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1. General Information

1.1. Programme Title

Minor Programme in Social Planning and Social Innovation
社会规划与社会创新副修

1.2. Academic Unit Involved in the Delivery of the Programme

The Minor Programme is to be offered by the Social Work and Social Administration Programme (SWSA) and administered under the Faculty of Humanities and Social Sciences.

1.3. Programme Aims, Objectives, and Intended Learning Outcomes

The overall aims of this Minor Programme are twofold.

- (1) Firstly, the programme will educate students to become effective, efficient and caring social planners and social entrepreneurs who are responsible for analysing, formulating and implementing social innovation for the improvement of social well-being.
- (2) Secondly, the programme will educate students who are determined to become competent, innovative and ethical social entrepreneurs to turn social problems into opportunities. Students are also expected to develop informational literacy, critical thinking, problem solving skills and to uphold core social values.

Table 1 outlines the Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs) of the Minor Programme in Social Planning and Social Innovation 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:	
PILO 1	Apply the concepts and knowledge in the fields of social planning and social enterprises for effective assessment, planning, implementation, and intervention with individuals and families, groups, and communities;
PILO 2	Analyse socio-economic factors relating to culture and globalisation that contribute to social issues and problems of societies in transition, including Chinese societies;
PILO 3	Develop generic skills (e.g., critical thinking, communication, independent learning, etc.) in a variety of social planning and social enterprises contexts.

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-vity	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>	1	2	1	2	1	2	0	---

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 Social Work and Social Administration.

1.6. Year of Implementation

The Minor Programme in Social Planning and Social Innovation has been offered from the Academic Year of 2020-21.

2. Programme Requirements and Structure

2.1. Programme Requirements

Students can claim the Minor Programme in Social Planning and Social Innovation if they can fulfill the following criteria:

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

2.2. Programme Structure

Students of the Minor Programme in Social Planning and Social Innovation are required to complete 4 required courses and 1 elective course as stipulated in the table below, in which at least one course should be at level 3 or above.

Table 3: Curriculum Structure of the Minor Programme in Social Planning and Social Innovation Studies

Code	Title	Units	Level	PILO			Pre-requisite(s)
				1	2	3	
Required Courses – students should complete 12 units:							
SWSA1003	Introduction to Social Welfare	3	1	X		X	None
SWSA1013	Introduction to Social Work	3	1	X	X		None
SWSA2063	Social Innovation and Social Enterprises	3	2	X	X		None
SWSA3143	Social Planning and Development	3	3	X	X		None
Elective Courses – students should complete 3 units (1 to be chosen out of the 7 listed below):							
SWSA2043	Social Problems	3	2		X	X	None
SWSA3013	Social Welfare in Asia	3	3	X	X		None
SWSA3023	Social Work and Law	3	3	X		X	None
SWSA3033	Social Policy	3	3	X	X		None
SWSA3063	Social Welfare in Chinese Societies	3	3	X	X		None
SWSA3083	Social Work Research	3	3	X		X	None
SWSA4083	Human Service Management	3	4	X		X	None