# From Strength to Strength

Through the pursuit of vigorous research and academic endeavors, and through the integration of theoretical knowledge and practice wisdom, our social work education is capable of giving professional and flexible responses to the changing needs of the social welfare community and the society at large.

In the years ahead, we are determined to cultivate a community of young scholars and learners through the implementation of quality programmes, research projects, and many other academic, educational and training activities.

# Visiting Scholars

Visiting scholars from Australia, Canada, China, Ireland, Taiwan, France, the United Kingdom and the United States are frequently invited for academic exchange, guest lecturing and research activities.

## Fieldwork Learning

As part of social work training, students are required to take fieldwork placements in different NGO or government settings. Students are supervised by experienced fieldwork supervisors on a weekly basis.

## General Entrance Requirements

Admission to BSW (Hons) is subject to satisfying both the General University Admission Requirements and the Departmental requirements.

For Hong Kong students taking HKDSE for admission to BSW (Hons) programme, the General Entrance Requirements are as follows:

• English Language: Level 3

Liberal Studies: Level 2

Chinese Language: Level 3

• Elective: Level 3 in two subjects

• Mathematics: Level 2

Note: The above entrance requirements are subject to revision

Moreover, applicants with good academic record, good participation in extra-curriculum activities, strong motivation, clear purposes to study social work, and good relevant voluntary and/or paid work experience will have a better chance for admission.

## Career Prospects

The programme provides graduates with social work training that can qualify them to register as Registered Social Workers under the Social Workers Registration Board in Hong Kong. Apart from pursuing further research and postgraduate study, graduates are eligible to apply for RSW positions in a wide range of areas:

- School Social Work
- Family Services
- · Medical Social Work
- Probation Services
- · Career and Vocational Services
- Services for Ethnic Minority Groups

- Children and Youth Services
- Community Development
- Services for Older People
- · Psychiatric Rehabilitation
- Drug Rehabilitation
- Social Enterprises

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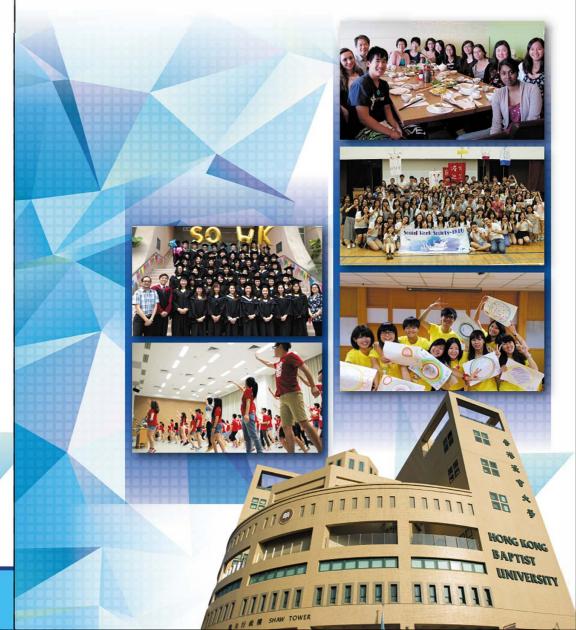








# Bachelor of Social Work (Hons) 社會工作(榮譽)學士課程









# Aims of the Programme

The Bachelor of Social Work (Hons) programme aims to develop students' knowledge, skills and professional values and ethics in social work so that the graduates can effectively meet the social service needs of the community in a flexible, realistic, creative, professional and caring manner. Graduates of our BSW (Hons) programme can register as Registered Social Workers (RSW) with the Social Workers Registration Board in Hong Kong.

## Programme Structure

### Programme Duration and Delivery

The BSW (Hons) programme is a four-year programme with curriculum outlined as follows:

Major (including Honours Project)·····	·····72 units
Major Electives·····	·····6 units
University Core and General Education Programme	·····31 units
Electives·····	·····15 units
Social Sciences Common Core·····	·····4 units
Total·····	128 units

#### Social Work Core Block Components

Four core blocks make up the basic components of this programme:

#### Core Block I:

Human Behaviour and Social Environment

- Human Behaviour and Diversity
- Human Development through the Life Span
- Psychology of Positive Living
- Social Dimensions of Human Societies
- Social Dimensions of Health
- Social Work with People with Mental Health Problems

#### Core Block II: Social Work Theory and Practice

- Social Work Intervention and Processes
- Skills for Social Work Practice
- Theory and Practice in Social Work (Individual, Group, Community Development)
- · Social Work with Families

#### Core Block III:

Social Policy, Research and Administration

- Social Work in Contemporary Society
- Social Work Research
- Law and Society
- Social Policy
- Administration in Human Service Organizations

#### Core Block IV: Fieldwork

- Field Practice I
- · Field Practice II

## Overseas Placement

It has always been the department's aspiration that students may have the opportunity to have fieldwork placement overseas. We also believe that the experience of working with people in places other than Hong Kong and in different welfare systems can provide students alternative knowledge and skills. The Department awards Ada S.H. Li Social Work Practicum Scholarship to support students with good academic performance to have overseas placements in Beijing, Taiwan, Ireland, Canada and Australia, etc, in the final year.

## Scholarships and Awards

Scholarships are awarded to students with good academic performance in every year:

- Ada S.H. Li Social Work Practicum Scholarship
- HSBC Social Work Scholarship Scheme
- · Madam Esther M.W. Wong Scholarship
- Mr. Ho Chi Wong Memorial Scholarship
- Paul & Martha Hackett Memorial Scholarship
- Rev. Lawrence Chu Best Social Work Fieldwork Practice Scholarship

# Academic Strength of the Department

We have a vibrant team of full-time faculty members committed to teaching excellence and advancing social work knowledge and practice, and a big team of experienced supervisors responsible for supervising fieldwork, practicum and projects. Our faculty members are all experienced academics and practitioners, specializing in different aspects of social work, social policy, youth work, mental health and other related fields.

Research is certainly an indispensable component of academic endeavour. Over the years, we have pursued research in three major areas, namely, 1) mental health and well-being, 2) youth work and career facilitation and intervention, and 3) social policy and social welfare. In addition to having our research work published in international refereed journals, our staff team is keen on publishing books, papers and research reports to promote developments of social work and social policy in Hong Kong and greater China.









