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Dear BA(HDT) Year 1 Students,

Faculty Orientation Activities 2026-27

Congratulations on achieving your place in the BA(HDT) programme. As a new member of the Faculty, you may already have started planning your studies for the next four years. Year 1 students can select their courses from August 18 to 24, 2026. Please visit the [BA\(HDT\) website](#) which contains all of the information you will need before the commencement of your studies, including guidelines on course selection, arrangements on academic advising, and requirements of the BA(HDT) curriculum.

The University has prepared the [First Year Experience](#) website which is a quick one-stop information hub where you can find the essential topics for new students to understand more about learning at HKU and the HKU community. CEDARS' [Student Life and Resources](#) website is also useful for all students with information on campus life and student support services.

I am also writing to invite you to join us for the orientation activities as attached in the Appendices. The featured event is an in-person Faculty Induction Talk on August 14, 2026. It aims to provide an overview of your HKU experience and is also a valuable opportunity to chat with our Programme Representatives and Student Academic Advisers there.

I look forward to welcoming you to the Faculty in the coming weeks!

Yours sincerely,



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Orientation Activities 2026-27 for BA(HDT) New Students

Date	Time	Orientation Activity	Remarks
Aug 14 (Fri)	10:00-12:30	Faculty Induction Talk* Venue: Lecture Hall II, Lee Shau Kee Lecture Centre, Centennial Campus, HKU	[Note: Entrance will start at 09:30]
Aug 14 (Fri)	14:30-16:00	BA(HDT) Session Venue: CPD-1.21, Run Run Shaw Tower, Centennial Campus, HKU	
Aug 17 (Mon)	15:30-17:00	Online Course Selection Tutorial Zoom link: click here Webinar ID: 993 6273 4064 Passcode: 543187	No registration required.
Aug 31 (Mon)	14:30-16:30	Sparkling Ideas in the Heart of Asia	For non-local students and late arrivals, please register here . [Please be reminded to upload your student visa and landing slip, and input the visa expiry date after you arrive in Hong Kong. This will confirm your student status at HKU.]
Aug 14 (Fri) Early and mid Sep Sep	11:30-13:30	English Studies Programme:	Please refer to the programme leaflet for details.
	11:30-12:30	Global and Area Studies Programme: - Speak Dating Venue: LG.61-62, Centennial Campus	This activity is part of the Faculty Induction Talk, no registration required.
	TBC	Music Programme: - Course Selection and Music Degree Planning (Registration required, Talk via Zoom)	Please refer to the programme webpage for details.
	TBC	Art History Programme: - Art History Tea Gathering - Art History Internship Talk - Art History Trivia Night	Please refer to the programme webpage and Instagram for details.
	TBC	Comparative Literature Programme: - Pizza Party	Students enrolled in CLIT 1000-level courses will be invited directly, with details to be provided in due course.

Date	Time	Orientation Activity	Remarks
Either Aug 11 (Tue) or Aug 27 (Thu)	10:30-11:30	Common Core Curriculum: Talk on Common Core Courses Venue on Aug 11: Grand Hall, CPD-LG.18 and CPD-LG.34, Centennial Campus, HKU	Please refer to the Induction Programme Schedule for details.
	11:30-12:30	Venue on Aug 27: LE1, Library Extension Building, Main Campus, HKU	
Either Aug 15 (Sat) or Aug 27 (Thu)	16:30-17:30	CEDARS Non-academic Induction Talk Online	Please refer to the Induction Programme Schedule for details.
	17:00-18:00	Online	

* In case of any bad weather warning or announcement is hoisted or in force at or after 6:00 am on August 14, 2026, a make-up session of the Faculty Induction Talk will be held on August 17, 2026 at 10:00 am at the same venue. Please refer to the University's definition and arrangements concerning bad weather [here](#).

Selected useful links:

- Faculty: <http://arts.hku.hk/current-students/undergraduate/BA>
 - => [Course Selection](#) => [Academic Advising](#) => [Assessment Matters](#)
 - => [Internship & Career Development Initiatives](#)
- [School of Chinese](#) - [School of English](#) - [School of Humanities](#)
- [School of Modern Languages and Cultures](#) - [Centre of Buddhist Studies](#)
- [Common Core Curriculum](#) - [Centre for Applied English Studies](#)
- [CEDARS](#) - [First Year Experience](#) - [Orientation Incident Reporting Channels](#) 
- [Academic Advising and Scholarships Office](#)
- [Information Technology Services](#) - [Equal Opportunity Unit](#)

