Important Dates for the 2020-2021 Course Selection Exercise

BSc, BSc(ActuarSc) & BASc(AppliedAI) - Year 1

Date (2020)	Event	Venue
From August 13	The course information system opens for freshmen (after performing master registration online) to preview available courses in the first and second semesters.	HKU Portal – SIS
August 21 (by 5:45 pm)	Deadline of Application for (a) Granting of Advanced Standing and (b) Exemption from Taking Chinese language course	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)
August 21 (10:00 am) – August 27 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available: 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 22 (12:00 nn) – August 24 (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	Induction Day for BSc, BSc(ActuarSc) and BASc(AppliedAI) Freshmen AM Session Faculty Induction Talk (10:00 am – 11:00 am) PM Session Representatives from CEDARS and HKUSU to give talk on student support services and co-curricular activities. All freshmen should attend the Induction Day.	Zoom Webinar
August 27 (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 72 credits of courses in the first year of study.) (b) Course Approval Form* (if applicable); and (c) Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)
August 31 (2:00 pm)	Checking of course selection status and ballot result (including CAES1000) on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

BSc, BSc(ActuarSc) & $BASc(AppliedAI) - Year\ 2$ and above

Date (2020)	Event	Venue
July 27 (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: • 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	Suspension period of the online course selection system (Course add/drop is not allowed.)	
(9:00 am – 2:29 pm)	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);	Science Online
	(b) Course Approval Form* (if applicable);	Application
	(c) Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable); and	Submission System (OASS)
	(d) Application Form for Exemption From Taking a Capstone Course in the Second (Science) Major (if applicable)	System (OTISS)
August 25 (10:00 am)	Checking of course selection status and ballot result on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

^{*}For any student who wishes to seek special approval for taking courses offered by the School of Biological Sciences (e.g. BIOL courses), they need to submit the Course Approval Form together with the valid endorsement from the Course Coordinator(s) (instead of Course Selection Adviser(s)) directly to the School of Biological Sciences Office by the application deadline.

Courses Add/drop periods (for all years)

Date	Event	Venue
	FIRST SEMESTER (2020)	
September 1	First day of teaching	
September 1 (10:00 am) – September 15 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available to: • 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 15 (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 15 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for submission of: (a) Course Approval Form* (if applicable); (b) Application Form for Taking a Replacement 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 22 (10:00 am)	Checking of final course selection status on-line	HKU Portal – SIS
	SECOND SEMESTER (2021)	
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) (Note: Students are not allowed to take more than 72 credits of courses in the first year of study.)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)
January 18	First day of teaching	
January 18 (10:00 am) – February 1 (4:00 pm)	On-line course selection system available to: Year 1 students from 10:00 am on January 18 Year 2 students from 12:00 nn on January 18 Year 3 students from 2:00 pm on January 18 Year 4 or above students from 4:00 pm on January 18	HKU Portal – SIS
January 18 – February 1 (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 19 (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.	
February 1 (by 4:00 pm)	Closing date for submission of signed Course Approval Form* (if applicable), signed Application Form for Taking a Replacement Course (if applicable) and signed Application Form for Exemption from Taking a Capstone Course in the Second (Science) Major (if applicable)	Science Online Application Submission System (OASS)
February 6 (10:00 am)	Checking of final course selection status on-line	HKU Portal – SIS
O	OPTIONAL SUMMER SEMESTER (2021) – for non-final year only	
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 26 (10:00 am)	Checking of final course selection status on-line	HKU Portal – SIS

Notes:

For course CAES1000 Core University English (CUE), students concerned can add/drop a CUE class freely during the 2-week add/drop period. The SIS system will assign a class to those required students without CAES1000 enrolment (i.e. students who achieved HKDSE English Language Level 3 and 4, or equivalent) after the add/drop period. Please refer to the course website https://learning.hku.hk/caes1000/ for the detailed enrollment guidelines.

For courses CAES9820 Academic English for Science Students and CAES9821 Professional and Technical Communication for Mathematical Sciences, students concerned can change their class freely during the first semester 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. Regarding the schedule for change of CAES9820/CAES9821 class in the second semester, students concerned will be informed by email in mid-December.

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