

# Programme Handbook for Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry

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#### **Section 1** Overview of the Institution

## 1.1 Overview of Gratia Christian College

- 1.1.1 The Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry (HDCM) Programme is offered by Gratia Christian College (GCC) (宏恩基督教學院) at 5 Wai Chi Street, Shek Kip Mei, Kowloon, Hong Kong (香港九龍石硤尾偉智街 5 號).
- 1.1.2 The legal entity of GCC, Gratia Christian College Limited, was registered under Companies Ordinance CAP 32 on 20 December 2013. GCC was granted the degree-awarding status for registration under the Post-secondary Colleges Ordinance and Regulations (CAP 320) as a private, independent, and non-profit Christian post-secondary college on 13 July 2015. The ultimate goal of the College is to become a private and independent Christian university in the future.

#### 1.2 Vision, Mission and Values

1.2.1 The Vision of GCC is "To be a private independent Christian university that excels in liberal arts and professional education for developing servant leaders to serve the Chinese and global communities with competence and Christian love."

#### 1.2.2 The Mission of GCC is to:

- a) Inspire students to develop academically and spiritually, discover complementation between knowledge and faith, think critically with clarity, act professionally with integrity, and work in teams effectively with humility.
- b) Provide professional development and life-long learning programmes for staff in partnership with educational, commercial, and religious organizations.
- c) Engage the Church in inter-faith and inter-cultural dialogues for developing Christian approaches to current and future issues facing the Chinese and global communities.
- 1.2.3 GCC nurtures its students based on the "CHRIST" values:

<b>"C</b>	Н	R	Ι	S	T"
COMMITMENT	HUMILITY	RESILIENCE	INTEGRITY	SERVICE	TEAMWORK

#### 1.3 Desired Characteristics of GCC Graduates

- 1.3.1 It is desired that graduates of GCC:
  - a) be knowledgeable and professional;
  - b) learn independently and think critically;
  - c) strive for innovation;
  - d) integrate the "CHRIST" values and faith in whole person development;
  - e) develop self-confidence, social and interpersonal skills;
  - f) be a valuable citizen of society with global perspectives; and
  - g) apply the principles of servant leadership in life.

#### 1.4 Servant Leadership

- 1.4.1 The concept of servant leadership is a core element found in GCC's vision. It is one of the graduates' desired characteristics so it is written as a programme objective for all the programmes at GCC. It is also a dominating feature of both the formal curriculum and co-curricular activities.
- 1.4.2 Adapted from "The Servant as Leader":

"The servant-leader is servant first... It begins with the natural feeling that one wants to serve, to serve first. Then conscious choice brings one to aspire to lead. That person is sharply different from one who is leader first...The best test, and the most difficult to administer, is this: Do those served grow as persons? Do they, while being served, become healthier, wiser, freer, more autonomous, more likely themselves to become servants? And, what is the effect on the least privileged in society? Will they benefit or at least not be further deprived?"

#### 1.5 Programmes on offer

1.5.1 GCC offers four bachelor's degree, five higher diploma, one professional diploma and one diploma programmes. They are shown in the following table:

Year of Launch Programme			
2015	Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) in Service Marketing and Management (Renamed as "Bachelor of Service Management (Honours)" with effect from 2020/21)  Bachelor of Psychology (Honours).  Bachelor of Social Work (Honours)		
2017	Higher Diploma in Early Childhood Education		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Greenleaf, R. K. (1991). *The servant as leader*. The Robert K. Greenleaf Center. [Originally published in 1970, by Robert K. Greenleaf]

	Diploma in Pre-University Studies
	Higher Diploma in Transformative Business Management
2019	Higher Diploma in Psychology and Counselling
	Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry
2021	Bachelor of Christian Ministry (Honours)
	Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) Part-time Conversion Mode
2022	Higher Diploma in Social Work
	Professional Diploma in Property and Facilities Management
2024	Advanced Diploma in Properties and Facilities Management

# **Section 2** The Programme

# 2.1 General Programme Information

2.1.1 The table below gives a brief introduction of the HDCM Programme.

# General Information of the HDCM Programme

Item	Description
1. Programme Title	Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry Programme 基督教事工高級文憑課程
2. Qualification Title (exit award)	Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry 基督教事工高級文憑
3. Award Granting Body	Gratia Christian College 宏恩基督教學院
4. QF Level	Level 4
5. QR Registration No.	19/000801/L4
6. QF Credits	276
7. Mode of Study	Full-time and Part-time
8. Programme Length	2 years (Full-time) or 3 years (Part-time)
9. Primary Area of Study/Training	Humanities
10. Sub Area of Study/Training	Humanities
11. Hosting Department	School of Christian Ministry with the support of the other Schools

