



S4 Subjects Selection & Allocation

(16/12/2021)

New Measures of EDB to Optimise the four Senior Secondary Core Subjects starting from September 2021

- ▶ The release of lesson time from optimising the four SS core subjects is as follows:

Subject	Lesson time to be released (notional)
Chinese Language	About 50 hours
English Language	About 50 hours
Mathematics	About 50 hours
Citizenship and Social Development in lieu of Liberal Studies	About 100 hours
Total	About 250 hours

- ▶ The four SS core subjects will not take up more than half of the total lesson time.

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Lesson time will be released for students to...

take an additional elective subject in Key Learning Areas (KLAs) or Applied Learning (ApL)

engage in more in-depth study of subjects

study the Extended Part (Module 1 / Module 2) (M1 / M2) in parallel with the Compulsory Part of Mathematics

participate more actively in Other Learning Experiences (OLE) / life-wide learning activities

engage in other personal pursuits to cater for the different interests, abilities and aspirations of students

Ho Fung S4 Curriculum (2022-23)

S4 Curriculum

- 4 Core subjects (Chinese, English, Mathematics, **Citizenship and Social Development**)
- 3 elective subjects
- Other Learning Experience (PE, Moral and OLE Lesson)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
BIO	CHEM	PHYS	ICT	BAFS	ECON	CHIS	CLIT	GEOG	HIST

Visual Arts

- Tutoring at X1 session (Mr. Hsu KK)

Music

- Joint school program funded by DLG
- Tutoring at X1 session (Ms Yeung SK)

Japanese

- **Category C subject in HKDSE**
- **Joint school program funded by DLG**
- **Coordinator: Ms Wong HW**

APL courses

- Funded by DLG
- Coordinator: Mr. Fung WM
- Application date: April of each year

Elective Subjects in S4 (2022-23)

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
BIO	CHEM	PHYS	ECON	GEOG	BAFS	ICT	CHIS	CLIT	HIST

Two groups

One group

	4A	4B	4C	4D	
	CHI	CHI	CHI	CHI	
	ENG	ENG	ENG	ENG	
	MATH	MATH	MATH	MATH	
	M1 (4A, 4B & 4C only) or M2 (4D only)				
	** May change according to students' choice **				
	Citizenship and Social Development				
X1	BAFS	ECON	BIO	PHYS	
X2	CHEM	PHYS	ECON	CHIS	GEOG
X3	BIO	CHEM	ICT	CLIT	HIST

Class Structure (2022-23)

Form	No. of classes	Estimated no. of students in each class	Estimated no. of students
S1	4	34	136
S2	4	34	136
S3	4	31-32	126
S4	4	30-35	127
S5	4	28-33	120
S6	4	23-33	112
Total	24		757

School Policy on Study of Elective Subjects (2022-23)

S4

- All students are required to study 3X.
- Students of order of merit within the last 30 may opt to study 2X.

S5

- Top 60% of students are required to study 3X. Except those studying M1 or M2, students are not allowed to drop an elective subject.
- Other students may opt to study 2X.

Criteria for Allocation of S4 Elective Subjects (2022-23)

“Academic Performance” AND “Student Preference”

Maximum quota (including repeaters) for each X1 elective is 35

Reference quota (including repeaters) for each X2 and X3 is 28 with feasible allowance of at most 3

- Popular X2 and X3 subjects may be allocated to students having high priority on the subjects **AND** high ranking in the subjects (top 50%) up to the ceiling of 31.

Criteria for Allocation of VA and Music (2022-23)

Students opting to take VA / Music are required to study two other elective subjects (X2 and X3) instead of three.

Students have to show clearly their rationale and objective(s) of studying VA / Music in the application form.

Only limited places from each of these subjects are provided to students at discretion of the subject departments.

Students should have talent and demonstrated remarkable ability in the subject concerned.

- ◆ Students having intention to study VA should have S3 annual score higher than 80 in the subject concerned.

