THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

To: All taught postgraduate new students in the Faculty

Notes for New Students

I am pleased to welcome you to the Faculty of Social Sciences. I hope you will find the coming year(s) both intellectually stimulating and academically rewarding.

You are required to complete the master registration online on your admission to the University. This registration folder contains your computer account details and a set of application documents and materials for your easy reference and necessary action. You are advised to read through the documents and follow the submission due dates of the documents to the Faculty Office and other offices concerned.

Registration Procedures and Documents

To ensure prompt processing of your registration, you are required to complete the online master registration at https://hkuportal.hku.hk/login.html by using your computer account login provided and follow all the procedures laid down on “Registration Procedures for Taught Postgraduate First-year Students” (document SS41/719). Failure to complete the registration online and submit the relevant documents by the deadlines may result in non-issuance of your Student Registration Card.

For non-local students only
According to the Hong Kong Immigration Department, all visitors who do not have a right of abode in Hong Kong are required to apply for a student visa for study. Pursuing study without a valid visa is a breach of the law. Non-local students are therefore required to submit copies of their student visas, passports (the page with the holder’s personal particulars and photograph), and HKID cards (if applicable) for processing the Student Registration Card (either on-line or in person or by post). If you have not yet submitted the required documents for any reasons, you should bring hardcopies together with the original documents when you collect your Student Registration Card. Failure to do so shall result in non-issuance of the Card.

Regulations and Syllabuses

When you read all the details concerning registration, University regulations and so on, the next and most important thing you have to do is to choose courses you wish to study in the coming year. On-line regulations and syllabuses can be found at http://www.socsc.hku.hk → Current Students → Taught Postgraduate → Regulations and Syllabuses.

Course Selection

The first semester of the academic year 2019-20 begins on September 2, 2019 (Monday). The course selection period for the 2019-20 academic year is from August 19 (9:00am) to September 13 (4:00pm), 2019. You are required to complete the course selection for the first and second semesters via the HKU Portal.
You may also approach the respective department/centre for course details at the beginning of the semester. A summary of the Dates of Semesters of the Taught Postgraduate Programmes offered by the Faculty can be found at document SS42/719.

**Orientation Activities**

At the beginning of the academic year, the Faculty, various University departments/units and student organizations organize orientation activities to welcome new students. Please visit [http://www.socsc.hku.hk/TPg/orientation](http://www.socsc.hku.hk/TPg/orientation) for details.

**Information Technology Services Guide**

For details of the services provided by the Information Technology Services, please refer to [http://www.its.hku.hk/](http://www.its.hku.hk/).

**Enquiries**

If you have any enquiries in regard to your studies, you are welcome to contact the staff of the Faculty Office by email at socsepg@hku.hk. The Office is pleased to assist you whenever possible.

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