# **Section 3 Programme Objectives and Learning Outcomes**

#### 3.1 Programme Objectives

- 3.1.1 The Higher Diploma in Christian Ministry Programme (HDCM) aims to:
  - a) Provide students with a curriculum of basic theological knowledge, biblical knowledge, practical counselling skills, and general education.
  - b) Equip students with the biblical and theological foundations of evangelism.
  - c) Nurture students to become servant leaders to exemplify the "CHRIST" values.
  - d) Prepare students to practice ministry or serve in various organisations operated with Christian values.

#### 3.2 Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs)

3.2.1 The Programme Intended Learning Outcomes of the HDCM Programme are classified into two aspects, "To do" and 'To be". The former focuses on instruction of knowledge and skills while the latter focuses on developing the character of students. The PILOs are:

(To do)

Graduates will be able to:

- 1. Articulate a foundation of theological and biblical knowledge and a Christian worldview.
- 2. Outline, interpret, and reflect on biblical scriptures for application to the contemporary context and effective ministry service and teaching.
- 3. Develop the basic skills for working in faith communities, including pastoral care and counselling, for effective ministry leadership and mission.
- 4. Demonstrate the necessary skills of a ministry practitioner in written and oral communication and the critical analysis and evaluation of information and ideas.
- 5. Be adequately prepared to pursue further study in ministry, theology, or biblical studies, or initial employment in churches or organisations operated with Christian principles and values.

(To be)

Graduates of the Programme will become:

- 1. Knowledgeable persons who integrate the "CHRIST" values and faith.
- 2. Life-long learners who have the expertise and skills to independently and critically gain knowledge related to and beyond their profession.
- 3. Principled individuals who are committed to building a Christ-centered life.
- 4. Servant leaders who apply the principles of the Bible to contribute to the well-being of the world with Christian love, creativity, and a global perspective.

# **Section 4 Programme Content and Structure**

#### 4.1 Features of the Programme Design

- 4.1.1 Given that the Vision of the College is to develop servant leaders with professional competence and Christian love, the HDCM Programme is designed to realise the Vision by developing the graduates with the competency and personal constructs to meet the needs of different Christian communities.
- 4.1.2 The HDCM Programme consists of two curricular components, namely (1) General Education (GE) Courses, and (2) Specialised Courses (Christian studies, counselling, and management). The General Education courses are meant to widen students' perspectives and enhance students' language competence. The Specialised Courses are designed to equip students with the necessary knowledge and skills for further study or initial employment in counselling, pastoral care, church administration, or other related areas.

#### 4.2 Programme Structure

- 4.2.1 The HDCM Programme curriculum and content are designed to be in line with the Generic Level Descriptors at Qualifications Framework (QF) Level 4.
- 4.2.2 The Programme curriculum incorporates 276 QF credits over two years of full-time study involving 1000 contact hours. Each year comprises 28 teaching weeks (14 weeks in the first semester, 14 weeks in the second semester).
- 4.2.3 Students in the part-time mode are normally enrolled in 9 course hours per week (up to a maximum of 12 course hours per week in semesters other than Semester 1 in Year 1). Students in the part-time mode are expected to complete the Programme within 3 to 6 years of study.
- 4.2.4 The Programme structure comprises the following components:
  - a) General Education
    (A total of 88.2 QF credits comprising 7 courses)
  - b) Specialised Study in Christian Ministry
    (A total of 163.8 QF credits comprising 13 courses)
  - c) <u>Practicum</u>
    (A total of 24 QF credits comprising 20 days of attachment)

