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 by email from August 13, 2024 onwards and the set of application documents and materials have been uploaded to the Faculty’s website at https://www.socsc.hku.hk/TPe/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 SS30/824). 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 upload copies of their student visas, Exit-Entry Permits for Travelling to and from Hong Kong and Macau (if applicable), passports (the page with the holder’s personal particulars and photograph), and HKID cards (if applicable) for processing the Student Registration Card online. 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.

The University will disseminate important information and notices to students on the HKU Portal and communicate with students using the HKU Portal email account and not your personal account. You are therefore reminded to check your emails in the HKU account regularly or you should check directly with your Faculty Office for the most updated information regarding registration activities.
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. Online regulations and syllabuses 2024-25 will be available starting from August 13, 2024 at https://www.socsc.hku.hk → Teaching & Learning → Taught Postgraduate → Academic Matters → Regulations and Syllabuses.

Course Selection

The first semester of the academic year 2024-2025 will begin on September 2, 2024 (Monday). You are required to complete the course selection for the first and second semesters via the HKU Portal. The course selection and add/drop period in the first semester of the academic year 2024-2025 are:

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You may also approach the respective Programme Offices 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 SS31/824.

Orientation Activities

At the beginning of the academic year, Programme Offices 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 Programme Offices by email as stated in the registration information pack. The Faculty Office is pleased to assist you whenever possible.

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Tommy Fan
Faculty Secretary

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August 6, 2024