



Bachelor of Social Science in Economics

2024-25

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Department of Economics
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
香港中文大學經濟學系

Admission

Open for JUPAS, Non-JUPAS Year 1,
Non-JUPAS senior year, Mainland
(Gaokao)*, and international students

For JUPAS applicants, please pay special attention to our minimum requirements and HKDSE subject weighting as we adopt the best 5 formula, which counts the scores of the best 5 subjects in HKDSE.

Our Minimum Requirement

| Subject | Mathematics (Compulsory) | English Language | Chinese Language | Any 2 Electives [^] | Citizenship and Social Development |
|---------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Score | 3 | 3 | 3 | 3 | Attained |

[^] The 2 electives may include M1 or M2

Our HKDSE Subject Weighting

The score will be multiplied by 1.5 times for the following subjects that you have to be aware of.

Mathematics
(Compulsory part)
X1.5



Best of M1/M2/Chemistry/
Economics/Physics
X1.5

For application details, please visit our website.



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*Application should be made through the National Colleges and Universities Enrolment System. Successful applicants will be admitted to Social Science Faculty (board-based) for the Year 1 study and they can declare "Economics" as their major after completing their 1st year of study.

WEALTH?

Your economics counts!

History doesn't lack episodes in which bank runs, irresponsible firms and wrong-headed policies wipe out people's fortune. You must have heard of the cliché: 'It is not how much you make; it is how much you keep.' If you put your hard-earned money in the wrong hands, they can be gone in an instant. An understanding of how the market works is the only way out.

Economics takes the subjects of money, interest rates, banks, firms, and policies very seriously. Dealing with measurements and analysing data are the bread and butter in our field. We offer rigorous trainings on the applications of economic theories and statistical tools on analysing policies. We help build your own economic and financial instincts and make you feel comfortable navigating through the often confusing numbers and facts.

In 2022, the Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences was awarded to Ben Bernanke, Douglas Diamond, and Philip H. Dybvig. Their studies on bank runs and monetary policies have a real impact on policies and regulations around the world.

If you take wealth-building seriously, join us!

Our Uniqueness



State-of-the-art
Computing
Resources

AI x ECON

Only students of the Department have the access to the most powerful computer cluster in Asia dedicated to economic research. The cluster provides students with 24/7 cloud access to the latest artificial intelligence and econometric software, allowing them to conduct data analysis anywhere.



Financial databases: Bloomberg, WIND Database, China Census, Refinitiv Datastream, and CEIC Database



AI software: PyTorch, Tensorflow, and Transformers



Econometrics software: STATA, R, RStudio, Eviews and MATLAB

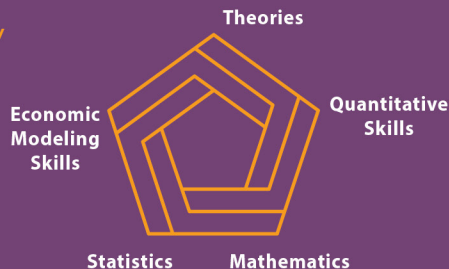


Housed in Faculty of Social Science

Economics is a science that analyses human behaviours within economic settings. Business is one of the many such settings. Like most world-renowned and prestigious universities, CUHK Economics is a proud member of the Faculty of Social Science.



Academically Oriented



The MINDSET – to uncover new patterns and causal relationships from data – is the central in the study of economics that we provide in-depth training in FIVE areas.



Flexible Programme Structure

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CORES

12

ELECTIVES

To cater students' different career aspirations, we are committed to ensuring you the maximum freedom to customize your own study path with only **50% core courses**.



Dedicated Career Services Unit

Our dedicated career services unit exclusively serves our students all year around. Services include but not limited to individual consultation, mock interview, resume reviews, personal development workshops, recruitment talks, company visits, and more!

