

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF ARTS

Curriculum Structure of Dual Degree Programme
in collaboration with the University of California, Berkeley (UCB)
from 2024-25 and thereafter

Study Years	Institution	Requirements	HKU Credits
1 & 2	HKU	a) Study requirements in accordance with the regulations and syllabuses of HKU b) Courses required by HKU (42 credits): In Year 1 • CAES1000. Core University English (6 credits); In Year 2 • CAES92xx. English-in-the-discipline course (6 credits); and • CART9001. Practical Chinese for Arts Students (6 credits) ² ; In Years 1-2: • Common Core courses (24 credits from 4 different Areas of Inquiry); c) Declare one of the Arts majors ³⁻⁸ in Year 2 <u>and</u> comply with the syllabus of the declared major at HKU: d) Free electives ⁵⁻⁹ e) Successful completion of any other non-credit bearing courses as required by UG5	156 ¹
3 & 4	UCB	a) Study requirements in accordance with the regulations and syllabuses of UCB b) Students may use free electives which they complete at UCB to fulfil some requirements of the declared HKU Arts major. To do so, they should submit an application for credit transfer ⁵⁻¹⁰ for processing.	132 (66 UCB units)
Total credits required for graduation			288 ¹¹

Notes:

- To complete this credit requirement, students may take additional study load in the first two years, or complete at least 132 credits in the first two years and up to 24 credits of courses at HKU in the summer semesters of Years 3 and 4.
- Students who have not studied the Chinese language during their secondary education or who have not attained the requisite level of competence in the Chinese language to take CART9001 may apply for exemption and take an elective course in lieu.

3. The following Arts majors are applicable to this Dual Degree:

1) Art History;	9) History;
2) Chinese History and Culture ⁶ ;	10) Hong Kong Studies;
3) Chinese Language and Literature ⁶ ;	11) Japanese Studies ⁷ ;
4) Comparative Literature;	12) Korean Studies ⁷ ;
5) English Studies;	13) Music;
6) Gender Studies;	14) Philosophy; and
7) General Linguistics;	15) Translation ⁶
8) Global and Area Studies ⁸ ;	

Enrollment conditions of the relevant prerequisite(s), if any, are applicable to this Dual Degree. Please click [here](#) for details.

4. Students may not be able to complete the capstone experience of the declared Arts major in Year 2. In this case, they can take the capstone experience of independent research nature (6-12 HKU credits) in Year 3 or 4 under remote supervision of the relevant programme at HKU. They can undertake the course in Semester 1 and/or Semester 2 but the enrollment will be recorded in the summer semester of that academic year on their HKU transcripts.
5. Students should complete at least 50% of the course requirements of their declared major/minor at HKU (i.e. the maximum credits can be transferred to a major is 36; that to a minor is 18). If they plan to fulfil the remaining requirements by completing the relevant free electives at UCB, they should submit an application for credit transfer⁸ for processing. Similar to the requirements of majors, students should comply with the syllabus of the declared minor at HKU for their HKU degree.
6. Chinese language proficiency required.
7. Language majors and minors (e.g. Arabic, French, German, Italian, Japanese Studies, Japanese Language, Korean Studies, Portuguese, Spanish, Swedish and Thai) at HKU require students to complete 6 language progression courses spanned in 3 years. Students are advised to check in advance whether third-year language courses of equivalent level will be offered at UCB.
8. Depending on the stream selected by students, the Major in Global and Area Studies requires students to complete 4-6 language progression courses spanned in 2-3 years.
9. Double-counting of courses for fulfilling more than a major and/or a minor at HKU is not allowed. Please refer to [Useful Forms](#) for the guidelines and procedures of applying credit transfer.
10. With reference to Note 5, students will not be able to start fulfilling the relevant requirements of a major/minor at HKU from scratch in Year 3-4 for their HKU degree.
11. Students are required to submit a study plan to both HKU and UCB and obtain prior approval at the beginning of Years 2, 3 and 4.

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