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1. INTRODUCTION

This Student Handbook is designed to provide students registered in the Department of Biomedical Sciences with an understanding of the nature of the programmes and with details of the contents. This handbook is subject to review from time to time. Students are advised to visit relevant websites for updated information. In the event of any discrepancy between the information on the University website and the contents of this handbook, the Department of Biomedical Sciences reserves the right of final decision and interpretation.

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2. DEPARTMENT OF BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

The Department of Biomedical Sciences was established in January 2014 to develop strategic growth areas in the life sciences. It has the aim of becoming a leading centre for biomedical education and cutting-edge research on cancer, neuroscience and regenerative medicine. Besides carrying out internationally competitive research and promotes interdisciplinary collaboration in biomedical sciences, the Department provides programmes that best equip graduates for future careers in healthcare, pharmaceutical, biotech and related industries. It currently offers two full time undergraduate majors and research programmes in a stimulating teaching, learning and research environment.

The Department currently has 32 faculty members, who have won such prestigious awards as the Higher Education Outstanding Scientific Research Output Award (Science and Technology), achieved outstanding results in grant applications, and produced high quality research outputs.

All programmes and research activities are supported by a wide range of state-of-the-art programme with cutting-edge techniques including electrophysiology and in vivo imaging, and anatomical, genetic, molecular and cellular tools to address challenges in the biomedical sciences.

3. MAJOR ALLOCATION FOR 4-YEAR DEGREE STUDENTS

Students who admitted to first-year studies with an undeclared major at the Department, will enter a major (current major options: **Biological Sciences**, **Biomedical Sciences**) after one year of study. The top 40% of students[#] will have a free choice of majors offered by the Department. The other 60% of students will be allocated a major within the Department, subject to the availability of places and the selection criteria set by individual majors.

[#] based on CGPA with no failed grades and completion of at least 30 credit units including College/Department required courses

4. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOLOGICAL SCIENCES

4.1 Programme Specification

Programme Title	BSc in Biological Sciences (BSc BISI)
Language of Delivery and Assessment	English
Programme Leader	Dr Jianbo Yue
Location of Delivery	City University of Hong Kong
Course URL	http://www.cityu.edu.hk/bms/prog/bscbs.htm
Programme Code	Normative 4-year Degree: BSCVMU4 BISI
Mode/Duration of Study	Normative 4-year Degree: 4 years, full time Advanced Standing I: 3 years, full time Advanced Standing II: 2 years, full time
Minimum QF credit requirement	Normative 4-year Degree: 120 credits Advanced Standing I: 90 credits Advanced Standing II: 60 credits

4.2 Programme Rationale, Aims and Objectives

This major aims to nurture students to embark on professional, educational, scientific or technical career after graduation. We provide a rigorous, broad-spectrum curriculum combined with specialization in major fields of biology such as cancer biology, nanobiotechnology, neurobiology and ecology. The programme presents an in-depth study of modern biology, with courses ranging from bioinformatics to biochemistry, genetics and cellular molecular biology. It provides a thorough understanding of how science is done with state-of-the-art equipment in laboratory for students interested in research and other science-based careers.

4.3 Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this major, students should be able to:

- Explain biological phenomena from the molecular to cellular basis of life;
- Explain biological phenomena based on lectures and observations in the laboratory;
- Design experiment and evaluate experimental data to test hypotheses, and to create innovative and practical solutions;
- Demonstrate good time management and problem-solving skills, and effectively communicate scientific ideas in both written and oral formats;
- Demonstrate the ability to read, understand, and critically review scientific information
- Accomplish laboratory-based or problem-based tasks independently;
- Apply the broad-based foundation and latest advances in the knowledge of biological sciences to real world problems;
- Develop strategies for acquisition, application and synthesis of knowledge in the biological sciences;
- Apply biological knowledge to address bioethical issues and to understand the role of science in society and the ethical conduct of science.

4.4 Programme Leader and Deputy Programme Leaders

Programme Leader	Dr Jianbo Yue
Deputy Programme Leaders	Dr Ming Chan, Dr Wenjun Xiong

5. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES

5.1 Programme Specification

Programme Title	BSc in Biomedical Sciences (BSc BMS)
Language of Delivery and Assessment	English
Programme Leader	Dr Terrence Lau
Location of Delivery	City University of Hong Kong
Course URL	www.cityu.edu.hk/bms/prog/bscbms.htm
Programme Code	Normative 4-year Degree: BSCVMU4 BMS Advanced Standing II: BSCVMU2 BMS
Mode/Duration of Study	Normative 4-year Degree: 4 years, full time Advanced Standing II: 2 years, full time
Minimum QF credit requirement	Normative 4-year Degree: 120 credits Advanced Standing II: 72 credits

5.2 Programme Rationale, Aims and Objectives

This programme emphasizes the integration of basic fundamental knowledge in biomedical sciences with investigative skills and state-of-the-art technologies to enable students to understand the causes, diagnoses and treatments of human disorders and disease. The programme is designed to prepare graduates for employment in biomedical research, medical device and diagnostics, and biotech and pharmaceutical industries. Our unique industry-informed curriculum provides the students with extensive exposure to medical laboratory technology and modern biotechnology, and applied research and clinical/industrial training opportunities through our strategic partnership with healthcare and medical laboratory sectors, and biotech and pharmaceutical industries.

5.3 Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this major, students should be able to:

- Acquire experience in the areas of biomedical sciences and healthcare related industry, and the processes of design and development of diagnostic and therapeutic products, medical laboratory testing and food/drug safety testing, and discovery and innovation;
- Evaluate issues related to assurance and compliance to meet the requirements of health and safety regulations;
- Apply the integration of basic knowledge and biomedical specialist subject areas to the understanding and the laboratory testing of infectious pathogens and physiological disorders;
- Demonstrate required problem solving ability, discipline and subject-specific skill associated with laboratory practice, key transferable skills, and teamwork in basic and applied biomedical research;
- Meet the required levels and standards of relevant professional bodies.

