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# Faculty of Social Sciences



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Founded in **1967** with **100+**  
Professoriate staff

And **3,640+** students

**1,700+** UG **300+** Visiting/Exchange

**1,400+** TPG **240+** RPG

Ranked (QS 2025)

**1**  
Locally

**32**  
Globally

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# Departments

GEOGRAPHY

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POLITICS AND  
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION

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SOCIAL WORK AND  
SOCIAL ADMINISTRATION

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JOURNALISM AND MEDIA STUDIES

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PSYCHOLOGY

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SOCIOLOGY

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# Department of Geography



The Department of Geography is the first and foremost geography department in Hong Kong. Since its inception, the Department has trained nearly 3,500 undergraduates including some world-class academics, prominent government officials, business leaders and senior professionals, etc.

The Department offers well-structured courses to keep students abreast of the most up-to-date knowledge and contemporary issues in Hong Kong and in the world. With strong emphasis on people-environment interactions, students will have the opportunities to investigate various phenomena and dynamics, for instance, climate change, economic and regional development, ecosystem services, globalisation, natural hazards, public health, sustainable development, tourism, transportation and urbanisation and so forth, in the rapidly changing world.

# Journalism and Media Studies Centre



Founded in 1999, the Journalism and Media Studies Centre (JMSC) brings professional journalism education to Hong Kong's premier university, creating an environment for vibrant interaction among students from Hong Kong, mainland China, Asia and the rest of the world.

The JMSC's mission is to support civil society and an informed citizenry through a vibrant and professional news media, to enhance professional standards, to bolster journalistic integrity and to help students build vital communications skills valuable for any future career. The JMSC pursues these goals through its teaching programmes, research, professional services and its industry and academic partnerships.

# Department of Politics and Public Administration



The Department of Politics and Public Administration is a founding department of the Faculty. During the past decades, the Department has contributed to the development of its discipline both locally and internationally through dedicated teaching, research and knowledge exchange.

Students are exposed to basic concepts and general features of political systems, as well as the organisation and functions of government. The specialist streams comprise comparative politics, international politics, political theory and ethics, and public administration.

# Department of Psychology



HKU Psychology is ranked among the top three in Asia. Our professoriate staff consist of experts in different fields of psychology. Our students are trained to apply psychological principles in addressing important social issues. Our research expertise also allows us to offer two multi-disciplinary programmes in Cognitive Science and Neuroscience.

# Department of Social Work and Social Administration



The Department of Social Work and Social Administration is the first social work training institute in Hong Kong's history of professional social work education. Since 1950, it is our core mission to provide rigorous academic and professional training in social work. We are also a leader in counselling, behavioural health, expressive arts therapy, mental health and gerontology education. Our commitment to improving the quality of life of people has kept our social work education at the forefront of the changing social welfare landscape. Many of our graduates are now social work leaders in the region. Others became esteemed clinical practitioners, government officials, directors and senior managers in NGOs, as well as professors in major universities.

The Department also offers two majors/minors in 'Social Policy & Social Development' and 'Counselling' for the Bachelor of Social Sciences Programme to provide students with solid foundation in social sciences, social consciousness, effective communication and problem-solving skills. Graduates are best equipped for positions of Officers in the government which finances and administers the largest bulk of social services, or planning and management positions in non-governmental and private agencies, etc. Graduates can also pursue further studies in practical cutting-edge evidence-based postgraduate programmes provided by the Department (e.g. Master of Social Work, Master of Social Sciences, and Master of Philosophy, etc.).



# Department of Sociology



The Department of Sociology, founded in 1967, has a long tradition in research and teaching about local cultures and societies. With the advent of large scale social transformations, this sociological lens on everyday life and cultures has broadened, framed within a global context.

With our faculty members from around the world, the department provides students with critical analytical and methodological skills for understanding individuals and their connection to communities and societies, across a range of social indicators - class, crime, economy, education, gender, marriage and family, media, punishment, and religion.

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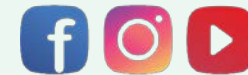
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