

(For students admitted in 2025-26 under the 4-year degree)

BSc in Global China Studies

In addition to the requirements of their major programs, students are required to complete the University requirements for graduation. For details please refer to the respective sections on this website.

Students may use no more than 9 credits earned from courses offered in self-paced online delivery mode to satisfy the graduation requirements of a degree program. This 9-credit limit does not apply to credits obtained through the credit transfer procedures of the University.

For students graduating with an additional major, they must take all the requirements specified for that major, within which they must complete at least 20 single-counted credits. These 20 credits cannot be used to fulfill any other requirements for graduation except for the 120-credit degree requirement.

Under the new 30-credit Common Core Program which is applicable to students admitted to the University in 2022-23 and thereafter, courses that have been counted towards Major Requirements are not allowed to be reused for fulfilment of the University Common Core Requirements. Students should look up the details of the Common Core Program including the general and School-/program-specific distributional requirements posted on the Common Core website where the link to it is available on this website.

Major Requirements

Required Course(s)

			Credit(s) attained
HUMA	1440	Modern China	3
HUMA	2590	The Making of the Modern World: Renaissance to the Present	3
SOSC	1350	Contemporary China: Continuity and Change	3
SOSC	2290	Understanding Globalization	3
SHSS		Note: SHSS 4991 <u>OR</u> SHSS 4992 <u>OR</u> (SHSS 4991 <u>AND</u> SHSS 4993) [For students taking one of the Research Options, they should take SHSS 4992 <u>OR</u> (SHSS 4991 <u>AND</u> SHSS 4993)]	3-6
	SHSS 4991	Capstone Project	3
	SHSS 4992	Honors Thesis	6
	SHSS 4993	Honors Research	3
LANG	2170	Chinese Communication Skills for Humanities & Social Science Studies	3

Track Study

Students should follow one of the tracks and complete all requirements as specified

Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track

Required Course(s)

			Credit(s) attained
HUMA	2400	Approaches to Humanities in China Studies	3
SOSC	2140	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	3

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
HUMA/SOSC		HUMA/SOSC Restricted Electives (6 courses, which should include three 3000-level courses & three 4000-level courses taken from at least 3 different areas, from the specified elective list.)	18
Area: Environment, Economy & Globalization			
SOSC	3120	Economic Development	3
SOSC	3540	Environmental Psychology	3
SOSC	4260	China's Economic Transformation	3
SOSC	4280	China in the Global Political Economy	3
SOSC	4290	China's Sustainable Development	3
Area: Heritage, Community & Identity			
HUMA	3630	Community and Cultural Identity	3
HUMA	3900	Philosophical Inquiry into the Modern World	3
HUMA	4610	Heritage in Cross-cultural Perspective	3
HUMA	4700	Confucianism in a Global Context	3
HUMA	4801	Classical Chinese Philosophy	3
Area: Political & Social Change			
SOSC	3520	Understanding Comparative Politics	3
SOSC	3530**	Social Movements and Contentious Politics	3
SOSC	3630	Democracy and Democratization around the World	3
SOSC	3880	Social Inequality and Social Mobility	3
SOSC	4310	Chinese Capitalism: Historical and Comparative Perspectives	3
SOSC	4600	Understanding Chinese Politics	3
Area: Literature, Communication & Media			
HUMA	3030	Language, Communication and Culture	3
HUMA	3201	Animation: A Global Perspective	3
HUMA	4020	Language and Literature in Modern China	3
HUMA	4220	Verbal and Visual Representation of China	3
HUMA	4221	Chinese Classics and Their Reworking in Various Media Around the Globe	3

HUMA/SOSC/ SHSS	HUMA/SOSC/SHSS Electives [Students opting for SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) are required to take a minimum total of 8 courses (24 credits), out of which 2 must be at 3000-/4000- level; students opting for SHSS 4991 are required to take a minimum total of 9 courses (27 credits), out of which 3 must be at 3000-/4000- level.]	24-27
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Students may opt to graduate with or without an option. Students who take an option MUST complete all requirements specified in addition to the major requirements.

Option(s)

Applied Economics Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the Applied Economics Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in applied economics to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the Major Requirements.

