

Undergraduate Program Brochure

Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences



Bachelor of Social Sciences – Undeclared Major (JS1110)

https://www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/programmes/department-social-and-behavioural-sciences-undeclared-major

PROGRAM AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

The major objective is to equip students with basic, introductory level knowledge of the three Majors offered by SS as a solid foundation prior to their major selection.

PROGRAM FEATURES / CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHT

This program features a common first year in which students are expected to complete SS Foundation courses, College foundation courses, English requirement, Chinese civilization and at least 9 credits of GE's College-Specified Courses. After completing the first-year curriculum, students will have a free choice to be admitted to one of the following 3 majors: criminology and sociology, psychology, and social work.

Year 1

SS Foundation Courses, College Foundation Courses, English Requirement, Chinese Civilization & Gateway Education

Year 2 - 4

BSocSc Criminology & Sociology BSocSc Psychology BSocSc Social Work

ACTIVITIES / LEARNING SUPPORT:

- Community Awareness Project
- Student advising and mentoring



CAREER PROSPECT / GRADUATE CAREER OUTLOOK

Career opportunities may depend on which major students eventually choose after their first year. For those who have chosen criminology and sociology, work settings may include law enforcement agencies, private security management, and etc. For those who have chosen psychology, jobs may be related to human resources and services, and etc. For those who have chosen social work, opportunities include social worker in social services agencies, schools, and etc.

Bachelor of Social Sciences in Criminology & Sociology (JS1111)

https://www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/programmes/bsocsc-criminology-and-sociology

PROGRAM AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Equip degree-level graduates with broad knowledge of criminology and sociology; and with professional competence to conduct criminological and sociological research to solve problems at the organizational, community, societal, national, and international levels, with a particular interest in protecting the public and maintaining Hong Kong's status as one of the safest cities in the world.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE



PROGRAM FEATURES / CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHT

- Summer internships in local or overseas institutions
- Research project
- Joint bachelor's program with Columbia University (Applied Sociology Stream)
- Exchange programs with universities overseas

ACTIVITIES / LEARNING SUPPORT

- Student advising and mentoring
- Study tour

CAREER PROSPECT / Graduate career outlook

Government agencies (e.g. the Hong Kong Police Force, the Correctional Services Department, Customs and Excise Department, the Immigration Department, and the Fire Services), schools and universities, non-governmental organisations, security or risk management departments in private companies, research institutes and marketing research firms, media industries, and public relations firms.



Bachelor of Social Sciences in Psychology (JS1112)

https://www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/programmes/bsocsc-psychology

PROGRAM AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Provide students with comprehensive training in psychology with an emphasis on experimental and research competencies, and prepare students for professional development in human service careers and advanced training in professional psychology and related fields.

PROGRAM FEATURES / CURRICULUM HIGHLIGHT

- Lab-based training (Psychology Laboratories)
- Summer internships in or outside Hong Kong
- Individual psychology research project
- Joint bachelor's program with Columbia University
- Exchange programs with universities overseas
- Eligible to apply for graduate membership of the Hong Kong Psychological Society

PSYCHOLOGY LABORATORIES





PLAY ROOM

ASL EYE-TRAC 6

BSL PSYCHOPHYSIOLOGY & Neurophysiology system MP36

ACTIVITIES / LEARNING SUPPORT

- Student advising and mentoring
- Study tour

CAREER PROSPECT / GRADUATE CAREER OUTLOOK

Professional psychologists; Human-related jobs in a diverse range of industries such as human resources, training & development, advertising & media, education, health, public & social services; Jobs requiring strong research & analytical skills such as marketing & project management and policy implementation, etc.

Bachelor of Social Sciences in Social Work (JS1113)

https://www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/programmes/bsocsc-social-work

PROGRAM AIMS AND OBJECTIVES

Equip students to pursue a professional career that serves people in need and contributes to social changes and reform. Students will receive foundation training in social sciences and explore what social workers do before undergoing rigorous theoretical and practical training in social work in the classroom and in two fieldwork practicums.

CAREER

Upon graduation, students will acquire the competence to practice as a professionally qualified social worker (e.g. in social services agencies, schools and health care institutions); work in the field of human resources (e.g. customer service and staff training); or pursue further studies in social work or related fields.

PROFESSIONAL QUALIFICATION

Graduates from the program are qualified to register with the Social Workers Registration Board as **Registered Social Workers (RSW)**, which is an internationally recognized professional qualification.

WHO SHOULD APPLY?

