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Sustainable Development**

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## 1. General Information

### 1.1. Programme Title

Minor Programme in Globalisation and Sustainable Development  
 全球化与可持续发展副修

### 1.2. Academic Unit Involved in the Delivery of the Programme

The Minor Programme is to be offered by the Globalisation and Development Programme (GAD) and administered under the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

### 1.3. Programme Aims, Objectives, and Intended Learning Outcomes

The general aim of the Minor Programme is to familiarize students with important global drivers and trends, such as the rise of the Global South, the intensification of multilateral integration and cooperation mechanisms, as well as the emergence of global and regional governance agendas on development, sustainability and social inclusion. The objective is therefore to train students to make sense of global affairs' complexity, and nurture their ability to ultimately cooperate effectively, upon graduation, as responsible global actors on behalf of private corporations, international organisations, academic institutions and public management agencies.

Table 1 outlines the Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) of the Minor Programme in Globalisation and Sustainable Development whereas Table 2 delineates the alignment of the PILOs with the Graduate Attributes (GAs) of UIC.

**Table 1: Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs)**

Upon successful completion of the Minor Programme, students should be able to:	
<b>PILO 1</b>	Recognise the components of sustainable progress by explaining the holistic interdependence across social, economic and environmental issues pertinent to such progress;
<b>PILO 2</b>	Identify drivers and implications of both regional and global socio-economic affairs' increasing convergence;
<b>PILO 3</b>	Decode complex globalisation and development challenges by suggesting solutions to manage them from the perspective of responsible citizens.

**Table 2: Mapping of the Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) with the Graduate Attributes (GAs)**

PILOs	GAs							No. of GAs addressed by this PILO
	Citizen-ship	Know-ledge	Learn-ing	Skills	Creati-ty	Communi-cation	Team-work	
PILO 1	X	X	X					3
PILO 2		X		X		X		3
PILO 3	X				X		X	3
<i>No. of PILOs addressing this GA</i>	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	---

#### **1.4. Medium of Instruction**

The medium of instruction for the Programme is English.

#### **1.5. Target Students**

The target students of the Programme are students of all majors except for Globalisation and Development Programme.

#### **1.6. Year of Implementation**

The Minor Programme in Globalisation and Sustainable Development has been offered from the Academic Year of 2020-2021.

## **2. Programme Requirements and Structure**

### **2.1. Programme Requirements**

Students can claim the Globalisation and Sustainable Development Minor Programme if they can fulfil the following criteria:

- a) Complete 15 units (5 courses) in accordance with the stipulated programme structure below;
- b) Attain a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 for all the courses.

### **2.2. Programme Structure**

Inspired by principles of flexibility and interdisciplinarity, the seekers of Minor Programme in Globalisation and Sustainable Development shall complete 5 courses chosen freely among the following 13 courses (11 of which are Major Required courses offered regularly by the GAD Major Programme to its own major students over their Year 2-Year 4 study plan, while 2 are Major Required courses offered regularly by the Environmental Science Programme of the Faculty of Science and Technology<sup>①</sup>):

Students are required to complete at least one course at level 3 or above.

**Table 3: Curriculum Structure of the Minor Programme in Globalisation and Sustainable Development**

Code	Title	Units	Level	PILO			Pre-requisite(s)
				1	2	3	
<b>Elective Courses</b> – students should complete 15 units (5 to be chosen out of the 13 listed below):							
ENV3003	Resources and the Environment <sup>①</sup>	3	3	X		X	None
ENV3013	Sustainable Environmental Management <sup>①</sup>	3	3	X		X	None
GLD2013	International Cooperation and World Order	3	2	X	X		None
GLD2033	Global Political Economy	3	2		X	X	None
GLD2043	Principles of Development Economics	3	2	X	X		None
GLD3023	Globalisation: Trends, Issues and Opportunities	3	3		X	X	None
GLD3153	Transnational Migration and Development	3	3		X	X	None
POLS2073	Cooperation and Progress in the Guangdong-Hong Kong-Macau Greater Bay Area	3	2		X	X	None
POLS3093	International Organisations	3	3		X	X	None
POLS3203	Introduction to Sustainable Development	3	2	X		X	None
POLS3253	Global Routes of Trade and Investment	3	3		X	X	None
POLS3263	Global Environmental Governance	3	3	X		X	None
POLS3273	Growth, Innovation and Development: Case Studies	3	3	X		X	None

<sup>①</sup> *These courses could not be claimed by Environmental Science Programme students.*