

Important Dates for the 2025-2026 Course Selection Exercise

BSc, BSc&MRes, BSc&LLB – Year 1

Date (2025)	Event	Venue
From August (after performing master registration online)	The course information system opens for freshmen to preview available courses in the first and second semesters.	HKU Portal – SIS
August 15 (10:00 am – 12:45 pm)	Face-to-face Faculty Induction Talk for BSc, BSc&MRes (<i>Science Master Class</i>), BSc&LLB Freshmen All freshmen should attend the Induction Talk.	Grand Hall, Centennial Campus
August 19 (by 11:59 pm)	Deadline of Application for Granting of Advanced Standing / Transferred Credits (internal transfer)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) *
August 19 (10:00 am) – August 25 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Semester 1 / full-year courses from 10:00 am Semester 2 courses from 10:10 am (Note: Selection of summer courses will only be available during the 2 nd semester add/drop period.)	HKU Portal – SIS
	Students to seek advice from Course Selection Advisers on how to select courses	Course Selection Advisers' offices / via email
August 20 (12:00 nn) – August 21 (2:29 pm)	Suspension period of the online course selection system (Course add/drop is not allowed.) Students are highly recommended to select courses which require course based approval before the suspension period.	---
August 25 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for students' submission of: (a) Application Form for Taking Course Load Deviating from the Normal Load in a given semester (if applicable); (Note: Students are not allowed to take more than the designated maximum course load in the first year of study.) (b) Course Approval Form (if applicable); (c) Application Form for Exemption from Taking Chinese language course (if applicable); and (d) Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) *
August 29 (10:00 am)	Checking of course selection status and ballot result (including CAES1001) on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

BSc, BSc&MRes, BSc(ActuarSc), and BSc(AppliedAI) – Year 2 and above BSc&LLB – Years 2 and 3

Date (2025)	Event	Venue
July 28 (10:00 am)	The course information system opens for Year 2 and above students to preview their available courses in the first and second semesters.	HKU Portal – SIS
August 5 (10:00 am) – August 11 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available on August 5 to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Year 4 or above students: Semester 1 / full-year courses from 10:00 am; Semester 2 courses from 10:10 am Year 3 students: Semester 1 / full-year courses from 12:00 nn; Semester 2 courses from 12:10 pm Year 2 students: Semester 1 / full-year courses from 2:00 pm; Semester 2 courses from 2:10 pm (Note: Selection of summer courses will only be available during the 2 nd semester add/drop period.)	HKU Portal – SIS
	Students to seek advice from Course Selection Advisers on how to select courses	Course Selection Advisers' offices / via email
August 6 (9:00 am – 2:29 pm)	Suspension period of the online course selection system (Course add/drop is not allowed.) Students are highly recommended to select courses which require course based approval before the suspension period.	---
August 11 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for submission of: (a) Application Form for Taking Course Load Deviating from the Normal Load in a given semester (if applicable); (b) Course Approval Form (if applicable); (c) Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable); (d) Application Form for Exemption from Taking Chinese language course (if applicable); and (e) Application Form for Exemption from Taking a Capstone Course in the Second (Science) Major (if applicable)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) *
August 19 (by 11:59 pm)	Deadline of Application for Granting of Transferred Credits (internal transfer)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) *
August 22 (10:00 am)	Checking of course selection status and ballot result on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

* The Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) can be accessed via the following navigation path:
<https://www.scifac.hku.hk/> > Current Students > Undergraduate Programmes > Forms (Science Online Application Submission System)
 or via the link: <https://webapp.science.hku.hk/intranet/OnlineFormUG.html>.

