

Structure of the Course

This is a two-year part-time taught master's course leading to the Master of Social Sciences (Contemporary China Studies) degree. Students will normally graduate in two years. With special permission, a student may extend his/her study into the third year, but in no case would the period of study be allowed to exceed three calendar years. In order to graduate, students must complete 24 credit units plus an independent Project (3 credit units).

The course adopts a multi-disciplinary teaching and learning approach that facilitates students to have a comprehensive and in-depth analysis of the latest development in contemporary China. With an aim of broadening students' vision and practical experience, students are offered the opportunity to participate in the biannual International Tsinghua-Baptist Conference and voluntary field trips.

Requirements of the course are as follows:

Core Subject	3 units
Advanced China Studies*	3 units

Concentration/Field Subjects	21 units
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Each student is required to take THREE subjects from ONE of the following groups as the major Concentration/Field. As a whole, student has to choose SEVEN subjects from at least THREE Concentrations/Fields:

Economic Development & Reform:

China's Economic Development & Reform*	3 units
China's Foreign Trade & Investment*	3 units
Graduate Seminar on China's Economy	3 units

History & Culture:

South China Studies*	3 units
Chinese Culture in Transformation*	3 units
Graduate Seminar on Contemporary Chinese History	3 units

Society & Community:

Social Networks in the Contemporary Chinese Society*	3 units
Chinese Social Demography	3 units
Graduate Seminar on Contemporary Social Issues in China	3 units

Urban Development & Environmental Management:

Resource & Environmental Management in China*	3 units
Urban & Regional Development of China*	3 units
Graduate Seminar on Geography of China	3 units

Project	3 units
	27 units

* *Reimbursable subjects under the Continuing Education Fund (CEF), HKSAR.*

Students who have satisfactorily completed all the above requirements, obtained Grade C- or above in all subjects and achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or above will be awarded an MSocSc (Contemporary China Studies) Degree. 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.

4.22 Master of Social Sciences (MSocSc) in European Studies (Sino-European Relations)

(Two-year Part-time)

Prof. Richard BALME, Head Department of Government and International Studies

Aims

The Master of Social Sciences in European Studies (Sino-European Relations) has the following objectives:

- (a) to impart and update awareness and understanding of contemporary European, Chinese and Sino-European issues;
- (b) to prepare experts who can reinforce the links between China and the countries of the European Union;
- (c) to provide continuing professional development opportunities in the field of European-Chinese and European-Hong Kong relations; and
- (d) in these ways to further contribute to Hong Kong's role as a major international commercial and cultural crossroads.

The course will train students in the understanding of

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the main features of society in contemporary Europe and China and of European-Chinese cultural, economic and political relations. Comparative Political Sociology, International Relations, International Political Economy, Business and Law will be the main disciplines taught. The course will provide contacts with professionals, and employ case studies and onsite visits to develop students' empirical and practical knowledge.

Admission Requirements

The course is open to applicants with a wide range of backgrounds. To be eligible for admission, the applicants must have a recognized Bachelor's Degree or equivalent University Degree.

By exemption, applicants with substantial professional experience in private companies or public bodies, especially when their activities deal with Sino-European relations, may also be considered for admission. A written examination may in some cases be required.

Applicants shortlisted will be called for an interview. Overseas applicants will be interviewed by phone. They are expected to expose their motivation for the programme, to indicate their research interest and to provide evidence of their capacity for analysis and for writing. They are encouraged to send a motivation letter prior to the interview.

Applicants are required to provide evidence of English proficiency, as attested by a Bachelor's degree taught in English, a minimum of two years of regular use of English in professional activities, or a score of 550 in TOEFL or 6 in IELTS, or equivalent.

Structure of the Course

The MSocSc in European Studies (Sino-European Relations) is a part-time two-year course located in the Department of Government and International Studies. Classes are scheduled in the evening and if necessary on Saturdays. As an option, students are offered the possibility to spend one semester in Europe in a partner university.