# <u>List of Courses in the Programme and their QF Levels</u>

Study Area	Coi	urse					
General Education	n Co	urses	(7 courses: 4 required + 3 electives)				
	✓	GC	GCM1401 Lives of Servant Leaders				
		GPS	GPS1402 Holistic Health				
		GPS	S1403 The Pursuit of Happiness	4			
	*	GE	N1404 Introduction to Arts Therapy	4			
Character and	ives	GE	N1405 Contemporary Ethical Issues	4			
Life Education	Electives*	GE	N1502 Critical Thinking	5			
	$E_i$	GC	M1503 Christian Spirituality	5			
		GPS	S1504 Crisis and Coping for Personal Growth	5			
		GE	N1505 Meaning of Life	5			
	✓	HG	E101 English I: Reading and Writing Skills	4			
	✓	HG	E102 English II: Integrated English	4			
	✓	HG	E105 Practical Chinese Writing	4			
Language and		GE	N2403 Creative Arts in Daily Life	4			
Communication	Electives*	GE	N2404 Art of Photography	4			
	ctiv	GE	N2405 Information Literacy	4			
	Ele	GE	N2503 Multimedia Communication	5			
		GPS	S2504 Empathetic Communication	5			
		GPS	S3401 Introduction to Psychology	4			
		GS	GSW3402 Introduction to Sociology				
		GE	N3403 Introduction to Statistics	4			
		GE	N3404 Applications of Innovative Technologies	4			
	*	GS	W3405 Social Issues, Social Welfare and Social Work	4			
Culture, Society	Electives*	GPS	S3406 Drugs and Behavior	4			
and Technology	lect	GE	N3407 Hong Kong Society	4			
	E	GE	N3408 Introduction to Philosophy	4			
		GC	M3409 Introduction to Religious Studies	4			
		GS	W3501 Research Methods for Social Sciences	5			
		GE	N3502 Information Management and Technology in Society	5			
		GE	N3503 The Future We Want	5			
<b>Specialised Course</b>	es (1.	3 cou	rses: 7 required + 6 electives)				
	1	✓	HCM101 Christian Ministry	4			
	2	✓	HCM102 Introduction to Counselling	4			
	3	✓	HCM103 Hermeneutics	4			
Required Courses	4	✓	HCM104 Systematic Theology	4			
	5	✓	HCM105 Introduction to the New Testament	4			
	6	✓	HCM106 Introduction to the Old Testament	4			
	7	✓	HCM107 Servant Leadership				

			Choose 6 from the following 9 courses:				
			HCM202 Christian Ethics	4			
			HCM203 Church Growth				
		6	HCM204 Counselling Skills Laboratory	4			
		choose	HCM205 Evangelism and Discipleship	5			
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Elective Courses		ves (	HCM207 Management of Funeral Services				
		Electives	HCM208 Management in Human Service Organisations	5			
		E	HCM209 Practical Church Administration and Operation	5			
			HCM210 Christianity and Social Concern in a Pluralistic	,			
			Society	5			
Practicum (1 cour	Practicum (1 course)						
Practicum	1	✓	HCM201 Practicum	4			
Total number of co	Total number of courses in the Programme: 21 courses						

<sup>\*</sup>Students can choose any three GE electives from the course list, or up to two courses from other majors, subject to the approval of the Programme Director.

# 4.3 Study Plan

# Study Plan for the Full-time Mode (2 Years)

Componer	• <b>•</b> •	YEA	AR 1	YEA	AR 2	Course Total
Componer	ILS	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2	Course Iotai
General	Required	English I: Reading and Writing Skills (HGE101)	Practical Chinese Writing (HGE105)	English II: Integrated English (HGE102)		
Education Courses	Re	Lives of Servant  Leaders  (HGE116)				
	Elective			GE Elective	GE Elective	
	Elec				GE Elective	
Sub-t	total	2	1	2	2	7
Required		Christian Ministry (HCM101)  Introduction to Counselling (HCM102)	Systematic Theology (HCM104) Introduction to the New Testament (HCM105)	Servant Leadership (HCM107)	Introduction to the Old Testament (HCM106)  Practicum (HCM201)	
Specialised Courses		Hermeneutics (HCM103)				
			Specialised Elective Specialised Elective	Specialised Elective Specialised Elective Specialised Elective	Specialised Elective	
Sub-total		3	4	4	3	14
Course Total		5	5	6	5	21

