



GCS Research Options Course Lists

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I. Applied Economics

Students are advised to have a prerequisite in microeconomics and take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses

SOSC 1000A Behavioral Game

SOSC 1420 Poverty

SOSC 2630 Development in Rural China

SOSC 3000A Economic History of Europe and the West: A Global Perspective

SOSC 3120 Economic Development

SOSC 3410 East Asian Economic Development

SOSC 4260 China's Economic Transformation
(prerequisite: microeconomics)

ECON courses

Other courses below, at or above 4000-level subject to approval

(Remarks: Students taking this Research Option are required to take SOSC4610 *Quantitative Methods in the Social Science* (prerequisite: elementary statistics) in the GCS major. SOSC2230 *The Chinese Economy* is not included because an exclusion is set between this course and SOSC4260, which is a restricted elective of GCS. SOSC1440 *Introduction to Economics* is also not included because an exclusion is set with ECON's microeconomics and macroeconomics courses that are prerequisites for the upper-level ECON courses.)

2. Environment & Technology

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses
SOSC 1110 Science, Technology & Society
SOSC 1130 Science, Technology & Business
SOSC 1150 Science, Technology & Work
SOSC 1170 Environmental & Energy Governance in China
SOSC 2010 Environment & Society
SOSC 2170 Environment & Business
SOSC 2180 Science & Technological Policy in China
HUMA 2621 Culture and Environment
SOSC 3110 Science & Technology in Hong Kong
SOSC 3150 Science, Technology & Environment
SOSC 3180 Sustainable Development
ENVR 3210 Environmental Technology
ENVR 3310 Green Business Strategy
ENVR 3410 Economics for Environmental Policy & Management
SOSC 4290 China's Sustainable Development
Other courses below, at or above 4000-level subject to approval

3. Heritage & Cultural Sustainability (I)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses
HUMA 1100 Music of the World
HUMA 1231 Popular Culture of East Asia
HUMA 1620 Human Culture and Society
HUMA 1621 Anthropology of Hong Kong
HUMA 1630 Popular Religion in South China [C] [CA]
HUMA 1631 Exploring Chinese Culture in Fieldwork
HUMA 1639 Marriage, Family and Kinship in Cross-cultural Perspectives
HUMA 1650 Appreciation of Western Art
HUMA 1660 Introduction to Chinese Art [C] [PU]
HUMA 1680 Western Architectural Forms: A Brief History
HUMA 1810 Introduction to Chinese Philosophy [C] [CA]
HUMA 1811 History of Chinese Philosophy [C] [CA]
HUMA 1910 World Religions
HUMA 2105 Music, Drama and Theatre
HUMA 2240 Masterpieces of Chinese Literature [C] [PU]
HUMA 2280 Identity Goes Global: From Border Crossing to Boundary Remaking
HUMA 2320 Chinese Drama [C] [PU]
HUMA 2330 Hong Kong Literature [C] [CA]

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3. Heritage & Cultural Sustainability (2)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses
HUMA 2620 Culture and Tourism
HUMA 2621 Culture and Environment
HUMA 2622 Heritage and Culture
HUMA 2623 Cultural Sustainability in South China [CA] [PU]
HUMA 2630 Anthropology of Food
HUMA 2632 Chinese Culture and Society in Anthropological Perspectives [C] [CA]
HUMA 2633 Before Mao: Traditional Chinese Society from 1800 to 1949
HUMA 2635 Cultural Diversity in China
HUMA 2660 Introduction to Chinese Painting [C] [PU]
HUMA 2661 Chinese Oil Painting
HUMA 2670 Understanding Western Painting
HUMA 2680 Understanding Western Architecture
HUMA 2820 Chinese Culture and Its Philosophies
HUMA 2830 Core Values in Confucianism [C] [PU]
HUMA 2840 Buddhism and the Chinese Intellectual Tradition [C] [PU]
SOSC 3130 Hong Kong Culture [C] [CA]
HUMA 3620 Visual Anthropology
HUMA 3630 Community and Cultural Identity [Recommended]

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3. Heritage & Cultural Sustainability (3)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses

