

# Bachelor of Liberal Arts (Honours) Global Development and Sustainability

## Programme Structure for 2024-25 Intake (4-year curriculum)

The following description specifies the programme curriculum for students who pursue the programme on a **full-time four-year basis**. Flexibility is allowed for completing the programme within a longer or shorter period in accordance with the stipulations in the Regulations Governing Undergraduate Studies.

		Number of Credits			
		1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Total
<b>FIRST YEAR</b>		<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>
CCC8011	Critical Thinking: Analysis and Argumentation (R) <sup>+</sup>		3		3
CCC8013	The Process of Science (R) <sup>+~*</sup>			3	3
CCC8015	Generative Artificial Intelligence (R) <sup>+</sup>		3		3
LCC1010	Chinese Communication I (R) <sup>##</sup>		3		3
LUE1001	University English I (R) <sup>**</sup>	3			3
LUE1002	University English II (R) <sup>**</sup>		3		3
GDS1001	Interdisciplinary Inquiry for Global Challenges (R) <sup>~</sup>	3			3
GDS1002	International Development and Peace in the Global Age (R) <sup>~</sup>	3			3
GDS1003	Cultural Diversity and Community Well-Being (R) <sup>~</sup>			3	3
GDS1004	Global Business and Sustainable Development (R) <sup>~</sup>			3	3
	An ELE Elective <sup>@</sup> or a Cluster Course <sup>^</sup> (for Group B students only)		0-3		0-3
					30
<b>SECOND YEAR</b>					
CCC8012	The Making of Hong Kong (R) <sup>+</sup>		3		3
CCC8014	China in World History (R) <sup>+</sup>		3		3
LCC2010	Chinese Communication II (R) <sup>##</sup>		3		3
					9

(R) denotes required course(s).

+ Students are assigned to take CCC8011 and CCC8015 in the first year and CCC8013 in second term of the first year, and CCC8014 and CCC8012 in the second year.

~ Students are assigned to take GDS1001, GDS1002, GDS1003, GDS1004 and CCC8013 in the designated terms. Unless with the approval of the Programme Director, students are not allowed to drop these assigned courses in the designated terms.

\* Exclusive seminar and tutorial sessions for GDS students.

## For non-local students, assessment and course placements to be arranged by the Chinese Language Education and Assessment Centre (CLEAC).

\*\* Under the revamped English Language Enhancement (ELE) programme, students will be grouped under two streams. Group A students are those who obtained level 3 in HKDSE English or equivalent while Group B students are those who obtained level 4 or above in HKDSE English or equivalent. Students are encouraged to take their first required ELE course, viz. LUE1001 for Group A and LUE1002 for Group B, in First Term of Year 1. However, they are given the flexibility to take the respective courses in Second Term of Year 1. For Group A students who take LUE1001 in Second Term of Year 1, they should take LUE1002 in First Term of Year 2. For details, please refer to <https://www.ln.edu.hk/reg/undergraduate-programmes/english-language-enhancement-ele-curriculum>.

@ Group A students have to take 1 ELE elective while Group B students have to take 2 ELE electives. ELE electives could be taken from the term in which LUE1002 is taken. For more details, please click <https://www.ln.edu.hk/reg/undergraduate-programmes/english-language-enhancement-ele-curriculum>.

^ Recommended to take 4 cluster courses and 9 free electives. To enable students to take courses under different study areas when studying abroad, students will have the flexibility to take a minimum of 3 cluster courses instead of 4 and take correspondingly more electives. Students are not allowed to take more than one course in the same cluster for the purpose of fulfilling the cluster requirement.

		Number of Credits			Total
		1 <sup>st</sup> Term	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	
<b>SECOND TO FOURTH YEAR</b>					
	An ELE Elective <sup>@</sup>		3		3
	3-4 Cluster Courses <sup>^</sup> \$		9-12		9-12
	5 GDS Concentration courses		15		15
	5 GDS Elective courses		15		15
	9-10 Free Electives <sup>^</sup>		27-30		27-30
LUE4001	Professional Communication in English for Arts and Humanities <u>or</u>		3		3
LUE4002	Professional Communication in English for Business <u>or</u>				
LUE4003	Professional Communication in English for Social Sciences <sup>#</sup>				
					75

#### FOURTH YEAR

GDS4000	Global Action: Capstone Project (R)	3		3	6
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Minimum credits for Honours Degree: 120

### REQUIREMENTS IN GLOBAL DEVELOPMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

#### Required Courses (Total 5 courses, 18 credits)

GDS1001	Interdisciplinary Inquiry for Global Challenges (3 credits)
GDS1002	International Development and Peace in the Global Age (3 credits)
GDS1003	Cultural Diversity and Community Well-Being (3 credits)
GDS1004	Global Business and Sustainable Development (3 credits)
GDS4000	Global Action: Capstone Project (6 credits)

(R) denotes required course(s).

