

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

## 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			
		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>Total</u>
CCC8011	Critical Thinking: Analysis and Argumentation (R) <sup>+</sup>	3			3
CCC8013	The Process of Science (R) <sup>+~*</sup>			3	3
LCC1010	Chinese Communication I (R) <sup>##</sup>	3			3
LCC2010	Chinese Communication II (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
					6

(R) denotes required course(s).

+ Students are assigned to take CCC8011 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 5 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 5 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			
		1 <sup>st</sup>	1 <sup>st</sup> /2 <sup>nd</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Total
<b>SECOND TO FOURTH YEAR</b>		<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>	<u>Term</u>
	An ELE Elective <sup>@</sup>		3		3
	3-5 Cluster Courses <sup>^</sup> \$		9-15		9-15
	5 GDS Concentration courses		15		15
	5 GDS Elective courses		15		15
	9-11 Free Electives <sup>^</sup>		27-33		27-33
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>				
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<b>FOURTH YEAR</b>					
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 5 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 5 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 2-4 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 9-11 courses, 27-33 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 5 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 5 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

SOC3001 Principles and Practice of Social Policy

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

Choose at least one of:

ECO3208 Principles of Public Policy

GOV3104 Media, Data and Politics

GOV3203 International Politics

GOV3205 Global Governance

GOV3208 Public Policy: Values and Processes

GOV3210 Comparative Politics

GOV3217 Modern Political Ideologies

GOV3218 War and Peace

SOC3102 Mass Communication

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

CLC9006 Law and Governance

CLC9020 Law in Everyday Life

CLE9005 Reading Great Social Thinkers

CLE9014 Ethnicity and Nationalism

CLE9024 Democracy versus Dictatorship

CLE9033 Truth and Justice

CUS2405 Culture and the Modern World I

CUS3409 Education and Cultural Politics

CUS3410 Cultural Policy and Community

ECO3003 Public Economics, Finance and Policymaking

ECO4002 Economics of Law and Policy

GOV3103 Gender and Politics

GOV3106 Small States in World Politics

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  
 PHI3203 Social and 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  
 SOC3201 Classical Sociological Theory  
 SOC3202 Contemporary Sociological Theory  
 SOC3320 Population Dynamics and Policy  
 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  
 CLA9024 Creative Expression with Music  
 CLA9027 Being Someone: Writing Identity in Contemporary Culture  
 CLA9029 Creative Movement and Dance  
 CLE9032 Emotional Happiness  
 CUS3003 Media and Creative Industries  
 CUS3411 Media Creativity  
 ENG3009 Language: 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  
PSY4102 Cross-cultural Psychology  
SOC3004 Community and Society  
SOC3203 Social Gerontology  
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  
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  
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 (coded as VIS3009 in 2023-24 or before)  
FVA3399v Special Topics in Visual Studies: Presence of the Past: Memorials and Monuments (coded as VIS3399v in 2023-24 or before)  
FVA4010 Art Institutions and Visual Construction (coded as VIS3008 in 2023-24 or before)  
FVA4311 Women, Art and Society in China (coded as VIS4311 in 2023-24 or before)  
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  
TRA4307 Gender, Language and Translation  
VIS3012 Preserving the Past: Antiquarianism and Collecting Practices in the West (not offered from 2024-25)

[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

MKT4397 Special Topics in International Business (not offered from 2024-25)

RIM3354 International Insurance and Financial Services Markets

SSC4207 International Political Economy

C. Expandable, equitable and ethical prosperity

Choose at least one of:

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

CLC9011 China as a Business and Consumer Society

CLC9012 To Care About Our Society - Social Marketing

CLC9016 Contemporary Socio-Economic Issues

CLC9021 Morality and Markets

CLC9022 The Digital Economy and Social Media

CLE9012 Financial Markets and Their Impacts on Society

CLE9013 Consumer Culture and Values

CLE9022 Real Estate and Its Social Value in Asian Societies

ECO3001 The Hong Kong Housing Market

ECO3003 Public Economics, Finance and Policymaking

ECO3203 Labour Economics

ECO3208 Principles of Public Policy

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  
 HRM4351 Management of Innovation and Change  
 HRM4358 Work and Organisation  
 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

#### [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:  
 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  
 CLD9021 Technology and the Future of Mankind  
 CLE9029 Cultures and Ecology



CHI4348 Nature Writing and Practice  
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)