
Course Selection Briefing for Direct Admissions Students



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Course Selection Briefing

Date: July 30, 2024 (Tuesday)

Time: 11:00am to 12:00nn

Rundown

- Registration Information
- Graduation Requirements
- Scenarios for Major & Minor Options
- Important Reminders
- Briefing on Social Innovation / Global Citizenship
- Q&A

Registration Information

1. [Notes for New Students](#)
2. [Major Events Calendar in 2024-2025](#)



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Important Dates

Date (2024) Events

**Aug 6 (12:00nn) –
Aug 12 (4:00pm)**

- Course selection
- Declaration of major

**Aug 7 (2:30pm) –
Aug 12 (4:00pm)**

- Check course selection status online via HKU Portal

Aug 16 (2:30pm)

- Faculty Induction Talk

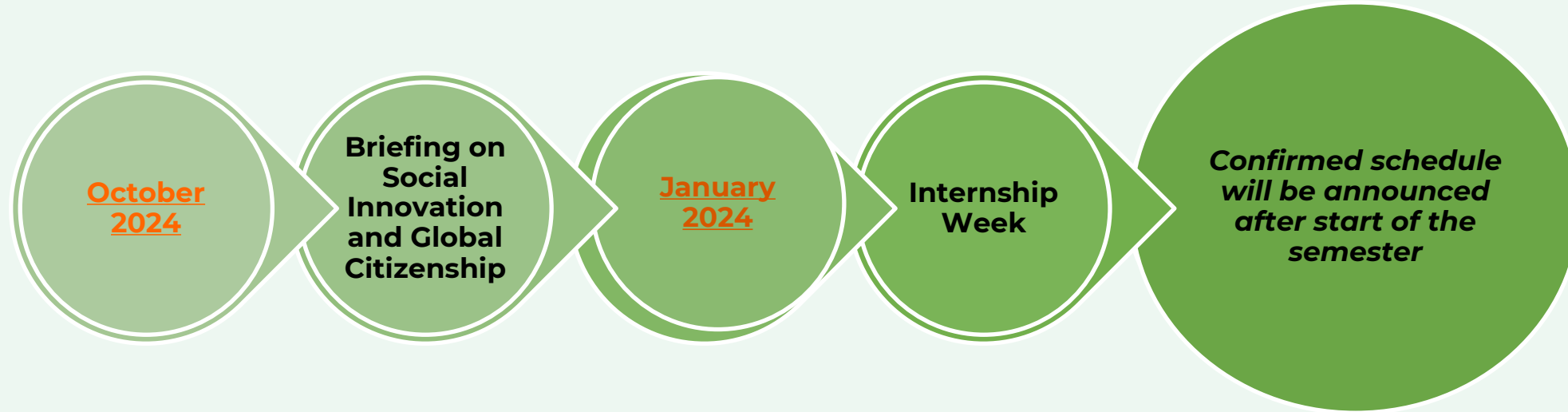
Sept 2

- First day of teaching

**Sept 6 (2:00pm) –
Sept 16 (4:00pm)**

- Add-drop period (2 weeks)

First-year Experience Activities



Graduation Requirements

DAS students are required to complete at least 120 or 126 credits* for graduation.

<p>A. University requirements: 18 or 24* credits</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - A 6-credit Core University English course (CAES1000)* - A 6-credit English in the Discipline course - Two 6-credit courses in Common Core Curriculum in two different Areas of Inquiry (Aoi) - A non-credit-bearing online course UG5E1001
<p>B. Disciplinary major: 66 credits</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 54 credits of advanced disciplinary courses - 12 credits of Social Innovation <u>or</u> Global Citizenship
<p>C. Advanced free electives: 36 credits</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possible to declare an additional minor

*6 credits of Advanced Standing for CAES1000 be granted if students' English qualification could meet the requirements as stated in the [Note](#).

Scenarios for Major & Minor Options

Students are allowed to choose one of the following disciplines as their first major.



