

Welcome!

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Bachelor of
Arts & Sciences

Congratulations!



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What to expect from your degree...

- Information overload



Interdisciplinary Studies Major

Electives / Second Major

Other Essential Learning

Interdisciplinarity

Two Pathways Courses

- 1) Cultures / Societies (e.g., languages, literature, art)
- 2) Physical / Biological / Human World (e.g., Biology, Environmental Science, Psychology)

Any of 69 majors, 84 minors or thousands of free elective courses from across HKU (e.g. Philosophy, Finance, Education, Engineering, Genetics, Nutritional Science, Psychology, Art History)

BASc Core Course

- 1) Foundations of Human Knowledge

Common Core Courses

Impact

Interdisciplinary Core Courses
Quantitative and Qualitative Research Methods

Tailor- made Internship

Capstone Project

BASc Core Course

- 2) Basics in Programming (e.g., data science, artificial intelligence)
- 3) Leadership Beyond Borders

Language Enhancement



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What to expect from your degree...

- Information overload
- Peer pressure
- Fear of missing out
- Regret
- A clean slate
- The freedom to choose
- A chance at any future you want
- A family of people just like you



Breakout

Share with another person the thing you're

- 1) Most passionate about
- 2) Most excited about
- 3) Most nervous about



...and a team of people to support you

A team of last year's BAsc students



Student advisors from
Arts, Science and Social
Sciences faculties



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Andrew Hoang



Abel Lau



Marty Forth



Hadar Hazan



Me



How will you be supported?

Day-to-day:

chat.google.com (in browser or download the app) there are rooms for your cohort and all BAsC students and you can also private message.

Use your @connect.hku.hk address to log in.

Send me a message at tjbarry@connect.hku.hk and I can add you to the rooms.

I'll leave these slides in there.



How will you be supported?

Semester-to-semester:

You'll be paired up with a mentor and meet with them twice a semester.

1) Study plan

What am I interested in? How are these courses related? Can this build into a capstone project?

2) Reflection

How did my semester/year go? What did I like? What didn't I like? What would I do differently?

3) Capstone Preparation

What issues facing society are you most interested in? How can you integrate knowledge from across your subjects to understand/explore this issue?



Resources

- Student info pack (Thanks to Gitanjali from Class of 2019):
<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1784n0NNqsk-ZlvZ1AnLh9uS9OKEqNP0O/view?usp=sharing>
- For non-local students:
 - General COVID info <https://www.hku.hk/others/covid-19/overview.html>
 - Live Q&A https://www.cedars.hku.hk/nonlocal/orientation/WoW_livechat.pdf



That's all for now...

To do list:

- 1) Join Google Chat, say hi to your mentor and the group (create a room without us old people in)
- 2) Think about why you're here, why you picked the BAsc, and what you'd like to get out of your degree.
- 3) Think about what courses you might like to take this semester and how this relates to your broader study plans (have contingencies!)
- 4) Enjoy your last weeks of relaxation!

