

Journalism and Media Studies Centre (JMSC)
Bachelor of Journalism (2023-2024)

Recommended Study Plan for the 4-year curriculum

Year 1	Course	Course Code	Credits	TOTAL Credits
Sem 1	Common Core Courses (CCC)	2 courses	12	30-36
	Core UE requirement*	Core UE requirement (Sem 1 or 2)	0-6	
	JMSC introductory core courses [#]	JMSC1001, JMSC1003, JMSC1011	18	
	Introductory courses for other major [#]	Introductory / pre-requisite course for other major (e.g. SOC1XXX; POL1XXXX)	0-6	
Sem 2	Core UE requirement*	Core UE requirement (Sem 1 or 2)	0-6	24
	Common Core Courses (CCC)	1 course	6	
	JMSC introductory core course [#]	JMSC1012	6	
	Introductory courses for other major [#]	Introductory / pre-requisite course for other major (e.g. SOC1XXX; POL1XXXX)	0-6	
(late May)	JMSC pre-internship workshop	Pre-internship workshop	0	12
Summer (Jun to Jul)	Faculty's Global Citizenship (GC)	FOSS2019 or [exchange in Yr 2 or 3 (one semester or whole year)]	12	

Year 2 (stay in HKU or go for exchange - you can use the exchange programme to fulfill the Faculty's Global Citizenship requirement)

Sem 1 <i>(Declare second major during add/drop period, No disciplinary minors are allowed, except for clusters offered by the Common Core office[^])</i>	JMSC advanced core courses	JMSC2001	6	24-36
	JMSC electives	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
	English in the Discipline	CAES9921 (recommended) or CAES9922	0-6	
	Introductory courses for other major [#]	Introductory / pre-requisite course for other major	6	
	Common Core Courses (CCC)	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
	Other major courses	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
Sem 2	JMSC advanced courses	JMSC2XXX	6	24-30
	Exchange (Year 2 or 3)	Exchange (esp. for those didn't take FOSS2019 in year 1 summer)		
	English in the Discipline*	CAES9923 or CAES9930	0-6	
	Chinese requirement**	CSSC9001 or equivalent	6	
	JMSC electives	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
	Other major courses	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	

Year 3 (stay in HKU or go for exchange - you can use the exchange programme to fulfill the Faculty's Global Citizenship requirement)

Sem 1	JMSC advanced core courses	JMSC2002 or JMSC2003	6	24
	JMSC electives	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
	Other major course	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
	Exchange	Exchange (esp. for those didn't take FOSS2019 in year 1 or 2 summer)		
Sem 2	Exchange	Exchange (esp. for those didn't take FOSS2019 in year 1 or 2 summer)		24
	JMSC advanced core courses	JMSC2002 or JMSC2003	6	
	Common Core Courses (CCC)	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
	Other major courses	1 - 2 courses	6 - 12	
Summer (Jun to Aug)	JMSC summer internship	JMSC summer internship (JMSC2004) - you can take it in Year 2 or Year 3 sum	12	12

Year 4

Sem 1	Other major courses	3 courses	18	24-30
	JMSC advanced core courses	JMSC2002 or JMSC2003	6	
	Capstone experience requirement	JMSC4001 (Sem 1 or 2)	6	
Sem 2	Other major courses	3 courses	18	24-30
	JMSC advanced core courses	JMSC2002 or JMSC2003	6	
	Free electives	Free electives courses	6	

TOTAL CREDITS

240-288

REMARKS:	You can take 24 - 30 credits per semester, but no more than 72 credits in an academic year
	Courses Credits
HKU Requirements:	English* 12
	Chinese** 6
	CCC 36
Faculty Requirements:	Global Citizenship 12
Journalism Major:	JMSC introductory core courses [#] 24
	JMSC advanced core courses 18
	JMSC pre-internship workshop 0
	JMSC internship 12
	Capstone experience requirement 6
	JMSC electives 24
Other Major [^] :	Other major courses (including all pre-requisites) 72-90
Free electives:	Free elective courses: 0-18
	TOTAL CREDITS 240-288

* Students who have achieved Level 5 or above in English Language in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination, or equivalent, are exempted from this requirement, and Core University English is optional. Those who do not take this course should take an elective course in lieu.

** Students who have not studied the Chinese language during their secondary education or who have not attained the requisite level of competence in the Chinese language enhancement course may apply for exemption and take a 6-credit Cantonese or Putonghua language courses offered by the School of Chinese (especially for international and exchange students), or take an elective course in lieu.

Students shall take not more than 108 credits of introductory courses.

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