<sup>@</sup> Group A students have to take 1 ELE elective while Group B students have to take 2 ELE electives. ELE electives could be taken from the term in which LUE1002 is taken. For more details, please click <https://www.ln.edu.hk/reg/undergraduate-programmes/english-language-enhancement-ele-curriculum>.

<sup>^</sup> Recommended to take 4 cluster courses and 9 free electives. To enable students to take courses under different study areas when studying abroad, students will have the flexibility to take a minimum of 3 cluster courses instead of 4 and take correspondingly more electives. In addition, students are not allowed to take more than one course in the same cluster for the purpose of fulfilling the cluster requirement.

<sup>\$</sup> For Group B students who have taken a cluster course in Year 1, they shall take 2-3 cluster courses and a total of two ELE electives in Year 2 to Year 4.

<sup>#</sup> GDS students are allowed to take one of the three Discipline-related Professional Communication Courses (LUE4001/ LUE4002/ LUE4003) after completion of LUE1002 during any term in Year 2 to Year 4.

**Concentration (Total 5 courses, 15 credits)**

Students must choose one of four Concentrations—'Policy and Institutions'; 'Culture and Community'; 'Business and Economy'; or 'Human-Environment Interactions'—and complete 15 credits of coursework in the chosen Concentration. A minimum of two courses must be at the 3000- or 4000-level. Courses may be selected from the approved list of Lingnan courses, or courses from Lingnan and other institutions (local or abroad) may be applied upon approval (according to the criteria of categories A, B and C for each Concentration course list). Please refer to the following pages for the requirements and courses of each Concentration.

**Electives (Total 5 courses, 15 credits)**

Students select 15 credits of courses from Lingnan and/or study-abroad institutions that complement their major programme interests. Course choices must be proposed to and approved by the student's Academic Adviser; selected courses should strengthen and/or expand the student's area of expertise. A minimum of one course must be at the 3000-level or 4000-level. Courses may include, but are not limited to:

- a. Introductory or prerequisite courses for chosen focus areas
- b. Relevant cluster courses
- c. Technical, methodological and/or advanced courses to further a specific expertise
- d. Language, culture and politics courses in a particular world area
- e. Courses not already taken within the chosen Concentration
- f. Courses from the other (not-chosen) Concentration areas
- g. Relevant credit-bearing internships or service-learning projects

Students study abroad for two semesters on two different continents (subject to fulfilling study-abroad requirements). This may occur during Year 3 Term 1, Term 2 or Summer Term. Destinations should be chosen to enhance the particular study interests of each student.

**Free Electives<sup>^</sup> (Total 9-10 courses, 27-30 credits)**

Students may select courses in any disciplines to obtain the total number of credits required for graduation, subject to timetable, course load and study scheme constraints.

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<sup>^</sup> Recommended to take 4 cluster courses and 9 free electives. To enable students to take courses under different concentrations/electives when studying abroad, students will have the flexibility to take a minimum of 3 cluster courses instead of 4 and take correspondingly more electives. In addition, students are not allowed to take more than one course in the same cluster for the purpose of fulfilling the cluster requirement.

## **Concentration (15 credits)**

Students must choose ONE of four Concentrations.

For each Concentration:

- 1) A minimum of two 3000-level or 4000-level courses must be taken
- 2) A maximum of two Cluster courses could be taken
- 3) Courses must be taken from a minimum of two different letter codes (ie. ECO, HST, MKT, etc.)
- 4) Students are required to earn 3 credits in [A] and 12 credits in [B] and [C] combined.

