

FACULTY OF ARTS



4.1 Master of Arts (MA) in Chinese Literature, Language and Culture

(One-year Full-time or Two-year Part-time)

Prof. CHOW Kwok Ching, Head, Department of Chinese Language and Literature

Aims

The course aims to cultivate in students a deeper knowledge of Chinese culture and to broaden their vision with new direction and perspectives so as to prepare them for the need and challenge of a modern Hong Kong, and at the same time to develop in them the philosophy and skill for future research in the field of Chinese studies.

Admission Requirements

Applicants should possess:

- (a) a Bachelor's degree with second class honours or above in Chinese from a recognized university or comparable institution; or
- (b) a general degree plus relevant working experience; or
- (c) a qualification deemed to be equivalent.

Short-listed applicants may be interviewed should the Course Board deem it necessary.

Structure of the Course

The course is made up of 27 units to be pursued in either part-time or full-time mode. The majority of subjects will be taught on weekday evenings (6:30 pm – 9:30

p.m.) and/or Saturday morning during the semester. By permission of the department, student may also choose to take subject(s) from the Other Elective Subjects list, which classes will be held in day time (8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.) in weekdays.

Requirements of the course are as follows:

Required Subjects	9 units
Research Method & Seminar	6 units
Project Report	3 units

Elective Subjects (6 subjects, 3 units each) 18 units

There are three areas: a) Literature, b) Language and c) Culture. Students have to take at least ONE subject in each area, and choose one area as the selected field in which write the Project Report and take TWO more subjects. It must be noted that only a certain number of subjects would be offered in a year.

Literature:

Selected Masterpieces of Chinese Literature	3 units
Special Topics in Chinese Literature	3 units
Chinese Literature & Religion	3 units
Chinese Travel Literature & Human Scenery	3 units
Chinese Literary Masterpieces & Painting	3 units

Language:

Selected Masterpieces of Chinese Linguistics & Etymology	3 units
Special Topics in Chinese Linguistics	3 units

Culture:

Special Topics in Chinese Culture	3 units
Critical Thinking on Chinese Culture	3 units
Traditional Chinese Thought & Modern Society	3 units
Thinking through Chinese Culture	3 units
	27 units

Other Elective Subjects

The following subjects are taught in day time (8:30 a.m. – 6:30 p.m.). These subjects require the writing of a term paper of substantial quality as the elective subjects:

Literary Criticism
Integrated Study of Chinese Culture
Practical Chinese Grammar

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Modern Views on Traditional Chinese Culture
Wen Xin Diao Long
Chu Ci
Classical Chinese Drama
Selected Chinese Lyrics & Songs
Chinese Rhetoric
Studies in Selected Chinese Poets and/or Lyricists
Chinese Thought & Literature
Modern Chinese Fiction Writing
Modern Chinese Prose Writing
Selected Readings in Chinese Historical Writings
Chinese Semantics
Special Topics in Chinese Language
Special Topics in Chinese Critical Theory
Special Topics in Classical Chinese Fiction & Drama
Special Topics in Classical Chinese Literature
Special Topics in Modern & Contemporary Chinese Literature
Selected Readings from Traditional Chinese Thinkers (Zi)
Selected Readings from Classical Confucian Works
Special Topics in the History of Chinese Literature
Single Chinese Author Forum (Modern or Contemporary Writer)
Special Topics in Chinese Arts & Chinese Literature

Students who have satisfactorily completed all the above requirements and achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.5 or above will be awarded an MA Degree in Chinese Literature, Language and Culture. To be awarded Distinction for the course, students should attain a cumulative GPA of 3.7 or above, with no subject grade below B- and no repeated subjects. Students attaining a cumulative GPA between 3.40 and 3.69 will be awarded Merit.



Time to meet old friends and share sweet memories.

4.2 Master of Arts (MA) in Language Studies

(One-year Full-time or Two-year Part-time)

Dr. Suying YANG, Course Director, MA in Language Studies

Aims

The course provides foundation knowledge about language and prepares students for special applications of linguistic analysis to problems arising from the students' particular interests, careers and concerns. The aim is to train graduates who can adapt to a range of situations, and who realize at what point they need to engage in further investigation or study. Teaching is carried out through lectures, workshops and student-centred discussions.

Admission Requirements

Applicants should possess:

- (a) a Bachelor's degree from a recognized university or comparable institution; or
- (b) a qualification deemed to be equivalent.

Applicants are normally expected to have competence in both spoken and written Chinese and English.

Qualified applicants may be interviewed to elicit further information on their interests, motivation, communication skills, language proficiency, maturity and suitability.

Mature students and other candidates who lack the above qualifications may be admitted on a case-by-case basis. A qualifying examination may be required. The subjects on offer are available to external students from other universities.

Exemption from individual MALS subjects may be granted, up to a maximum of 5 and on a case-by-case basis, for students who have performed satisfactorily in PGSK (Postgraduate Diploma in Subject Knowledge) subjects which are deemed to be equivalent. The tuition fee for these PGSK graduates will be based on the number of units they have to take after exemption in