5.4 Programme Leader and Deputy Programme Leaders

Programme Leader	Dr Terrence Lau
Deputy Programme Leaders	Dr Temy Mok, Dr Gigi Lo

6. COURSE LEADERS & ACADEMIC ADVISOR

6.1 Course Leaders of the major courses

Course Code	Course Title	Course Leader	Dept
BCH1100	Chemistry	Dr Andy Siu	CHEM
BCH1200	Discovery in Biology	Dr Richard Kong	CHEM
BCH2013	Microbiology	Dr Lau Terrence	BMS
BCH2067	Diversity of Life & Evolution	Dr Doris Au	CHEM
BCH2070	Diversity of Life and Microbiology Laboratory	Dr Doris Au	CHEM
BCH2071	Biological Chemistry	Dr H Y Sun	CHEM
BCH2072	Laboratory Course for Cell Biology and Biochemistry	Dr Eddie Ma	BMS
BCH3012	Genetics	Dr Richard Kong	CHEM
BCH3017	Molecular Biology	Dr Richard Kong	CHEM
BCH3068	General Ecology	Dr S G Cheung	CHEM
BCH3069	Animal Physiology	Prof Ying Li	BMS
BMS2001	Medical Microbiology	Dr Rebecca Chin	BMS
BMS2002	Pathophysiology	Dr Liang Zhang	BMS
BMS2003	Clinical Chemistry	Dr Gigi Lo	BMS
BMS2004	Biochemistry	Dr Kiwon Ban	BMS
BMS2005	Human Physiology	Dr Geoffrey Lau	BMS
BMS2007	Human Anatomy	Dr Temy Mok	BMS
BMS2201	Molecular Biology of the Cell	Dr Jianbo Yue	BMS
BMS2901	Introductory Biostatistics and Data Analysis	Dr Katie Chan	BMS
BMS3001	Hematology	Dr Jiahai Shi	BMS
BMS3002	Cellular Pathology	Dr Jianbo Yue	BMS
BMS3003	Advanced Clinical Chemistry	Dr Xi Yao	BMS
BMS3004	Advanced Medical Microbiology	Dr Linfeng Huang	BMS
BMS3005	Medical Genetics	Dr Kui Ming Chan	BMS
BMS3006	Transfusion Science and Technology	Dr Jiahai Shi	BMS
BMS3007	Good Laboratory Practice, Safety, Regulatory Compliance, and Ethical, Legal and Social Issues	Dr Minh Le	BMS
BMS3008	Modern Medical Laboratory Techniques and Instrumentation	Dr Sungchil Yang	BMS
BMS3010	Clinical /Industrial Attachment	Dr Terrence Lau	BMS
BMS3301	Bioinformatics	Dr Xin Wang	BMS
BMS4001	Medical Informatics and Laboratory Management	Dr Xin Wang	BMS
BMS4002	Public Health and Emerging Infectious Diseases	Dr Mingliang He	BMS
BMS4003	Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Diagnostics	Dr Zongli Zheng	BMS
BMS4004	Advanced Cellular Pathology	Dr Zongli Zheng	BMS

Course Code	Course Title	Course Leader	Dept
BMS4005	Medical Virology	Dr Mingliang He	BMS
BMS4006	Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	Dr Geoffrey Lau	BMS
BMS4007	Pharmacology and Toxicology	Dr Youngjin Lee	BMS
BMS4008	Clinical Immunology	Dr Temy Mok	BMS
BMS4206	Final Year Project	To be confirmed	BMS
BMS4301	Cancer Biology	Dr Minh Le	BMS
BMS4303	Neuroscience	Dr Wenjun Xiong	BMS
CS1102	Introduction to Computer Studies	Dr Howard Leung	CS
CS1302	Introduction to Computer Programming	To be confirmed	CS
GE1401	University of English	Dr Eric Sandberg	EN
GE1501	Chinese Civilisation - History and Philosophy	Dr H C Lam	CAH
GE2401	English for Science	Semester A Dr Lindsay Miller Semester B Dr Christoph Hafner	EN
MA1200	Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra I	Dr Lester Liu	MA
MA1201	Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra II	Dr Qingshuo Song	MA
MA1300	Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra I	Dr C W Li	MA
MA1301	Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra II	To be confirmed	MA
MA2172	Applied Statistics for Sciences and Engineering	Dr K W Chung	MA
PHY1201	General Physics I	Prof K S Chan	PHY

6.2 Academic Advisor

You will be assigned to an Academic Advisor when you enter the programme. Your Academic Advisor is an academic staff who will give you advice and guidance to support you during your study at the University. You should meet with your Academic Advisor each semester. More information will be sent to you after school commences in September.

6.3 First Year Tutors

Our First Year Tutors are dedicated to helping you transition to University life. They work exclusively with all BMS freshmen during their first year of study.

First Year Tutors	Tel	E-mail (@cityu.edu.hk)
Dr Rebecca Chin	3442-6743	rebecca.chin
Dr Minh Le	3442-2485	mle.bms
Dr Youngjin Lee	3442-4313	Younglee
Dr Wenjun Xiong	3442-2494	wenjun.xiong

7. CURRICULUM STRUCTURE

7.1 Degree Requirement (for Biological Sciences major)

A summary of the major structure and the minimum graduation requirement for this Biological Sciences programme is shown in the following table:

Degree Requirements	Normative 4-year Degree	Advanced Standing I	Advanced Standing II [ASII] (Senior-year Entry)
Gateway Education requirement (Table I)	30 credit units	21 credit units	12 credit units
College/School requirement (Table II)	6 credit units	waived	waived
Major requirement	66 credit units (Core: 56 CUs Elective: 10 CUs)	66 credit units (Core: 56 CUs Elective: 10 CUs)	46 credit units (Core: 42 CUs Elective: 4 CUs)
Free electives/Minor (if applicable)	18 credit units	3 credit units	2 credit unit
Minimum number of credit units required for the award	120 credit units	90 credit units	60 credit units
Maximum number of credit units permitted	144 credit units	114 credit units	84 credit units

7.2 Degree Requirement (for Biomedical Sciences major)

A summary of the major structure and the minimum graduation requirement for this Biomedical Sciences programme is shown in the following table:

Degree Requirements	Normative 4-year Degree	Advanced Standing II [ASII] (Senior-year Entry)
Gateway Education requirement (Table I)	30 credit units	12 credit units
College/School requirement (Table II)	6 credit units	waived
Major requirement	84 credit units (Core: 78 CUs Elective: 6 CUs)	60 credit units (Core: 57 CUs Elective: 3 CUs)
Free electives/Minor (if applicable)	Remainder to fulfil the credit requirement for graduation, if any	
Minimum number of credit units required for the award	120 credit units	72 credit units
Maximum number of credit units permitted	144 credit units	84 credit units

