>• equip students to evaluate diverse responses to human need taking into account personal values; and</li><li>• equip students with skills to promote well-being of people in communities and strengthen civil society actions</li></ul>
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Social Work and Social Administration (SWSA)

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><i>Minor:</i></b> SOWK1014</p> <p>For details, please check with SWSA.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	<p>This programme equips you with the knowledge and skills to intervene professionally to the challenges of social innovation. You can start your career in civil service, non-governmental organizations, international aid and development organizations, policy advocacy and development agencies, and business sectors in order to strive for the betterment of human condition. For details, please check with the Department of Social Work and Social Administration, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers &amp; Placement).</p>
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.58 – 59)</p> <p><a href="http://www.socialwork.hku.hk/programme/bss/socialdevelopment.html">http://www.socialwork.hku.hk/programme/bss/socialdevelopment.html</a></p>
<b>Contact:</b>	<p>T: 3917 4732 / 3917 2094 E: <a href="mailto:bss@socwork.hku.hk">bss@socwork.hku.hk</a></p>

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## Faculty of Social Sciences

# Social Work and Social Administration

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>This programme aims to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• equip students with basic knowledge of social policy and administration;</li> <li>• equip students with theoretical frameworks in analyzing social policy and administration;</li> <li>• equip students with basic social work intervention skills so as to prepare for further professional training;</li> <li>• equip students with qualitative and quantitative research methods that are essential for the analysis of social policy and social problems;</li> <li>• develop skills in critical analysis of contemporary social issues; and</li> <li>• equip students with the necessary perspectives and skills in the social services delivery.</li> </ul>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Social Work and Social Administration (SWSA)	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b>Major:</b> SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1011/SOWK1014 and 2 out of GEOG1002 or GEOG1003 or GEOG1005 or GEOG1012 or GEOG1016 or GEOG1017/POLI1003/PSYC1001 or PSYC1004/SOCI1001 or SOCI1003/SINO1002 (not more than one from the same discipline)</p> <p><b>Minor:</b> SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1011/SOWK1014</p> <p>For details, please check with SWSA.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	<p>A large selection of elective courses is provided for students to pursue their interested specialization in 'Policy and Advocacy', 'Community Development' and 'Management and Entrepreneurship &amp; Social Innovation'. The flexibility allows students to design their own curriculum to suit their individual academic and career aspiration.</p> <p>Graduates are best equipped for positions of Executive and Administrative Officers in the government which finances and administrates the largest bulk of social services. Some are seeking post-graduate degrees and others are pursuing careers in fields such as social work, business and government service. The SWSA programme prepares students for different careers by emphasizing analytical and communication skills that are valued by employers in diverse fields.</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Social Work and Social Administration, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers &amp; Placement).</p>
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.31 – 35)</p> <p><a href="http://www.socialwork.hku.hk/programme/bss/swsa.html">http://www.socialwork.hku.hk/programme/bss/swsa.html</a></p>
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## Faculty of Social Sciences

# Human Resource Management

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓
<b>What is it about?</b>	To be able to manage a culturally and psychologically diverse workforce, one must not only possess the requisite management skills but also be culturally sensitive. To prepare our students for this, the revamped inter-disciplinary minor in Human Resource Management will include courses that contain elements on wellness, global citizenship, and cultural sensitivity.
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Psychology

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><u>Minor:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(a) at least 36 credits of courses listed under the programme from at least two departments;</li> <li>(b) at least 24 credits of which are advanced courses; and</li> <li>(c) not more than 12 credits of which are introductory courses to meet the prerequisite requirement of taking the advanced courses.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> An introductory course will be counted as fulfilling the HRM minor requirement only if (1) it is not taken as fulfilling another curriculum requirement; (2) it is taken as a prerequisite for an advanced course listed in the programme; and (3) that advanced course is subsequently successfully completed.</p> <p>For details, please check with Department of Psychology.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	For details, please check with Department of Psychology, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers & Placement)
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp. 55-56)</p> <p><a href="http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Human_Resource_Management_Minor_FSS.pdf">http://www.psychology.hku.hk/uploads/documents/Human_Resource_Management_Minor_FSS.pdf</a></p>
<b>Contact:</b>	<p>T: 3917 5867</p> <p>E: <a href="mailto:ugpsyc@hku.hk">ugpsyc@hku.hk</a></p>