# **Study Plan for the Part-time Mode (3 Years)**

Compone	ta	YE	AR 1	YE	AR 2	YEA	ar 3	Course Total
Components		Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2	Semester 1	Semester 2	
General Education Courses	Elective Required	English I: Reading and Writing Skills (HGE101)	Practical Chinese Writing (HGE105) GE Elective	English II: Integrated English (HGE102)	GE Elective	Lives of Servant  Leaders  (HGE116)	GE Elective	
Su	ıb-total	1	2	1	1	1	1	7
	ired	Christian Ministry (HCM101)	Systematic Theology (HCM104)	Hermeneutics (HCM103)	Introduction to the Old Testament (HCM106)		Practicum (HCM201)	
Specialised Courses	Required	Introduction to Counselling (HCM102)	Introduction to the New Testament (HCM105)	Servant Leadership (HCM107)				
	e.				Specialised Elective	Specialised Elective	Specialised Elective	
	Elective				Specialised Elective	Specialised Elective		
	H					Specialised Elective		
Su	ıb-total	2	2	2	3	3	2	14
Course	e Total	3	4	3	4	4	3	21

# **Section 5 Student Development Office**

#### **5.1** Student Development Office (SDO)

5.1.1 The SDO aims to assist students to develop into servant leaders with Christian love and the desired graduate characteristics in a unique college culture and environment. It provides academic, social, personal, practical and career-related support to students in their study journey. The Office not only helps students to enhance their personal growth, sense of well-being and generic skills, but also supports them to lead a meaningful and fulfilling life. Further information on the SDO can be obtained from:

a) Office Website: <a href="https://www.gcc.edu.hk/sdo">www.gcc.edu.hk/sdo</a>

b) General Enquiries: 5804 4142 / sdo@gratia.edu.hk

#### 5.2 Staff List

5.2.1 Enlisted in the following are staff serving the SDO:

#### Ms NG Winnie Wai Yi

Student Development Manager

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Assistant Student Development

Officer

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Ms Sze Man LO

Counsellor

Office: Room 202

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#### **5.3** Scope of Work

- 5.3.1 Work of the SDO encompasses the following:
  - a) Personal growth and counselling, e.g. personality and mental health workshops
  - b) Pastoral care, e.g. mentoring and peer-tutoring schemes
  - c) Spiritual education, e.g. college assembly, Christian fellowship
  - d) Leadership and service learning, e.g. community and in-house services, student society, citizenship education
  - e) Global learning, e.g. international work camp, student exchange, etc.
  - f) Student welfare and support, e.g. scholarships and financial assistance
  - g) Career guidance, e.g. individual career consultation, mock interviews, etc.
  - h) Student survey, e.g. student opinion survey, graduate survey, etc.

## **5.4 Student Activity Room (Room 202)**

5.4.1 Student Activity Room (Room 202) is managed by the SDO. It is designated as a resting and gathering point for all students. If students wish to take a break or chat with fellow schoolmates, Room 202 is the perfect place for them to spend their time. It is hoped that students will find the College a place for growing and bonding, as well as a second home for everyone.

# **Section 6 Community Services**

# **6.1** Community Services

6.1.1 Since the vision of the College is to develop servant leaders, all full time students have to complete the required hours of community services within their years of study as shown in the table below.

Programme Type	Number of Hours Required	Duration
Degree	20	Within 4 years
Degree (year 3 entry)	20	Within 2 years
Higher Diploma	20	Within 2 years
Diploma	10	Within 1 year

- 6.1.2 The servant comes first in servant leadership. To cultivate such an attitude to life, Gratia puts emphasis on community service and nurturing students to become servant leaders. We reach out first and foremost to districts in our close proximity, and encourage students to apply what they learn to address local and global problems. Our ultimate goal is to nurture in students a twin sense of care and justice, to boost their interpersonal skills, and to instill civic virtue as well as "CHRIST" values.
- 6.1.3 Students may choose to fulfill this obligation either individually or in groups. They may look for the service opportunities by themselves, and/or enroll in programmes which are promoted or organised by the Student Development Office. Students are expected to fill in the service details in the Community Service Record Book.
- 6.1.4 There are special arrangements for students studying on a part-time mode and those full time students working part-time with pay in organisations recognized by the College.

# **Section 7** College Assembly

#### 7.1 Purposes of the College Assembly

7.1.1 The College Assembly serves the important purposes of sharing the vision of the College among all staff and students, cultivating a spirit of oneness in Christ, widening the horizons of students and enhancing students' development in servant leadership. Apart from announcement of information/events and conduct of certain student activities, etc., prominent speakers and faculty staff are invited to deliver talks on particular issues and topics of interests.

