

Requirements of Arts Majors for Cohort 2023-24

Unit	Major	Pre-requisite course(s)	Additional introductory credits of the respective major programme	Additional introductory credits of any Arts programme	Credits required for the advanced course(s), excluding capstone	Capstone	Total credits required
Chinese	Chinese History and Culture	a 6-credit course with a prefix CHIN12xx	18	-	42	CHIN3221 (6 credits)	72
	Chinese Language and Literature ¹	two pre-requisite courses (6 credits each): - Chinese Language (CHIN1116/1117/1123/1127); - Chinese Literature (CHIN1103/1118/1119/1121/1126)	12	-	42	CHIN4101 (6 credits)	72
	Hong Kong Studies	HKGS1001 (6 credits)	-	12	48 (incl. two of the following: HKGS2001, HKGS2002 or HKGS2015)	HKGS3001 (6 credits)	72
	Translation ²	CHIN1311 (6 credits) in which students are expected to achieve a grade C or above	30 (incl. CHIN2336, CHIN2361 and CHIN2362)	-	30 (incl. CHIN2351 and CHIN2365)	CHIN2320 (6 credits)	72
English	English Studies ³	a 6-credit introductory ENGL course from List A	24 (incl. - 6 credits from List A; and - 12 credits from List B)	-	42	6 credits (One of the following: ENGL3040, ENGL3041 or ENGL3042)	78
Humanities	Art History	6 credits of 1000-level ARTH course	0 – 12	0 – 12	48 (incl. - ARTH2081; - 6 credits in Western art; - 6 credits in Asian art; and - 6 credits of 3000-level ARTH course)	6 credits (One of the following: ARTH4001-4009)	72

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Humanities	Comparative Literature	CLIT1001, CLIT1008, CLIT1009 or CLIT1010 (6 credits), with a grade C or above	0 – 12	0 – 12	48 (incl. at least one of the following foundational courses: CLIT2001, CLIT2025, CLIT2094 and CLIT2095)	6 credits (One of the following: CLIT3019-3027)	72
	Gender Studies	GEND1001 (6 credits) (or CLIT1002 (6 credits) for students admitted in 2017-18 or before), with a grade C or above.	-	12	48 (incl. - minimum 18 credits of 2000-level or 3000-level GEND courses; and - no more than 18 credits of advanced courses from the designated list can be taken from other faculties)	GEND3901 (6 credits)	72
	General Linguistics	LING1000 (6 credits), with a grade C- or above	18 (-LING2004 & LING2050, ideally in Year 2; and - One of the following, ideally in Year 2-3: LING2009, LING2034 or LING2056)	-	42	6 credits (One of the following: LING3002-3007)	72
	History	6 credits of 1000-level HIST course	0 – 12	0 – 12	42 – 48 (incl. - 12 credits in Asian history; and - 12 credits in Western history)	6 – 12 credits (One of the following: HIST4015-4036)	72

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Humanities	Music	MUSI1023 and MUSI1025 (6 credits each)	12 (MUSI2010 & MUSI2070)	0 – 6	42 (incl. - MUSI2074, MUSI2081 and MUSI2082; and - <u>no more than two</u> of the following: MUSI2047, MUSI2066, MUSI2068, MUSI3019, MUSI3021, MUSI3032, MUSI4001 or MUSI4002)	6 credits (One of the following: MUSI3028-3035, MUSI3037, MUSI3039, MUSI4002 or MUSI4003)	72
	Philosophy	PHIL1012 or PHIL1034 (6 credits)	0 – 12	0 – 12	42 – 48 (Note: At least 6 credits in each category is recommended)	6 – 12 credits (PHIL3920, PHIL4810 or PHIL4920)	72
Modern Languages and Cultures	American Studies [updated in 2024]	AMER1050 (6 credits)	-	12	48 (incl. - AMER2021 or GLAS3112; and - AMER2050)	AMER3050 (6 credits)	72
	China Studies (Arts Stream) [updated in 2024]	SINO1003 (6 credits)	-	18	42 (incl. - SINO2002; and - SINO2004 or GLAS2001)	SINO3001 (6 credits)	72
	European Studies [updated in 2024]	EUST1010 or GLAS1003 (6 credits), and two language core courses at 1000-level (6 credits each)	-	-	42 – 48 (incl. - EUST2010 or GLAS2001; - EUST2020 or GLAS3112; and - EUST3010 and two language core courses at 2000-level)	6 – 12 credits (EUST3003, EUST3004 or GLAS4901)	72

