

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

To: BSocSc Direct Admission to Year III Students

Notes for New Students

I am pleased to welcome you to the Faculty of Social Sciences. I hope you will find the coming years both intellectually stimulating and academically rewarding.

Registration Documents

The dates for completing the registration and course selection formalities are given in document SS52/718 - DE Yr III, which also includes information of major events in this academic year.

Regulation and Syllabus

When you read 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. Courses available and regulations governing the selection of courses are stated in the “Regulations for First Degree Curricula” and the “Regulations and Syllabuses for the respective Degrees” at http://www.socsc.hku.hk/current_students.html, please click “*Regulations and Syllabuses*” for undergraduate. To facilitate your course selection, please refer to the above website and click “*Course Selection*” → “*Required Courses for Full-time Students (4-year curriculum)*”.

Course Selection

The first semester of the 2018-2019 academic year begins on Monday, September 3, 2018, and you are expected to attend lectures, tutorials, etc. from that day onwards. Please visit the departmental website(s) from which you have selected your courses and pay attention to the emails sent from the departments, as they will give further details with regard to timetables of courses, books to be used and so on. You should also check the location of the lecture theatres and tutorial rooms in advance.

The course selection period for the 2018-2019 academic year is **from August 7 (12:00nn) to August 13 (4:00pm), 2018**, you are required to complete the course selection for the whole academic year and declare your major via the HKU Portal.

If for any reason you subsequently wish to make changes in your course selection, you may do so in the first and second weeks after the commencement of the semester [i.e. **from September 3 (2:00pm) to September 17 (4:00pm), 2018 for the first semester**]. This should again be done through the HKU Portal.

Some courses are offered twice a year and you are required to indicate the exact semester as well as the sub-class you wish to take when completing your online course selection. However, your preferred sub-class may need to be changed to achieve a more even distribution of students for a particular course. You are advised to check the course selection status online via HKU Portal before the semester begins.

In planning your studies, you should also note that, in addition to lectures, courses may consist of tutorials, seminars, exercise classes or laboratory work; information on these will be given by the departments at the beginning of the semester. Such groups may meet at any time during the week, provided that they do not clash with the lecture hours of the students participating in a particular group. Attendance is obligatory.

Language Enhancement and Common Core Courses

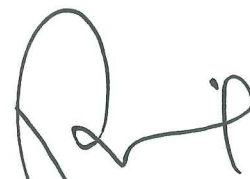
Students admitted from the Direct Admissions Scheme are required to successfully complete i) a 6-credit English in the Discipline course and ii) two 6-credit courses in the Common Core Curriculum in different Areas of Inquiry within the first year of studies, i.e. Year III.

Information Technology Services Guide

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

Enquiries

If you have any queries concerning the degree regulations, your choice of courses or any aspect of University life, you are welcome to contact the Faculty Office either in person, or by telephone at 3917 1212. The Office is pleased to assist you whenever possible.



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Lockers

Lockers are now available for allocation to all new full-time undergraduate students in the Faculty of Social Sciences. In case the number of lockers is insufficient, the Faculty will draw lots for allocation. Students who wish to apply for lockers are required to register at www.socsc.hku.hk/lockers/DE3/ **by noon August 29, 2018.**

Application results will be announced via HKU email in early September 2018. Successful applicants shall collect the locker keys from September 10 to 17, 2018 during office hours (Saturday and Sunday are exclusive). Those who fail to collect their keys during the assigned period are assumed to withdraw from their applications.

Before submitting the online locker application, you are required to note the following:

- (a) Each full-time student will be eligible for the allocation of a locker by the Faculty Office at the first registration. Allocation, however, will be subject to the availability of lockers.
- (b) The allocation is valid during the study period that the student is registered, or until cessation of studies before completion of the curriculum, whichever is earlier.
- (c) A student who is allocated a locker is required to return the key to the Faculty Office normally by June 30 of his/her final year of studies, or if necessary at an earlier date that is notified by the Faculty. Personal belongings remaining in lockers after the due date for return of keys will be disposed of at the University's discretion.
- (d) The University disclaims all liability for damage or loss of the contents from any cause whatsoever.
- (e) No duplication of keys is allowed.
- (f) The user is responsible for all damage to the locker beyond normal wear and tear.
- (g) No food or inflammable goods and other substances attractive to insects or obnoxious to humans by way of smell etc. should be kept in the locker.
- (h) The door of the locker must be kept locked at all times.
- (i) Loss of key must be reported immediately to the Faculty Office. The following charges will be made as appropriate:

Loss of key	\$150
Non-return of key by due date	\$150
Replacement of key	\$30

- (j) In case of emergency and in case of non-observance of the rules, the Dean is authorised to open a locker, provided such action is reported immediately to the registered user.



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