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# Journalism and Media Studies

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>The Minor in Journalism and Media Studies seeks to provide students with basic learning and experience for entry-level professional journalism. Our objectives fall into three broad categories—conceptual, applied and critical thinking—that converge to give our students in-depth learning and the ability to continue learning at a high level as each individual's situation demands. The program aims to help students:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• understand the role of journalism in a global society;</li> <li>• understand ethical principles of gathering information;</li> <li>• appreciate diversity in all its forms, and be able to navigate journalistically across cultural boundaries;</li> <li>• demonstrate basic competency in journalistic writing for a wide range of media products;</li> <li>• know how to gather information efficiently and ethically from a wide range of human and recorded sources;</li> <li>• understand the use of technology in producing professional journalism, from the written word to multimedia production systems; and</li> <li>• detect logical flaws and information gaps in journalistic products.</li> </ul>
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Journalism and Media Studies Centre

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Minor:</u></b>  JMSC1001 &amp; JMSC1005  For details, please check with the Journalism and Media Studies Centre.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	<p>Job prospects are not confined to the media: the training received at the JMSC has equipped graduates for careers in fields as diverse as banking, finance, public relations and government service. For details, please check with the Journalism and Media Studies Centre, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers &amp; Placement)</p>
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2016-17/BSocSc_2016-17.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2016-17/BSocSc_2016-17.pdf</a> (pp.54-56)</p> <p><a href="http://jmsc.hku.hk/undergraduate/">http://jmsc.hku.hk/undergraduate/</a></p>
<b>Contact:</b>	<p>Wylie Cheung  T: (852) 3917-1156  E: <a href="mailto:wyliec@hku.hk">wyliec@hku.hk</a></p>

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# Urban Governance

<b>Offered As:</b>	✓ Major	✓ Minor
<b>*Open to students of other Faculties:</b>	✓	
<b>What is it about?</b>	<p>We live in a rapidly urbanizing world where the time-space dimensions have been compressed by the rapid development of new cities and urban re-development. The land use and urban form of cities have been substantially shaped by different priorities in urban development, among other factors. The urbanization process and the development of modern cities have brought tremendous impacts on both the physical and human geography of contemporary societies. The increasing degree of urbanization around the world has prompted questions over the long-term sustainability of cities and extended urban regions. The pursuit of sustainability in cities, in both developed and developing countries, has forced a reassessment of the form and pattern of urban development, governance, planning, and management. The broad spectrum of courses included in this programme will provide students with a systematic understanding of the basic approaches and key theories of urban governance, planning, and management. Students will receive thorough training in the application of such knowledge to urban governance, planning, urban environmental management, and transport planning issues in Hong Kong, China's mainland, and the East Asia region.</p>	
<b>Offering Department:</b>	Department of Geography	

<b>Pre-requisite requirements and/or other conditions for declaring the major/minor:</b>	<p><b><u>Major:</u></b> GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017 and 2 out of the followings (not more than one from the same discipline): GEOG1002/GEOG1003/GEOG1005 or POLI1003 or PSYC1001/PSYC1004 or SOWK1001/SOWK1002/SOWK1011/SOWK1014 or SOCI1001/SOCI1003 or SINO1003</p> <p><b><u>Minor:</u></b> GEOG1012/GEOG1016/GEOG1017</p> <p>For details, please check with the Department of Geography.</p>
<b>Career opportunities:</b>	<p>This programme will prepare students to pursue careers in the fields of urban governance, urban development, urban planning, urban environmental management and transport policy and planning. For details, please check with the Department of Geography, Faculty or CEDARS (Careers &amp; Placement).</p>
<b>Further information:</b>	<p><a href="http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf">http://www.socsc.hku.hk/academic_matters/pdf/syl/2017-18/BSocSc_2017-18.pdf</a> (pp.49-52)</p> <p><a href="http://geog.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Second_Major_or_Minor_in_Urban_Governance.html">http://geog.hku.hk/Undergraduate/Second_Major_or_Minor_in_Urban_Governance.html</a></p>
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