#### 7.2 Schedule

7.2.1 The assemblies are held on a regular basis usually on Monday mornings in the Assembly Hall on the first floor. Number of assemblies for each academic year is to be announced.

#### 7.3 Attendance Requirement

7.3.1 The College Assembly is a compulsory but non-credit bearing event. Students should attend all College Assemblies. Attendance rate less than 80% would result in a remark of "Attendance Requirement of College Assembly Not Fulfilled" putting on the transcript upon graduation. Students who are absent for more than 30 minutes would be counted as absence.

# **Section 8** Scholarships and Financial Assistance

#### 8.1 Scholarships

#### 8.1.1 <u>College Scholarship Scheme</u>

The College Scholarship Scheme is established to encourage and recognize students' accomplishment in academic and non-academic areas. There are six categories of scholarship awards under the Scheme for the Programme, including:

- a) Best in Academic Performance
- b) Best in In-house Service
- c) Special In-house Service Award
- d) Best in Community Service
- e) Spiritual Leadership Scholarship
- f) Gratia Scholarship

#### 8.1.2 <u>Self-financing Post-Secondary Scholarship Scheme (SPSS)</u>

To promote the development of the self-financing post-secondary sector, the Self-financing Post-secondary Scholarship Scheme is set up under the Self-financing Post-secondary Education Fund to offer scholarships and awards to students pursuing full-time locally-accredited self-financing sub-degree or bachelor's degree (including top-up degree) programmes at non-profit-making education institutions. There are five types of scholarships established under the Scheme, namely:

- a) Outstanding Performance Scholarship
- b) Best Progress Award
- c) Talent Development Scholarship
- d) Reaching Out Award
- e) Endeavour Scholarship

#### 8.2 Financial Assistance

#### 8.2.1 Financial Assistance Schemes

GCC students can apply for the financial assistance schemes provided by the Working Family and Student Financial Assistance Agency (WFSFAA).

All eligible students must submit their applications through E-link. The following schemes are available for students:

a) Financial Assistance Scheme for Post-secondary Students (FASP)

- b) Non-means-tested Loan Scheme for Post-secondary Students (NLSPS)
- c) Extended Non-means-tested Loan Scheme (ENLS) for Students in Diploma Programme
- d) Student Travel Subsidy (STS) for Tertiary or Post-secondary Students
- e) Community Care Fund Enhanced Academic Expenses Grant
- f) Community Care Fund Enhanced Academic Expenses Grant for SEN Students with Financial Needs
- g) Scheme for Subsidy on Exchange for Post-secondary Students (SSE)
- h) Scheme for Subsidy on Exchange to "Belt and Road" Regions for Post-Secondary Students (SSEBR)
- i) Non-means-tested Mainland Experience Scheme for Post-secondary Students (Non-means-tested MES)
- j) Scheme for Non-means-tested Subsidy on Exchange to "Belt and Road" Regions for Post-secondary Students (Non-means-tested SSEBR)

### 8.2.2 Student Emergency Fund

The Student Emergency Fund (SEF) is offered by the College to provide financial assistance to students who are unable to meet immediate and essential expenses arising from temporary hardship due to emergency. The application period is open throughout the year.

## **Section 9 Graduation Requirements and Attendance**

#### 9.1 Graduation Requirements

- 9.1.1 In order to be eligible for the HDCM qualification, students must fulfill all of the attendance and community service requirements and have:
  - a) completed and been assessed on all courses;
  - b) obtained an overall GPA of 2.0 or above across all courses;
  - c) obtained a Pass in Practicum; and
  - c) obtained a Grade D or above in all other courses.

#### 9.2 Attendance

- 9.2.1 Students are requested to note and observe the following attendance regulations:
  - a) Attendance rate should be at least 80% (for all courses).
  - b) A student whose attendance during the official contact hours of a course is less than 80% is not permitted to take the end-of-course examination or submit the major assessment for that course.
  - c) Students will be deemed as absent in the following circumstances:
    - unapproved absence;
    - failing to attend the scheduled class within the first 30 minutes.

