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WELCOME TO THE DEPARTMENT OF HISTORY !



Dear Year 1 Broadbased Students,

This leaflet is designed to introduce you to the Department of History in preparation for the Major Application process. If you have questions that are not covered in this leaflet, please feel free to contact us. Choosing a Major is an important decision, which will have a lasting impact on your future career. The Department's doors are always open to students seeking advice and support.

The History Department is composed of a team of energetic scholars and dedicated teachers from diverse backgrounds and areas of expertise. All members of the Department care deeply about our students and enjoy witnessing their academic and personal successes. We hope that you will have fun studying history, while also developing the analytical skills and historical perspective that will be useful throughout your lives. The Department wishes you a fruitful learning journey at Baptist University!

With best regards, Historians at 11/F AAB

Stay Connected

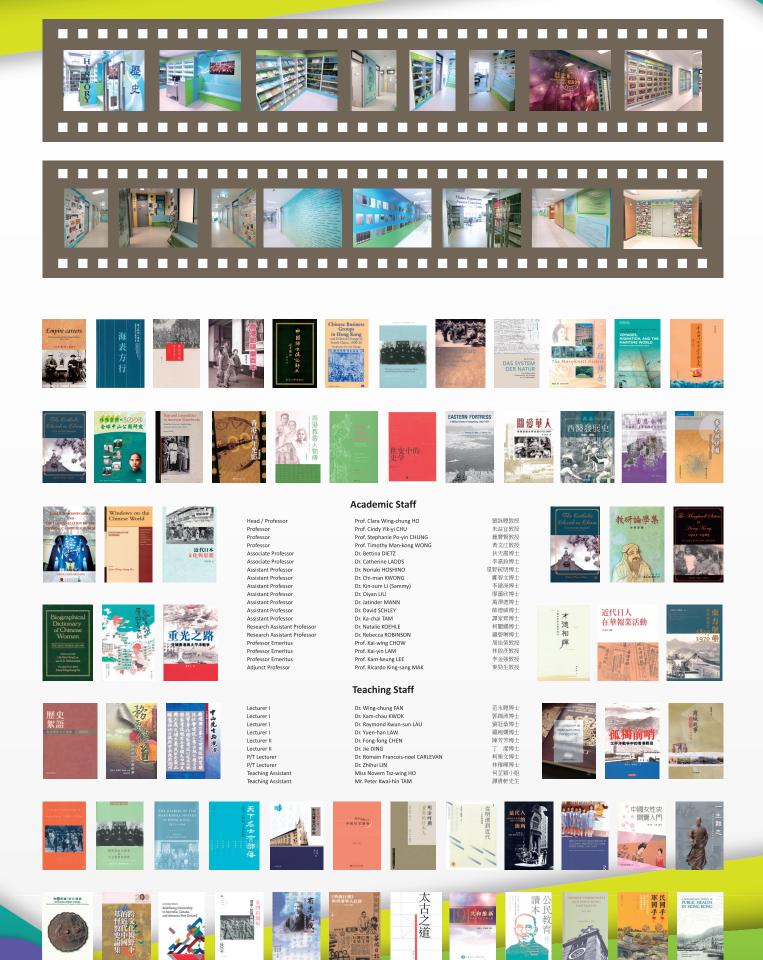


Please browse through our monthly E-newsletter in order to learn about the Department's latest developments!



- 1. History: The Department of History and Geography was established in 1960, four years after the Hong Kong Baptist College was founded. In 1978, the Department split into two departments, namely the Department of History and the Department of Geography. The History Department commenced its first degree course for the History Major in 1988. In 1994, the College was renamed Hong Kong Baptist University.
- 2. Teaching Programmes: (i) BA (Hons) in History; (ii) BSSc (Hons) in China Studies - History Concentration; (iii) BA (Hons) in History and Bed (Hons) in Liberal Studies Teaching; (iv) BA (Hons) in History + Diploma in Education; (v) BSSc (Hons) in China Studies -History Concentration + Diploma in Education; (vi) BA/BSocSc (Hons) in HIST and BEd (Hons) in Personal, Social & Humanities Education Teaching; (vii) MSSc in Contemporary China Studies - History and Culture Concentration; (viii) MPhil; (ix) PhD.
- 3- Current Undergraduate Enrolment: 228
- 4. Current F/T, P/T, and Visiting Academic/Teaching Staff: 29
- 5. Contact Info:
 - S 3411 7107 / 3411 7174 / 3411 2458 / 3411 7179 (phone);
 - 3411 7885 (Fax);
 - hist@hkbu.edu.hk (email);
 - http://histweb.hkbu.edu.hk (website)

A Tour of the Department



BA (Hons) in History (4-year curriculum)

Programme Description

It is hoped that students, after completing the programme, will be able:

- 1. To investigate the development of human society from a historical perspective;
- 2. To demonstrate power of critical thinking and analytical ability in understanding historical events;
- 3. To show in-depth knowledge of the heritage of China and other great civilizations;
- 4. To pursue graduate studies in history or a related discipline; and
- 5. To enter various fields outside history, such as the civil service, business, publishing, and teaching.

Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILO)

Students, who have completed the four-year programme successfully, will be able to:

- 1. acquire a sound understanding of major historical factors and movements that shape the growth of the human community.
- 2. demonstrate an in-depth and up-to-date knowledge of at least one of the following areas: (1) Chinese History, (2) World History, or (3) East-West Studies.
- 3. apply advanced historical methods and innovative explanation models to conduct independent research for the pursuit of original and creative inquiries.
- 4. trace the historical roots of contemporary issues and analyze the worldwide impact of individual historical events. communicate effectively historical knowledge in competent language and IT skills.
- 5. appreciate the nature, values, uses and limitations of history as an academic discipline and the significance of historical knowledge.
- 6. develop a critical and broadminded attitude toward traditions and cultural heritage of different civilizations to facilitate students' search for the value and meanings of citizenship with an international outlook and a sense of civility.

The structure of the curriculum is as follows:

Major Required Courses	27 units
Core Major Elective Courses	9 units
Major Elective Courses	21 units
Honours Project	6 units
Social Sciences Common Core	4 units
General Education Courses	31 units
Elective Courses	30 units
	128 units



For a list of the current required courses, core major elective courses, and major elective courses, please visit http://histweb.hkbu.edu.hk/degree/deg-ba4.html. For a full list of courses offered by the Department of History, please visit http:// histweb.hkbu.edu.hk/degree/courselist.pdf.



Scholarships Exclusively for History Majors

- 1-5 Dr. Tan Siu Lin Scholarship (5 admission/exchange awards per year)
- 6 Ding Richang Scholarship (highest Sem 1 CGPA among all classes)
- 7 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: The Sima Qian and Ban Gu Award (basing on Sem 1 SGPA among all classes)
- 8 Mr. Liu Chia Chu Memorial Scholarship (basing on Sem 1/ Yr 4 CGPA)
- 9 Professor Chow Kai Wing Scholarship (basing on Sem 1/Yr 4 SGPA)
- 10 HKBU Scholarship in Historical Studies (basing on Sem 2/ Yr 3 CGPA)
- 11 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: *The Spring and Autumn Annals* Award (Basing on Sem 2/ Yr 3 SGPA)
- Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: The Herodotus Award (Basing on Sem 2/ Yr 3 SGPA)
 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Professor Robin D S Yates and Professor Grace S Fong
- Scholarship (basing on Sem 2/Yr 3 CGPA)
- 14 Professor Lee Kam Keung Scholarship (basing on Sem 1/ Yr 3 CGPA)
- 15 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Dr. Soo Kim Lan Scholarship (Basing on Sem 1/ Yr 3 SGPA)
- 16 Dr. and Mrs. Arthur Lau Scholarship (basing on Sem2/ Yr 2 CGPA)
- 17 Mr Rocky Sung Scholarship (for Semester Two) (basing on Sem 2/Yr 2 SGPA)
- 18 Professor Lam Kai Yin Scholarship (basing on Sem 1/ Yr 2 CGPA)
- Mr Rocky Sung Scholarship (for Semester One) (basing on Sem 1/Yr 2 SGPA)
 Madam Shao Shu Lung Memorial Scholarship (basing on Sem 2/ Yr 1 CGPA)
- 21 Madam Shao Shu Lung Memorial Prize (for Postgraduate Students)
- 22 Dr. Arthur Lau Award in Gender History (for Postgraduate Students and Final Yr Students)
- 23-24 Class of 1985 30th Anniversary Scholarship (1 award for highest Sem 1 CGPA with an exchange experience among all classes + 1 award for MPhil/PhD student who has returned from an overseas attachment)
- 25 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Alumnus Dr. Jonathan K C Choi Scholarship (for students returned from exchanges in Mainland China) (basing on S2 CGPA among non final-year students returned from exchanges in Mainland China)
- 26 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Alumnus Dr. Jonathan K C Choi Scholarship (for students returned from exchanges in Taiwan) (basing on S2 CGPA among non final-year students returned from exchanges in Taiwan)
- 27 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Professor Hsiao Tso Liang Memorial Scholarship (for students returned from exchanges in Europe) (basing on S2 CGPA among non final-year students returned from exchanges in Europe)
- 28 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Professor Hsiao Tso Liang Memorial Scholarship (for students returned from exchanges in the United States)
- 29 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: The Wei Yuan and Xu Jiyu Award (for students returned from exchanges in Canada, Australia, or any country in South America and Africa)
 - Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: The W & T Award (for students returned from exchanges in Asia, except Mainland China and Taiwan)
- 31 Department of History 40th Anniversary Scholarship: Alumna Esther May Wai Wong Scholarship (biggest improvement in SGPA between Sem 1 and Sem 2, with CGPA ≥ 3.0)

