FAQs on Graduation

1. **What are the application procedure and deadline for early graduation?**

   The normative study period for BSc, BSc&MRes, BSc(ActuarSc) and BASc(AppliedAI) degrees are 4 years or 8 regular semesters (excluding Summer semester) while the normative study period for BSc&LLB degree is 5 years or 10 regular semesters (excluding Summer semester). The period of semester long leave of absence is excluded from the counting of normative study period except for semester/year long outgoing exchange study.

   For student who may fulfill graduation requirements one semester before the end of normative study period, the Faculty will not automatically consider him/her as a potential graduate for the coming semester. If you wish to apply for early graduation, you are required to submit your online application to the Faculty Office via the Science Online Application Submission System (OASS) (https://webapp.science.hku.hk/intranet/OnlineFormUG.html) soon after the course add/drop period in your expected last semester for graduation and by the following deadlines:

   - Semester 1: By October 31
   - Semester 2: By March 15

2. **Can I apply for postponement of graduation?**

   You must graduate once you have fulfilled all the graduation requirements, irrespective of your fulfillment of non-primary major or minor. No postponement of graduation will be allowed.

   For those final year students who fail to meet the graduation requirements, they will be automatically allowed to continue their study beyond the normative study period except for those students who do not perform satisfactorily and are recommended for discontinuation of their studies. Please refer to the Handbook for BSc, BSc&MRes, BSc&LLB, BSc(ActuarSc) & BASc(AppliedAI) Students (Section VI 6. Progression and Discontinuation) for details.

3. **If I fail to fulfill the second Major (Major 2) upon graduation, will such major be automatically changed to the minor on the ground that I can meet its minor requirement?**

   No. Please note that our Graduation Checking System will only check if you can fulfill the course requirements of your declared major(s) and/or minor(s).

   If you fail to fulfill the course requirement of your primary Science major (Major 1), you are not eligible for graduation. If you fail to fulfill the non-primary major or the minor(s) upon graduation, such major or minor(s) will be deleted automatically from your record and you will then have only the primary major listed in the transcript.

   Therefore, you are reminded to double check if your declared major(s)/minor(s) in the SIS have been updated and make any final adjustment before the closure of the online course selection system in the 1st semester of your final (fourth) year of study.