#### 9.3 Grades and Grade Points

9.3.1 The relationship between grades, grade points and interpretation is set out in the table below:

Grade	Marks	Grade Point	<b>Broad Interpretation</b>	
A	85-100	4.00	Outstanding	
A-	80-84	3.67		
B+	75-79	3.33	Good	
В	70-74	3.00		
B-	65-69	2.67		
C+	58-64	2.33	Satisfactory	
С	52-57	2.00		
C-	46-51	1.67		
D	40-45	1.33	Marginal	
F	0-39	0.00	Unsatisfactory	

# Section 10 ITSO, Computer Laboratory and Library

# 10.1 ITSO (Information Technology Services Office) and Facilities Management

10.1.1 The ITSO team's job is to create a favorable learning environment to support your learning. To do that, the services listed below are made available to you:

#### 10.1.2 Computing services

- Campus Data Network (LAN and Wireless)
  - Data Link to the Internet
  - Network and Data Security
- User Profile and Data Storage
  - Electronic ID & Student Card
  - Safe and secure data storage
- Email, Printing, Scanning and Photocopying
- Learning Management Systems
  - o Moodle
  - Room Booking
- Equipment loan (subject to availability)
  - Tablet computer
  - USB Charging cables
  - Power bank
  - Tripod

#### 10.1.3 Places for gathering

Mondays to Fridays	9:00 am to 7:30 pm
Saturdays	9:00 am to 12:30 pm

- Computer Common (Room G02)
  - The only computer room in which food is allowed;
  - A place for discussion, information searching and, perhaps, relaxing during your free time;
  - 45 thin clients computers for Windows based virtual desktop and MS Office software.
- Psychology Laboratory (Room 306)
  - An organised and yet cosy computer room for your distinct quest for knowledge;
  - o 10 Windows OS based desktops computers installed with Adobe Creative Suite, STATA, ePrime, MPlus and etc.
- Practice Centre (405)
  - You can hear the sound of silence in this place which is ideal for workshop like role-play or one-on-one counselling;

- On-demand video recording equipment is available for teaching purposes;
- You need to make prior booking and be accompanied by a teaching staff.
- Lecture rooms (201, 203, 204, 206, 302a, 302b, 303, 304, 305 and Glass Rooms in the Library)
  - You may use them if they are NOT occupied;
  - You are encouraged to make a booking in advance.

#### 10.1.4 Other facilities

- Fresh water fountain (located in the patio on 2nd floor)
- Drinks and snacks vending machine
- Audio-visual equipment
- Video recording equipment
- Multi-function printers

#### 10.1.5 <u>Campus security and hygiene</u>

They are safeguarded by the team of facility management. The following tasks are being carried out on a routine basis:

- Cleaning (e.g. food waste collection)
- Fire and security patrol
- Video surveillance in public areas
- Energy saving control

Most importantly, a considerate and reasonable attitude while enjoying the above facilities and services shall ensure you a wonderful study time with your classmates at GCC.

#### 10.2 Library Resources, Services and Facilities

10.2.1 The mission of the GCC Library is to promote and enhance the academic and research endeavors of the Gratia Christian College (GCC) community. The Library achieves this by providing access to academic resources and research facilities that support the intellectual engagement of students, faculty, and staff.

#### 10.2.2 Objectives in action: **CARE**

Collections & content enhancement

Access & discovery bridging

Research & academic ethos

**E**-learning trending

10.2.3 Collections: The Library's collection currently comprises thirteen databases, offering over 510,000 e-book titles and 16,000 full-text journal titles. These resources are accessible to all staff and students both on- and off-campus, and are continuously updated and expanded to ensure that they meet the evolving needs of the College

# community.

Databases		Schools			
	SB	SCM	SEP	SSW	
Academic Search Ultimate (EBSCOhost)	V		<b>V</b>	V	
E-Journals (EBSCOhost)			√	√	
Education Full Text			V	V	
ERIC (EBSCOhost)			√	√	
<ul> <li>Gale One File (Gale)</li> <li>Business / Communications and Mass Media / Economics and Theory / Entrepreneurship / Hospitality and Tourism / Insurance and Liability / Leadership and Management / LegalTrac / Military and Intelligence Database</li> <li>Criminal Justice / Culinary Arts / Diversity Studies / Environmental Studies and Policy / Gender Studies / Health and Medicine / Psychology /</li> <li>Educator's Reference Complete</li> <li>Religion &amp; Philosophy</li> <li>Agriculture / Fine Arts / Gardening and Horticulture / Home Improvement / Information Science / Vocations and Careers / War and Terrorism / World History</li> </ul>	1	1	1	1	
GreenFILE (EBSCOhost)			√	V	
Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts (EBSCOhost)			√		
OpenDissertations (EBSCOhost)			√	V	
Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection (EBSCOhost)			V	√	
Religion and Philosophy Collection (EBSCOhost)		√			

