

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG**  
**FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES**

To: All new taught postgraduate Social Sciences students

Notes for New Social Sciences Students

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

You are required to complete the master registration online on your admission to the University. The computer account details to facilitate your master registration will be sent to you via email from August 14, 2023 onwards and the set of application documents and materials have been uploaded to the Faculty's website at <https://www.socsc.hku.hk/TPg/masterreg> for your 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 timely 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 SS2/823). Failure to complete the registration online and/or to submit the relevant documents by the stipulated 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 Student Registration Card.*

### **Regulations and Syllabuses**

When you read through 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 2023-24 will be available starting from August 14, 2023 at <https://www.socsc.hku.hk> → Teaching & Learning → Taught Postgraduate → Academic Matters → Regulations and Syllabuses.

## **Course Selection**

The first semester of the academic year 2023-2024 begins on September 1, 2023 (Friday). The course selection periods for the 2023-2024 academic year are **from August 21 (9:00am) to September 14 (4:00pm), 2023 (for students except MACHDS), and from August 29 (9:00am) to September 14 (4:00pm), 2023 (for MACHDS students)**. 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 in the document SS4/823.

## **Orientation Activities**

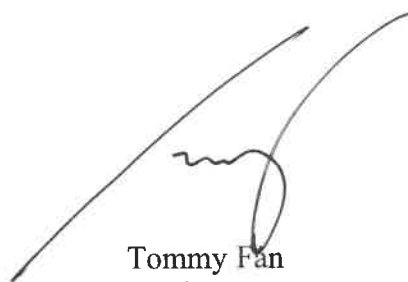
At the beginning of the academic year, Departments/Centres will organise orientation activities or induction programmes to welcome new students. Please visit <https://www.socsc.hku.hk/TPg/orientation> for details.

## **Information Technology Services Guide**

For details of the services provided by the Information Technology Services, please refer to <https://www.its.hku.hk/>.

## **Enquiries**

If you have any questions regarding your studies, you are welcome to contact the administrative staff of the respective Departments/Centre by email as stated in the registration information pack. The Faculty Office is pleased to assist you whenever possible.



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