

Common Core Course List (Updated as of 8 November 2023)
(30-credit Common Core Program for students admitted in 2022-23 onwards)

Common Core Course with Subject Area Prefix in 2023-24 ²	Course Title	Credit	Common Core Area	Remarks	Previous Common Core Course Code with "CORE" Prefix in 2022-23 ¹			
					Fall 2022-23	Winter 2022-23	Spring 2022-23	Summer 2022-23
Courses in Foundations Group								
LANG 1411	Elementary Putonghua for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1411			
LANG 1412	Intermediate Putonghua for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1412			
LANG 1413	Advanced Putonghua for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1413			
LANG 1414	Elementary Reading and Writing for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1414			
LANG 1415	Intermediate Reading and Writing for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1415			
LANG 1416	Effective Chinese Communication	3	C-Comm		CORE 1416			
LANG 1421	Chinese Communication in the Digital Era	3	C-Comm		CORE 1421			
LANG 1422	Chinese for Workplace Applications	3	C-Comm		CORE 1422			
LANG 1423	Chinese Communication in Global Context	3	C-Comm		CORE 1423			
LANG 1424	Chinese Writing in Cultural Contexts	3	C-Comm		--			
Courses Cross-Listed in Foundations and Broadening Groups ³								
HUMA 1660	Introduction to Chinese Art	3	C-Comm, A, H		--			CORE 1651 [#]
HUMA 2660	Introduction to Chinese Painting	3	C-Comm, A, H		--		CORE 2651 [#]	
HUMA 3810	Taoism and the Chinese Tradition	3	C-Comm, H		--			CORE 3572 [#]

Common Core Areas

[CTDL](#) : Critical Thinking and Data Literacy ; [HMW](#) : Habits, Mindsets, and Wellness ; [E-Comm](#) : English Communication ; [C-Comm](#) : Chinese Communication; [A](#) : Arts ; [H](#) : Humanities ; [S](#) : Science ; [T](#) : Technology ; [SA](#) : Social Analysis

Notes:

- In 2022-23, all common core courses for the 30-credit Common Core Program had a “CORE” prefix. Starting from 2023-24, this prefix will be removed, and common core courses will be coded according to their subject area code (e.g., “ACCT” for Accounting). Students should pay attention to the following for study plan and before enrolling in classes:

 - Students who took any of these “CORE” courses in 2022-23 can still use them to fulfill common core area requirements. However, they cannot retake the same course with the corresponding subject area code. For example, if students took CORE 1240 Electronic and Information Technology in 2022-23, they can use it to fulfill the common core Technology (T) area requirement. They cannot retake the same course in the subject area code ELEC 1010 Electronic and Information Technology in the following terms.
 - If students took a course that does not have a “CORE” prefix in 2022-23, they CANNOT use it to fulfill any common core requirements. For example, the credits earned from SOSC 1850 Understanding Society in 2022-23 CANNOT be used to fulfill the Social Analysis (SA) area requirements.
 - Students cannot use the “CORE” course to fulfill both common core and school/major requirements.

Remarks:

The subject area codes are the alternate code of the CORE codes. For example, HUMA 1150 is the alternate code for CORE 1660.
In 2022-23, students cannot use courses with subject area prefix (e.g., HUMA 1150) to fulfill the common core requirement.
But in 2023-24, students can use subject area-coded course (e.g., HUMA 1150) to fulfill EITHER the common core requirement OR School/major requirement (NOT BOTH).

- To fulfill the C-Comm requirement, students can take courses from the Broadening group which falls into C-Comm area, but they must complete a common core course in the E-Comm area at HKUST first. On the other hand, they can enroll in C-Comm courses from the Foundations group without having to finish an E-Comm course. It's worth noting that all C-Comm courses in the Broadening group are listed under multiple common core areas, enabling students to use them to satisfy either the C-Comm requirement or the Broadening group requirement.
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