Table I Gateway Education Requirement

	Normative 4-year Degree	Advanced Standing I	Advanced Standing II (Senior-year Entry)
<u>University requirements</u>			
GE1401 University English	3 credit units	3 credit units	Not a compulsory requirement
Discipline-specific English : GE2401 English for Science	3 credit units	3 credit units	3 credit units
GE1501 Chinese Civilisation – History and Philosophy	3 credit units	3 credit units	Not a compulsory requirement
<u>Distributional requirements</u>	12 credit units	6 credit units	3 credit units
Area 1: Arts and Humanities Area 2: Study of Societies, Social and Business Organisations Area 3: Science and Technology	<i>(At least one course from each of the three areas)</i>	<i>(From two different areas)</i>	
<u>College-specified courses</u> ^	9 credit units	6 credit units	6 credit units
Total	30 credit units	21 credit units	12 credit units

^ College/School-specified courses for fulfilling the Gateway Education requirement

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
Normative 4-year Degree				
MA1200/ MA1300	Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra I/ Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra I	B1	3	
MA1201/ MA1301	Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra II/ Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra II	B1	3	
CS1102/ CS1302	Introduction to Computer Studies/ Introduction to Computer Programming*	B1	3	
Advanced Standing I Any courses NOT within the Major Requirement (including core courses and electives)		B	6	
Advanced Standing II (Senior-year Entry) Any courses NOT within the Major Requirement (including core courses and electives)		B	6	

* The offering of CS1302 is subject to sufficient student enrolments.

Table II College/School Requirement

Course Code	Course Title	Credit Units
Normative 4-year Degree (6 credit units) Choose two from the following three subject areas:		
AP1201/PHY1201	General Physics I	3
BCH1100	Chemistry	3
BCH1200	Discovery in Biology*	3
Advanced Standing I [ASI] (0 credit units) - College requirements waived		
Advanced Standing II [ASII] (Senior-year Entry) (0 credit units) - College requirements waived		

*Students who intend to choose the BMS or BISI major are advised to take BCH1200 in the first year which is a prerequisite for a core course schedule in Year 2 Semester A.)

University Language Requirements

English Language Requirement

Normative 4-year degree students and Advanced Standing I students who passed the 6 credit units of specified GE English courses, and Advanced Standing II students who passed the 3 credit units of discipline-specific GE English course are recognized as fulfilling the University's English Language Requirement.

Students scoring below Level 4 in HKDSE English Language or Grade D in HKALE AS-level Use of English or students who do not possess an equivalent qualification are required to complete two 3-credit unit courses, ELO200A English for Academic Purposes 1 and ELO200B English for Academic Purposes 2, prior to taking the GE English courses. Students who demonstrate that they have achieved a grade B or above in their overall course results for ELO200A will achieve 3 credits and also be considered to have satisfied the pre-requisite for entry to the GE English courses without needing to take ELO200B. The credit units of ELO200A and ELO200B will not be counted towards the minimum credit units required for graduation and will not be included in the calculation of the cumulative grade point average (CGPA). However, they will be counted towards the maximum credit units permitted.

For details of English Language Requirement, please visit:

www.cityu.edu.hk/ug/current/catalogue/catalogue_UC.htm?page=B/eng_lang_requirement.htm

Chinese Language Requirement

Students scoring below Level 4 in HKDSE Chinese Language, or below Grade D in HKALE AS-level Chinese Language and Culture will be required to complete a 3-credit unit course **CHIN1001 University Chinese I**. The 3 credit units will not be counted towards the minimum credit units required for graduation and will not be included in the calculation of the cumulative grade point average (CGPA). However, they will be counted towards the maximum credit units permitted.

For details of Chinese Language Requirement, please visit:

www.cityu.edu.hk/ug/current/catalogue/catalogue_UC.htm?page=B/chi_lang_requirement.htm

7.3 Curriculum Details (for Biological Sciences major)

Major Core Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
BCH2013	Microbiology	B2	3	Waived for students admitted with Advanced Standing II
BCH2067	Diversity of Life and Evolution	B2	3	
BCH2070	Diversity of Life and Microbiology Laboratory	B2	2	
BCH2071	Biological Chemistry	B2	4	
BCH2072	Laboratory Course for Cell Biology and Biochemistry	B2	2	
BMS2901	Introductory Biostatistics and Data Analysis	B2	3	
BMS2004	Biochemistry	B2	3	
BMS2201	Molecular Biology of the Cell	B2	3	
BCH3012	Genetics	B3	4	
BCH3017	Molecular Biology	B3	4	
BCH3068	General Ecology	B3	4	
BCH3069	Animal Physiology	B3	4	
BMS3301	Bioinformatics	B3	3	
BMS4206	Final Year Project	B4	8	
BMS4301	Cancer Biology	B4	3	
BMS4303	Neuroscience	B4	3	

Major Elective Courses

Normative 4-year Degree: 10 credit units

Advanced Standing I: 10 credit units

Advanced Standing II: 4 credit units

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
BMS2002	Pathophysiology	B2	3	
BMS2003B	Clinical Chemistry	B2	2	
BMS2008B	Hematology I	B2	2	
BMS3002B	Cellular Pathology	B3	2	
BMS3003B	Advanced Clinical Chemistry	B3	2	
BMS3006B	Transfusion Science and Technology	B3	2	
BMS3007	Good Laboratory Practice, Safety, Regulatory Compliance, and Ethical, Legal and Social Issues	B3	3	
BMS3011B	Hematology II	B3	2	
BMS3101	Cell Transport and Signalling	B3	3	
BCH3074	Plant Physiology	B3	4	
BCH4023	Biological Treatment of Wastes	B4	4	Course offered in alternate years.
BCH4063	Systems Biology	B4	4	
BCH4064	Biological Techniques and Instrumentation	B4	4	
BCH4073	Soil and Terrestrial Plant Ecology	B4	4	Course offered in alternate years.
BCH4078	Aquatic Ecology	B4	4	
BMS4001	Medical Informatics and Laboratory Management	B4	3	
BMS4003B	Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Diagnostics	B4	2	
BMS4004B	Advanced Cellular Pathology	B4	2	
BMS4005B	Medical Virology	B4	2	
BMS4007	Pharmacology and Toxicology	B4	3	
BMS4008	Clinical Immunology	B4	3	
BMS4101	Analytical Biochemistry	B4	3	
BMS4102	Technology for Regenerative Medicine	B4	3	
BMS4106	Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	B4	3	
BMS4302	Nanobiotechnology	B4	3	