- ◆ Quota:

 - VA: 5

 - Ø Music: 3

Criteria for Allocation of Japanese Language (2022-23)

- AS level from Cambridge Assessment International Education
- Students taking M1 and M2 in S4 are not recommended to study Japanese Language
- Requirement:
 - Have studied Japanese language for at least two years
 - Have attained Level N4 in Japanese-Language Proficiency Test
 - Committed to attending lessons from S4 to S6

Students have to show clearly their rationale and objective(s) of studying Japanese Language in the application form.

Criteria for Allocation of M1 or M2 (2022-23)

Preferably with score of 50 or above in the S3 annual result of Mathematics

M1

(Calculus and Statistics)

- Students studying
 - X1 BAFS (4A) or
 - X1 Economics (4B) or
 - X1 Biology (4C)
- Quota: 36

M2

(Algebra and Calculus)

- Students studying
 - X1 Physics (4D)

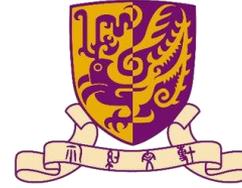
Advice from Principal:

Students with ranking higher than 40 in Mathematics are highly recommended to take M1 or M2

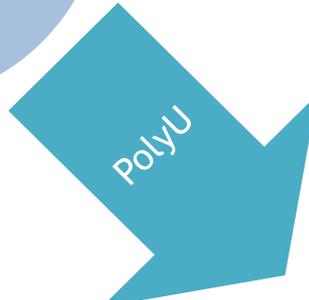
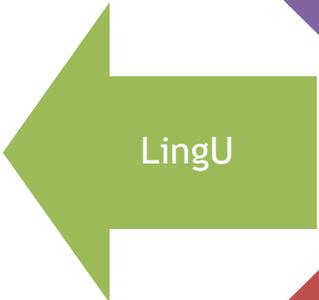
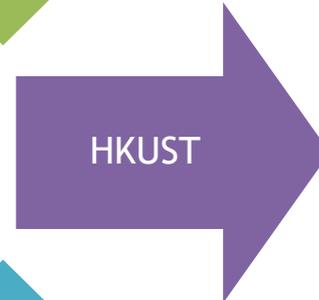
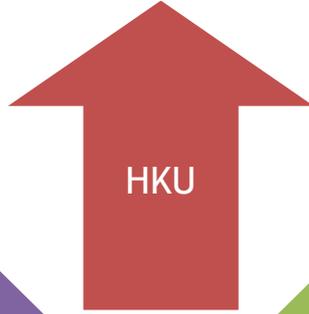
Choosing M1 or M2

M1 or M2

- Counted as **one elective subject** by HKUST, CUHK, CityU and certain departments of local tertiary institutions.
- Treated as a “**preferred subject**” by certain departments of local tertiary institutions, such as departments of science, engineering and business.
- Usually treated as a “required component in Mathematics” by **overseas** tertiary institutions.



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Choosing Elective Subjects, M1 or M2 in S4

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Two groups

M1 or M2

One group

VA or Music

Japanese

Base on personal interests and abilities

Match with personal strengths and weaknesses

Consider future study in tertiary institutions

Consider future career

Seek advice from teachers

Avoid peer influence



Information to be entered in the application form

Order of preference in studying

- 10 structured elective subjects and 2 non-structured subjects (Visual Arts/Music)
- M1 / M2 (if any)

Optional choices:

- Intention for studying 2 elective subjects
- Intention for studying Japanese

Application form

Reference Data:

Allocation of S4 Elective Subjects in 2021/22 school year

X1	No.	X2	No.	X3	No.
BAFS	32	CHEM	31	BIO	32
ECON	35	PHYS	18	CHEM	28
BIO	27	ECON	29	ICT	22
PHYS	29	CHIS	22	CLIT	22
VA	4	GEOG	25	HIST	21
MUS	1				

Class	M1	M2
	ABC	D
A	16	0
B	8	0
C	12	0
D	0	29
	36	29

Statistical record

Total no. of S3 students promoted to S4 = 118

		Number of students					Percentage
		4A	4B	4C	4D	Total	
	S3 students allocated with top 3 preference	25	28	26	22	101	83.5%
1	S3 students' 1st preference allocated	29	33	30	28	120	99.2%
2	S3 students' 2nd preference allocated	27	31	28	26	112	92.6%
3	S3 students' 3rd preference allocated	27	30	27	24	108	89.3%

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