

**SYLLABUS FOR THE DEGREE OF  
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION IN INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS AND  
GLOBAL MANAGEMENT [BBA(IBGM)]**

This syllabus applies to candidates admitted to the first year of study of the 4-year curriculum in the academic year 2024-25 and thereafter.

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1. Candidates must enroll and attempt examination in not fewer than 240 credits of courses in accordance with the regulations and the syllabuses. In addition, the 240 credits of courses should be completed in the following manner:

UG 5 requirements [54 credits]	
- Languages*	18 credits
- HKU Common Core Curriculum*	36 credits
- Non-credit bearing courses as required by the University*	0 credits
First Major in International Business and Global Management [96 credits]	
- First year Core courses	24 credits
- Second year Core courses	24 credits
- Third year Core courses	18 credits
- Fourth year Core courses	30 credits
Second Major	72 credits
Compulsory Overseas Exchange	(Note 1)
Free Electives	18 credits
Total credits for degree programme	240 credits

2. To fulfill the graduation requirement of this degree as specified by the Board of the Faculty of Business and Economics in accordance with UG 5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula, candidates must satisfactorily complete the credits of courses identified by an asterisk(\*). Those courses include the following areas of study: English language enhancement (12 credits), Chinese language enhancement (6 credits) and Common Core courses (36 credits), and successful completion of a capstone experience and any other non-credit bearing courses as required by the University.
3. The Common Core courses are categorized under four Areas of Inquiry (AoI): “Science, Technology, and Big Data”, “Arts and Humanities”, “Global Issues”, and “China: Culture, State and Society”. Candidates must complete a total of 36 credits, comprising at least one and not more than two courses from each Area of Inquiry with not more than 24 credits of courses being selected within one academic year except where candidates are required to make up for failed credits.
4. The following courses are designated as Faculty Core courses: ACCT1101, ECON1210, FINA1310 and a statistics course, as prescribed in the syllabus. Candidates are not required to re-take Faculty Core courses where any of these courses form part of the requirements of a second major offered by the Faculty of Business and Economics, however, candidates must complete an equivalent number of credits of free electives in lieu of the Faculty Core courses.
5. The courses listed in the syllabus will not necessarily be offered every year, from time to time, depending on the exigencies of staffing, additional courses may be offered. The Faculty of Business and Economics will only offer electives for which sufficient student demand has been expressed in any one year.
6. For courses offered by the Faculty of Business and Economics, the final examination is typically 2 hours in length. Final grading is normally determined by performance in the final examination (30-50%) and coursework assessment (50-70%), except for courses with a final project/final paper which are assessed by 100% coursework.

7. Candidates should take note of any impermissible combinations of majors/minors listed in the document “Major/Minor Programmes offered by FBE” for the year concerned.
8. Candidates are not permitted to enroll in courses where significant portions of the course contents overlap with each other, or where the courses are mutually exclusive.

## 1. UG 5 requirements [54 credits]

### (a) Languages\* [18 credits]

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Year of study</i>	<i>Credits</i>
CAES1000 <sup>#</sup>	Core University English*	1	6
CAES9920	Academic communication for business and economics*	2	6
CBBA9004 <sup>^</sup> <i>or</i>	Practical Chinese for BBA(IBGM) students* <i>or</i>	3	6
CUNDxxxx <sup>^</sup>	Chinese Language Enhancement Programme course for non-local Putonghua/Mandarin-speaking students	1 or 2 or 3	

<sup>#</sup> Candidates who have achieved Level 5 or above in English Language in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination, or equivalent, are exempted from this requirement, and Core University English is optional. Those who do not take this course should take an elective course in lieu, see *Regulation UG 6*.