7.4 Curriculum Details (for Biomedical Sciences major)

Major Core Courses

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
BMS2001	Medical Microbiology	B2	3	Waived for students admitted with Advanced Standing II
BMS2002	Pathophysiology	B2	3	
BMS2003	Clinical Chemistry	B2	3	
BMS2004	Biochemistry	B2	3	
BMS2005	Human Physiology	B2	3	
BMS2007	Human Anatomy	B2	3	
BMS3001	Hematology	B3	3	
BMS3002	Cellular Pathology	B3	3	
BMS3003	Advanced Clinical Chemistry	B3	3	
BMS3004	Advanced Medical Microbiology	B3	3	
BMS3005	Medical Genetics	B3	3	
BMS3006	Transfusion Science and Technology	B3	3	
BMS3007	Good Laboratory Practice, Safety, Regulatory Compliance, and Ethical, Legal and Social Issues	B3	3	
BMS3008	Modern Medical laboratory Techniques and Instrumentation	B3	3	
BMS3010	Clinical /Industrial Attachment	B3	6	
BMS4001	Medical Informatics and Laboratory	B4	3	
BMS4002	Public Health and Emerging Infectious Diseases	B4	3	
BMS4003	Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Diagnostics	B4	3	
BMS4004	Advanced Cellular Pathology	B4	3	
BMS4005	Medical Virology	B4	3	
BMS4006	Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	B4	6	
BMS4007	Pharmacology and Toxicology	B4	3	
BMS4008	Clinical Immunology	B4	3	
MA2172	Applied Statistics for Sciences and Engineering	B2	3	Waived for ASII students

Major Elective Courses

Normative 4-year Degree: 6 credit units

Advanced Standing II: 3 credit units

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
BMS2201	Molecular Biology of the Cell	B2	3	
BMS3101	Cell Transport and Signalling	B3	3	
BMS3301	Bioinformatics	B3	3	
BMS4101	Analytical Biochemistry	B4	3	
BMS4102	Technology for Regenerative Medicine	B4	3	
BMS4103	Medical Biotechnology	B4	3	
BMS4105	Pharmaceutical R&D and GMP	B4	3	
BMS4106	Pharmaceutical Biotechnology	B4	3	
BCH4063	Systems Biology	B4	4	
BCH4064	Biological Techniques and Instrumentation	B4	4	
JC4058	Product Health, Safety, Environmental (HSE) Standards and Compliance	B4	3	
MBE3102	Human Quantitative Physiology	B3	3	
MGT3422	Product and Service Innovation Management	B3	3	
POL3207	Health Care Policy and Ethics	B3	3	
SEEM4023	Occupational Health & Safety Management	B4	3	

Course descriptions are available in the links as follows:

http://www.cityu.edu.hk/ug/current/catalogue/catalogue_UC.htm?page=B/B_major_index.htm

7.5 Study Plans

For Biological Sciences major, the table 7.5.1 illustrates the suggested study plan for Normative 4-year.

For Biomedical Sciences major, the table 7.5.2 and 7.5.3 illustrate the suggested study plans for Normative 4-year and Advanced Standing II [ASII] respectively.

**7.5.1 Recommended Study Plan For BSc in Biological Sciences (Normative 4-year Degree)
For 2017 Cohort**

BSc BISI

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4	
Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's	Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's
AP1201 General Physics I ◊/	3	AP1201 General Physics I ◊/	3	BCH3012 Genetics	4	BCH3017 Molecular Biology	4
BCH1100 Chemistry ◊/		BCH1100 Chemistry ◊/		BCH3068 General Ecology	4	BCH3069 Animal Physiology	4
BCH1200 Discovery in Biology ◊#		BCH1200 Discovery in Biology ◊#		BMS4303 Neuroscience	3	BMS3301 Bioinformatics	3
GE1401 University of English ▲	3	GE2401 English for Science ▲	3	Major Elective/Free Elective	3	BMS4301 Cancer Biology	3
MA1200 Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra I */	3	MA1201 Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra II */	3			Major Elective/Free Elective	3
MA1300 Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra I *		MA1301 Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra II *					
CS1102 Introduction to Computer Studies */	3	GE1501 Chinese Civilization – History and Philosophy ▲	3				
CS1302 Introduction to Computer Programming *		GE Distributional Requirements §	3				
GE Distributional Requirements §	3	GE Distributional Requirements §	3				
	<i>Total</i> 15		<i>Total</i> 15				
Year 2		Year 3		Year 4			
Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's	Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's
BCH2013 Microbiology	3	BMS2004 Biochemistry	3	BMS4206 Final Year Project	(IP) 4	BMS4206 Final Year Project	4
BCH2067 Diversity of Life & Evolution	3	BMS2201 Molecular Biology of the Cell	3	Major Elective/Free Elective	12	Major Elective/Free Elective	10
BCH2070 Diversity of Life and Microbiology Laboratory	2	BCH2072 Lab Course for Cell Biology & Biochemistry	2				
BCH2071 Biological Chemistry	4	BMS2901 Introductory Biostatistics and Data Analysis	3				
GE Distributional Requirements §	3	GE Distributional Requirements §	3				
	<i>Total</i> 15		<i>Total</i> 14				
Year 3		Year 4					
Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's	Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's
BMS3001 Hematology	3	BMS3004 Advanced Medical Microbiology	3				
BMS3002 Cellular Pathology	3	BMS3005 Medical Genetics	3				
BMS3003 Advanced Clinical Chemistry	3	BMS3006 Transfusion Science and Technology	3				
BMS4002 Public Health and Emerging Infectious Diseases	3	BMS3007 Good Laboratory Practice, Safety, Regulatory Compliance, and Ethical, Legal and Social Issues	3				
Major Elective	3	BMS3008 Modern Medical Laboratory Techniques and instrumentation	3				
	<i>Total</i> 15		<i>Total</i> 15				<i>Total</i> 6
Year 4		Year 4					
Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's	Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's
BMS4003 Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Diagnostics	3	BMS4001 Medical Informatics and Laboratory Management	3				
BMS4005 Medical Virology	3	BMS4004 Advanced Cellular Pathology	3				
BMS4006 Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	(IP) 3	BMS4006 Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	3				
Major Elective	3	BMS4007 Pharmacology and Toxicology	3				
		BMS4008 Clinical Immunology	3				
	<i>Total</i> 12		<i>Total</i> 15				
Minimum number of credit units required: 120							

Note: (1) Students should pay special attention to the prerequisite of courses as specified in the syllabuses
(2) The curriculum information is subject to periodic review and changes.