HUMA 3660 Tradition & Modernity: Chinese Ink Painting in 20th Century

HUMA 3680 Contemporary Architecture: The Pritzker Prize Winners

HUMA 3800 Guided Studies in Chinese Philosophical Classics [C] [CA]

HUMA 3810 Taoism and the Chinese Tradition [C] [PU]

HUMA 3900 Philosophical Inquiry into the Modern World

HUMA 4610 Heritage in Cross-cultural Perspective

HUMA 4700 Confucianism in a Global Context

Other courses below, at or above 4000-level subject to approval

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4. History (I)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses
HUMA 1410 General Chinese History: Pre-modern
HUMA 1430 History of P. R. China's Diplomacy, 1949-1989 [C] [PU]
HUMA 1450 The History of the People's Republic of China
HUMA 1520 Modern East Asia
HUMA 1550 Europe and the World in the 20th Century
HUMA 1650 Appreciation of Western Art
HUMA 1660 Introduction to Chinese Art [C] [PU]
HUMA 1680 Western Architectural Forms: A Brief History
HUMA 2420 Late Imperial China [C] [PU]
HUMA 2421 Pre-modern China: The Song and Yuan Dynasties, 960-1368 [C] [PU]
HUMA 2430 China in the 20th Century [C] [CA]
HUMA 2440 20th Century China in Documentary Films
HUMA 2470 City and Village: Life and Culture in Modern China [C]
HUMA 2480 Daily Life in Imperial China [C] [PU]
HUMA 2481 Common Beliefs in Pre-modern China [C] [PU]
HUMA 2570 East Asia and the West: Cultures in Contact
HUMA 2580 China and Southeast Asia
HUMA 2589 Mussolini, Stalin, Hitler: Dictators and their Regimes

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4. History (2)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses	
HUMA 2590	The Making of the Modern World: Renaissance to the Present
HUMA 2633	Before Mao: Traditional Chinese Society from 1800 to 1949
HUMA 2640	Unofficial China: Social History 1800s-1930s [C]
HUMA 2660	Introduction to Chinese Painting [C] [PU]
HUMA 2661	Chinese Oil Painting
HUMA 2670	Understanding Western Painting
HUMA 2680	Understanding Western Architecture
SOSC 3000A	Economic History of Europe and the West: A Global Perspective
SHSS 3001	Large Datasets, New Facts, Huge Comparisons: A New History for a New China, 1700-2000
HUMA 3421	Chinese Military History before 1800
HUMA 3430	Reading Modern Chinese History Historically [C]
HUMA 3440	Issues in Chinese History from Han to Tang [C] [PU]
HUMA 3530	History of the Overseas Chinese
HUMA 3550	Social Change and Social Thought in Europe, 1750-1914
HUMA 3660	Tradition & Modernity: Chinese Ink Painting in 20th Century
HUMA 3680	Contemporary Architecture: The Pritzker Prize Winners
HUMA 4000A	Max Weber, the West, and the World

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4. History (3)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses

HUMA 4000B Political Islam: Medieval Theology, Modern Ideology

HUMA 4000L Western Painting: From Renaissance to Impressionism

HUMA 4460 Chinese Institutional History [C] [CA]

HUMA 4470 Chinese Business History

HUMA 4520 History of US-China Relations

Other courses below, at or above 4000-level subject to approval

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(Note: “HUMA1440 Modern China” and “HUMA 2400 Methods of Reading China-related Materials in Humanities” are not included in the list as they are already required courses in the GCS major.)

5. Language and Literature (I)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses	
HUMA 1010	Introduction to Language [Recommended]
HUMA 1020	Chinese Writing and Culture [C]
HUMA 1030	Structure of the Chinese Language [C]
HUMA 1060	Introduction to Mandarin Chinese Grammar [C] [PU]
HUMA 1200	Film Art and Cinema Culture
HUMA 1210	Chinese Women on Screen
HUMA 1220	Chinese Literature in Translation
HUMA 1231	Popular Culture of East Asia
HUMA 1300	Introduction to Western Literature
HUMA 2010	Metaphors in English and Chinese [C]
HUMA 2012	Chinese Language, Logic, and Science
HUMA 2031	The Cantonese Language [C] [CA]
HUMA 2050	Classical Chinese [C] [PU]
HUMA 2220	China in Film: Modern Chinese Culture and Identities
HUMA 2280	Identity Goes Global: From Border Crossing to Boundary Remaking
HUMA 2230	Literature and the Self in China [C]
HUMA 2240	Masterpieces of Chinese Literature [C] [PU]
HUMA 2250	Modern Chinese Fiction (1917-1949) [C] [PU]
HUMA 2260	Contemporary Chinese Fiction (1949-present) [C] [PU]