Career Development

We help you cater your own study path to your own career goal with the following five concentrations:

Economic Theory



Ideal for those who aspire to becoming an academic economist

Financial Economics



For those who would like to work in both the private finance industry and the regulatory side, e.g., World Bank, and the International Monetary Fund (IMF)

Business Economics



For students interested in the use of economics in business decisions, e.g., commercial banks, governmental agencies, and consulting

Chinese Economy



The Department boasts a unique team of researchers on the Chinese Economy that is second to none in the world

Data Analytics



For students interested in the handling, modelling and analysing of big data; they are sought after by big tech, including Uber, Amazon, and Microsoft, etc.

Competitive Edges



Portable

Economics frees you up from geographic boundaries. Like our graduates, you can go for opportunities anywhere around the globe where your economic skills pay off the most.



Skills



It is the mindset of market, price, competition and incentives, coupled with solid theoretical and quantitative skills that allow our students to excel in numerous regulatory, business, finance, and academic professions around the globe.

Throughout the years, our alumni have made their marks in various fields –

- **Banking and Finance:** About 50% join the banking and finance industry taking up analytical and strategic roles, as well as roles from the regulatory side
- **Education:** About 10% pursue their career as local HK secondary school teachers
- **Postgraduate Studies:** Around 20% go to graduate schools and eventually become professional economists in academic and non-academic fields, e.g., Hong Kong or foreign governmental agencies, international NGOs, etc.

Employers include HK Monetary Authority, HK Financial Secretary's Office, HKEx, SFC, HK Census and Statistics Department, Our Hong Kong Foundation, PwC, Goldman Sachs, Alibaba, etc.



Internship & Exchange Programme

For internships and exchange opportunities, we don't just encourage our students to apply to them but go an extra mile to push students to grab the opportunities. We are sure the experiences would broaden their horizons.

Internship

The following organizations have offered tailor-made internships to our students.

- The Census and Statistics Department of the HKSAR Government
- Hong Kong Trade Development Council

Exchange

In addition to university-wide exchange programmes, we also partner with FOUR prestigious universities in organizing exchange programmes:

- Utrecht University in the Netherlands
- Universität Mannheim in Germany
- University of Bath in UK
- Keio University in Japan



Project Exhibition



The Economics Project Exhibition is our signature event. In 2023, over 150 undergraduates worked in small groups to conduct research on various current economic issues and showcased their findings in poster format. Nearly 700 secondary school students visited the exhibition and found it inspirational. The excellent undergraduate paper award is another scheme to recognize our outstanding students.

Student's sharing

“ It is one of the best decisions I've ever made to study in the Economics programme, where I enjoyed the professors' excellent teaching with hearty care and the department's abundant learning resources. This award has boosted my morale and reinforced my commitment to enhancing my academic competence in order to make greater contributions. ”



YUEN Shuai, Judy

Awardee of the Excellent Undergraduate Paper Award 2022-23



Strong Support throughout the Journey

Both our teachers and senior students will provide support to our fellow students via the Academic Advisory System and the Peer Tutor Programme respectively throughout their study journey.

Year
1



Academic
Counsellor

+



Academic
Advisor

Year
2-4



Academic
Advisor

Academic Advisory System

Each year 1 student will be matched with an Academic Counsellor, who will provide academic guidance and support for a smooth transition to the university study model.

Each student will also be matched with an Academic Advisor throughout the four-year study. The Academic Advisor will meet with their advisees at least once a year to provide general advice on issues such as course selection, guided study, and adaptation to university life.

Peer Tutor Programme

Our dedicated senior students will provide one-on-one coaching service to our fellow students for extra study support and guidance on university life.

Welcome to CUHK ECON

DO YOU KNOW?

History

60

Years of History

1963

Year of Establishment
(Same year as CUHK was found)

Ranking

11th

in Asia
QS Economics and
Econometrics 2023

59th

in the world
QS Economics and
Econometrics 2023

Diversity

over
50%

students taking Economics
Courses come from other
programmes

about
8%

students taking Economics
Courses are exchange students