Students who have leadership, social awareness, commitment to individual and social advancement, maturity and with volunteer service experiences. Selection criteria will be based on (1) HKDSE results, (2) band choice, and (3) interview results.

WHAT WILL YOU BE STUDYING?



Bachelor of Social Sciences in Social Work (JS1113)

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BONUS FEATURES

- HSBC Social Work Scholarship for students with outstanding performance.
- Rich array of co-curricular activities and opportunities, e.g., out-of-class activities, summer internships, research and action learning projects.
- Minor studies, such as psychology, criminology, offered within and other disciplines outside the Department.

DID YOU KNOW?

Outstanding graduates: Fourteen of our Social Work graduates won Outstanding Social Workers Award, of which five of them were winners of Junior Outstanding Social Workers.

Great teachers: Seven social work teachers have received CityU Teaching Excellence Awards, one of them has received the award twice. Three teachers have received the University Grants Committee (UGC) Teaching Excellence Award (two individual awards and one team award).







Bachelor of Social Sciences in Criminology and Bachelor of Laws (JS1123)

https://www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/programmes/bachelor-social-sciences-criminology-and-bachelor-laws

PROGRAM AIMS

The double degree programme between the Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences in the College of Liberal Arts and Social Sciences and the School of Law aims to equip degree-level graduates with broad knowledge of criminology and laws; and professional competence to conduct criminological and legal research to solve problems in organizational, community, societal, national, and international contexts.

CAREERS

The Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree is a recognised qualification for admission to the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL), a prerequisite for entering the legal profession in Hong Kong. Students will procure knowledge and skills necessary to undertake managerial and executive responsibilities in a wide range of professions, including policing, crime prevention, security services, correctional services, conflict resolution, and the operation of non-governmental organizations. Many opportunities will be provided for students to develop an interest in discovery and innovation to benefit society through crime control and reduction. The skill set taught in the double degree enables students to apply for jobs in the government, disciplinary forces and private corporations.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

REQUIREMENTS	CREDIT UNITS	
Gateway Education requirement	30 credit units	
Major requirement	<u>Criminology</u> Core courses: 39 credit units Elective courses: 9 credit units <u>Laws</u> Core courses: 51 credit units Elective courses: 3 credit units	
PCLL Pre-requisite courses/ Free electives/ Minor	18 credit units	
Minimum Graduation Requirement	150 credit units	



Department's Highlights

TEACHING EXCELLENCE

We strive for teaching excellence, focusing on the growth of the students in both academic and personal levels. Our faculty members have received the prestigious Teaching Awards in recognition of their outstanding teaching performance and achievements. For example, Prof. Sylvia Kwok and her team was awarded the Higher Education (Undergraduate) National Teaching Achievement Second Class Award 2022 and University Grants Committee (UGC) Team Teaching Award 2021.



UNIQUE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION

Through the Joint Bachelor's Degree Program between City University of Hong Kong (CityU) and Columbia University (ColumbiaU), Psychology and Applied Sociology students who have completed the undergraduate curricula of both CityU and ColumbiaU will earn two bachelor's degrees from CityU and ColumbiaU. To learn more about this program, visit http://cityu-hk.gs.columbia.edu.



LEARNING THROUGH DISCOVERIES

Through a wide range of co-curricular learning opportunities and out-of-classroom discovery activities, students are motivated to discover, innovate and create. Opportunities include local and overseas internship opportunities, study tours, as well as participation at international student conference such as the World Conference on Undergraduate Research and British Conference on Undergraduate Research (WorldCUR-BCUR).



Entrance Requirement

JS1110 - Department of Social and Behavioural Sciences

(options: BSocSc Criminology and Sociology, BSocSc Psychology, BSocSc Social Work)

JS1111 - BSocSc Criminology and Sociology

JS1112 - BSocSc Psychology

JS1113 - BSocSc Social Work

MINIMUM LEVEL REQUIRED							
	Chinasa	Chinese Mathematics	Citizenship and Social Development	Elective Subjects			
	Language			Elective 1	Elective 2		
Level 3	Level 3	Level 2	Attained	Level 3	Level 3		

Calculation of admission score: Best 4 subjects (including English with weighting x 2)

JS1123 - BSocSc Criminology and Bachelor of Laws

MINIMUM LEVEL REQUIRED							
English Chinese Language Language	Chinese		Citizenship	Elective Subjects			
	Mathematics	and Social Development	Elective 1	Elective 2			
Level 5	Level 3	Level 2	Attained	Level 3	Level 3		

Calculation of admission score: Best 5 subjects (including English)