5. Language and Literature (2)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses
HUMA 2300 Traditional Chinese Poetry: Early Chinese Poetry [C] [PU]
HUMA 2310 Traditional Chinese Fiction [C]
HUMA 2320 Chinese Drama [C] [PU]
HUMA 2330 Hong Kong Literature [C] [CA]
HUMA 3200 Questions of Humanity in World Literature
HUMA 3000A Creative Writing in Chinese [C] [PU]
HUMA 3000S Popular Literature and Print Culture in Republican China
HUMA 3030 Language, Communication and Culture
HUMA 3040 Study of the Modern Chinese Writing System [C]
HUMA 3210 Traditional Chinese Poetry: Tang and Song Poetry [C] [PU]
HUMA 3220 Modern Chinese Poetry [C] [PU]
HUMA 4010 Topics in Chinese Grammar
HUMA 4020 Language and Literature in Modern China [C] [CA] [PU]
HUMA 4210 Seminar on Chinese Poets [C] [CA]
HUMA 4220 Verbal and Visual Representation of China
HUMA 4230 Seminar on Modern Chinese Short Stories [C] [CA]
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6. Sociology (I)

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Courses
SOSC 1662 Contemporary Hong Kong: Society
SOSC 1780 Population & Development in China
SOSC 1800 Understanding Chinese Society
SOSC 1810 Sociology of Family
SOSC 1850 Understanding Society [Recommended]
SOSC 1860 Population and Society
SOSC 2210 Environment and Society
SOSC 2220 Women in China
SOSC 2740 Gender & Society
SOSC 2780 Modernization & Social Change
SOSC 3130 Hong Kong Culture [C] [CA]
SOSC 3160 Gender, Development & Fertility
SOSC 3190 Population Aging, Mortality & Health
SOSC 3XXX Social Theory and Modernity [Recommended]
SOSC 3380 Social Stratification & Social Mobility

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6. Sociology (2)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses	
HUMA 3550	Social Change and Social Thought in Europe, 1750-1914
SOSC 3620	Critical Urban Studies
HUMA 4000A	Max Weber, the West, and the World
SOSC 4270	Social Change in Contemporary China
SOSC 4280	China in the Global Political Economy
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(Note: “SOSCI350 Contemporary China” and “SOSC2140 Research Methods in the Social Sciences” are not included in the list as they are already required courses in the GCS major.)

7. Politics (I)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses
SOSC 1190 China & the World
SOSC 1250 International Relations
SOSC 1270 International Law
SOSC 1290 Introduction to Chinese Politics
SOSC 1340 China-US Relations
SOSC 1661 Contemporary HK: Government & Politics
SOSC 1840 Government, Law & Society in China
SOSC 2260 The World of Politics [Recommended]
SOSC 2280 International Relations of East Asia
SOSC 2290 Understanding Globalization
HUMA2589 Mussolini, Stalin, Hitler: Dictators and their Regimes
SOSC 2640 The Chinese Cultural Revolution: A Case Study in Politico-Social Movements
SOSC 3330 Modern Dictatorship: West and East
HUMA3421 Chinese Military History before 1800
SOSC 3520 Understanding Comparative Politics
SOSC 3630 Democracy and Democratization around the World

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7. Politics (2)

Students must take three courses from an approved course list, including two at or above 3000-level.

Courses	
SOSC 4000A	China in Comparative Perspective
HUMA 4000B	Political Islam: Medieval Theology, Modern Ideology
SOSC 4280	China in the Global Political Economy
HUMA4520	History of US-China Relations
SOSC 4600	Understanding Chinese Politics
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