

and functional analysis of clauses. The course will also examine applications of discourse analysis in cross-cultural (mainly Chinese and English) settings and in educational settings (i.e. teacher-student interaction in the classroom).

LANG 7630 Pragmatics in Language Learning and Teaching (3,3,0)

The aims of the course are to enable students to study and analyse how language users find socially appropriate language for the contexts they encounter and what the rules of language use are; to raise their pragmatic awareness; and to explore ways to learn and teach pragmatic competence in English language classrooms, with particular reference to the Hong Kong context.

LANG 7640 Grammar of Modern English (3,3,0)

The course aims to help students acquire a systematic and up-to-date knowledge of the grammar of modern English from a corpus-based, objective and descriptive point of view, with an added focus on its practical and pedagogic applications.

LANG 7650 Advanced Seminar in Language and Gender (3,3,0)

The course offers an introduction to some of the major differences in the language of men and women, boys and girls; discusses possible causes and consequences of these differences and develops students' research skills in language and gender. A wide range of current issues in the academic field of language and gender will be presented, and different approaches to analysing the impact of gender in both spoken and written texts will be discussed. Cultural variation will also be in focus. The emphasis will be on developing the students' awareness and critical thinking of gender in their own experiences of language use and learning, as well as applying their knowledge to educational contexts. Besides working on assigned materials, students will be asked to collect and analyse their own data, using the theoretical frameworks from the course.

LANG 7660 Linguistics and Liberal Thinking (3,3,0)

This course aims to provide students with a clear conception on the thinking processes behind theorizing in language studies in relation to a number of real-life situations as well as to other disciplines in both the humanities and the sciences. Students will thus gain broad awareness of the tools and strategies that are useful academically and practically, especially in the area of teaching liberal studies in the Hong Kong secondary school classroom. The course will develop in the students a critical awareness on how to evaluate knowledge and beliefs, thus making it a foundational course in fostering independent thinking in language students. Through this course, students should be able to see in a more informed and profound way the relevance of language studies to everyday life.

LAW 2010 Commercial Law (3,3,0)

Prerequisite: BUS 2170 Principles of Law

This course provides students with a firm understanding of the basic principles of commercial law so that they will have the necessary legal knowledge to operate efficiently in today's business world.

LAW 2020 Hong Kong Legal System (3,3,0)

Prerequisite: BUS 2170 Principles of Law

This course builds on students' knowledge acquired from BUS 1170 Principles of Law. It covers various topics at substantially greater depth. Students will acquire firm knowledge of the major components and concepts of the Hong Kong legal system. They will have a solid foundation to study the remaining law subjects leading to the LMU LLB.

LAW 3010 Hong Kong Constitutional Law (3,3,0)

Prerequisite: BUS 2170 Principles of Law

This course builds on students' knowledge acquired from LAW

2020 Hong Kong Legal System. Students will acquire firm knowledge of the history of Hong Kong's constitutional law since 1842, leading to the present judicial, political and administrative systems. The framework, interpretation and amendment of the Basic Law will be studied. Finally, Hong Kong's position in the international arena as well as the constitutional system of China will be studied.

LAW 3020 Hong Kong Land Law (3,3,0)

Prerequisite: BUS 2170 Principles of Law

Students will study the types of land ownership in both urban and rural Hong Kong, the multi-storey land ownership which is characteristic of Hong Kong, and the Lands Titles Ordinance which will introduce a title registration system in Hong Kong.

LAW 3030 Business Associations Law (2,3,0)

Prerequisites: BUS 2170 Principles of Law and BUS 3230 Company Law

This course continues where BUS 3230 Company Law ends. It provides students with a firm understanding of the basic principles of the law on the most popular business vehicles in the business world today. It then continues to explore advanced topics on company law to consolidate students' knowledge acquired from BUS 3230 Company Law.

LCS 2110 Artistic Creativity and Art Appreciation (3,*,*)

This course aims to promote understanding of artistic creativity as one of the best inventions of the human mind. Students will learn to understand human artistic inventions contextually by integrating disparate theories and interpretations of art. It will equip students with knowledge of Chinese and Western art theories, the history of artistic expressions and the social application of art, through which students will be prepared to appreciate and review masterpieces of art critically in an interdisciplinary and cross-cultural manner.

LCS 2120 Introduction to World Civilization (3,*,*)

This course aims to introduce the different approaches in understanding different civilizations, their encounter, interaction and conflicts. It will first introduce the different theories of understanding world civilizations, e.g. their characteristics, strength and weakness, and their grandeur and decline. It will also discuss, with illustration of literary work and films examples, interaction and conflict between civilizations, e.g. China and the West, Christian and Muslim, the "discovery" of America, etc. It will serve as an introductory course for cultural studies by providing basic knowledge and methods in the study of culture and civilization.

LCS 2130 Love and Humanities (3,*,*)

This course approaches one of the most difficult questions of the human condition, "What is love?", from philosophical, historical and anthropological perspectives. Students will acquire an understanding of Western and cross-cultural theories of love. They will apply this understanding to contemporary cultural and social phenomena and critically respond to them. The course also creates and strengthens students' interest in life histories with diverse cultural backgrounds as references for personal growth.

LCS 2210 The Classical Heritage (3,*,*)

This course aims to introduce the foundations of Western culture, i.e. the ancient Greek and Roman culture. It helps students comprehend and appreciate the various aspects of classical culture, i.e. from art, literature, history and politics, and their significance for the modern Western world. It serves not only as a perfect introduction to the foundation of Western civilization, but also provides a sound basis for the development of the student's cultural literacy and sensibility. In addition, the course will also discuss classical Chinese heritage of the similar period, i.e. the pre-Qin culture so that the students may gain a comparative perspective. It will serve as an introductory course for cultural