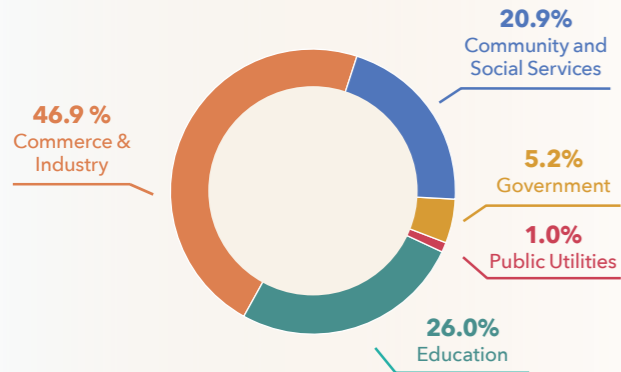


Career Potential

Graduate Employment Survey 2020



Total number = 96 graduates with full-time employment



Besides standard professions in commerce and industry, such as executives/supervisors in finance, trading, marketing, sales, personnel and management, many of our graduates are employed in the community and social services working as programme/administrative officers and human resources assistants in local and international charities and non-governmental organisations (NGO).



Some graduates build their careers as teachers/educational personnel in the education sector or as civil servants in government, while others pursue further studies by enrolling in postgraduate programmes in local or well-known overseas universities.



Majors

Under the Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) Programme, we have a total of 7 Majors. First and senior year (Year 3 Entry) students are required to take up one. Successful senior year admittees will be admitted to year three directly. The normal duration for full-time first and senior year students is four and two years, respectively.

Majors	Offering Year	
	1 st Year	Senior Year (Year 3 Entry)
Economics	✓	✓
Political Science	✓	✓
Psychology*	✓	✓
Sociology	✓	✓
Health and Social Services Management Stream	✓ [^]	✓
International Economy and Politics Stream	✗	✓
Social and Public Policy Studies Stream*	✓	✓

* After completing the specified courses under the major, 1st year students are qualified for declaring the 'Counselling Psychology Concentration' while senior year students are REQUIRED to take the concentration.

[^] Subject to approval

* Students are qualified for declaring the Concentration in Smart Cities and Digital Society after completing the specified courses under the stream.



Mr. Or Ho Yuen

Graduate, BSocSc student

The professors of the Social Sciences Programme are friendly, approachable and very helpful. They are always willing to solve students' academic problems and give useful advice about their future career paths. I have benefited significantly from the close teacher-student relationships. Besides learning at Lingnan University, students can also join the international exchange programme, which can broaden their horizons even further. During my exchange period, I had such a great time studying British mass media and criminology. The choices for students to explore different courses in different universities overseas are vast.



Miss Mariam-Bibi

Graduate, BSocSc student

Choosing to study in the Social Sciences Programme is one of the best decisions I have made. Professors do not just emphasise students' academic development but also their personal and intellectual development. This learning experience has prepared me well for my future career path and enabled me to be able to compete and stand out in society. Lingnan University is a land full of opportunities for people of different talents. It has everything for everyone varying from internships, scholarships, to global experiences and has thus given me the flexibility to explore myself. My experience at Lingnan University has given me numerous life lessons which have made me become a more critical thinker and a more knowledgeable and confident person.

Application For Admissions

To know more about undergraduate admissions, please visit: <https://www.ln.edu.hk/admissions/ug/>

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社會科學 (榮譽) 學士課程
Bachelor of Social Sciences (Hons) Programme



Introduction

What makes the **Bachelor of Social Sciences (Honours) Programme** a unique place for teaching & learning in Hong Kong?



The Programme is an integral part of Lingnan's mission to provide internationally leading liberal arts education and provides students with a broad and coherent intellectual base to prepare them for the labour market: **91% of our graduates sought full-time employment within the first three months from graduation.**



The Faculty of Social Sciences, with its four constituent Departments (Applied Psychology, Economics, Political Science, Sociology and Social Policy) offers a close student-teacher relationship and diversity of interdisciplinary courses: **94% of our tutorials are taught in class sizes below 20 students.**



Through a variety of applied courses, service-learning, study/field trips, summer internships, and Lingnan's international exchange programme, our students have first-hand opportunities to experience the integration of theories and practice: **98% of our students gain local or international experiential learning experiences.**

Programme Structure (4-Year Curriculum)

Course Category	No. of Credits
Common Core	12
Cluster Courses	15
Social Sciences Foundation	12
Major Required	12*
Major Electives	21*
Junior Research Project	3
Languages	18
Free Electives	27
Minimum Credits for Honours Degree	120

* 15 and 18 credits of major required and elective courses (for students major in IEP and Psy, and senior year students admitted from 2022-23 AY)



Economics

- Explores how to tackle dilemmas and difficult choices under limited resources
- Studies the consequences of such choices by individuals, businesses, government, and society
- Introduces students to using data to analyse the world and test theory against reality



Political Science

- Cultivates students' thorough understanding about the uses, acquisition, and distribution of power
- Fosters students' analytical skills which allow them to meet the challenges in a complex and rapidly-changing world
- Covers the areas of Chinese politics, Hong Kong politics, East Asian politics, comparative politics, international politics, public policy, political behaviour, and domestic politics and international relations of Asia Pacific



Psychology

- Provides students with essential knowledge and principles from different sub-fields of psychology, including developmental psychology, social psychology and cognitive psychology
- Develops students' ability to scientifically analyse human cognitive processes and behaviour
- Prepares students for further studies, such as in psychology, teaching, and social work; and for employment especially those involving human relations, managerial and administrative occupations



Counselling Psychology Concentration

(OPTIONAL for Year One entry, and COMPULSORY for Year Three Entry in Psychology)

- Dedicated to a growing mental-health service specialty within the field of applied psychology, concerned with the psycho-social, vocational and developmental aspects of people's lives
- Aims to enhance the quality of life and effectiveness of people's functioning through handling mental health issues and facilitating human development and adjustment, both at individual and organisational levels
- Prepares graduates for future postgraduate training in counselling-related professions and for entry-level positions in human service agencies (e.g. social work, school psychology, healthcare, human resources) where counselling skills are necessary



Sociology

- Fosters students to understand the fundamental principles of social life and to the systematic study of social institutions and social transformations
- Enables students to answer the "what", "how" and "why" questions about human societies, past and present
- Equips graduates with a broad array of postgraduate opportunities and pursues employment opportunities in government, NGOs and the private sector



Health and Social Services Management Stream

- Introduces students to the latest theories and practices in health and social services
- Facilitates students' integration of theory and practice through experiential learning and internship opportunities
- Equips students with essential knowledge and skills to take on a wide range of jobs related to social services and healthcare in both public and private sectors such as project officers, training officers, social services administrators and research officers



International Economy and Politics Stream

3rd Year Only

- Empowers students to think globally and to comprehend the current trends of global affairs
- Focuses on geopolitical conflicts, transnational political-economic relations and identity politics
- Employs a multidisciplinary approach to interpret and understand global transformations



Social and Public Policy Studies Stream

- Studies social and public policies, particularly as they relate to the rapid changes in local, regional and global environments
- Studies social and economic issues such as ageing and population, gender, employment, housing, health and social welfare
- Provides inter-disciplinary perspectives that will enhance students' ability to analyse social and public policy issues and debates