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### [I] Policy and Institutions

#### A. Fundamentals of investigating the public sphere

Choose one of:

GOV2101 Introduction to Political Science

GOV3208 Public Policy: Values and Processes

SOC3001 Principles and Practice of Social Policy

#### B. Overarching socio-political principles and processes

Choose at least one of:

BUS2202 Organisational Behaviour

CLC9006 Law and Governance

CLD9002 Understanding Social and Economic Indicators

CLE9005 Reading Great Social Thinkers

CUS3213 Culture, Power and Government

ECO3208 Principles of Public Policy

ENG3265 Organisational Communication

GOV3104 Media, Data and Politics

GOV3203 International Politics

GOV3205 Global Governance

GOV3210 Comparative Politics

GOV3217 Modern Political Ideologies

GOV3218 War and Peace

GOV3219 Introduction to Computational Political Science

GOV4309 Current Issues in International Politics

PHI3203 Social and Political Philosophy

SOC3102 Mass Communication

SOC3201 Classical Sociological Theory

SOC3202 Contemporary Sociological Theory

SOC3204 Society and Social Change

SOC3323 Organisations and Bureaucracy

SSC3102 Seminar in Social and Public Policy Issues

SSC4301 Policy-making, Collective Action and Public Choice

#### C. Theories and contexts of global justice

Choose at least one of:

BUS2107 Legal Aspects of Business

CLA9028 Soft Power and Translation

CLC9020 Law in Everyday Life

CLE9014 Ethnicity and Nationalism

CLE9019 The Legal System of the People's Republic of China (PRC)

CLE9024 Democracy versus Dictatorship

CLE9033 Truth and Justice  
CUS2405 Culture and the Modern World I  
CUS2407 Creating Urban Commons: A Global Perspective  
CUS3014 Sexuality & Cultural Politics  
CUS3215 Gender and Cultural Politics  
CUS3409 Education and Cultural Politics  
CUS3410 Cultural Policy and Community  
ECO3003 Public Economics, Finance and Policymaking  
ECO4002 Economics of Law and Policy  
FVA3399u Special Topics in Visual Studies: Art and Protest  
GOV3103 Gender and Politics  
GOV3105 Political Economy of Development  
GOV3106 Small States in World Politics  
GOV4001 Seminar in International Political Economy  
GOV4003 Comparative Judicial Politics  
GOV4005 Religion and Political Conflicts  
GOV4303 Global Environmental Politics  
HST1194 East-West Value Clashes in Modern History  
HST3009 History of Human Rights  
PHI1003 Ethics East and West  
PHI3102 Chinese Political Philosophy  
PHI3104 Western Political Philosophy  
PHI3207 Law and Society  
PHI3263 Philosophical Perspectives on Human Rights  
PHI3283 Philosophy of Social Science  
PHI4367 Philosophy of Law  
PHI4372 Theories of Justice  
SOC3003 Ethnicity and Ethnic Minorities  
SOC3004 Community and Society  
SOC3320 Population Dynamics and Policy  
SOC3338 Social Stratification  
SOC4001 Historical Justice and Collective Memory  
SOC4213 Risk, Society and Modernity  
SOC4321 Social Justice  
SOC4329 Global Health  
SSC3312 Health Policy  
SSC3213 Political Psychology and Behaviour  
SSC3315 Labour Market and Education Policy  
SSC3317 Economics of Law and Public Policy

## [II] Culture and Community

### A. Fundamentals of human-centred inquiry

Choose one of:

CUS2401 Perspectives in Cultural Studies I  
CUS3006 Social Drama and Everyday Life  
PSY2101 Introduction to Psychology  
SOC2101 Introduction to Sociology

### B. Creative expression and well-being

Choose at least one of:

CHI3204 Emotions and Writing  
CHI3219 Creative Writing in Chinese  
CLA9005 Economics of Culture and Creativity

CLA9007 Creative Industries: reflection on creativity and creation  
 CLA9024 Creative Expression with Music  
 CLA9027 Being Someone: Writing Identity in Contemporary Culture  
 CLA9029 Creative Movement and Dance  
 CLD9030 The Brain, Mind, and Behaviour  
 CLE9032 Emotional Happiness  
 CUS3003 Media and Creative Industries  
 CUS3411 Media Creativity  
 ENG3009 Linguaging: English and Creativity in Everyday Life  
 ENG3385 Lifewriting  
 HSM3001 Introduction to Health and Social Care  
 HSM3002 Health and Social Service Provisions for Special Populations  
 HSM3004 Community-based Social Services  
 HST3399o A Global History of Housing  
 MPA2002 Musicality and Well-Being  
 PHI3105 Philosophy of Happiness  
 PSY3001 Stress and Coping: Theory and Practices  
 PSY3103 Psychology of Human Performance and Technology  
 PSY3202 Psychology Applied to Occupational Safety and Health  
 PSY3207 Health Psychology  
 PSY3301 Positive Psychology and Positive Living  
 PSY3333 Educational Psychology  
 PSY4102 Cross-cultural Psychology  
 SOC3004 Community and Society  
 SOC3203 Social Gerontology  
 SOC3312 Health and Social Care Services for Older Persons in Hong Kong  
 SOC3335 Housing and Society  
 SOC4329 Global Health

