Course Enrolment Information for University General Education Courses

(Term 2, 2019-20)

Applicable to students admitted under the new curriculum

University General Education courses include General Education Foundation (GEF) courses and courses in the Four Areas; and will be referred as “UGE courses” in the ensuing paragraphs of this document. Before planning their study, students should read carefully the unit requirement, study scheme and enrolment restriction stipulated in the online Student Handbook.

This document shall advise students of the course enrolment arrangement of UGE courses in this term:

(1) General Education Foundation (GEF) courses (prefix UGFH/UGFN)

a. Students are required to complete the GEF Programme which is comprised of two required courses:

i. UGFH1000 “In Dialogue with Humanity” or UGFH1001 “In Dialogue with Humanity (Cross-institutional)”; and

ii. UGFN1000 “In Dialogue with Nature” or UGFN1001 “In Dialogue with Nature (Cross-institutional)”.

Students are advised to enrol in one GEF course in Year 1 Term 2 and the second GEF course in Year 2 Term 1 while they will normally have to take College General Education in Year 1 Term 1 according to the schedule specified by their respective Colleges.

b. Enrolment method

i. The medium of instruction of each GEF class is given in the teaching timetable on the RES webpage. Students should check carefully before course enrolment.

ii. Year 1 and Year 2 students can enrol GEF course on CUSIS during the course selection period: All Year 1 students, except for the MBChB students admitted with Faculty Advanced Standing or students of the two-year programmes, are advised to take the GEF course starting from Term 2, but if they are available and wish to take a GEF course in Term 1, they can also register a GEF course on CUSIS.

MBChB students admitted with Faculty Advanced Standing and students of the two-year programmes will be informed of the detailed enrolment arrangement for GEF in Term 1 through their major programmes.

iii. Year 3 or above students who have not yet completed both GEF courses according to the recommended course pattern stated in Part (1)a. can enrol GEF course during the CUSIS add/drop period by submitting an application to the GEF Programme Office. Course-add applications will be successful only if there is still vacancy in the class. The course-add applications must be made on the prescribed form (add/drop form for GEF courses) and submitted to the GEF Programme, Office of University General Education in person or by email (sent from CUHK @Link accounts to gef-info@cuhk.edu.hk). Applications submitted after the CUSIS add/drop period will normally NOT be accepted.

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1 Students admitted to first-year-first-degree (FYFD) places with Advanced Standing should refer to “III. University Core Requirements” in the Annex of the “General Regulations Governing Full-time Undergraduate Studies”.
iv. Students can use “Swap” function to change the lecture class (e.g. change from UGFH1000A to UGFH1000B) and “Edit” function to change the tutorial group (e.g. change from UGFH1000AT01 to AT06 of the same lecture class UGFH1000A) on CUSIS.

v. The wait list of GEF courses under CUSIS will NOT be kept after the course selection period. Students who were on the wait list during the course selection period must enrol again during the add/drop period.

vi. Individual teachers may introduce one or two additional texts to the core readings. Students may consult teachers’ reading lists in their course outlines before course enrolment.

(2) Courses in the Four Areas (prefix UGEA/UGEB/UGEC/UGED)

a. Co-requisite requirement
Students should have either completed or enrolled in at least one of the two GEF courses before they are allowed to enrol in any course(s) in the Four Areas. Students on the wait list of their intended first GEF course are not considered as having fulfilled this co-requisite course requirement.

b. Course ceiling
Students are allowed to take a maximum of two UGE courses (including GEF courses and courses in the Four Areas) in this term. To enhance system performance, a maximum of two UGE classes, including waitlisted classes, can be put in the “Shopping Cart” under “My Class Schedule”. After reaching the ceiling, a student must drop one UGE class before he/she can add another into the shopping cart.

c. Declaration of/ change in major programme
For broadening purposes, there is course enrolment restriction/exclusion with respect to the major studies of the students concerned and to course(s) the students have already taken. Such restriction/exclusion has been stipulated in the “Course List” of the Student Handbook. Students who have declared a new major are advised to check the course enrolment restriction/exclusion in the Student Handbook of their admission year. For students admitted to broad-based programmes, they are advised not to take the UGE courses which exclude students of the major programmes they plan to apply for. If any of the UGE courses taken by a student in the past fall(s) under the restricted/excluded courses of the student’s new major, the units earned in the past course(s) will be counted towards general elective and overall units completed; and the students have to take other UGE course(s) to make up for the required units.

d. Double-coded courses
Some UGE courses are also double-coded with department/programme courses. Double-coded courses are indicated in the “Course List” of the Student Handbook and the CUSIS Course Catalogue. If students would like to use the units earned from such departmental courses to fulfil the UGE requirement and that the GE course enrolment restriction/exclusion is duly fulfilled, they shall submit an application to the Office of University General Education. If students would like to use the units earned from a UGE course to fulfil programme requirement, they have to apply to the relevant Department/Programme Office, and students should take another UGE course to make up for the required units.
(3) **Schedule**

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a. **The medium of instruction** of each course is given in the teaching timetable on CUSIS. Students should check carefully before course enrolment. Please refer to the RES webpage for explanation of the abbreviations.

b. **Students on the wait list will be enrolled automatically once a vacancy arises.** They should check “My Class Schedule” daily to track any changes in their enrolment status. If students do not wish to get enrolled, they should drop the courses on the wait list immediately to vacate the places for other students who wish to get enrolled.

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6-10 January 2020: **Attend class and study course information**

Students who have enrolled in or are planning to add any courses should attend/sit in class and study the necessary course information before making any decision for add/drop.

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13-19 January 2020: **Course add/drop under CUSIS**

a. **Students who wish to add/drop courses must do so on CUSIS during this period** (for Year 3 or above students who need to add GEF courses, please refer to the detailed arrangement set out in Part (1) b.iii.). Application for add/drop after this period will not be considered unless there are compelling reasons supported by documentary proof.

b. **Students on the wait list will be enrolled automatically once a vacancy arises.** Negligence to drop a course on the wait list will affect the enrolment opportunities of other students and cannot be accepted as a justification for add/drop after this period.
20-23, 31 January 2020: Special add/drop at GEF/ UGE Office

Add/drop application after the above CUSIS add/drop period will normally NOT be considered.

a. Course-add can be considered for graduating students who have to take UGE courses to fulfil graduation requirement but have failed to enrol in the course(s) even after the close of the CUSIS add/drop period. Enrolment is subject to availability of class quota.

b. Any other applications will NOT be considered unless there are compelling reasons. Documentary proof, wherever applicable, should be submitted together with the application. Carelessness or failure to obtain class information before the end of the CUSIS add/drop period will NOT be acceptable reasons.

c. Late application will NOT be considered except on the recommendation of the applicant’s Faculty Dean.

(4) Enquiry

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- Monday – Thursdays: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m.-5:30 p.m.
- Fridays: 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.; 2:00 p.m.-5:45 p.m.

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