

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF ARTS

Important Dates for the Academic Year 2026-27

JUL/AUG 2026

Date	Course of Action
From Jul 27, 2026	Online course information available on the Student Information System (SIS) for planning <u>only</u> . New students will be able to access the course information after performing master registration. (Courses of Summer Semester will not be available before Jan 2027.)
Aug 4, 2026 (10:00) to Aug 10, 2026 (16:00) Note: Students <u>cannot</u> make any course changes on SIS during the Suspension Period from 09:00 to 14:29 on Aug 5, 2026.	SIS open for course selection on Aug 4, 2026 to: (a) Year 4 and above students: - Semester 1/Full-year courses starting from 10:00; - Semester 2 courses starting from 10:10; (b) Year 3 students: - Semester 1/Full-year courses starting from 12:00; - Semester 2 courses starting from 12:10; and (c) Year 2 students: - Semester 1/Full-year courses starting from 14:00; - Semester 2 courses starting from 14:10.
After Aug 10, 2026 (16:00)	Students are advised to check their course selections on SIS and report to the Faculty immediately if any discrepancies arise.
Aug 18, 2026 (10:00) to Aug 24, 2026 (16:00) Note: Students <u>cannot</u> make any course changes on SIS during the Suspension Period from 12:00 on Aug 19 to 14:29 on Aug 20, 2026.	SIS open for course selection on Aug 18, 2026 to Year 1 students and Year 0 (incoming exchange/visiting) students: (a) Semester 1/Full-year courses starting from 10:00; and (b) Semester 2 courses starting from 10:10.
After Aug 24, 2026 (16:00)	Year 1 and Year 0 students are advised to check their course selections on SIS and report to the Faculty immediately if any discrepancies arise.

FIRST SEMESTER: SEP 1 – DEC 23, 2026

Date	Course of Action
Sep 1, 2026	First Day of Teaching
Sep 1, 2026 (10:00) to Sep 15, 2026 (16:00) Note: Students <u>cannot</u> make any course changes on SIS during the Suspension Period from 12:00 to 16:59 on Sep 2, 2026.	SIS open for revising courses, if deemed necessary, of Semester 1 and Semester 2 on Sep 1, 2026 to: (a) Year 1 and Year 0 students starting from 10:00; (b) Year 2 students starting from 12:00; (c) Year 3 students starting from 14:00; and (d) Year 4 and above students starting from 16:00. Note: Students have to finish reviewing the Semester 1/Full-year courses before revising the Semester 2 courses.
After Sep 15, 2026 (16:00)	Students are advised to check the course selection record on SIS and report to the Faculty immediately if any discrepancies arise.
Oct 12 to Oct 17, 2026	Reading/Field Trip Week
Nov 30, 2026	Last Day of Teaching
Dec 1 to Dec 5, 2026	Revision Period
Dec 7 to Dec 23, 2026	Assessment Period

SECOND SEMESTER: JAN 18 – MAY 25, 2027

Date	Course of Action
Jan 18, 2027	First Day of Teaching
Jan 18, 2027 (10:00) to Feb 1, 2027 (16:00) Note: Students <u>cannot</u> make any course changes on SIS during the Suspension Period from 12:00 to 16:59 on Jan 19, 2027.	SIS open for revising courses, if deemed necessary, of Semester 2 and selecting courses of the Summer Semester (optional) on Jan 18, 2027 to: (a) Year 1 and Year 0 students starting from 10:00; (b) Year 2 students starting from 12:00; (c) Year 3 students starting from 14:00; and (d) Year 4 and above students starting from 16:00. Note: - Students have to finish reviewing the Semester 2 courses before selecting courses of the Summer Semester. - Final-year students are required to seek prior approval from the Faculty for taking courses in the Summer Semester.
After Feb 1, 2027 (16:00)	Students are advised to check their course selections on SIS and report to the Faculty immediately if any discrepancies arise.
Feb 6 to Feb 12, 2027	Class Suspension Period for the Lunar New Year
Mar 8 to Mar 13, 2027	Reading/Field Trip Week
April 30, 2027	Last Day of Teaching
May 3 to May 7, 2027	Revision Period
May 8 to May 25, 2027	Assessment Period

OPTIONAL SUMMER SEMESTER: JUN 28 – AUG 21, 2027

Date	Course of Action
Jun 14, 2027 (10:00) to Jun 21, 2027 (16:00) Note: Students <u>cannot</u> make any course changes on SIS during the Suspension Period from 12:00 to 16:59 on Jun 15, 2027.	SIS open for revising courses, if deemed necessary, of Summer Semester to all current students (except Final-year students). Note: Final-year students are required to seek prior approval from the Faculty for taking course(s) in the Summer Semester.
After Jun 21, 2027 (16:00)	Students are advised to check their course selections on SIS and report to the Faculty immediately if any discrepancies arise.
Jun 28 to Aug 21, 2027	Teaching and Assessment Period

Notes:

- The normal study load is 30 credits in Semester 1 and Semester 2. Students may take 24 to 36 credits without seeking the Faculty's approval in these semesters.
- If students plan to only take 24 credits in Semester 1, they are advised to take 36 credits in Semester 2 or 1-2 courses in the Summer Semester in order to complete the degree requirements on time in 4 academic years (or 5 academic years for double degrees). They can also consider taking suitable courses aboard in the Summer Semester and apply for credit transfer.
- Students can enroll in up to 12 credits of courses in Summer Semester, provided that they have not enrolled in more than 60 credits in Semester 1 and Semester 2 of the same academic year.
- The maximum number of credits to be enrolled in an academic year (including the summer semester) is 72 credits.
- Students are required to submit [a special application](#) to the Faculty if they plan to adjust their study load of a semester or an academic year outside the said ranges.

July 24, 2026