

The Chinese University of Hong Kong
Faculty of Social Science
Social Science Broad-based Students
Notes on Major Declaration for 2025-26 (2025 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 **from 9:00 am, 1 June (Monday) to 11:59 pm, 14 June (Sunday) 2026**. 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 with the programme directly)
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. [Design Portfolio Guidelines](#) should be observed, and submission should be made via the [Application Materials Collection Platform](#) of ARCH **no later than 14 June 2026**. 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)

- Conditional offer will be issued to selected applicants by the end of May 2026 via email. These applicants are required to submit an updated copy of unofficial transcript after grade release of the 2nd Term, and submit the change of major application in CUSIS during the designated timeline set by RES. Late applications in CUSIS will not be accepted.
- For further details, please visit the website of GLEF: <https://glef.cuhk.edu.hk/admission/cuhk-applicants/>.

4. For major declaration in ARCH, GCOM, and/or URSP, students are required to select additional choices as follows:
 - a) If 1st choice is ARCH, GCOM, or URSP, a 2nd choice is required.
 - b) If the first two choices are any two of ARCH, GCOM, or URSP, a 3rd choice is required.
 - c) If the first three choices are ARCH, GCOM, and URSP, a 4th choice is required.
5. Students who have applied “change of major study” to BSc in Global Economics and Finance (GLEF) are also required to complete the major declaration exercise.
6. Students should avoid multiple submissions. Any re-submission will overwrite the previous one without notice.
7. Timeline of Major Declaration in 2025-26

Early May 2026	Announcement of major declaration arrangements
28 May 2026	Grade release of 2 nd Term, 2025-26
1 - 14 June 2026	Major Declaration Period (via Major Declaration Platform)
22 - 26 June 2026	Selection interview by ARCH, GCOM, and SOWK
1 August 2026	Result of new major programme updated on CUSIS
After 1 August 2026	Collection of the new CU Link card at CU Link Card Centre

8. Access to the Major Declaration Platform

