

Sociology
Applicable to students admitted in 2024-25

Bachelor of Social Science (Sociology) and Juris Doctor Double Degree Option

1st Degree: Bachelor of Social Science (Sociology)

Major Programme Requirement

Students are required to complete a minimum of 69 units of courses as follows:

	Units
1. Faculty Package: SOCI1001 and any two courses, offered by two different Programmes/Departments/Schools, chosen from the following: ARCH1001, 1002, 1003, COMM1110, 1120, 1150, 1500, DSPS1001, 1003, 1004, ECON1210, 1220, 2011, GLSD1001, GPAD1020, 1076, 1077, GRMD1302, 1401, 1402, PSYC1000, 1630, SOSOC1001, 1002, 1003, SOWK1001, 1113, 1114, URSP1001, 1002	9
2. Required Courses: SOCI1002, 2003, 2004, 2104, 3003, 3223, 3231, 4010 (capstone course), 4020 (capstone course)	27
3. Elective Courses: 33 units of courses chosen from the following, including a minimum of 6 units of elective courses at 3000 or above level: SOCI2101, 2103, 2106, 2116, 2203, 2208, 2216, 2218, 2219, 3001, 3002, 3102, 3204, 3207, 3208, 3221, 3224, 3225, 3226, 3227, 3229, 3230, 3233, 3234, 3235, 3236, 3237, 3238, 3239, 3240, 3241, 3242, 3243, 3451, 3452, 3453, 4201, 4202, 4204, 4205, 4208, 4209, 4210, 4211, 4351, 4352, 4353, 4410, 4420	33
Total:	69

Concentration Area:

Students may choose to declare one, or up to two concentration areas by taking at least 15 or 18 units in the relevant area(s):

Research Methods and Data Analytics

At least 18 units of courses from the three modules listed below:

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| (a) Quantitative Method Cluster:
At least 6 units from SOCI2004, 3229, 3243, 4201 | 6 |
| (b) Computational Method Cluster:
At least 3 units from SOCI3102, 3238 | 3 |
| (c) Community Social Analysis Cluster:
At least 9 units from SOCI2003, 3001, 3221, 3225, 3227, 3231, 3235, 4020[a], 4211[b], 4410/4420[c] | 9 |

Optional Interdisciplinary Cluster:

A maximum of 3 units from one of the following courses can be counted towards the fulfillment of 3 units in any one of the clusters of the concentration listed above:

DSPS2201, 3202, GRMD2104, 2105, 3104, 3106

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| (a) | Required Courses:
SOC12106, 2203, 3227 or 3236[d] | 9 |
| (b) | Elective Courses:
At least 6 units of courses chosen from the following, with a maximum of 3 units of DSPS courses:
DSPS2201, 2301, 2501, 3202, SOC12116, 2208, 2216, 2218, 3204, 3208, 3227 or 3236[d], 3237, 3242, 3243, 4020[a], 4202, 4211[b], 4410/4420[c] | 6 |

Society, Sustainability and Technology

At least 18 units of courses from the two modules listed below: 18

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| (a) | Environment and Technology (at least 6 units)
Required Course:
SOC13239
Elective Course(s):
At least 3 units from SOC13102, 3238, 3240, 4210 | |
| (b) | Society and Sustainability (at least 9 units)
Required Course(s):
At least 3 units from SOC13002[e], 3241[e], 4204[e]
Elective Courses:
At least 6 units from SOC12116, 2208, 2216, 2218, 3002[e], 3204, 3208, 3227, 3230, 3237, 3241[e], 4020[a], 4202, 4204[e], 4211[b], 4410/4420[c] | |

Explanatory Notes:

1. SOC1 courses at 2000 and above level will be included in the calculation of Major GPA for honours classification.
- [a] Graduation Thesis II (SOC14020)
- The Graduation Thesis should have a strong component matching the theme of a particular concentration in order to fulfill the requirement of that concentration area.
 - If a student declares to take two concentration areas, units earned from the course “Graduation Thesis II” will be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of one area only, subject to the course supervisor’s endorsement. The student should indicate towards which area the units are counted when declaring the concentrations.
- [b] Sociology Internship: Nurturing Competency for Meeting Future Challenges (SOC14211)
- The internship organisation and/or the internship job nature should have a strong component matching the theme of a particular concentration in order to fulfill the requirement of that concentration area.
 - If a student declares to take two concentration areas, units earned from the course “Sociology Internship: Nurturing Competency for Meeting Future Challenges” will be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of one area only, subject to the course supervisor’s endorsement. The student should indicate towards which area the units are counted when declaring the concentrations.
- [c] Directed Studies I/II (SOC14410/4420)
- The Directed Studies should have a strong component matching the theme of a particular concentration in order to fulfill the requirement of that concentration area.
 - If a student has taken SOC14410 and 4420, and both are of the same theme that can be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of one concentration only, then only up to 3 units from either one course can be counted towards the fulfillment of the concentration requirement, also subject to the course supervisor’s endorsement.
 - If a student has taken SOC14410 and 4420 with different themes, subject to the

course supervisor's endorsement, the units earned from SOCI4410 can be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of one concentration and SOCI4420 towards another.