China Studies. Historical and social change and development in China



Social Policy and Social Development. Global and local social policies and development strategies, NGOs, social enterprises, social issues, social justice



Geography. Environment, Climate, Urban Planning, Mapping, Conservation, People



Sociology. Society, Economy, Politics, Identity, Crime, Media, Culture, Creativity, Social Groups, Community, Justice, Globalization



Politics and Public Administration. Politics, policy, international relations, political philosophy, governance, citizenship

Scenarios for Major & Minor Options

Disciplinary major	University requirements (UG5)	Disciplinary major			Free electives	Total Credits
		Disciplinary introductory	Social Innovation (SI) / Global Citizenship (GC)	Disciplinary advanced	Advanced free electives / Minor programme	
China Studies	18 or 24	0	12	54	<p>Free Elective</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 36 advanced credits (Any introductory courses should be taken on top of 120 credits) <p>OR</p> <p>Minor in any disciplines</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 36 credits (subject to the requirements of individual programme) 	120 or 126
Geography	18 or 24	0	12	54		120 or 126
Politics and Public Administration	18 or 24	0	12	54		120 or 126
Social Policy and Social Development	18 or 24	0	12	54		120 or 126
Sociology	18 or 24	0	12	54		120 or 126

Scenarios for Major & Minor Options

- Opt for a minor under the Faculty of Social Sciences (FoSS)
 - Students to make up the 6-credit introductory course by taking a 6-credit advanced disciplinary elective of your declared minor in lieu (i.e. a total of 36 credits of advanced courses)
- Opt for a minor under non-FoSS
 - Students to enrol courses based on the individual programme requirements
 - As a result, the credits of the introductory course(s) requested by your minor programme should be counted on top of 120 credits (i.e. students may need to take more than 120 credits to fulfil both of your disciplinary major and minor programme requirements, but not more than 144 credits)

FAQs

Frequently Asked Questions



Q: Can I declare a second major or a minor?

A: Yes, you can declare a minor offered by any Faculty, but not for a second major.

Q: Are there any maximum enrolled credits for graduation?

A: The maximum number of credits for DAS students is 144.

Q: Am I allowed to study introductory courses?

A: Yes, you can. However, the credits of introductory courses taken would be counted on top of your 120 credits for graduation.

Important Reminders

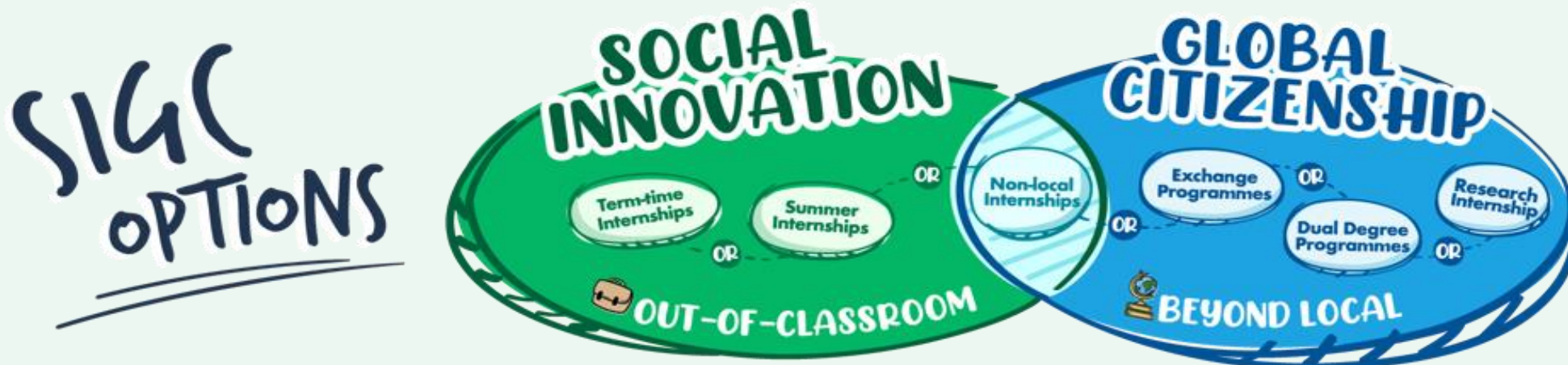
1. Website: www.socsc.hku.hk
2. [Regulations and syllabuses \(2022-2023\)](#)
3. E-mail: use HKU email account
***No message will be sent to your personal e-mail account*
4. Tutorials: pay special attention to your e-mails for class selection
5. Complete Master Registration online to access to HKU Portal for course registration
6. Enquires: 3917-1212 / socscug@hku.hk

**Pay attention to
the Faculty and Departments'
e-mails for announcements**

Briefing on Social Innovation / Global Citizenship

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Welcome Message from the Social Sciences Society

Q & A



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