

The Proposed

JESUIT UNIVERSITY

in Hong Kong, China



The Jesuit Philosophy of Liberal Arts Education

- Focuses on development of the “whole person,” preparing a person intellectually, professionally, psychologically, morally, and spiritually for life.
- Jesuit education always emphasize putting the common good first, above individual and group interests.
- Guided by the Ignatian pedagogical model

Liberal Arts education

- Cultivation of human capital
- Development of the mind through multidisciplinary studies
- Development of strong ethics and humanistic concerns
- Sow the seed of life long learning and intellectual pursuit
- Small classes, more individualized attention
- Take charge of own life: Able to learn and grow

Vision

- The vision of the Jesuit Liberal Arts College is to serve the people of Hong Kong and the world by preparing students for leadership to fashion a humane, just, and sustainable future for all.

Mission

- The mission of the Jesuit Liberal Arts College is to provide an outstanding liberal education in the Jesuit tradition to post-secondary students from Hong Kong, Mainland China, and the rest of the world. We will do this by offering an undergraduate education in the liberal arts that provides both depth and breadth of learning, a residential environment that fosters such learning, and opportunities to learn through direct engagement with the larger community beyond the campus.



Values

- *Academic Excellence*
- *Truth, Goodness, and Beauty*
- *Individual Responsibility*
- *Social Responsibility*
- *Community and Diversity*
- *Discernment and Action*
- *Primacy of Students*

Teaching focused

- Majority of resources allocated for teaching purposes
- A student to faculty ratio of 15:1
- Interactive learning
- Dialectical education

Structure of the Academic Programme

- **Core Curriculum**
- **Academic Majors** to provide depth of knowledge,
Arts and Humanities, Mathematics and Natural Sciences, Social Sciences
- ***Elective Courses*** provide opportunities to explore interests outside the major
- **Academic Minors** to provide an option to use some elective courses for concentrated study in another discipline.

Core Curriculum - objectives

- Acquire breadth of knowledge
- Develop habits of mind and heart
- Use knowledge creatively and constructively
- Three phases – Foundation, Exploration and Integration

Academic Majors

- Over time the College will offer 15 majors
- First four graduate classes, College will offer 5 majors
- All majors subject to the review of Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications

Majors in Arts and Humanities

- Art and Design
- Philosophy
- Chinese Study
- English
- History
- Theology and Religious Studies

Majors in Mathematics and Natural Sciences

- Mathematics and Computer Science
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Physics

Social Sciences

- Political Science
- Economics
- Communication
- Psychology
- Sociology

High-Impact Practices

- First-year seminars and experience
- Common intellectual experiences
- Learning communities
- Writing-intensive courses
- Collaborative assignments and projects
- Undergraduate research
- Diversity and global learning
- Service learning or community-based learning
- Internships
- Capstone courses and projects

Unifying Themes

- JLAC will adopt 3 over-arching themes as distinguishing features:
 - *Ethics*
 - *Sustainability*
 - *innovation*
- These themes will be focal points for:
 - interdisciplinary teaching and learning
 - faculty and student scholarship
 - community engagement

Integrated Living and Learning Environment

- Treat students holistically
- Encourage them to seek connections between their academic and social lives.
- Deepen learning experience
- Foster more responsible student behavior
- Contribute to student recruitment and retention, strengthen institutional identity, and create a stronger sense of campus community.
- “residential learning community.”

Living Learning

- Co-curriculum connecting academic and social life
- Each residence hall will have a particular theme
- Social and academic activities will be based on themes
- Such themes may include:
 - Ethics, sustainability and innovation
 - Community service
 - performing arts
 - international affairs
 - cultural diversity

Service Learning

- Community-based learning, a form of service learning in which students interact with members of the community who have been marginalized in some way.
- Develop students' moral imagination, and
- Learn about social issues at the same time as they make a contribution to the community.

Study Abroad and Exchange Programs

- Exchange opportunities with the international Jesuit university network in 40+ countries
- Summer exchange programs
- Short term overseas exchange programs



Articulation Program

- Study in both Hong Kong and in one of our AJCU partners
- Undergraduate and Masters degree
- progressive development of international outlook

Examples of Possible Articulation Program

Arts

MFA in Film & TV
Loyola Marymount University

Mathematics

MS in Engineering
Santa Clara University

Economics

MS in Global Finance
Fordham University

Political Science

MS in Foreign Service
Georgetown University

Arts

MA in Arts Management
University of San Francisco