

# Bachelor of Social Sciences (Honours) in Global Economics and Banking

## Programme Structure for 2023-24 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			Total
	1 <sup>st</sup> Term	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	
<b>FIRST YEAR</b>				
CCC8011	Critical Thinking: Analysis and Argumentation (R)*		3	3
CCC8012	The Making of Hong Kong (R)*		3	3
LCC1010	Chinese Communication I (R)		3	3
LUE1001	University English I (R) <sup>#</sup> for Group A <u>or</u> 1 ELE Elective <sup>##</sup> for Group B		3	3
LUE1002	University English II (R) <sup>#</sup> for Group A & B		3	3
ECO2102	Introduction to Banks and Financial Institutions (R)		3	3
ECO2103	Financial Information and Management (R)		3	3
ECO2104	Introduction to Microeconomics (R)	3		3
ECO2105	Introduction to Macroeconomics (R)		3	3
	^ 1 Cluster Course		3	3
				30
<b>SECOND YEAR</b>				
CCC8013	The Process of Science (R)*		3	3
CCC8014	China in World History (R)*		3	3
LCC2010	Chinese Communication II (R)		3	3
ECO3104	Tools for Economic Analysis (R)	3		3
ECO3105	Introduction to Statistics and Econometrics (R)	3		3
ECO3201	Intermediate Microeconomics (R)		3	3
ECO3202	Intermediate Macroeconomics (R)		3	3
				21
<b>SECOND TO FOURTH YEARS</b>				
LUE4003	Professional Communication in English for Social Sciences (R)		3	3
	6 Major Required Courses		18	18
	1 Major Elective Course		3	3
	^ 4 Cluster Courses		12	12
				36

(R) denotes required course(s).

\* Students are assigned to take CCC8011 and CCC8012 in the first year, and CCC8013 and CCC8014 in the second year (or the third year for those designated as Year 3 students upon admission).

# 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>.

^ Students are required to complete 5 Cluster courses in total. For details, please see the Core Curriculum Section.

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	1 <sup>st</sup> Term	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	2 <sup>nd</sup> Term	
<b>FOURTH YEAR</b>				
SSC4319 Senior Thesis or 1 Major Elective Course		3		3
				3
<b>ANY YEAR</b>				
ELE Elective(s) <sup>##</sup> and/or Free Electives <sup>@</sup> (10 Courses)		30		30
				30
Minimum credits for Honours Degree:				120

## REQUIREMENTS IN GLOBAL ECONOMICS AND BANKING

### Foundational Courses (Total 6 courses, 18 credits)

ECO2102 Introduction to Banks and Financial Institutions  
 ECO2103 Financial Information and Management  
 ECO2104 Introduction to Microeconomics  
 ECO2105 Introduction to Macroeconomics  
 ECO3104 Tools for Economic Analysis  
 ECO3105 Introduction to Statistics and Econometrics

### Required Courses (Total 8 courses, 24 credits)

ECO3201 Intermediate Microeconomics  
 ECO3202 Intermediate Macroeconomics  
 ECO4217 Money and Banking  
 ECO4305 International Trade and Trade Policy  
 ECO4306 International Finance  
 ECO4323 Financial Economics  
 SSC3319 Junior Research Project  
 SSC4207 International Political Economy

### Major Elective Courses (Any 2 courses, 6 credits)

ECO3001 The Hong Kong Housing Market  
 ECO3002 The Economics of the Digital Economy  
 ECO3209 The Hong Kong Economy  
 ECO3216 Behavioural Economics  
 ECO4001 Economics of Markets and Regulations  
 ECO4002 Economics of Law and Policy  
 ECO4203 Applied Econometrics  
 ECO4320 Game Theory and Strategic Behaviour  
 SSC4319 Senior Thesis

<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> Students are required to take 27 credits of free electives.

## **Free Electives**

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.