

# ACADEMIC PLANS

**DOUBLE MAJOR** (Minimum 72 credits)  
For BSocSc, BA, BBA, BEdBBS, BSc students etc.

**MINOR** (Minimum 36 credits)

**ELECTIVE**

Ranked **#11** in the world, **#2** in Asia and **#1** in Hong Kong in QS World University Rankings by Subject 2021

World-class expertise and facilities in teaching and research

International faculty members and experienced practitioners with cutting edge knowledge

Contemporary and well-designed curricula in geographical theory, training and transferable skills

Curricula regularly updated to keep to the highest standard and on par with similar top programmes overseas

Wide-range of career opportunities after graduation

Diverse research programmes covering climate change and the environment, water management, GIS and geospatial analysis, sustainable development, tourism and recreation, urban and transport planning, urbanization and regional governance in China and the Asia Pacific

ABOUT HKU GEOGRAPHY

# PROGRAMME STRUCTURE:

Component	No. of Credits	
	Major	Minor
<b>(a) Introductory courses (Level 100)</b>		
●●● (i) Disciplinary course(s)	6	6
●● (ii) Pre-requisite course(s)	12	-
<b>(b) Advanced courses (Level 200, 300, 400)</b>		
●●● (i) Core course(s)	18	12
●●● (ii) Disciplinary elective(s)	30	18
●● (iii) Capstone experience course(s)	6	-
<b>Total:</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>36</b>

## (a) Introductory courses

●●● (i) **Disciplinary courses** (available in 2021-22) (6 credits each)

One disciplinary course (6 credits) from the following list

- GEOG1003 Contemporary Global Environmental Issues
- GEOG1005 Map Use, Reading and Interpretation
- GEOG1012 Economic and Social Development in an Urbanizing World
- GEOG1016 Nature Conservation for Sustainable Societies
- GEOG1017 Human Geography in a Globalizing World
- GEOG1020 Modern Maps in the Age of Big Data
- GEOG1021 Geographic Issues of Polar Regions
- GEOG1022 Global Change and Sustainable Development

●● (ii) **Pre-requisite courses**

Two pre-requisite courses from the following 6 units, but not more than one from a single unit (12 credits)

- Faculty of Social Sciences / Geography /
- Politics and Public Administration / Psychology /
- Social Work and Social Administration / Sociology

## (b) Advanced courses

●●● (i) **Core courses** (available in 2021-22) (6 credits each)

Three courses (6 credits each, with a total of 18 credits) for major  
Two courses (with a total of 12 credits) for minor

- GEOG2013 Sustainable Development
- GEOG2030 Global Development
- GEOG2065 Urban Planning: Principles and Practices
- GEOG3403 Exploring Korean Cities and Urban Planning through K-movies and Dramas
- GEOG3420 Transport and the Society
- GEOG3423 Social and Cultural Perspectives in Understanding Cities

●●● (ii) **Disciplinary electives courses** \*\* (6 credits each)

30 credits for major; 18 credits for minor

\*\* Candidates who major in this programme are strongly advised to take one of the following method-related courses

Methods-related courses (available in 2021-22)

- GEOG2090 Introduction to Geographic Information Systems
- GEOG2120 Introductory Spatial Analysis
- GEOG2137 Introduction to Research Design
- GEOG2141 Remote Sensing Applications

Other courses grouped under three major themes

- (1) Urban Planning & Transport Management
- (2) Sustainability & Development
- (3) Urban Economy & Society

Full list of the three major themes courses & Requirements of Major/Minor programmes:

[geog.hku.hk/second-major-minor-in-urban-governance](http://geog.hku.hk/second-major-minor-in-urban-governance)

●● (iii) **Capstone experience courses** (6 credits each)

6 credits for major only, to be taken in Year 4

- GEOG4001 Overseas Field Trip
- GEOG4004 Directed Project in Urban Governance

Full list of geography courses: [geog.hku.hk/list-of-courses](http://geog.hku.hk/list-of-courses)







Map Library Internship



Academic Mentorship Scheme for Geography/ Urban Governance Majors



Happy Moments



Undergraduate Tea Gathering



Local Field Trip



Overseas Field Trip

## ACADEMIC AWARDS FOR UNDERGRADUATES

C.N. Ng Memorial Prize in Environmental Sustainability

Dr. Stephen S.F. Hui Prizes in Geography

Hui Oi-Chow Prize in Geography

Hui Yin Hing Scholarship

Maisie Choa Geography Prize

Stewart Richards Memorial Prize for Best U.K. Field Trip Performance

The 1973 Geography Graduates Scholarship

The Royal Geographical Society – Hong Kong Undergraduate Research Grant

T.N. Chiu Memorial Prize for Best Geography Dissertation

## CAREER PROSPECTS

### Jobs directly related to Urban Governance

- Urban planning
- New town development
- Transport planning

### Jobs using transferable skills related to Urban Governance in other careers

- Administration
- Civil Services
- Consultancy
- NGOs

### Continue in postgraduate study and training in Urban Governance and Other Disciplines

- Taught postgraduate programme and research degree (MPhil & PhD) in urban planning & governance



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