

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Faculty of Social Science
Social Science Broad-based Students
Notes on Major Declaration for 2026-27 (2026 Entry)

1. Students who have attained a term GPA of 2.00 or above in the second term of Year 1 are eligible to declare major on the Major Declaration Platform. Students who do not follow the instructions as indicated will be assigned to a major programme by the Faculty as deemed appropriate.
2. Students are allowed to choose from any **one** of the following programmes as major:
 - Architectural Studies
 - Economics
 - Geography and Resource Management
 - Global Communication
 - Global Studies
 - Government and Public Administration
 - Journalism and Communication
 - Psychology
 - Sociology
 - Urban Studies
 - Data Science and Policy Studies
 - Global Economics and Finance (apply via early transfer-in)
3. There are no specific admission requirements, **except for Architectural Studies, Global Communication, Urban Studies, and Global Economics and Finance**. Their admission requirements are as follows:

Architectural Studies (ARCH)

- Students should have attained:
 - a) Grade B or above in ARCH1001;
 - b) Grade B or above in ARCH1003; AND
 - c) A cumulative grade point average of 2.80 or above in Year 1.
- Students who fail to meet the above requirements may still be considered for admission to the programme, subject to the review of their submitted design portfolio of course work in ARCH1001 and/ or any other architectural design works. Interview will be arranged if deemed necessary.

Global Communication (GCOM)

- Students should have attained:
 - a) Grade B or above in COMM1500;
 - b) A cumulative grade point average of 2.80 or above in Year 1; AND
 - c) Satisfactory performance at the interview.

Urban Studies (URSP)

- Students should have attained:
 - a) Grade B- or above in any URSP courses; AND
 - b) A cumulative grade point average of 2.50 or above in Year 1.

Global Economics and Finance (GLEF)

- Students must have attained a cumulative GPA of 3.5 or above (up to Term 2, 2026/27) **AND** strong interview performance (on a selective basis) **in the Early Transfer-in Application** in order to enrol in the programme of GLEF.
- Interview is arranged on a selective basis for applicants with a cumulative grade point average of 3.3 or above (up to Term 1, 2026/27).
- Students should have attained good grades in at least 8 units from the following courses: DSME/DOTE1030 or ECON2011, DSME/DOTE1040 or ECON2021, ECON1101 or MATH1010/1510/1520, ECON1111 (Other “equivalent” courses may be considered with discretion.).
- For further details on the admission requirements, please visit the website of GLEF (<https://glef.cuhk.edu.hk/admission/cuhk-applicants/>).

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