

# My Academic Plan

## (for Direct Entry Year Three Students)

*A good plan is half way to success. Make a list of learning experiences that you want to gain when you graduate and schedule them into different years of study.*

Academic Attainment: Major \_\_\_\_\_ Minor (Optional) \_\_\_\_\_

Other Learning experiences: e.g.  Exchange/Study Abroad  Internship  Service Learning  Mentorship  Research Project  Foreign Language

		Compulsory				Optional <i>(Depend on how many credits you have after finishing all compulsory courses)</i>		
Year	Semester	English <i>(6-12 credits)</i>	Chinese <i>(0-6 credits)</i>	Common Core <i>(12-18 credits)</i>	Major/ Professional Core <i>(72-96 credits)</i>	Minor <i>(36-48 credits)</i>	Electives <i>(Remainder to complete 240 credits )</i>	Total Credits
<b>Please list out the advanced credits you have been granted in each category in recognition of your studies at Associate Degree / High Diploma level.</b>								
Year 1 and 2 <i>(Associate Degree/ High Diploma)</i>								
						<b>Total Number of Advanced Credits</b>		
Year 3	1							
	2							
	Summer							
Year 4	1							
	2							
						<b>Total Number of Required Credits for University Studies:</b>		<b>240</b>
<b>Total Number of Credits (Advanced Credits + Year 3 + Year 4)</b>								

## Some Quick Facts to Know when You Plan for Your Studies

### Study Load:

- The University recommends students to take **24-30 credits** in one semester (except the summer semester) unless otherwise permitted or required by their Faculty. Students can take **up to 36 credits in one semester**, accumulating up to a **maximum of 72 credits** in an academic year.
- If you wish to underload (registering for fewer than 24 credits) or overload (registering for more than 36 credits in one semester or more than 72 credits in one academic year), you have to send your application to your Faculty for approval.

### Language Requirements: (\*\* Please note that most DAS students are exempted from CAES 1000 and the Chinese requirement. Please double check with Faculty if in doubt.)

- English: 12 Credits (6 credits in Core University English and 6 credits in English in the Discipline)
- Chinese: 6 Credits (For exemptions and special arrangements for international / Putonghua-speaking students, please consult your Faculty Office.)

### Common Core:

- Most DAS students who have completed Associate Degree usually only need to do **12 credits** of courses in the Common Core Curriculum, comprising **one from two Areas of Inquiry**.  
Please double check with Faculty if in doubt.
- Students are not allowed to select more than 24 credits of Common Core courses within one academic year, except for those who are required to make up for failed credits.
- Please pay special attention to the non-permissible combinations of courses and individual faculty requirements. For details, please visit the Common Core website (<http://commoncore.hku.hk>) and/or consult your home Faculty Office.

### Honours Classification and Grading System:

CLASS OF HONOURS	CGPA RANGE
First Class Honours	3.60-4.30
Second Class Honours Division One Division Two	(2.40-3.59) 3.00-3.59 2.40-2.99
Third Class Honours	1.70-2.39
Pass	1.00-1.69

GRADE	STANDARD	GRADE POINT
A+ A A-	Excellent	4.3 4.0 3.7
B+ B B-	Good	3.3 3.0 2.7
C+ C C-	Satisfactory	2.3 2.0 1.7
D+ D	Pass	1.3 1.0
F	Fail	0

*Disclaimer: Information given is for reference only. There might be different policies and practices with regard to individual curriculum structures. If in doubt or wish to have further details, please consult the Faculty Offices concerned.*