

Programme Handbook for Bachelor of Christian Ministry (Honours)

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Section 1 Overview of the Institution

1.1 Overview of Gratia Christian College

- 1.1.1 The Bachelor of Christian Ministry (Honours) (BCM (Hons)) 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:

| "C | Н | R | I | 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) | | |
| 2013 | Bachelor of Psychology (Honours) | | |
| | Bachelor of Social Work (Honours) | | |
| 2017 | Higher Diploma in Early Childhood Education | | |
| 2017 | 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 | | |

¹ Greenleaf, R. K. (1991). *The servant as leader*. The Robert K. Greenleaf Center. [Originally published in 1970, by Robert K. Greenleaf]

Section 2 The Programme

2.1 General Programme Information

2.1.1 The table below gives a brief introduction of the BCM (Hons) Programme.

General Information of the BCM (Hons) Programme

| Item | Description |
|--|---|
| 1. Programme Title | Bachelor of Christian Ministry (Honours) Programme 基督教事工榮譽學士課程 |
| 2. Qualification Title (exit award) | Bachelor of Christian Ministry (Honours) 基督教事工榮譽學士 |
| 3. Award Granting Body | Gratia Christian College 宏恩基督教學院 |
| 4. QF Level | 5 |
| 5. QR Registration No. | 21/000425/L5 |
| 6. QF Credits | 565 |
| 7. Mode of Study | Full-time and Part-time |
| 8. Programme Length | 4 years (Full-time) or 6 years (Part-time) |
| 9. Total Number of Credits Required for Exit Award | 126 |
| 10. Curriculum (credit distribution) | (i) 33% (42/126) General Education courses(ii) 67% (84/126) Specialized courses |
| 11. Medium of Instruction | Chinese supplemented with English as the official medium of instruction. English supplemented with Chinese is the medium of instruction for General Education courses. The English and Chinese language learning courses are conducted in their respective languages. |
| 12. Host 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 Bachelor of Christian Ministry (Honours) Programme (BCM) aims to:
 - a) Provide students with a broad curriculum of theological knowledge, biblical knowledge, and pastoral leadership and care.
 - b) Equip students with the biblical and theological foundations of evangelism.
 - c) Provide students with knowledge in general education and life and character education.
 - d) Nurture students to become servant leaders to exemplify the "CHRIST*" values.
 - e) Prepare students to serve as a pastor or teacher, pursue further study, or serve in various organisations operated with Christian values (graduates will have to undergo further specialised training if they wish to become a pastor).

3.2 Programme Intended Learning Outcomes (PILOs)

3.2.1 The Programme Intended Learning Outcomes of the BCM 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. Demonstrate a breadth of understanding of theological and biblical knowledge and a Christian worldview.
- 2. Analyse, outline, interpret, and critically reflect on biblical scriptures for application to the contemporary context in ministry, preaching, or teaching.
- 3. Demonstrate the skills for leading individuals or communities in spiritual understanding and growth.
- 4. Demonstrate the skills of a ministry practitioner in written and oral communication and the critical analysis and evaluation of information and ideas.
- 5. Be prepared to serve as a pastor or teacher, serve in various organisations operated with Christian values, or pursue further study in related disciplines (graduates will have to undergo further specialised training if they wish to become a pastor).

(To be) Graduates will become:

- 1. Persons who holistically integrate knowledge, "CHRIST" values and faith.
- 2. 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.
- 3. Life-long learners who have the expertise and skills to independently and critically examine knowledge related to and beyond their profession.
- 4. Principled individuals who are committed to building a Christ-centered life.

Section 4 Programme Content and Structure

<u>Credit Distribution of the Five Components</u> <u>in the BCM (Hons) Programme</u>

| Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 | Components | Credits |
|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|------------|
| | | | | Foundation Courses | 24 (19.1%) |
| | | | | Major Required Courses | 27 (21.4%) |
| | | | \longrightarrow | Major Elective Courses | 24 (19.1%) |
| | | | \longrightarrow | Integration Courses | 9 (7.1%) |
| | | | \rightarrow | General Education Courses | 42 (33.3%) |
| | | | | Total (4 years) | 126 (100%) |

Foundation Courses (24 credits)

| Course Code | Course | Credits | QF Level |
|-------------|--|---------|----------|
| CM1201 | Christian Ministry 基督教事工 | 3 | 4 |
| CM1202 | Introduction to Counselling | 3 | 4 |
| CM1203 | Hermeneutics 釋經書 | 3 | 4 |
| CM1204 | Systematic Theology 系統神學 | 3 | 4 |
| CM1205 | Introduction to the New Testament 新約導論 | 3 | 4 |
| CM1206 | Introduction to the Old Testament 舊約導論 | 3 | 4 |
| CM1207 | Personal Growth | 3 | 4 |
| CM1208 | Biblical Theology 聖經神學 | 3 | 5 |

