

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Bachelor of Social Sciences – Counselling (major and minor)

1. Objectives

This programme aims to:

- equip students with the basic knowledge and communicative skills in counselling;
- enhance students' self-awareness towards their own values, beliefs and philosophy of life;
- sensitize students to the issues, concerns and focus of counselling in various settings;
- cultivate in students a sense of ethical practice in counselling;
- prepare students for further training in the counselling profession.

2. Learning outcomes

Programme Level Learning Outcomes	Faculty Level Outcomes	University Educational Aims
On successful completion of the programme, students should be able to:	On successful completion of the curriculum, students 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:
Programme Level Learning Outcome 1	Faculty of Social Sciences Intended Learning Outcome 1	University Educational Aim 1
develop basic understanding of the knowledge in counselling	acquire and critically evaluate underlying theories and concepts through independent research in social science disciplines	pursuit of academic/professional excellence, critical intellectual enquiry and life-long learning
Programme Level Learning Outcome 2	Faculty of Social Sciences Intended Learning Outcome 2	University Educational Aim 2
critically assess the issues, concerns and focus of counselling in various settings, as well as the ethical practice in counselling	apply social science theories and methods in analyzing complex problems in a globalizing world	tackling novel situations and ill-defined problems
Programme Level Learning Outcome 3	Faculty of Social Sciences Intended Learning Outcome 3	University Educational Aim 3
be sensitive to personal values, beliefs and philosophy of life	reflect critically on learning through participation in social innovation internships to engage with the wider community	critical self-reflection, greater understanding of others, and upholding personal and professional ethics
Programme Level Learning Outcome 4	Faculty of Social Sciences Intended Learning Outcome 4	University Educational Aim 4
analyse cultural aspects of counselling	embrace diverse learning environments through out-of-Hong Kong exchange and global citizenship programmes	intercultural communication and global citizenship
Programme Level Learning Outcome 5	Faculty of Social Sciences Intended Learning Outcome 5	University Educational Aim 5
acquire the necessary communicative skills in counselling	work as effective team members and in group projects to enhance collaboration and communication skills	communication and collaboration
Programme Level Learning Outcome 6	Faculty of Social Sciences Intended Learning Outcome 6	University Educational Aim 6
cultivate a sense of ethical practice in counselling and promote the well-being of people in need	demonstrate an awareness of current social issues and problems and be prepared to act as advocates for social change	leadership and advocacy for the improvement of the human condition