Elective Course(s)

		Minimum credit(s) required
SOSC/ECON	Applied Economics Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
SOSC	1420 Poverty	3
SOSC	3120 Economic Development	3
SOSC	4260 China's Economic Transformation	3
ECON	Any ECON courses	

Environment and Technology Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the Environment and Technology Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in environment and technology to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the Major Requirements.

Elective Course(s)

		Minimum credit(s) required
HUMA/SOSC/ ENVR	Environment and Technology Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
HUMA	2621 Culture and Environment	3
SOSC	1150** Science, Technology and Work	3

SOSC	4290	China's Sustainable Development	3
ENVR	3210	Environmental Technology for Impact Assessment	3
ENVR	3310	Green Business Strategy	3
ENVR	3410	Economics for Environmental Policy and Management	3

Heritage and Cultural Sustainability Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the Heritage and Cultural Sustainability Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in heritage and cultural sustainability to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the major requirements.

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
HUMA/SOSC		Heritage and Cultural Sustainability Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
HUMA	1100	Music of the World	3
HUMA	1630**	Popular Religion in South China	3
HUMA	1639	Marriage, Family and Kinship in Cross-cultural Perspectives	3
HUMA	1650	Appreciation of Western Art	3
HUMA	1660	Introduction to Chinese Art	3
HUMA	2240	Reading Chinese Literature: Dreams of the Red Chamber	3
HUMA	2320	Chinese Drama	3
HUMA	2621	Culture and Environment	3
HUMA	2632	Chinese Culture and Society in Anthropological Perspectives	3
HUMA	2635	Cultural Diversity in China	3
HUMA	2660	Introduction to Chinese Painting	3
HUMA	2661	Chinese Oil Painting	3
HUMA	2670	Understanding Western Painting	3
HUMA	2680	Understanding Western Architecture	3
HUMA	2840	Buddhism and the Chinese Intellectual Tradition	3
HUMA	3630	Community and Cultural Identity	3
HUMA	3660	Tradition & Modernity: Chinese Ink Painting in 20th Century	3
HUMA	3680	Contemporary Architecture: The Pritzker Prize Winners	3
HUMA	3810	Taoism and the Chinese Tradition	3
HUMA	4610	Heritage in Cross-cultural Perspective	3
HUMA	4700	Confucianism in a Global Context	3
SOSC	3130	Hong Kong Culture	3

History Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the History Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in history to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the major requirements.

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
HUMA		History Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
HUMA	1430	History of P. R. China's Diplomacy, 1949-1989	3
HUMA	1520	Modern East Asia	3
HUMA	1650	Appreciation of Western Art	3
HUMA	1660	Introduction to Chinese Art	3
HUMA	2420	Late Imperial China	3
HUMA	2470	From Fung Shui to Mao's Villages: City Plans, Urban Politics & the Unseen World of Chinese Villages	3
HUMA	2590	The Making of the Modern World: Renaissance to the Present	3
HUMA	2640	Unofficial China: Social History 1800s-1930s	3
HUMA	2660	Introduction to Chinese Painting	3
HUMA	2661	Chinese Oil Painting	3
HUMA	2670	Understanding Western Painting	3
HUMA	2680	Understanding Western Architecture	3
HUMA	3430	Reading Modern Chinese History Historically	3
HUMA	3660	Tradition & Modernity: Chinese Ink Painting in 20th Century	3
HUMA	3680	Contemporary Architecture: The Pritzker Prize Winners	3
HUMA	4520	History of US-China Relations	3

Language and Literature Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the Language and Literature Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in language and literature to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the major requirements.