Social Work Reference Center (EBSCOhost)			<b>V</b>
Sociology Source Ultimate (EBSCOhost)			<b>√</b>
Teacher Reference Center (EBSCOhost)		V	V
The Serials Directory (EBSCOhost)	V	<b>√</b>	√
中港電視。電影刊物資料庫 via HKBU (Full-text Access)		V	

#### **Printed serials**

Journal/Magazine titles for School of Social Work (SSW):

- China Journal of Social Work (also Taylor & Francis Online)
- 香港青年 Youth Hong Kong
- 青年空間 Youth S.P.O.T.
- 社情 Scenario \*
- 人情味 .Net \*

Magazine titles for School of Christian Ministry (SCM):

- Christian Times 時代論壇
- Christian Weekly 基督教週報 \*
- Tzu Chi Monthly 慈濟月刊
- Hong Kong Tzu Chi World Journal 慈濟世界
- Angel's Heart 天使心 \*
- 蒲公英希望月刊
- Herald Monthly Hong Kong 號角月報

Magazine titles for School of Business (SB):

- Asia weekly 亞洲週刊
- 天下雜誌

Magazine titles for School of Education and Psychology (SEP):

- Ming Pao Monthly 明報月刊
- Reader's digest 讀者文摘

Collaborations:

<sup>\*</sup> Librarian's recommendation

- CityU Library Interlibrary loan service
- ❖ BU Library institution card
- ❖ Hong Kong Public Libraries Block Loan service
- Shue Yan University Library Reader Card
- ❖ YCCECE Library Reader Card

# **Section 11 Opening Hours**

#### 11.1 Campus Opening Hours

Mondays – Fridays	9:00 am – 10:00 pm*
Saturdays	9:00 am – 4:00 pm
Sundays and Public Holidays	Closed

<sup>\*</sup>Campus will remain open when evening classes are scheduled.

#### 11.2 Library Opening Hours

	Semesters 1, 2 & 3*	Semester Break*
Mondays – Fridays	9:15 am – 9:30 pm	9:15 am – 7:00 pm
Saturdays	9:00 am – 4:00 pm	9:00 am – 12:00 noon
Sundays and Public Holidays	Closed	Closed

<sup>\*</sup>Special arrangements will be announced via Moodle.

#### 11.3 Adverse Weather Arrangement for Typhoon and Rainstorm

- 11.3.1 When Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No.3 or Red Rainstorm Warning is in force, all classes and examinations will continue to be held as scheduled, unless otherwise announced by GCC.
- 11.3.2 When the Hong Kong Observatory announces that adverse weather warnings, such as Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No.8 (or above) or Black Rainstorm Warning, will be issued within the next 2 hours, special arrangements (in particular cancellation of classes) may be required based on the prevailing weather situation.
- 11.3.3 When Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No.8 (or above) or Black Rainstorm Warning is in force, the following arrangements shall apply:

#### **Class Arrangements**

For Morning Classes	Warning signal is in effect at or after 7:00 am	All morning classes will be cancelled
For Afternoon	Warning signal is in effect at	All afternoon classes will be cancelled
Classes	or after 12:30 pm	
For Evening	Warning signal is in effect at	All evening classes will be cancelled
Classes	or after 4:00 pm	

#### **Examination Arrangements**

Warning signal is in effect at or after 7:00 am	All morning examinations will be	
	postponed	
Warning signal is in effect at or after 12:30 pm	All afternoon examinations will be	
	postponed	
Warning signal is in effect at or after 4:00 pm	All evening examinations will be	
	postponed	

- 11.3.4 Cancelled examinations will be rescheduled to a specific date according to the contingency arrangement.
- 11.3.5 If students are already at campus when Black Rainstorm Warning or Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted, arrangements will be made by the College to release them to go home as soon as weather and traffic conditions allow.
- 11.3.6 If Black Rainstorm Warning or Signal No. 8 or above is hoisted during the examination, the examination will be continued unless otherwise announced by the College.

# **Section 12 Key Contact Numbers and Emails**

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Library	5804 4141	library@gratia.edu.hk
IT Services Office	5804 4148	itso@gratia.edu.hk
Facility Management Office	5804 4148	fmo@gratia.edu.hk

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