The Department of Linguistics and Translation offers two undergraduate major programmes: (i) BA in Linguistics and Language Applications and (ii) BA in Translation and Interpretation. JUPAS HKDSE students apply for admission to the first-year studies in the department with an undeclared major. During the first year, students take a broad range of courses, including Gateway Education (GE) courses, College Foundation courses, and Department Foundation courses. Students are allocated to a major after completion of the first-year studies.

**First-Year Curriculum**

The top 40% of the first-year students have a free choice of the majors that the department offers. The other 60% are allocated to a major of their choice, subject to the availability of places and students’ meeting of the selection criteria set by the individual majors.

**Allocation of Major**

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**Department Foundation Courses**

- LT1201 Introduction to Linguistics and Language Applications
- LT1202 Discovering How Language Works in a University Setting
- LT1301 Introduction to Translation

**Research Excellence**

The Department encourages and promotes research in areas, such as general linguistics, language technology or intelligent linguistic applications and translation and interpretation studies. According to QS World University Rankings by Subject, Linguistics at City University of Hong Kong has been ranked among the top 50 universities worldwide for 10 consecutive years (from 2011 to 2020). Research emphases in the Department include corpus and empirical linguistics, computer-assisted language learning, computational linguistics, discourse analysis, interpreting, translation (machine and human), syntax, semantics, phonetics and terminology.

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### Study Plan of BA in Linguistics and Language Applications

#### Four - Year Curriculum (BAU4)

LLA - major students are required to take **9 major courses** (27 credit units) and **9 major elective courses** (27 credit units) to fulfill the major requirements.

(For details of programme: http://lt.cityu.edu.hk/balla)

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| Semester A | LT1202 Discovering how Language Works in a University Setting  
| | LT1301 Introduction to Translation |
| Semester B | LT1201 Introduction to Linguistics and Language Applications |

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| Semester A | LT2229 Fundamentals of Linguistics  
| | LT2203 Language in Society |
| Semester B | LT2204 Language and Mind  
| | LT3209 Syntax  
| | LT3212 Phonetics  
| | LT2231 Introduction to Language Technology |

2 - 3 major elective courses (6 - 9 credit units) at levels B2 or B3, and ** ** **

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| Semester A | LT3214 Phonology  
| | LT3233 Computational Linguistics |
| Semester B | LT3211 Semantics |

3 - 5 major elective courses (9 - 15 credit units) at levels B2, B3 or B4, and ** ** **

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4 - 6 major elective courses (12 - 18 credit units) at levels B3 or B4, and ** ** **

** University, College, and Gateway Education requirement courses  
*** Free elective courses to add up to 120 credits for graduation

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BA Linguistics and Language Applications (BALLA)

Mode of attendance: full-time
This programme has a 4-year curriculum.
HKDSE students will apply for admission to the Department of Linguistics and Translation. Students can choose to study this programme after one year of study.
Please refer to the website of the Admissions Office (https://www.admo.cityu.edu.hk) for detailed admission arrangements.

Aims
To educate students so that they will
1) become language professionals who are familiar with linguistics and language-related applications;
2) develop an analytical, critical and creative mind;
3) foster an open attitude towards people from different cultures.

Career Prospects
Graduates will have a solid foundation in the scientific study of language and will be prepared for careers that require both language and language-related computer skills. In addition to opportunities in research and development, they will also have employment prospects in administrative and executive positions in various public and private sectors. They will have an important role to play in the language and information service sectors of Hong Kong, Greater China, and world-wide. Moreover, this programme is recognized by the Education Bureau as an English language major degree for the purpose of teaching in Hong Kong.

Main Subject Areas
There are two main subject areas: Linguistics and Language Applications.
Core courses in Linguistics include: Fundamentals of Linguistics, Language in Society, Language and Mind, Phonetics, Phonology, Syntax and Semantics. Core courses in Language Applications include: Introduction to Language Technology and Computational At a more advanced level, students may choose from among courses such as Text Linguistics, Corpus Linguistics, Computational Lexicography, Sociolinguistics, Psycholinguistics, First / Second Language Acquisition and Computer-assisted Language Learning.

Academic Excellence
According to the QS (Quacquarelli Symonds) World University Rankings by Subject (2020), Linguistics at the City University of Hong Kong is ranked 39th in the world.