ADMISSION SCHOLARSHIPS

Dr. Tan Siu Lin Scholarship

5 awards for newly declared History majors per year (4 Broad-based students + 1 Senior Year entrant)

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Bank of China (Hong Kong) Scholarship for Outstanding Student in Chinese History

One freshman in the Broad-based Programme who obtained 5** in DSE Chinese History and will declare History as major will be nominated for the award



Research Directions / Areas

The Department has an international reputation in historical research. Our members publish widely in academic journals, books, and edited volumes. Our research, teaching, and publications cover a variety of topics, periods, and regions, and are delivered in multiple languages.

Business History Cultural History Economic History Ethnic History Gender History Intellectual History Legal History Military History Natural History Political History Urban History

History of Children

History of Christianity History of Customs History of Education History of Expatriate Communities History of Material Cultures History of Medicine and Diseases History of Migration History of Popular Religion History of Railroads History of Science and Knowledge African History East Asian History European History Global History Local History Middle Eastern History North American History Cocanian History

Archaeology

- Colonialism
- Cross-cultural Studies
- Foreign Relations
- Historical Anthropology
- Historical Geographic Information
- System
- Historiography
- History through Art
- The Enlightenment
- The Maritime World





Questions?

What can I learn from studying History?

Please come to 11/F AAB and take a look at the inspirational quotes about the benefits of studying history that we have posted.



What are some examples of well-known historians?

Please look at the names of renowned historians from various nations we have posted outside AAB 1132A.



What can I do with a History degree?

A history degree opens up a wide range of possibilities. Please visit our information board on the "History Career Option" on the wall opposite AAB 1145.



What kind of academic support can I obtain from the Department?

The "Special Collections and Learning Centre" (AAB 1132) is open to students during office hours. The TA/RPg student on duty will be happy to answer any homework questions you may have. Moreover, the Department offers a Peer Mentoring Program to match incoming students and others who would like to participate with peers who can help them navigate the Department and University life. Students are welcome to join as mentors or mentees. You are also welcome to seek help directly from individual professors.



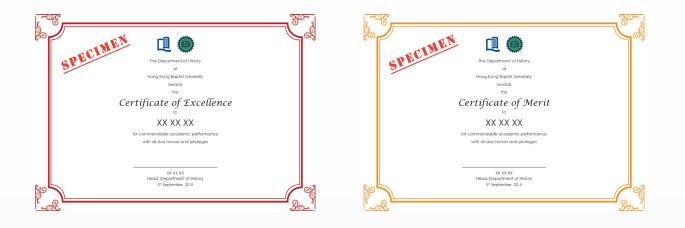
O How will I be informed about what's going on in the Department?

As a member of the History Family you will receive an email alert as soon as a new issue of the E-newsletter has been published. Also, you will receive e-mail invitations to all academic activities organized by the Department.



Will my academic achievements be recognized?

Absolutely. Students with top GPAs within each year group will be automatically considered for different scholarships. Besides, students with cGPA \geq 3.40 will be awarded Certificates of Excellence and students with cGPA 3.30 – 3.39 will receive Certificates of Merit. There are also other kinds of awards to recognize students' academic performance, leadership, and service dedication.



Will I have a chance to meet all the Department's teachers and my fellow students?

Yes, all History majors enrolled in different programmes will be invited to the History Department Annual Assembly which is held at the beginning of each academic year. All staff members of the Department will attend and a "family picture" will be taken.



Does the Department care about the voices of students?

Absolutely. An Annual Faculty-student Consultative Meeting will be held in late spring and all students are invited to give comments and express any concerns they may have. Individual students will be invited to share their experiences with staff and fellow students, either verbally at the Annual Assembly or in writing in the E-newsletter. Also, there is a suggestion box in the Department if you prefer to submit comments anonymously.



Does the Department offer a Minor Programme?

Yes, students are required to take a total of 15 units in order to fulfill the Minor Programme requirement. At the moment there are 67 courses for students to choose from. In the Classes of 2018 and 2019, History is the second most popular minor programme in the whole University. For more details please visit histweb.hkbu.edu.hk/degree/minor-4year. pdf.



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