Requirements of the course are as follows:

The curriculum is composed of four main elements:

- Five core subjects (12 units)
- Three elective subjects to be selected among two areas: i) Government and Public Policy and ii) Economic and Cultural Relations (9 units)
- A dissertation (15,000 to 20,000 words) or project (10,000 to 15,000 words) (6 units)
- Attendance on the Study Tour to Europe (optional)

Course Schedule

Year 1

Semester 1	6 units
European Integration & European Governance	3 units
Topics in Political Economy: Europe & China	3 units
Semester 2	6 units
Europe & China in the International System: Political & Economic Relations	3 units
European & Chinese Legal Issues	3 units
Methodology for Political Research	0 unit
Study Tour (Optional)	0 unit

Year 2

Semester 3	6 units
<i>TWO subjects from the following:</i>	
<i>Either</i>	
Area 1: Government & Public Policy	
Politics & Public Policy in China/Hong Kong	3 units
Politics of Industrial Relations & Welfare Systems in Europe & China	3 units
<i>or</i>	
Area 2: Economic & Cultural Relations	
European & Chinese Identities: Comparative Perspectives	3 units
Case Studies in Language & Cultural Policy	3 units
<i>or</i>	
Study Abroad (Optional)	6 units

Semester 4

Dissertation/Project	6 units
<i>ONE subject from the following:</i>	
<i>Either</i>	
Area 1: Government & Public Policy	
East/Central Europe & EU Enlargement	3 units
<i>or</i>	
Area 2: Economic & Cultural Relations	
Case Studies in EU-China Economic & Trade Relations	3 units
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Study Abroad Semester

As part of the programme, students can apply to spend semester 3 (Year 2) in a European University linked by a partnership agreement with the Department of Government & International Studies of Hong Kong Baptist University. Students are referred to a mentor acting as co-supervisor for their dissertation. They need to validate 6 units for their learning abroad by presenting term-papers and essays written during semester 3.

Students who have satisfactorily completed all the above 27 units requirements and achieve a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or above will be awarded an MSocSc Degree in European Studies (Sino-European Relations). 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.

4.23 Master of Social Sciences (MSocSc) in Sport and Leisure Management

(Two-year Part-time)

Prof. LEUNG Mee Lee, Head, Department of Physical Education

Aims

The course aims to provide opportunities for students to take a reflective and interdisciplinary approach to the planning, provision, and management of sport and leisure. The course also emphasizes a life-span approach to understanding the relationship among sport, leisure, and well-being and offers students with opportunities for active learning in various settings. The curriculum is designed to bear out the following objectives:

- (a) to advance students' understanding of the planning and provision of sport and leisure from a life-span perspective, including the provision of inclusive programmes;
- (b) to advance students' skills and knowledge in the management of sport and leisure;
- (c) to enable students to become reflective and critical practitioners who are able to assess and respond to changing needs of a society; and

- (d) to enhance students' competence in reading and carrying out independent research.



Admission Requirements

Applicants should possess:

- (a) a Bachelor's degree in physical education, sport/exercise science, sport/recreation/leisure/recreation management or other areas such as communication, tourism and hotel management from a recognized university (usually a good second class degree is required, but applicants with outstanding work experience may be considered); and
- (b) preferably with a minimum of two years of relevant work experience or a number of equivalent years of experience involved in sport and leisure management or administration; or
- (c) a qualification deemed to be equivalent.

Structure of the Course

This is a two-year part time taught master's degree course designed for professionals working or intending to work in the field of Sport and Leisure Management. The course admits students on an annual basis.

Most subjects are taught by a combination of lecture-discussions and seminars held on weekday evenings and/or Saturday mornings. During the second year of study, students have to complete a major assignment under the guidance of their supervisors.

Requirements of the course are as follows:

For graduation, students must complete 30 units, 26 units from coursework and 4 units from completing a major assignment (graduate internship or independent project or dissertation) within the duration of the course and obtain (a) Grade C- or above in all subjects; and (b) a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or above.