

FSTE 20th Anniversary Conference
Self-financing Tertiary Education: The Way Forward

Towards 2+2 Transfer: General Education Credit Recognition

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Towards 2+2 Transfer

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 - CC/GE credit recognition for SYI students
- Methods
 - Interview/e-mail CC/GE staff; websites
 - Cases of SYI students
- Results
 - GE credits
 - Challenges
 - Measures

2 + 2

Sub-degree (2 years)



Degree (2 years)

Year	Publicly-funded SD graduates	Self-financing SD graduates
2013	3,175	18,636
2012	3,252	17,082
2011	3,339	15,150

Year	Publicly-funded SYI	Self-financing top-up degree
2013	3,056	7,349
2012	2,504	6,082
2011	2,040	4,083

Sources:

University Grants Committee website (www.ugc.edu.hk)

Concourse for Self-financing Post-secondary Education (www.cspe.edu.hk)

Education Bureau replies to Finance Committee Members in examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2014-

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Senior-Year Intake

Institution	2014/15 places	2013/14 actual	2013/14 own and CC(s)	2013/14 other UGC and CCs
CityU	1,309	927	452	428
HKBU	398	288	96	171
LU	124	123	84	37
CUHK	385	311	59	247
HKIEd	80	36	3	33
PolyU	1,319	1,018	744	175
HKUST	100	100	-	98
HKU	285	253	151	101
Total	4,000	3,056	1,589 (52.0%)	1,290 (42.2%)

Source: Education Bureau replies to Finance Committee Members in examining the Estimates of Expenditure 2014-15

Core Curriculum/General Education Credits

Institution	Chinese and English	Core requirements, excluding Chinese and English	Distribution requirements	Total CC/GE	<i>Total credits of 4-year degree programme</i>
CityU #	6	3	21	30	120
HKBU #	9	17	12	38	128
LU	18	12	21	33	120
CUHK	15	6	15	21	123
HKIEd	6	9	12	21	120
PolyU #	9	9	12	30	120
HKUST #	9	0	27	36	120
HKU	18	0	36	36	240

Sources: websites of institutions; GE Guidebook 2013; interviews/e-mails 2014

Chinese and English included in CC/GE

Note: HKU @ 6 credits per course; others @ 3 credits per course

Exempted CC/GE Credits

Institution	Required CC/GE credits (A)	Exempted CC/GE credits (B)	CC/GE credits to be taken by SYI students (C = A - B)
CityU #	30	18	12
HKBU #	38	12	26
LU	33	15	18
CUHK	21	12/13	9/8
HKIEd	21	6	15
PolyU #	30	21	9
HKUST #	36	18	18
HKU	36	24	12

Sources: websites of institutions; GE Guidebook 2013; interviews/e-mails 2014

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Challenges

- Diversity of institutions and courses (CC/GE course curricula, number of credits, transcript formats)
- Lack of up-to-date sub-degree CC/GE course information
- CC/GE course administration vs credit transfer
- Relative strength of discipline areas
- Students: need help with course planning

Where Can Students Get Help?

- Senior students
- Peers

- University GE Office
- Major departments

- Parents

What Can We Do?

- Update course information
- Develop common CC/GE framework/course syllabi
- Provide info on CC/GE credits and exemption
- Provide summer term between years 3 and 4
- Enrol in CC/GE courses of other institutions
- Enhance communication between:
 - Sub-degree and degree sectors
 - Publicly-funded and self-financing sectors

Thank you!



Comments and suggestions welcome!