- # Students who intend to choose the BISI major are advised to take BCH1200 in the first year which is a prerequisite for core courses schedule in Year 2 Semester A.
- ◊ College Requirements (6 Credit Units)
- ▲ Gateway Education – University Requirements (9 Credit Units)
- * Gateway Education – College/School-specified courses (9 Credit Units)
- § Gateway Education – Distributional Requirements (12 Credit Units) *minimum 3 credit units from each area:*
[Area 1: Arts and Humanities](#), [Area 2: Study of Societies, Social and Business Organizations](#), [Area 3: Science and Technology](#)
- IP "In Progress" for a year-long course

**7.5.2 Recommended Study Plan For BSc in Biomedical Sciences (Normative 4-year Degree) BSc BMS
For 2016 & 2017 Cohorts**

Year 1		Year 2		Year 3		Year 4	
Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's	Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's
AP1201 General Physics I ◊/	3	AP1201 General Physics I ◊/	3	BMS3001 Hematology	3	BMS3004 Advanced Medical Microbiology	3
BCH1100 Chemistry ◊/		BCH1100 Chemistry ◊/		BMS3002 Cellular Pathology	3	BMS3005 Medical Genetics	3
BCH1200 Discovery in Biology ◊#		BCH1200 Discovery in Biology ◊#		BMS3003 Advanced Clinical Chemistry	3	BMS3006 Transfusion Science and Technology	3
GE1401 University of English ▲	3	GE2401 English for Science ▲	3	BMS4002 Public Health and Emerging Infectious Diseases	3	BMS3007 Good Laboratory Practice, Safety, Regulatory Compliance, and Ethical, Legal and Social Issues	3
MA1200 Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra I */	3	MA1201 Calculus and Basic Linear Algebra II */	3	Major Elective	3	BMS3008 Modern Medical Laboratory Techniques and instrumentation	3
MA1300 Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra I *		MA1301 Enhanced Calculus and Linear Algebra II *					
CS1102 Introduction to Computer Studies */	3	GE1501 Chinese Civilization – History and Philosophy ▲	3				
CS1302 Introduction to Computer Programming *		GE Distributional Requirements §	3				
GE Distributional Requirements §	3	GE Distributional Requirements §	3				
	<i>Total</i> 15		<i>Total</i> 15				<i>Total</i> 15
Year 2		Year 3		Year 4			
Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's	Semester A	CU's	Semester B	CU's
BMS2001 Medical Microbiology	3	BMS2003 Clinical Chemistry	3	BMS4003 Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Diagnostics	3	BMS4001 Medical Informatics and Laboratory Management	3
BMS2002 Pathophysiology	3	BMS2004 Biochemistry	3	BMS4005 Medical Virology	3	BMS4004 Advanced Cellular Pathology	3
BMS2007 Human Anatomy	3	BMS2005 Human Physiology	3	BMS4006 Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	(IP) 3	BMS4006 Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	3
GE Distributional Requirements §	6	MA2172 Applied Statistics for Sciences and Engineering	3	Major Elective	3	BMS4007 Pharmacology and Toxicology	3
	<i>Total</i> 15		<i>Total</i> 12			BMS4008 Clinical Immunology	3
							<i>Total</i> 15
Minimum number of credit units required: 120							

Note: (1) Students should pay special attention to the prerequisite of courses as specified in the syllabuses
(2) The curriculum information is subject to periodic review and changes.

- # Students who intend to choose the BMS major are advised to take BCH1200 in the first year which is a prerequisite for a core course schedule in Year 2 Semester A.
- IP "In Progress" for a year-long course
- ◊ College Requirements (6 Credit Units)
- ▲ Gateway Education – University Requirements (9 Credit Units)
- * Gateway Education – College/School-specified Requirements (9 Credit Units)
- § Gateway Education – Distributional Requirements (12 Credit Units) *minimum 3 credit units from each area:*
[Area 1: Arts and Humanities](#), [Area 2: Study of Societies, Social and Business Organizations](#); [Area 3: Science and Technology](#)

**7.5.3 Recommended Study Plan For BSc in Biomedical Sciences (Advanced Standing II [ASII])
For 2016 & 2017 Cohorts**

BSc BMS

Year 3		Semester A		Semester B		Summer	
	CU		CU		CU		CU
BMS3001 Hematology	3	BMS3004 Advanced Medical Microbiology	3	BMS3010 Clinical /Industrial Attachment	6		
BMS3002 Cellular Pathology	3	BMS3005 Medical Genetics	3				
BMS3003 Advanced Clinical Chemistry	3	BMS3006 Transfusion Science and Technology	3				
BMS4002 Public Health and Emerging Infectious Diseases	3	BMS3007 Good Laboratory Practice, Safety, Regulatory Compliance, and Ethical, Legal and Social Issues	3				
Free Elective *	3	BMS3008 Modern Medical Laboratory Techniques and Instrumentation	3				
		GE2401 English for Science ▲	3				
	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>
	15		18		6		
Year 4		Semester A		Semester B		Summer	
	CU		CU		CU		CU
BMS4003 Clinical Biochemistry and Molecular Diagnostics	3	BMS4001 Medical Informatics and Laboratory Management	3				
BMS4005 Medical Virology	3	BMS4004 Advanced Cellular Pathology	3				
BMS4006 Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	(IP) 3	BMS4006 Final Year Project: Medical Laboratory Research	3				
Free Elective *	3	BMS4007 Pharmacology and Toxicology	3				
Major Elective	3	BMS4008 Clinical Immunology	3				
		GE Distributional Requirements ‡	3				
	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>	<i>Total</i>				
	15		18				
Minimum number of credit units required: 72							

Note: (1) Students should pay special attention to the prerequisite of courses as specified in the syllabuses
(2) The curriculum information is subject to periodic review and changes.

IP "In Progress" for a year-long course

▲ Gateway Education – University Requirements (3 Credit Units)

* Gateway Education – College/School-specified Requirements (6 Credit Units):
Any courses NOT within the Major Requirement (including core courses and electives)

‡ Gateway Education – Distributional Requirements (3 Credit Units) from one of the following areas:
Area 1: Arts and Humanities
Area 2: Study of Societies, Social and Business Organizations
Area 3: Science and Technology

8. STUDY TOOLS AND COMMUNICATION CHANNELS

8.1 DegreeWorks

DegreeWorks is a web-based degree audit and academic advising tool. It matches a student's academic record against the curriculum requirements and helps students learn easily what courses they still need to take to fulfill the requirements of College/School, GE, major, minor, etc. It also facilitates communication between the students and the advisors.

DegreeWorks provides various features that help students plan their studies. For example, the "What-if" function allows students to run on-line degree audits by selecting different combinations of degree/majors/minors. The "Planner" function allows students to lay out a planned sequence of course registrations and have this sequence easily validated against the degree requirements. The course plans collected enable academic units to better estimate the demand of courses in future terms and plan their resources accordingly.