<sup>^</sup> Candidates are required to successfully complete the 6-credit “CBBA9004 Practical Chinese for BBA(IBGM) students”, except for

- (a) non-local Putonghua/Mandarin-speaking candidates who should take a 6-credit Chinese Language Enhancement Programme course for non-local Putonghua/Mandarin-speaking students (i.e. CUNDxxxx course); and
- (b) candidates who have not studied Chinese language during their secondary education or who have not attained the requisite level of competence in the Chinese language to take CBBA9004 should write to the Board of the Faculty to apply for exemption from the Chinese language requirement, and
  - (i) take a 6-credit Cantonese or Putonghua language course offered by the School of Chinese especially for international and exchange students; or
  - (ii) take an elective course in lieu.

### (b) HKU Common Core Curriculum\* [36 credits]

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Year of study</i>	<i>Credits</i>
CCXXxxxx	4 CC courses in all four Areas of Inquiry*	1	24
CCXXxxxx	2 CC courses in any two Areas of Inquiry*	2	12

### (c) Non-credit bearing courses as required by the University\* [0 credits]

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Year of study</i>	<i>Credits</i>
XXXXxxxx	Non-credit bearing courses as required by the University*	1 or 2 or 3 or 4	0

## 2. First Major in International Business and Global Management [96 credits]

<i>Course code</i>	<i>Course title</i>	<i>Year of study</i>	<i>Credits</i>
<b>Faculty Core Courses – complete all of the following courses:</b>			
ACCT1101	Introduction to financial accounting	1	6
ECON1210	Introductory microeconomics	1	6
<b>Statistics requirement – choose one of the following:</b>			
ECON1280 <i>or</i>	Analysis of economic data <i>or</i>	1	6
IIMT1640 <i>or</i>	Probability and statistics for business <i>or</i>		
STAT1602 <i>or</i>	Business statistics <i>or</i>		
STAT1603	Introductory statistics		
FINA1310	Corporate finance	2	6

Course code	Course title	Year of study	Credits
<b>Disciplinary Core Courses – complete all of the following courses:</b>			
MKTG2501	Introduction to marketing	1	6
BUSI1805	International field trip	2	6
IIMT2601	Management information systems	2	6
MGMT2401	Principles of management	2	6
BUSI3808	Global analysis team project	3	6
STRA3702	International business environment	3	6
STRA4702	Global corporate strategy	3	6
BUSI3809	Leadership development programme	4	6
STRA3703	Multinational corporations	4	6
STRA4701	Strategic management* (Capstone course)	4	6
<b>Disciplinary Electives – complete two of the following courses, one from List A and one from List B:</b>			
<i>List A – choose one of the following:</i>			
BUSI3801	Business law	4	6
BUSI3803	Company law	4	
<i>List B – choose one of the following:</i>			
FINA2390	Financial programming and databases	4	6
FINA4350	Text analytics and natural language processing in finance and fintech	4	
MKTG3511	Advertising management	4	
MKTG3524	Digital marketing	4	

3. **Second Major in any discipline offered by FBE or HKU [72 credits or more<sup>2</sup>]**
4. **Compulsory Overseas Exchange<sup>1</sup> (Semester 2 of the third year of study)**
5. **Free Electives [18 credits]<sup>2</sup> – any courses except Common Core courses**

Notes:

1. To satisfy the curriculum requirement of compulsory overseas exchange, candidates shall complete exchange studies of at least one semester at an overseas institution. Failure to obtain credits at the host institution will be considered as failure to complete the said curriculum requirement. Credits successfully completed at the host institution on exchange may be transferred towards the BBA(IBGM) degree. Prior approval is required if candidates wish to transfer credits taken abroad before departing on exchange.
2. Candidates may use free electives to fulfill the second major where the requirements exceed 72 credits.

## REFERENCE TABLE

Year	Lang.	Common Core	First Major in IBGM	Second Major	Free Electives <sup>2</sup>	Total
<b>I</b>	6 credits	24 credits	24 credits	-	6 credits	60 credits
<b>II</b>	6 credits	12 credits	24 credits	6 credits	12 credits	60 credits
<b>III</b>	6 credits	-	18 credits	36 credits	-	60 credits
<b>IV</b>	-	-	30 credits	30 credits	-	60 credits
<b>Total</b>	18 credits	36 credits	96 credits	72 credits	18 credits	240 credits