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Modern Languages and Cultures	French [updated in 2024]	FREN1001 (6 credits) and a grade C or above in FREN1002 (6 credits)	-	6	48 (- FREN2001, FREN2002, FREN3001 and FREN3002, - 12 credits of electives at the 2000-level (except FREN2221 and FREN2222); and - 12 credits of electives at the 3000-level)	6 credits (FREN3030 or GLAS4901)	72
	German [updated in 2024]	GRMN1001 and GRMN1002 (6 credits each)	-	6	48 (- GRMN2001, GRMN2002, GRMN3001 and GRMN3002; - 12 credits of electives at the 2000-level; and - 12 credits of electives at the 3000- or 4000-level)	6 credits (GRMN3022, GLAS4901, GRMN4001 or GRMN4006)	72
	Global and Area Studies [updated in 2024]	One course (6 credits) from GLAS1xxx, and two language core courses at 1000-level (6 credits each)	-	-	48 (GLAS3100, GLAS3119, GLAS3111 or GLAS3112; and - <u>Cultures and Societies Stream</u> : incl. - GLAS2001 and two language core courses at 2000-level; and - 24 credits of elective courses; <u>or</u> - <u>Language Intensive Stream</u> : incl. - GLAS2001 and two language core courses at 2000-level; - two language courses at 3000-level and one of the designated content courses of the same language; and - one Cultures and Societies Stream elective)	6 credits (GLAS4901, GLAS4902 or GLAS4903)	72

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Modern Languages and Cultures	Italian	ITAL1001 and ITAL1002 (6 credits each)	-	6	48 (- ITAL2001, ITAL2002, ITAL3001 and ITAL3002; - 12 credits of electives at the 2000-level; and - 12 credits of electives at the 3000-level)	ITAL3020 (6 credits)	72
	Japanese Studies	<u>Without</u> prior qualifications in Japanese (6 credits each): A grade of C+ or above in all three courses: JAPN1011, JAPN1088 and JAPN1099	-	-	48 (incl. - JAPN2088, JAPN2099, JAPN3088 and JAPN3099; - one elective course chosen from List A; - one elective course chosen from List B; - two elective courses chosen from List A, List B or List C)	6 credits (JAPN3082, JAPN4099 or JAPN4101)	72
		<u>With</u> prior qualifications in Japanese: A grade of C+ or above in JAPN1011 (6 credits) and students are required to take a placement test to determine their level of entry into the core language pathway.					
	Korean Studies [updated in 2025]	A grade of C+ or above in all three courses: KORE1001 (6 credits), KORE1002 (6 credits) and KORE1021 (6 credits)	-	-	48 (incl. - KORE2001, KORE2002, KORE3001 and KORE3002; - one course chosen from List A; - two courses chosen from List B; and - one course chosen from List A or List B)	6 credits (KORE3044, KORE4007, KORE4008 or KORE4009)	72

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Modern Languages and Cultures	Spanish [updated in 2024]	SPAN1001 (6 credits) and a grade C or above in SPAN1002 (6 credits)	-	6	48 (- SPAN2001, SPAN2002, SPAN3001 and SPAN3002; - 6-12 credits of electives at the 2000-level; and - 12-18 credits of electives at the 3000- or 4000-level)	6 credits (SPAN4003, SPAN4004, GLAS4901, SPAN4005 or GLAS4902)	72
Faculty [updated the hosting unit in 2025]	Global Creative Industries	GCIN1001 (6 credits)	-	12	48 (incl. - GCIN2002 and GCIN2003; - GCIN2040 or GLAS2001; and - at least 12 credits from the same category of electives out of Category I to VI)	6 credits (GCIN4001 or GCIN4002)	72

Notes:

1: For majoring/minoring in Chinese Language and Literature: Students must attain a Level 5 or above in either Chinese Language or Chinese Literature in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination, or an equivalent standard in another public examination, for admission to the pre-requisite courses.

2: For majoring/minoring in Translation: A Level 5 or above in both English Language and Chinese Language in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination is required for admission to CHIN1311. For non-JUPAS applicants, a hard copy of their equivalent qualifications (such as IB Diploma, AD/HD transcripts) shall be submitted to the Head of School of Chinese for consideration.

3. Admission to all introductory courses of the English Studies programme is on the basis of academic record including a minimum Level 5 in English Language in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) examination, or an equivalent score in another recognized English proficiency test.