How to access DegreeWorks: www.cityu.edu.hk > AIMS (under Quick Links) > Study Plan

Students are advised to go through the online tutorials and all materials available on ARRO's website to learn more about DegreeWorks: www.cityu.edu.hk/arro > Current Students > Degree Works

8.2 Electronic Mail (e-mail)

Information relevant to your studies will be disseminated to you via your CityU student electronic mail. You should check your e-mail account frequently for such messages. You are also encouraged to communicate with Programme leaders, Course leaders and your advisor/tutor through e-mail. Please clearly state your student name, student number and contact telephone number in your emails. To learn more on your student email services, please visit the website: www.cityu.edu.hk/csc/deptweb/services/email.htm

8.3 Canvas (e-Learning Platform)

Students are encouraged to use the Canvas, an e-learning platform, to communicate with the Course instructors/leaders, as well as among their fellow classmates. The Canvas also serves as the platform for instructors to disseminate course-related information to students.

Canvas and other e-learning information: www.cityu.edu.hk/elearn/elearn_stud.html

How to get course handouts through Canvas: <https://canvas.cityu.edu.hk> > Courses > View All or Customize

8.4 CityU Announcement Portal (CAP) at Student Intranet

CityU Announcement Portal (CAP) is the CityU Announcement Portal that you must check **EVERYDAY** for announcements from the University, your College and your Department. Daily announcement digest (summary) will also be emailed to you.

CAP: <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/portal/> > CAP (after log-in)

Also try the CAP App which you can download from the iOS and the Android apps stores.

8.5 BMS Department Website

You can access BMS Department website (www.cityu.edu.hk/bms) for departmental news.

8.6 Joint Staff-Student Consultative Committee (JSSCC)

Joint Staff-Student Consultative Committee is established to provide staff and students with an opportunity to exchange views on the content and organization of the programme and courses, and to identify areas of special interest or concern. The consultative meetings focus mainly on academic matters and collective welfare of the students. Programme leaders and Course leaders are invited to attend the meeting; student representatives are to be elected among students on an academic year basis. The committee normally meets twice a year but special meetings may be scheduled when required.

8.7 Administrative Support from General Office

Details of the General Office of the Department of Biomedical Sciences:

Address

1A-101, 1/F, Block 1, To Yuen Building

Office Hours

Monday - Friday	8:45 am – 5:45 pm
Lunch Break	12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
Saturday, Sunday & Public Holiday	Closed

Email & Tel

	Tel	Email
Undeclared major (First-year students)	3442-4826	bms.ug@cityu.edu.hk
BSc in Biomedical Sciences	3442-4826	bsc.bms@cityu.edu.hk
BSc in Biological Sciences	3442-4438	bsc.bs@cityu.edu.hk
General Enquiries	3442-5657	bms.go@cityu.edu.hk

Fax

3442-0549

8.8 Student Support and Wellbeing

Student Development Services

The Student Development Services enhances the growth of our students through various educational, leadership and social programmes, plus counselling services, sports activities and career advising services. You are strongly encouraged to join their programmes to enrich your university life. For details, please visit its website at <http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sds/web/index.shtml>

Student Union

The CityU Student Union is the representative body of all CityU students. It aims to enhance the communications among students and the University, as well as providing student development opportunities such as student societies and academic societies. SU Facebook: <https://zh-hk.facebook.com/cityustudentunion/>

Campus Clinics

Medical Centre

Address: 4/F, Bank of China (Hong Kong) Complex, CityU

Telephone number: 3442 6066

Services Hours:

Mondays to Fridays	9:00 am - 1:00 pm, 1:30 pm - 6:00 pm
Saturdays	9:00 am - 12:15 pm
Sundays & Public Holidays	Closed

* Consultation services for emergency cases will be available during 12:45 pm to 1:30 pm and 5:45 pm to 6:00 pm on Mondays to Fridays.

Appointment Services:

Mondays to Fridays	9:30 am - 11:30 am, 2:30 pm - 5:00 pm
Saturdays	9:30 am - 11:30 am

Dental Clinic

Address: 4/F, Bank of China (Hong Kong) Complex, CityU

Telephone number: 3442 6052 (by appointment)

Opening Hours:

Mondays to Fridays	9:00 am - 1:00 pm, 2:00 pm - 6:00 pm.
Saturdays	9:00 am - 12:15 pm
Sundays & Public Holidays	Closed

9. ACADEMIC REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES

Students should observe the regulations and guidelines as stipulated by the University at all times. It is in the students' own interests to familiarize themselves with the Academic Regulations. More information is available by referring to the following website maintained by the Academic Regulations and Records Office (ARRO).

ARRO Homepage: www.cityu.edu.hk/arro

9.1 Academic Regulations

The Academic Regulations are made by the University Senate to govern student progress leading to undergraduate degree awards approved by the University Senate. Regulations concerning courses and related arrangements also apply to exchange and visiting students.

Academic Regulations: www6.cityu.edu.hk/arro/content.asp?cid=405

9.2 Academic Honesty

Students must pursue their studies with academic honesty. Academic honesty is central to the conduct of academic work. Students are expected to present their own work, give proper acknowledgement of other's work, and honestly report findings obtained. As part of the University's efforts to educate students about academic honesty, all students are required to complete an online tutorial on academic honesty and make a declaration in their first semester of enrollment on their understanding of academic honesty.

Please refer to the University announcements and the Office of the Provost website for details:

www.cityu.edu.hk/provost/academic_honesty/university_requirement_on_academic_honesty.htm

Plagiarism is a serious offence involving "the use of somebody else's ideas, words, etc. as one's own". Examples of such acts are copying other students' work in examinations, in tests, or in tasks for coursework assignments, repetition of part or whole sentences/paragraphs/any materials from hard-copy publications or online sites for one's own use without acknowledgement of the source in one's work.

Students who commit an act of academic dishonesty which jeopardizes the integrity of the learning and assessment process may be charged with a major offence and be liable to disciplinary action.

Students are advised to refer to the section on "Rules on Academic Honesty" under "Academic Regulations & Policies (For Undergraduate Students in Colleges and Schools)" of the "CityU e-Portal" for details.