文學士（語言學及語言應用）

學習模式：本課程為四年全日制課程。
修讀香港中學文憑課程的學生首先需要入讀香港城市大學翻譯及語言學系。
學生修畢一年的課程後可以選修本主修課程。入學申請詳情請瀏覽招生處網頁。
(https://www.admo.cityu.edu.hk)

課程宗旨
本課程旨在針對香港日益增長的語言及語言相關的資訊需求及應用，重點在培育精通語言學及跟語言相關科技及應用方面的人材。課程致力於教導學生如何把語言學的理論及方法應用到語言研究和語言資訊、語言應用、語言教學等方面，從而培養他們成為具備語言學及電腦知識的專業人士。

就業前景
香港非常需要多元人材，既掌握雙語能力，又掌握與語言相關的資訊科技及應用技能。本課程的畢業生除了從事語言的研發工作外，更可擔任公私營各界的行政及文職工作。此外，本課程獲教育局承認為英語主修學位，畢業生可以選擇在本港中小學任教。他們在香港、大中華地區及全球各地的語言及資訊科技服務界均可以扮演十分重要角色。

主修科目方向
本課程包含兩個主修方向：語言學和語言應用。

語言學核心科目包括：語言學基礎、語言與社會、語言與心理、語音學、音位學、句法學、語義學等。語言應用核心科目包括：語言科技、計算語言學等。

學術成就
香港城市大學的語言學於2020的QS世界大學排名榜上排名為39。
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BA Translation and Interpretation (BATI)
文學士（翻譯及傳譯）

Mode of attendance: full-time
This programme has a 4-year curriculum.
HKDSE students will apply for admission to JS1105 Department of Linguistics and Translation (options: BA Linguistics and Language Applications, BA Translation and Interpretation). Students can choose to study this programme after one year of study.

Why should I study translation and interpretation (TI) in Hong Kong?
As a diverse cosmopolitan city acting as the gateway to both Mainland China and the West, Hong Kong will continue to benefit from the skills of translators and interpreters capable of facilitating efficient cross-cultural communication. If you are interested in language, culture and communication, and want to pursue a career which is professionally esteemed, intellectually challenging, and culturally significant, translation and interpretation should be your ideal choice.

Why should I study TI at City University of Hong Kong?
Our programme is both grounded in practice and academically challenging. It provides solid training across a wide range of specialized translation fields (audiovisual, bilingual editing, commerce and finance, media, government and public administration, law, medicine, science and technology, and performance). Some of them are unique in Hong Kong. In addition, the programme equips you with key transferrable linguistic and conceptual tools, as well as cross-cultural communication competency, by means of a curriculum that draws on the latest advances in translation studies research.

Our fully computerized simultaneous interpretation laboratory is arguably the best equipped in the Aisa-Pacific region with all the state-of-the-art facilities.

Career Prospects
Apart from working as professional translators/interpreters in both the public and private sectors, graduates can also work in language-related fields such as education, information technology, print and electronic media, public relations, advertising and marketing, finance and international business, as well as in other areas where efficient cross-cultural communication (spoken and written) is required.

Entrance Requirements
Please refer to the website of the Admissions Office for entrance requirements details: https://www.admo.cityu.edu.hk
### Minor in Linguistics and Language Applications

**Aims**
This minor aims to let students learn the basics of the scientific study of language that will supplement their major curricula by:

1. broadening the intellectual horizons and experience on academic training of the students;
2. imparting to the students the basic knowledge about language;
3. introducing to the students areas of language applications such as discourse, language learning, or language technology.

**Intended Learning Outcomes**
Upon successful completion of this minor, students should be able to:

1. apply the knowledge of linguistics to the learning of another language;
2. apply the structural aspects of language to the activities that involve the use of language;
3. apply linguistics knowledge to the study of discourse, language acquisition or language technology.

**Programme Structure**
(Effective from Semester B, 2020-21)

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### Minor in Translation

**Aims**
The minor aims to equip students with the essential conceptual and linguistic tools for deepening understanding of source texts in their respective major disciplines and for facilitating communication of information and ideas across languages and cultures. It also provides them with a cluster of generic and transferable knowledge, skills, and techniques useful for their study.

**Intended Learning Outcomes**
Upon successful completion of this minor, students should be able to:

1. explain how language works to facilitate communication across languages and cultures;
2. demonstrate a firm grasp of the nature, principles and techniques of translation;
3. analyze and translate texts of various types and subject–matters.

**Programme Structure**
(Effective from Semester A, 2018-19)

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