Online Talk on Course Selection

Bachelor of Arts and Sciences
BASc (IS)
Welcoming Remarks by Dr Andrew Hoang – Programme Director of BASc
Outline of today’s talk

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<td>Overview of curriculum structure</td>
<td>Abel Lau</td>
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| Sharing from senior year students | Audilia Kalyana (Dilly), Year 3  
                                        Asiya Yu, Year 4 |
| Q&A                            | Everyone!                                   |
| Other important things         | Abel Lau                                    |
Course Selection

- What is it?
- Any courses that I must take in year 1?
- Major in Interdisciplinary Studies?
Course Selection Period

• From *10:00 am, August 17 (Thur) to 4:00 pm, August 24 (Thur)
• *Semester 2 course selection begins at 10:10am
• Need to select courses for both semesters 1 and 2 among thousands of courses!!!

• Suspension Period
From Aug 18, 2023 (12:00 p.m.)
to Aug 21, 2023 (2:29 p.m.)

No course selection function can be performed
Enrolling courses

Login HKU Portal

→ SIS (Student Information System) on the left

1. Enrolment > Enrolment Add Classes
2. Select the appropriate term and courses to create Temporary Course List
3. Click “Finish enrolling” to confirm your selection (To be done during course selection period)
4. Check the results of your enrolment at “View results” page

Course Selection Procedure
https://www.cedars.hku.hk/registration-and-induction/index.php#important_procedures/course_selection
## BASc (Interdisciplinary Studies) Curriculum

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<th>Interdisciplinary Curriculum (Major in Interdisciplinary Studies)*</th>
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<td>1) Qualitative and Quantitative Methods in Interdisciplinary Studies I and II <em>(BASC1001/1002, semester 1 &amp; 2)</em></td>
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<td>2) Interdisciplinary Capstone Course <em>(BASC4001, year 4)</em></td>
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<td>3) Courses from Two Pathways (60 credits) <em>(year 1)</em></td>
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<td>a. Cultures/ Societies</td>
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<td>b. Physical World/ Biological/ Human Sciences</td>
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<td>4) Internship (Social Innovation requirement) <em>(usually summer or term time in year 2 or 3)</em></td>
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### BASc Core Courses

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<td>1) Sustainable Leadership</td>
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<td>2) Approaching Interdisciplinarity: Knowledge Beyond Disciplines <em>(BASC9001, semester 1)</em></td>
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<td>3) Data Science 101 <em>(STAT1016, semester 2)</em></td>
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### Common Core Courses *(4 courses, year 1)*

| Language Enhancement Courses | 12 |
| Non-credit bearing course(s) as required | -- |
| Electives Courses (or Second Major) | 90 |

### Total

| Total | 240 |
Two pathways for Major in Interdisciplinary Studies

- Two pathways, 5 courses each:
  - Cultures / Societies
  - Physical World / Biological / Human Sciences
- Faculties of Arts, Social Sciences, and Science
- Conditions:
  1. Under each pathway, no more than 2 courses under 1 faculty
  2. Same course can only be counted towards 1 pathway
  3. Courses counting towards Two Pathways cannot be counted towards another major/minor, vice versa

Advice 1: The course list is expandable; but you must apply and obtain approval before taking it next year
Advice 2: Explore departments/schools in Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Science as well
Concentration Portfolio

• You can declare your own “concentration”

• Allows you to
  • Clearly explain what you study to your friends and future employer
  • Guide your study with a self-determined direction

• Officially Recognised
  • Certificate Co-signed by Dean and Programme Director
  • Recognised on transcript*
    *subject to University’s final approval.

• A briefing session will be held on September 8 (Friday)
  • Good to start thinking of whether there are courses that can make up a picture
• 4 courses in total

• One course from each Area of Inquiry:
  • CCST  Science, Technology and Big Data
  • CCHU  Arts and Humanities
  • CCGL  Global Issues
  • CCCH  China: Culture, State and Society

• Course info:
  • Google “hku common core”

• Enrollment quota:
  • Google “hku common core statistics”

Special arrangements (e.g. 3-credit Microcredential CC, best-5 grades etc.) are not applicable
Other important info

1. Late Add/drop
   - Add/drop must be done within the course selection period
   - Late request only allowed with special reasons (illness, mental health issues)

2. Study Load
   - Allowed: 24-35 credits per semester (4-6 courses)
   - Over/underloading requires special permission

3. Chinese Language requirement
   - If you didn’t learnt Chinese before, you may be exempted from this requirement
   - If so, you should take a 6-credit course as free elective
   - Exemption Request: https://www.socsc.hku.hk/webforms2/chiexemption/
   - Deadline: Friday, September 29, 2023
Want more personalised advice?

- Faculty Academic Adviser (FAA)
  - Current teacher
  - Advise you on study-related matters
  - Someone you approach whenever you need academic advice
  - *We will do matching for you*

- Faculty Student Adviser (FSA)
  - Assist you in adjusting to the university studies
  - Help you in getting used to University life
Academic Advisor

• Sign up for Faculty Academic Adviser (FAA) and Faculty Student Adviser (FSA)
• FAA due: 2359 20th August (Sunday HK Time)
  • [https://forms.office.com/r/rrcJjUrK8v](https://forms.office.com/r/rrcJjUrK8v)
• FSA due: 1000 21st August (Monday HK Time)
  • [https://aas.hku.hk/faa-signup/](https://aas.hku.hk/faa-signup/)

• You will be asked to select an FAA in the FSA form, but you can randomly pick one first. After filling in the form, you will be individually notified regarding your Faculty Academic Adviser
Wrap up

1. Course registration (Semester 1 & 2)
   Aug 17 (10 am) – Aug 24 (4 pm)

2. Contact:
   IT Services (SIS): 3917-0123 / ithelp@hku.hk
   Faculty: 3917-1212 / socscug@hku.hk
   BASc Programme: bascfoss@hku.hk

Important note on email ending
   @connect.hku.hk for students but
   @hku.hk for staff/faculty/departments

3. Curriculum
   Have a look at the curriculum AND course description!
Mini-tasks to do

Complete Faculty Advisor Questionnaire
https://forms.office.com/r/rrcJiUrK8v

Enrol Faculty Student Advisor
https://ugaa.hku.hk/signup-faa.php

Look for course information
Pick courses before 17 August 10am
# Further information

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Final Q&A