For more information, please visit:

www.cityu.edu.hk/provost/academic_honesty/rules_on_academic_honesty.htm

9.3 Maximum and Minimum Study Load

- In each semester, except the Summer Term, full-time students must register for courses summing to a total of at least 12 credit units, and for not more than 18 credit units; and part-time students must register for courses summing to a total of no more than 11 credit units.
- In the Summer Term, students may register for courses but the total load must not exceed seven credit units.
- Except where special arrangements are made, students seeking an exception to AR10.1 or AR10.2 should apply in writing for approval by the Head of the home academic unit.

9.4 Duration of Study

- Students may take a leave of absence from their studies for an approved period. Periods of approved leave of absence may not be less than one full semester, and may not accumulate to more than four semesters. Applications for leave of absence should be submitted for approval by the Head of the home academic unit.
- Students shall, irrespective of their mode of study, complete all the degree requirements within the stipulated maximum period of study (i.e., eight years for normative 4-year degree, six years for Advanced Standing I, and five years for Advanced Standing II), inclusive of any change of majors, periods of leave of absence and suspension of studies. The maximum period of study for individual double degrees shall be stipulated by the cognizant academic units.
- Students who cannot complete all the degree requirements for graduation within the maximum study period will be required to discontinue their studies. Requests for extension of study beyond the maximum study period will not be granted.

9.5 Withdrawal of Study

Students who wish to withdraw from studies should submit a withdrawal notification to the University. Withdrawal will normally take effect from the date of submission of the notification. However, notification submitted during or after the examination period will take effect only from the following semester/term.

9.6 Termination of Study

- The University has the right to terminate a student's study for failure to maintain satisfactory academic progress, as determined by the Examination Board, or to comply with the policies and procedures of the University.
- The Examination Board may terminate the study of a student under the following circumstances:
 - The student's SGPA is below 1.00 for two consecutive semesters; or
 - The student's academic progress is unsatisfactory and is unable to meet the conditions stipulated by the home academic unit after being put on Academic Probation for two consecutive semesters.

- Irrespective of AR13.2, the Examination Board may prescribe any other criteria for terminating a student's study.
- Notwithstanding AR13.2 and AR13.3 above, students' studies will be terminated if they fail to pass a required course, or its equivalent/substitute course, after three attempts.
- For termination of studies due to academic reasons, students may apply for readmission to the University, with admission to any degree study occurring no earlier than one academic year after the termination. Upon readmission after termination of study, students may be given one additional opportunity to pass each required course they have failed in their three previous attempts.

10. ASSESSMENT

10.1 Introduction

The award of any degree qualification shall be based on a student's performance in such examinations or other tests of learning or ability which have been approved by the University for the courses constituting the degree and award concerned.

The assessment key dates and quick guide will be posted in ARRO-Assessment page (www6.cityu.edu.hk/arro/content.asp?cid=176) for students' update information on examination schedules, guidelines, etc. You may also refer to e-Portal for examination timetable.

Assessment & related Regulations: www6.cityu.edu.hk/arro/content.asp?cid=165

10.2 Minimum Passing Requirement for BMS courses

Starting from Semester A, 2017-18, students must satisfy a minimum of 40% in coursework as well as in examination for BSc BMS major courses.

Below are some university regulations about assessment and graduation that you should be familiar with. Please refer to ARRO website (www.cityu.edu.hk/arro) for latest information as they are subject to review from time to time.

10.3 Grading of Courses

- Courses are graded according to the following schedule:

Grade	Grade Point	Grade Definitions	
A+	4.3	Excellent:	Strong evidence of original thinking; good organization, capacity to analyze and synthesize; superior grasp of subject matter; evidence of extensive knowledge base.
A	4.0		
A-	3.7		
B+	3.3	Good:	Evidence of grasp of subject, some evidence of critical capacity and analytic ability; reasonable understanding of issues; evidence of familiarity with literature.
B	3.0		
B-	2.7		
C+	2.3	Fair:	Student who is profiting from the university experience; understanding of the subject; ability to develop solutions to simple problems in the material.
C	2.0		
C-	1.7		
D	1.0	Marginal:	Sufficient familiarity with the subject matter to enable the student to progress without repeating the course.
F	0.0	Failure:	Little evidence of familiarity with the subject matter; weakness in critical and analytic skills; limited, or irrelevant use of literature.
P		Pass:	"Pass" in a pass-fail course. Courses to be graded on a pass-fail basis are specifically identified in the course catalogue.

[Note: A grade with an asterisk (e.g. B+*) is excluded from the calculation of GPA. The credits earned will not be counted toward the minimum credit requirement for graduation but will be counted toward the maximum number of credit units permitted.]

10.4 Students' Academic Progress and Academic Standing

- Academic standing provides an indicator of students in academic difficulty who need academic advising and extra help. Whilst academic standing is captured in the student's record, it is however not shown in official transcripts.
- With effect from Semester A 2017/18, the levels of academic standing are:
 - Academic Warning
 - Academic Probation
 - Academic Suspension
- An academic standing decision is made for all students at the end of Semester A and Semester B, except for students taking 3 credits or less.
- Definitions:

Standing	Definitions
Academic Warning	Students' academic performance has been unsatisfactory, or their overall academic average is below minimum requirements. Students on warning should seek advice from their academic advisor.
Academic Probation	Students' academic performance has been extremely unsatisfactory, or their overall academic average has continued to be below the minimum requirements for graduation. Students on Academic Probation may be required to take a reduced study load and/or to fulfill specific conditions such as GPA attainments in the following semester.
Academic Suspension	Students who cannot benefit from course registration in the next semester/term may be suspended for an approved period of not less than one semester. Academic Suspension is designed to provide students with an opportunity to resolve the problems that are preventing them from making academic progress.
<u>Operational Standing</u>	
Review	A temporary status indicating that a student's performance is unsatisfactory and has been referred to the student's home academic unit for determining if a decision on the academic standing needs to be made.

- Rules for Academic Standing Changes (Effective from Semester A 2017/18)

From	To	SGPA		CGPA
Nil	Academic Warning	1.00 – 1.69	and	1.00 – 4.30
	Review	0 – 0.99	or	0 – 0.99
Academic Warning	Academic Warning	1.70 – 4.30	and	0 – 1.69
	Review	0 – 1.69	And	Any
Academic Probation/ Academic Suspension	Review	0 – 1.69	or	0 – 1.69

Notes :

- 'Good Standing' will no longer be used with effect from Semester A 2017/18.
- The above academic standing rules exclude students who have not attempted more than 3 credit units in the semester.
- "Review" is only a temporary status. It signifies the academic unit is screening each case and an academic standing will be assigned shortly.
- In making decisions on students' academic standing, the Examination Board has the right, upon the recommendation of the students' home academic unit, to make exceptions from the above rules.
- If so required by the Examination Board, an academic standing decision may also be specially determined for a particular student at the end of the Summer Term.