- Units earned from a directed studies course can only be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of one concentration.

[d] Students are required to take either SOCI3227 or 3236 in order to fulfill the requirement of Required Courses. If a student has taken both SOCI3227 and 3236, the extra 3 units earned can be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of Elective Courses.

[e] Students are required to take either SOCI3002 or 3241 or 4204 in order to fulfill the requirement of Required Courses. If a student has taken more than one of these three courses, the extra 3 units or 6 units earned can be counted towards the fulfillment of the requirement of Elective Courses.

Requirements for admission to the 2nd degree programme:

1. Students must receive first or upper second honours in their first degree with a Major GPA of 3.3 or above; and
2. Students should normally have passed all their undergraduate courses. Students who have any failure grades on their first degree (i.e. Bachelor of Social Science (Sociology)) transcript will not be permitted to proceed to the second degree (i.e. Juris Doctor (JD)) without the consent of the Programme Director of the JD Programme.

2nd Degree: Juris Doctor (JD)

Programme Requirement

Students are required to complete a minimum of 72 units of courses as follows:

1.	Required Courses: LAWS6001, 6004, 6006[a], 6007, 6901 or 6902[b]	Units 15 or 18
2.	Elective Courses: Students are required to take at least 54 or 57 units of courses from the following[c]: <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Elective courses which are pre-requisites for subsequent admission to the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) Programme: LAWS6011, 6013, 6015, 6017, 6018, 6019, 6020, 6021, 6022, 6023, 6024- Other elective courses offered under the Juris Doctor Programme- Elective courses offered under the Master of Laws Programmes	54 or 57
	Total:	<hr/> 72

Other Requirements

1. Students must also fulfill the following requirements for graduation:
 - (a) Students must fulfill the Term Assessment Requirement. A student who obtains a cumulative GPA below 2.0 in the preceding term will be put on academic probation. For details, please refer to Clause 13.0 "Unsatisfactory Performance and Discontinuation of Studies" of the General Regulations Governing Postgraduate Studies which can be accessed from the Graduate School Homepage: <http://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/>.
 - (b) Students must have a cumulative GPA of at least 2.0 in order to graduate.

Explanatory Notes:

- [a] Students may take LAWS6089 to substitute LAWS6006.

- [b] Students are required to take either LAWS6901 (3-unit course) or 6902 (6-unit course). The extra 3 units completed in LAWS6902 will count towards the total units required for graduation.
- [c] LAWS6012 and 6014 will no longer be pre-requisites for admission to the PCLL Programme. Starting from the 2021-22 academic year, they will still be elective courses offered under the JD Programme.

	1st Degree: Bachelor of Social Science (Sociology) Recommended Course Pattern	Units
First Year of Attendance	1 st term Faculty Package: SOCI1001 and 1 Faculty Package course Major Required: SOCI1002 Major Elective(s):	6 3
	2 nd term Faculty Package: 1 course Major Required: SOCI2104 Major Elective(s): 1-2 course(s)	3 3 3-6
	1 st term Major Required: SOCI2003 Major Elective(s): 1 course	3 3
	2 nd term Major Required: SOCI2004 and 3003 Major Elective(s): 1 course	6 3
Third Year of Attendance	1 st term Major Required: SOCI3223 Major Elective(s): 1-2 course(s)	3 3-6
	2 nd term Major Required: SOCI3231 Major Elective(s): 2-3 courses	3 6-9
	1 st term Major Required: SOCI4010 Major Elective(s): 1-2 course(s)	3 3-6
	2 nd term Major Required: SOCI4020 Major Elective(s): 1-2 course(s)	3 3-6
Total (including Faculty Package):		69

	2nd Degree: Juris Doctor (JD)* Recommended Course Pattern	Units
First Year of Attendance	1 st term Required: LAWS6001, 6004 Elective(s): LAWS6015^, 6021^, 6022^	6 9

Second Year of Attendance	2 nd term Required: Elective(s): LAWS6018 [^] , 6020 [^] , 6023 [^] , any 2 LAWS electives	15
	Summer session Required: LAWS6006 Elective(s): any 1 LAWS elective	3 3
	1 st term Required: Elective(s): LAWS6011 [^] , 6019 [^] , any 3 LAWS electives	15
	2 nd term Required: LAWS6007, 6901 or 6902 Elective(s): LAWS6013 [^] , 6017 [^] , any 1 LAWS elective	6 or 9 6 or 9
	Summer session Required: Elective(s): LAWS6024 [^] , any 1 LAWS elective	6
	Total:	72
<p>[^] Elective courses which are pre-requisites for subsequent admission to the PCLL Programme. Students may take other elective courses in place of these 11 courses for fulfillment of programme requirement, as detailed in the study scheme.</p> <p>* The normative study period of the full-time Juris Doctor Programme is 24 months.</p>		