C. Heritage and diversity

Choose at least one of:

CLA9030 The World of Cultural Dances in Hong Kong  
 CLB9014 Food, Culture and Identity  
 CLB9018 Thinking like an Anthropologist  
 CLB9019 Childhood, Youth and Culture  
 CLB9022 Music and World Cultures  
 CLB9027 Topics in World Literature: Women in Traditional Societies  
 CLB9033 Introduction to Musics of the World and Sustainability  
 CLB9034 Music Across the Generations: Western Popular Music in the Post-World War II  
 Period  
 CLE9018 Religious Behaviour, Belief and Experience  
 CLE9028 Sexual Cultures in Asia  
 CLE9034 Cultural Heritage and Sustainability  
 CHI3001 The Chinese Dialects and Culture  
 CHI3151 Introduction to Comparative Literature  
 CUS3004 Media, Gender, and Sexuality  
 CUS3132 Gender and Sexuality in Comparative Perspective  
 CUS3309 Film, Gender & Sexuality  
 CUS3322 City Cultures  
 ENG3003 Language, Gender and Sexuality  
 ENG3008 English as a Global Language  
 ENG3202 Language, Society and the Media  
 ENG3264 Asian Voices in English (Fiction and Film)  
 ENG3272 Intercultural Communication  
 ENG3375 Cross-cultural Studies of Literature

ENG3379 Introduction to Children's Literature in English  
 FVA3009 Cultural Transmissions of East Asian Art  
 FVA3399v Special Topics in Visual Studies: Presence of the Past: Memorials and Monuments  
 FVA4010 Art Institutions and Visual Construction  
 FVA4311 Women, Art and Society in China  
 GOV3103 Gender and Politics  
 HST3268 Cities Across Civilisations  
 HST3399n Safeguarding Cultural and Historical Heritage  
 HST4359 History of Women and Children in China  
 PSY3102 Exploring Psychology in Western and Chinese Cultures  
 SOC3002 Family and Society  
 SOC3003 Ethnicity and Ethnic Minorities  
 SOC3311 Urban Sociology  
 SOC4001 Historical Justice and Collective Memory  
 SOC4002 Gender and Society  
 TRA3217 Translating Cultures  
 TRA3238 Cross-cultural Perspectives in Film: Thematic Comparisons  
 TRA4307 Gender, Language and Translation

### [III] Business and Economy

#### A. Fundamentals of economic inquiry

Choose one of:

BUS2105 Microeconomics for Business  
 ECO2101 Introduction to Economics

#### B. The global scale of business and economy

Choose at least one of:

ACT3366 International Accounting  
 ECO3213 China, Hong Kong, and the World Economy: the Greater Bay and beyond  
 ECO3214 Globalisation and Economic Integration  
 ECO3218 Development Economics  
 ECO4215 Comparative Studies of International Financial Centres  
 ECO4305 International Trade and Trade Policy  
 ECO4306 International Finance  
 FIN3352 International Financial Management  
 GOV3105 Political Economy of Development  
 GOV4001 Seminar in International Political Economy  
 MKT2241 International Business Management  
 MKT2243 Doing Business in Emerging Markets  
 MKT3321 International Marketing Management  
 RIM3354 International Insurance and Financial Services Markets  
 SSC4207 International Political Economy

#### C. Expandable, equitable and ethical prosperity

Choose at least one of:

ACT3250 Accounting and Regulatory Environment of the Chinese Mainland  
 ACT3369 Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Issues in Business and Accounting  
 ACT4355 Corporate Governance and Business Ethics  
 BUS2107 Legal Aspects of Business  
 BUS2202 Organisational Behaviour  
 CLA9005 Economics of Culture and Creativity  
 CLC9004 Traditional Chinese Thought and Management

