

The University of Hong Kong
Faculty of Arts

Major in Philosophy
Programme Learning Outcomes (PLOs)

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On successful completion of the major, students should be able to:	Students majoring in Arts should be able to:	Benchmarked against the highest international standards, the 4-year undergraduate curriculum at HKU is designed to enable our students to develop their capabilities in:
<p>Programme-level Intended Learning Outcome 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Understand argument structure and norms of argumentation and be able to evaluate arguments critically and construct persuasive arguments of their own - Apply this understanding and ability in the pursuit of truth, knowledge and understanding. 	<p>Arts Faculty Intended Learning Outcome 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate strong analytical ability through critical engagement with the discourses of the humanities - Develop an appreciation of the arts as a form of life-long learning 	<p>University Educational Aim 1.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pursuit of academic/professional excellence, critical intellectual inquiry and life-long learning
<p>Programme-level Intended Learning Outcome 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Present and evaluate ideas in argument form clearly, critically, yet charitably, while identifying and exploring alternative perspectives - Articulate their own views and develop insights into fundamental questions about truth, value, and beauty. 	<p>Arts Faculty Intended Learning Outcome 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Critically and creatively appraise received ideas and established knowledge - Demonstrate the ability to articulate their own perspectives and develop informed insights into fundamental human issues 	<p>University Educational Aim 2.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems
<p>Programme-level Intended Learning Outcome 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Reflect critically on their own beliefs, values and worldview, examining their justification, coherence, and implications - Engage in constructive, open-minded discussion with others who hold different views, while presenting their own view(s) clearly and logically. 	<p>Arts Faculty Intended Learning Outcome 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Question their own values and reflect on the assumptions underlying their worldview - Appreciate difference through engagement with contending viewpoints and beliefs 	<p>University Educational Aim 3.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Critical self-reflection, greater understanding of others, and upholding personal and professional ethics

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<p>Programme-level Intended Learning Outcome 4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Engage in informed and constructive discussion of diverse philosophical views on, perspectives toward, or approaches to fundamental questions concerning truth, value, or beauty - Appreciate the range and variety of philosophical projects and accomplishments throughout history and across societies. 	<p>Arts Faculty Intended Learning Outcome 4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate an appreciation of the social, cultural and aesthetic diversity of the human heritage - Develop multicultural and cross-cultural perspectives on human issues 	<p>University Educational Aim 4.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intercultural communication, and global citizenship
<p>Programme-level Intended Learning Outcome 5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Use skills developed in philosophy to interpret and understand the views of others sympathetically and to express their own views clearly, concisely, and effectively both orally and in writing. 	<p>Arts Faculty Intended Learning Outcome 5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate strong communicative competency at both the concrete and abstract levels - Develop conversance with various forms of artistic communication 	<p>University Educational Aim 5.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Communication and collaboration
<p>Programme-level Intended Learning Outcome 6.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Appreciate the role of open, rational discussion in the shared pursuit of knowledge and improved forms of social life across cultures and societies throughout history. 	<p>Arts Faculty Intended Learning Outcome 6.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Demonstrate an understanding and appreciation of the interconnectedness of peoples and societies across time 	<p>University Educational Aim 6.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Leadership and advocacy for the improvement of the human condition

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