Courses Add/drop periods:

BSc and BSc&MRes – All Years

BSc&LLB – Years 1 – 3

BSc(ActuarSc) and BSc(AppliedAI) – Year 2 and above

Date	Event	Venue
FIRST SEMESTER (2025)		
September 1	First day of teaching	---
September 1 (10:00 am) – September 15 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 1 students from 10:00 am on September 1 ● Year 2 students from 12:00 nn on September 1 ● Year 3 students from 2:00 pm on September 1 ● Year 4 or above students from 4:00 pm on September 1 	HKU Portal – SIS
September 1 – September 12 (by 4:00 pm)	Availability of Course Approval Form for change of courses (if applicable)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
September 2 (12:00 nn – 4:59 pm)	Suspension period of the online course selection system (Course add/drop is not allowed.) Students are highly recommended to select courses which require course based approval before the suspension period.	---
September 12 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for students' submission of Course Approval Form (if applicable).	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
September 15 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for submission of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable); (b) Application Form for Exemption from Taking Chinese Language Course (if applicable); and (c) Application Form for Exemption from Taking a Capstone Course in the Second (Science) Major (if applicable). 	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
September 20 (10:00 am)	Checking of final course selection status on-line	HKU Portal – SIS
SECOND SEMESTER (2026)		
3 working days after the announcement of 1 st semester examination results	Deadline of Application for Taking Course Load Deviating from the Normal Load in a given semester (if applicable) (<i>Note:</i> Students are not allowed to take more than the designated maximum course load in the first year of study.)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
January 19	First day of teaching	---
January 19 (10:00 am) – February 2 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Year 1 students from 10:00 am on January 19 ● Year 2 students from 12:00 nn on January 19 ● Year 3 students from 2:00 pm on January 19 ● Year 4 or above students from 4:00 pm on January 19 	HKU Portal – SIS
January 19 – January 30 (by 4:00 pm)	Availability of Course Approval Form for change of courses [#] (if applicable) ([#] Course changes are only applicable to courses beginning in the second semester only)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
January 20 (12:00 nn – 4:59 pm)	Suspension period of the online course selection system (Course add/drop is not allowed.) Students are highly recommended to select courses which require course based approval before the suspension period.	---
January 30 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for submission of Course Approval Form (if applicable)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
February 2 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for submission of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable); (b) Application Form for Exemption from Taking Chinese Language Course (if applicable); and (c) Application Form for Exemption from Taking a Capstone Course in the Second (Science) Major (if applicable). 	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)*
February 7 (10:00 am)	Checking of final course selection status on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

OPTIONAL SUMMER SEMESTER (2026) – <i>for non-final years only</i>		
June 15 (10:00 am) – June 22 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available	HKU Portal – SIS
June 16 (12:00 nn – 4:59 pm)	Suspension period of the online course selection system (Course add/drop is not allowed.) Students are highly recommended to select courses which require course based approval before the suspension period.	---
June 27 (10:00 am)	Checking of final course selection status on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

Notes:

- (a) CAES1001 Academic Communication in English (ACE) is a non-credit bearing course for first year undergraduate students admitted in 2025-26. ACE is offered in two modes: (1) standard mode and (2) intensive mode. For the standard mode, students must add/drop a class during the course enrollment period and in the add/drop period during the first or second semester. For the intensive mode, students must add/drop a class of the first intensive mode before the course enrollment period (i.e., from 11 August 2025 to 14 August 2025)[@], and of the second intensive mode during the course enrollment period and the 2-week add/drop period in the first semester. The SIS system will automatically assign a class (the standard mode) to those required students without CAES1001 enrollment (i.e. students who achieved HKDSE English Language Level 4 or below, or equivalent in the same year in which they are admitted to the University) after the add/drop period.
- [@] Please refer to the course website <https://caes.hku.hk/caes1001/> for more information about CAES1001.
- (b) For courses CAES9820 Academic English for Science Students and CAES9821 Professional and Technical Communication for Statistical Sciences, students concerned can change their class freely during the 2-week add/drop period, but they should check their class selection result periodically. They are required to attend lessons in the original CAES class until their request for change of class groups has been approved online.
- (c) * The Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) can be accessed via the following navigation path:
<https://www.scifac.hku.hk/> > Current Students > Undergraduate Programmes > Forms (Science Online Application Submission System) or via the link: <https://webapp.science.hku.hk/intranet/OnlineFormUG.html>.