

Minor in Chinese (for 3-year curriculum)

Programme Code:

72018-ZCH

Mode:

UGC-funded

No. of Credits Required:

18

Programme Aims:

The rapid economic development in China is matched by the ever-increasing importance and power of the Chinese language. With the deepening economic interactions between the Mainland and Hong Kong, there is a growing demand for a workforce capable of communicating effectively and appropriately in the Chinese cultural context. A minor in Chinese combined with a major in any discipline would definitely sharpen students' competitive edges in the job market.

Programme Outcomes:

Differing from the subjects offered by traditional Chinese departments, this programme, adopting an international perspective, provides students with solid training in applied Chinese to cope with the communication tasks in the contemporary society. After completing the programme, students should be able to:

- Come to the realization that Chinese can be studied in a rigorous and scientific manner;
- Acquire advanced writing skills in applied Chinese;
- Strengthen Putonghua communication skills;
- Develop an awareness of the differences and similarities in Chinese used in Hong Kong and the Mainland;
- Familiarize with the dialects and cultures in China.

Admission Information:

Students (excluding those from CBS and ENGL) enrolling on full-time UGC-funded degree programmes which offer major/minor options are qualified to opt for this programme.

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Curriculum:

The programme consists of 11 subjects, 5 of them provide training on Chinese proficiency and literature, while the other 6 on the scientific nature of Chinese language. Students are required to complete 6 subjects with at least 3 subjects at Level 3 or above.

Subject Code	Subject Nature/Title	No of Credits
PROFICIENCY/LITERATURE SUBJECTS		
CBS291	Putonghua for Professional Communication	3
CBS307	Great Works in Chinese Literature	3
CBS371	Chinese for Business and Administration	3
CBS372	Chinese for the Multimedia	3
CBS309	Contemporary Chinese Society through Literature	3
LINGUISTIC SUBJECTS		
CBS292	Structure of Modern Chinese	3
CBS303	Linguistic Meaning and Contextual Use	3
CBS421	Contrastive Analysis of Chinese and English	3
CBS428	Varieties of Written Chinese	3
CBS416	Analysis of Cantonese	3
CBS417	Varieties of Spoken Chinese	3