Total 24

Major Required Courses (27 Credits)

| Course | Credits | QF Level |
|--|--|---|
| Christian Ethics 基督教倫理學 | 3 | 4 |
| The Pentateuch 摩西五經 | 3 | 5 |
| The Histories 歷史書 | 3 | 5 |
| The Psalms and Wisdom Literature 詩歌智慧書 | 3 | 5 |
| The Prophets 先知書 | 3 | 5 |
| Gospels and Acts 福音書與使徒行傳 | 3 | 5 |
| Paul and His Letters 保羅書信 | 3 | 5 |
| General Epistles and Revelation 普通書信與啟示錄 | 3 | 5 |
| Ecclesiastical History 教會歷史 | 3 | 5 |
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Total 27

Major Elective Courses (24 Credits)

| Elective | Course Code | Course | Credits | QF Level |
|-----------|--------------------|---|---------|-----------------|
| | CM3201 | Church Growth 教會增長學 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3202 | Evangelism and Discipleship 佈道與門訓 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3203 | Management of Funeral Services 喪禮管理 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3204 | Practical Church Administration and Operation 教會行政實務與運作 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3205 | Counselling Skills Laboratory | 3 | 4 |
| | CM3206 | Grief and Loss Counselling | 3 | 4 |
| | CM3207 | Management in Human Service Organisations 助人企業行政管理學 | 3 | 5 |
| Elective | CM3208 | Homiletics 講道學 | 3 | 5 |
| (8 out of | CM3209 | Worship 崇拜學 | 3 | 5 |
| 18) | CM3210 | Apologetics 護教學 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3211 | Marketplace Theology and Pastoral Care 職場神學與牧養 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3212 | Marriage and Family Counselling | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3213 | School Administration and Organisation 學校行政與組織 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3214 | School Evangelization and Cultivation 校園佈道與栽培 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3215 | Introduction to Pastoral Ministry 教牧學概論 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3216 | Christian Education 基督教教育 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3217 | Fundamental Bible Hebrew 聖經希伯來文初階 | 3 | 5 |
| | CM3218 | Fundamental Bible Greek 聖經希臘文初階 | 3 | 5 |

Total 24

Integration Courses (9 Credits)

| Course Code | Course | Credits | QF Level |
|--------------------|-----------------|---------|----------|
| CM4201 | Practicum | 3 | 4 |
| CM4202 | Internship | 3 | 5 |
| CM4203 | Honours Project | 3 | 5 |
| | Total | 9 | |

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General Education Courses (42 Credits)

| Study Areas | | Required | Course Code | Course | Credits | QF Level |
|-------------|---|-----------|----------------|---|---------|-------------|
| | | √ | GEN1401 | Lives of Servant Leaders | 3 | 4 |
| | | | GEN1402 | Holistic Health | 3 | 4 |
| | | | GEN1403 | The Pursuit of Happiness | 3 | 4 |
| | Character and | | GEN1404 | Introduction to Arts Therapy | 3 | 4 |
| 1 | Life Education | | GEN1405 | Contemporary Ethical Issues | 3 | 4 |
| 1 | | $\sqrt{}$ | GEN1501 | Servant Leadership | 3 | 5 |
| | (10 courses) | | GEN1502 | Critical Thinking | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN1503 | Christian Spirituality | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN1504 | Crisis and Coping for Personal Growth | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN1505 | Meaning of Life | 3 | 5 |
| | | $\sqrt{}$ | GEN2401 | Chinese for Professionals 專業中文 | 3 | 4 |
| | | √ | GEN2402 | English for Academic Purposes | 3 | 4 |
| | | | GEN2403 | Creative Arts in Daily Life | 3 | 4 |
| | Language and | | GEN2404 | Art of Photography | 3 | 4 |
| 2 | Communication | | GEN2405 | Information Literacy | 3 | 4 |
| | (9 courses) √ GEN2501 Public Speaking and Presentation | | 3 | 5 | | |
| | (9 courses) | | GEN2502 | Advanced Chinese 高階中文 | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN2503 | Multi-media Communication | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN2504 | Empathetic Communication | 3 | 5 |
| | | V | GEN3401 | Introduction to Psychology | 3 | 4 |
| | | V | GEN3402 | Introduction to Sociology | 3 | 4 |
| | | V | GEN3403 | Introduction to Statistics | 3 | 4 |
| | | | GEN3404 | Applications of Innovative Technologies | 3 | 4 |
| | | | GEN3405 | Social Issues, Social Welfare and Social Work | 3 | 4 |
| | Culture, Society | | GEN3406 | Drugs and Behavior | 3 | 4 |
| 3 | and Technology | | GEN3407 | Hong Kong Society | 3 | 4 |
| | | | GEN3408 | Introduction to Philosophy | 3 | 4 |
| | (13 courses) | | GEN3409 | Introduction to Religious Studies | 3 | 4 |
| | | V | GEN3501 | Research Methods for Social Sciences | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN3502 | Information Management and Technology in Society | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN3503 | The Future We Want | 3 | 5 |
| | | | GEN3504 | Christianity and Social Concern in a Pluralistic Society | 3 | 5 |