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
HUMA		Language and Literature Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
HUMA	1020**	Chinese Writing and Culture	3

HUMA	1030	Structure of the Chinese Language	3
HUMA	1060	Introduction to Mandarin Chinese Grammar	3
HUMA	2010	Metaphors in English and Chinese	3
HUMA	2031	The Cantonese Language	3
HUMA	2050	Classical Chinese	3
HUMA	2240	Reading Chinese Literature: Dreams of the Red Chamber	3
HUMA	2250	Modern Chinese Fiction (1917-1949)	3
HUMA	2260	Contemporary Chinese Fiction (1949-present)	3
HUMA	2300	Traditional Chinese Poetry: Early Chinese Poetry	3
HUMA	2310	Traditional Chinese Fiction	3
HUMA	2320	Chinese Drama	3
HUMA	3030	Language, Communication and Culture	3
HUMA	3201	Animation: A Global Perspective	3
HUMA	3210	Traditional Chinese Poetry: Tang and Song Poetry	3
HUMA	3220	Modern Chinese Poetry	3
HUMA	4020	Language and Literature in Modern China	3
HUMA	4220	Verbal and Visual Representation of China	3

Politics Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the Politics Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in politics to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the major requirements.

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
HUMA/SOSC		Politics Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
HUMA	4520	History of US-China Relations	3
SOSC	1190	China and the World: China's Development in Historical and Comparative Perspectives	3
SOSC	1270	International Law	3
SOSC	1300	The World of Politics	3
SOSC	1661**	Contemporary Hong Kong: Government & Politics	3
SOSC	1840	Government, Law and Society in China	3
SOSC	2290	Understanding Globalization	3
SOSC	3520	Understanding Comparative Politics	3
SOSC	3630	Democracy and Democratization around the World	3
SOSC	4280	China in the Global Political Economy	3
SOSC	4600	Understanding Chinese Politics	3

Sociology Research Option

Students in the Integrated Humanities and Social Science Track with CGA of 3.3 or above may apply for enrollment in the Sociology Research Option. In addition, they should take Honors Thesis or Honors Research with a primary focus in sociology to complete the requirement of SHSS 4992 OR (SHSS 4991 AND SHSS 4993) as specified in the major requirements.

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
SOSC		Sociology Electives (3 courses, which should include two courses at 3000-level or above, from the specified elective list. Courses taken as Major Elective Courses may not be counted towards this elective requirement.)	9
SOSC	1662	Contemporary Hong Kong Society	3
SOSC	1780	Population and Development in China	3
SOSC	1850	Understanding Society	3
SOSC	2740	Gender and Society	3
SOSC	3130	Hong Kong Culture	3
SOSC	3880	Social Inequality and Social Mobility	3

Social Science Track

Required Course(s)

			Credit(s) attained
SOSC	1100	Quantitative Data Analysis for Social Research I	3
SOSC	1300	The World of Politics	3
SOSC	1440	Introduction to Economics	3
SOSC	1850	Understanding Society	3
SOSC	2140	Research Methods in the Social Sciences	3

Elective Course(s)

			Minimum credit(s) required
SOSC		Disciplinary Foundation Electives (2 courses from the specified elective list, of which the courses should be taken from different areas.)	6
Introductory Demography			
SOSC	1780	Population and Development in China	3
SOSC	1860	Population and Society	3
Introductory Psychology			
SOSC	1960	Introduction to Psychology	3
SOSC	1980	Psychology of Personal Growth	3

SOSC	SOSC Electives (9 courses from the specified elective list, of which at least 4 courses must come from the list under "Restricted Electives".)	27
Restricted Electives		
SOSC	3120 Economic Development	3
SOSC	3520 Understanding Comparative Politics	3
SOSC	3530** Social Movements and Contentious Politics	3
SOSC	3540 Environmental Psychology	3
SOSC	3630 Democracy and Democratization around the World	3
SOSC	3880 Social Inequality and Social Mobility	3
SOSC	4260 China's Economic Transformation	3
SOSC	4280 China in the Global Political Economy	3
SOSC	4290 China's Sustainable Development	3
SOSC	4310 Chinese Capitalism: Historical and Comparative Perspectives	3
SOSC	4600 Understanding Chinese Politics	3
Others		
SOSC	Any SOSC courses	

****Remarks on course(s):**

- HUMA 1020: The course was last offered in 2020-21 and was deleted subsequently.
- HUMA 1630: The course was last offered in 2020-21 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 1150: The course was last offered in 2020-21 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 1661: The course was last offered in 2020-21 and was deleted subsequently.
- SOSC 3530: The course was last offered in 2020-21 and was deleted subsequently.