10.5 Repeating Courses to Improve Grades

Unless otherwise specified, students may repeat a course, or an equivalent course, to recover a failure or to improve a course grade of D, subject to the concerned academic unit's course offering schedule and availability. Only two repeat attempts may be permitted. Course grades for all attempts will appear on the student's academic transcript, but only the final grade earned will be included in the calculation of the student's CGPA.

10.6 Illness or Other Circumstances Related to Assessment

- A student who reasonably believes that his/her ability to attend an examination, or in-course assessment with a weighting of 20% or above, has been adversely affected by circumstances beyond his/her control must submit the case, with documentary evidence, to his/her home academic unit following the procedures stated on the University website, as soon as possible but no later than 5 working days of the scheduled date for completing the affected examination or assessment.
- The home academic unit of the student will investigate the case, in consultation with the course-offering academic unit. Only compelling reasons such as illness, hospitalization, accident, family bereavement or other unforeseeable serious personal or emotional circumstances will be considered. The decision of the home academic unit is final and will be conveyed to the student in writing as soon as possible and no later than 10 working days following receipt of the case.
- If the case is justified and substantiated, the decision will be conveyed to the Assessment Panel which will determine whether to offer the student a make-up examination or coursework or other alternative assessment. Where assessments for more than one course are affected, it is the responsibility of the home academic unit to inform all relevant Assessment Panels. The Assessment Panel may also adjust the grade of the student if deemed appropriate. The course-offering academic unit will convey the Assessment Panel's decision on the make-up arrangements to the student in writing as soon as possible.

10.7 Dean's List

At the end of Semester A and Semester B, students' GPAs are calculated. Where a student over that period has (i) earned 12 credit units or more from courses taken at the University, (ii) achieved a GPA of 3.70 or above, (iii) not failed any course, and (iv) subject to the Dean's endorsement, the student is placed on the Dean's List.

10.8 Application for Graduation and Requirements for Awards

- Each academic year has three graduation dates as set by Senate. Students should file an application for graduation during their intended graduation semester/term in accordance with the procedures announced by the University.
- Students who have applied for graduation but do not successfully complete all their academic requirements by the end of the intended graduation semester/term must reapply for graduation.
- In order to be awarded a degree, a student shall:
 - complete the minimum credit unit requirements for the degree;
 - achieve a CGPA of 1.70 or above; and
 - fulfil other requirements stipulated in the University's regulations and procedures.
- Students who have declared a second major shall fulfil the second major requirements, and achieve a minimum CGPA of 1.70 in the second major in order for them to be granted the award.

10.9 Conferment and Classification of Awards

- The University grants bachelor's degree awards with the following classifications:
 - First Class Honours
 - Upper Second Class Honours
 - Lower Second Class Honours
 - Third Class Honours
 - Pass
- The various classifications are based on the CGPAs. The general guidelines are as follows:

Classification of Award	CGPA
First Class Honours	3.50 or above
Upper Second Class Honours	3.00 – 3.49
Lower Second Class Honours	2.50 – 2.99
Third Class Honours	2.00 – 2.49
Pass	1.70 – 1.99

APPENDIX I: Academic Calendar 2018-19

Week	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Events	Public Holidays
September 2018									
							1	Semester A 2018/19	
WK 1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	3 Sep – 1 Dec Teaching Period	
WK 2	9	10	11	12	13	14	15		
WK 3	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		
WK 4	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		25 Day following Mid-Autumn Festival
	30								
October 2018									
WK 5		1	2	3	4	5	6	2 Graduation Date	1 National Day
WK 6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		17 Chung Yeung Festival
WK 7	14	15	16	17	18	19	20		
WK 8	21	22	23	24	25	26	27		
WK 9	28	29	30	31					
November 2018									
WK 9					1	2	3		
WK 10	4	5	6	7	8	9	10		
WK 11	11	12	13	14	15	16	17		
WK 12	18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
WK 13	25	26	27	28	29	30			
December 2018									
WK 13							1	1 Last Day of Teaching	
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	3 – 8 Student Revision Period	
	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	10 – 22 Examination Period	
	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		
	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	24 Dec 2018 - 12 Jan 2019 Semester Break	25 Christmas Day
	30	31							26 Day following Christmas Day
January 2019									
			1	2	3	4	5		1 First Day of January
	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	Semester B 2017/18	
WK 1	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	14 Jan – 27 Apr Teaching Period	
WK 2	20	21	22	23	24	25	26		
WK 3	27	28	29	30	31				
February 2019									
						1	2		
	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	4 – 9 Lunar New Year Break	5 – 7 Lunar New Year Holidays
WK 4	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	15 Graduation Date	
WK 5	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
WK 6	24	25	26	27	28				
March 2019									
WK 6						1	2		
WK 7	3	4	5	6	7	8	9		
WK 8	10	11	12	13	14	15	16		
WK 9	17	18	19	20	21	22	23		
WK 10	24	25	26	27	28	29	30		
WK 11	31								
April 2019									
WK 11		1	2	3	4	5	6		5 Ching Ming Festival
WK 12	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		19 Good Friday
WK 13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	19 – 25 Easter Break	20 Day following Good Friday
	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	27 Last Day of Teaching	22 Easter Monday
	28	29	30					29 Apr – 4 May Student Revision Period	

Week	Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Events	Public Holidays
May 2019									
				1	2	3	4		1 Labour Day
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	6 – 20 Examination Period	
	12	13	14	15	16	17	18		13 Day following Buddha's Birthday
	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	21 May - 8 Jun Semester Break	
	26	27	28	29	30	31			
June 2019									
							1		
	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Summer Term 2019	7 Tuen Ng Festival
WK 1	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	10 Jun – 27 Jul Teaching Period	
WK 2	16	17	18	19	20	21	22		
WK 3	23	24	25	26	27	28	29		
	30								
July 2019									
WK 4		1	2	3	4	5	6		1 HK SAR Establishment Day
WK 5	7	8	9	10	11	12	13		
WK 6	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	15 Graduation Date	
WK 7	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	27 Last Day of Teaching	
	28	29	30	31				29 Jul – 3 Aug Student Revision Period	
August 2019									
					1	2	3		
	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	5 – 10 Examination Period	
	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	12 – 31 Term Break	
	18	19	20	21	22	23	24		
	25	26	27	28	29	30	31		