CLC9005 Finance and Politics: Public Interests and Private Manipulation  
 CLC9008 Business Ethics  
 CLC9009 Corporate Social Responsibility  
 CLC9012 To Care About Our Society - Social Marketing  
 CLC9016 Contemporary Socio-Economic Issues  
 CLC9021 Morality and Markets  
 CLC9022 The Digital Economy and Social Media  
 CLD9002 Understanding Social and Economic Indicators  
 CLE9012 Financial Markets and Their Impacts on Society  
 CLE9013 Consumer Culture and Values  
 CLE9022 Real Estate and Its Social Value in Asian Societies  
 CLE9036 Buy, keep, throw: Consumption as a way of life  
 CUS2409 Digital Marketing for Social Causes  
 ECO3001 The Hong Kong Housing Market  
 ECO3003 Public Economics, Finance and Policymaking  
 ECO3203 Labour Economics  
 ECO3208 Principles of Public Policy  
 ECO3216 Behavioural Economics  
 ECO3311 Economics of the Family  
 ECO3313 Urban Economics  
 ECO4002 Economics of Law and Policy  
 ECO4210 History of Economic Thought  
 ECO4324 Environmental Economics and Policy  
 HRM3201 Performance and Compensation Management  
 HRM3202 Training and Development  
 HRM3353 Quality and People  
 HRM4351 Management of Innovation and Change  
 HRM4355 Current Issues in Organisations  
 HRM4358 Be Future Ready ! Work and Organisation in the Digital Era  
 HSM4005 Social Innovation and Social Enterprises  
 HST3399m The History of Capitalism  
 PHI3209 Morality and Markets  
 PSY2001 Introduction to Business Psychology and Organizational Behaviour  
 PSY3005 Managing Diversity in Organization  
 PSY3202 Psychology Applied to Occupational Safety and Health  
 PSY4325 Industrial and Organisational Psychology  
 SOC3320 Population Dynamics and Policy  
 SOC3338 Social Stratification  
 SOC3340 Consumption and Society  
 SOC3342 Non-Profit Organizations and the Voluntary Sector  
 SOC3343 Understanding Social Impact  
 SSC3317 Economics of Law and Public Policy

#### [IV] Human-Environment Interactions

- A. Fundamentals of human-environment interactions
  - CLD9017 Ecology: The Science of Environmental Issues
  
- B. Central environmental drivers and issues
  - Choose at least one of:
  - CLD9008 Life Sciences: The Way Life Works
  - CLD9012 Natural Disasters: Science and Society
  - CLD9015 Understanding Evolution
  - CLD9018 Natural History of Hong Kong



CLD9024 Mapping Our Changing World  
CLD9025 Climate Change and Human Health  
CLD9026 Food: Health, Technology and Environment  
CLD9027 Blue Planet  
SCI2001 Introduction to Scientific Literacy  
SCI3001 Location Intelligence  
SCI3002 Environmental Science  
SCI3003 Conservation and Biodiversity  
SCI3004 Climate Change  
SCI3005 Earth Science  
SCI3006 Sustainability  
SCI3007 Special Topics in Environmental Science

C. Contexts and consequences of planetary stewardship

Choose at least one of:

ACT3369 Environmental, Social and Governance (ESG) Issues in Business and Accounting  
CLA9025 Science and Creativity  
CLA9026 Nature Appreciation through Arts and Creative Media  
CLB9028 Ecology and Chinese Cinema  
CLB9029 Science Fiction in Literature and Visual Arts  
CLB9033 Introduction to Musics of the World and Sustainability  
CLC9019 Policy and Technology for Urban and Rural Sustainability  
CLD9001 Technology and Cultural Change  
CLD9007 Ecology, the Environment and Society  
CLD9016 Music and the Science of Sound  
CLD9020 Artificial Intelligence and Society  
CHI4348 Nature Writing and Practice  
CUS2411 Food, Technology and Environments  
ECO4324 Environmental Economics and Policy  
GOV4303 Global Environmental Politics  
HST1196 Human-Animal Relationship in History  
HST2002 Aerial Technologies in History  
HST2261 World Environmental History  
HST2354 History of Science and Technology in China  
HST3269 A Cultural History of Water  
HST3399d Environmental History of China  
PHI2118 A Philosophical Introduction to Artificial Intelligence  
PHI3223 Bioethics  
PHI3279 Philosophy of Technology  
PHI3368 Philosophy of Science  
PSY3103 Psychology of Human Performance and Technology  
PSY3332 Environmental Psychology  
PSY4001 Biological Psychology  
SOC3334 Science, Technology and Society  
SSC3218 Environment and Society in Hong Kong  
SSC4339 Global Health  
TRA4310 Translation for Science and Technology (E-C & C-E)  
TRA4327 Eco-translation