Requirements of Arts Minors for Cohort 2023-24

School/ Centre	Minor	Pre-requisite course(s)	Additional introductory credits of the respective minor programme	Credits required for the advanced course(s)	Total credits required
Chinese	Chinese History and Culture	a 6-credit course with a prefix CHIN12xx	12	18	36
	Chinese Language and Literature ¹	CHIN1103/1116/1117/1118/1119/1121/ 1123/1126/1127 (6 credits)	12	18	36
	Hong Kong Studies	HKGS1001 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. two of the following: HKGS2001, HKGS2002 or HKGS2015)	36
	Translation ²	CHIN1311 (6 credits)	12 (from List 1 or List 2)	18 (from List 1 or List 2)	36
English	English Studies ³	a 6-credit introductory ENGL course from List A	12 (incl. 6 credits from List B)	18	36
Humanities	Art History	6 credits of 1000-level ARTH course	-	30 (2000-level and 3000-level ARTH courses)	36
	Comparative Literature	CLIT1001, CLIT1008, CLIT1009 or CLIT1010 (6 credits)	-	30	36
	Gender Studies	GEND1001 (6 credits) (or CLIT1002 for students admitted in 2017-18 or before), with a grade C or above.	-	30 (incl. - minimum of 18 credits of 2000-level or 3000-level GEND courses; and - no more than 12 credits of advanced courses from the designated list can be taken from other faculties)	36
	General Linguistics	LING1000 (6 credits), with a grade D or above	12 (Two of the following: Ideally in Year 2-3, LING2004, LING2009, LING2034, LING2050 or LING2056)	18	36
	History	6 credits of 1000-level HIST course	-	30	36

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Humanities	Music	MUSI1025 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. - MUSI2081 or MUSI2082; and - <u>no more than two</u> of the following: MUSI2047, MUSI2066, MUSI2068, MUSI3019, MUSI3021, MUSI3032, MUSI4001 or MUSI4002)	36
	Philosophy	PHIL1012 or PHIL1034 (6 credits)	-	30 (2000-level PHIL courses)	36
Modern Languages and Cultures	African Studies [updated]	AFRI1001 or GLAS1001 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. two of the followings: AFRI2011, AFRI2012 or AFRI3002)	36
	American Studies	AMER1050 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. AMER2050 and AMER3050)	36
	China Studies (Arts Stream) [updated]	SINO1003 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. SINO2002, either SINO2004 or GLAS2001)	36
	European Studies [updated]	EUST1010 or GLAS1003 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. - EUST2010 or GLAS2001; and - EUST3010)	36
	French	FREN1001 and FREN1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (FREN2001, FREN2002, FREN3001 and FREN3002)	36
	German	GRMN1001 and GRMN1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (GRMN2001, GRMN2002, GRMN3001 and GRMN3002)	36
	Japanese Culture	JAPN1011 (6 credits)	-	30 (incl. three courses from List A and two courses from either List A or List C)	36
	Japanese Language	<u>Without</u> prior qualifications in Japanese: A grade of C+ or above in both JAPN1088 and JAPN1099 (6 credits each)	-	24 (JAPN2088, JAPN2099, JAPN3088 and JAPN3099)	36
		<u>With</u> prior qualifications in Japanese: Students are required to take a placement test to determine their level of entry into the core language pathway.	-	36 (JAPN2088, JAPN2099, JAPN3088, JAPN3099 and 12 credits from List B)	

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Modern Languages and Cultures	Korean Studies	A grade of C+ or above in all three courses: KORE1001, KORE1002 and KORE1021 (6 credits each)	-	18 (- KORE2001 and KORE2002; and - one course with KORE course code chosen from List B)	36
	Spanish	SPAN1001 and SPAN1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (SPAN2001, SPAN2002, SPAN3001 and SPAN3002)	36
	Arabic	ARAB1001 and ARAB1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (ARAB2001, ARAB2002, ARAB3001 and ARAB3002)	36
		For heritage students who are familiar with Arabic reading and writing system but cannot speak or understand the language to develop proficiency: ARAB1101 and ARAB1102 (6 credits each)	-	24 (ARAB2101, ARAB2102, ARAB3001 and ARAB3002)	
	Greek ⁴	GREK1001 and GREK1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (GREK2001, GREK2002, GREK3001 and GREK3002)	36
	Italian	ITAL1001 and ITAL1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (ITAL2001, ITAL2002, ITAL3001 and ITAL3002)	36
	Portuguese	PORT1001 and PORT1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (PORT2001, PORT2002, PORT3001 and PORT3002)	36
	Swedish	SWED1001 and SWED1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (SWED2001, SWED2002, SWED3001 and SWED3002)	36
	Thai	THAI1001 and THAI1002 (6 credits each)	-	24 (THAI2001, THAI2002, THAI3001 and THAI3002)	36
Buddhist Studies	Buddhist Studies	BSTC1003 and BSTC1004 (6 credits each)	-	24	36
Faculty [updated the hosting unit in 2025]	Global Creative Industries	GCIN1001 (6 credits)	-	30 (- GCIN2002, GCIN2003; and - 12 credits from the same category out of Category I to VI)	36

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- 4: The Greek programme is temporarily suspended in 2023-2024. For enquiries, please contact smlc@hku.hk.