| General Education Requirement | Number of Courses | Credits |
|--|-------------------|---------|
| $\sqrt{}$: Required course | 10 | 30 |
| Free elective (4 from the General Education course list, or up to 2 courses from other majors) | 4 | 12 |
| Total | 14 | 42 |

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: www.gcc.edu.hk/sdo
 - 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:

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Ms Genie Wong

Counsellor

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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 In-house and Community Services

6.1 In-house Service

- 6.1.1 The In-house Service Programme is a College-initiated programme guided by the College vision. Through serving in specific units of the College, students will be able to develop their character, acquire knowledge, skills and attitudes for serving others, and act as servant leaders and contribute to the development of the College.
- 6.1.2 Total serving hours: at least 20 hours of service required for all year 1 degree students (year 3 direct entry students are exempted).
- 6.1.3 Serving Units: Library, IT Services Office, Registry, Student Development Office, Facility Management Office, Development and Communication Office and Special Project.

6.2 Community Service

6.2.1 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 |

- 6.2.2 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.
- 6.2.3 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.
- 6.2.4 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.
- 7.3.2 There are special arrangements for students admitted directly to year 3 of degree programmes.

Section 8 Scholarships and Bursary

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 four categories of scholarship awards under the Scheme for the Programme, including:

- a) Best in Academic Performance
- b) Best in In-house Service
- c) Best in Community Service
- d) 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 Bursary

8.2.1 Financial Assistance Scheme

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 (NLSPS)
- c) Student Travel Subsidy (STS)

- d) Community Care Fund Enhanced Academic Expenses Grant
- e) Community Care Fund Enhanced Academic Expenses Grant for SEN students with financial needs
- f) Scheme for subsidy on Exchange for Post-Secondary students (SSE)
- g) Scheme for Subsidy on Exchange to "Belt and Road" Regions for Postsecondary Students (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 BCM qualification, students must fulfill all the attendance requirements and have:
 - a) completed and been assessed on 42 courses;
 - b) obtained an overall GPA of 2.0 or above;
 - c) obtained a Grade D or above in 42 courses;
 - d) obtained a Grade C or above in the Honours Project course;
 - e) completed 20 hours of community service; and
 - f) completed 20 hours of In-house service.

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 | Broad Interpretation | |
|-------|--------|-------------|-----------------------------|--|
| A | 85-100 | 4.00 | Outstanding | |
| A- | 80-84 | 3.67 | | |
| B+ | 75-79 | 3.33 | | |
| В | 70-74 | 3.00 | Good | |
| B- | 65-69 | 2.67 | | |
| C+ | 58-64 | 2.33 | | |
| С | 52-57 | 2.00 | Satisfactory | |
| 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 Information Technology Services Office (ITSO) and Facility 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 <u>Computing services</u>

- 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)
 - o Tablet computer
 - USB Charging cables
 - Power bank
 - Tripod

10.1.3 Places for gathering

| Monday to Friday | 9:00 am to 7:30 pm |
|------------------|---------------------|
| Saturday | 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;
 - 32 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;
 - 20 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, 205, 302, 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 under the management of ITSO. 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 Complete (EBSCOhost) | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| E-Journals (EBSCOhost) | ✓ | | √ | ✓ |
| ERIC (EBSCOhost) | ✓ | | ✓ | √ |
| GreenFILE (EBSCOhost) | ✓ | | ✓ | √ |
| Library, Information Science & Technology Abstracts (EBSCOhost) | | | √ | |
| OpenDissertations (EBSCOhost) | ✓ | | √ | ✓ |
| Psychology and Behavioral Sciences Collection (EBSCOhost) | | | √ | √ |
| Religion and Philosophy Collection (EBSCOhost) | | ✓ | | |
| Social Work Reference Center (EBSCOhost) | | | | ✓ |
| Sociology Source Ultimate (EBSCOhost) | | | | ✓ |
| Teacher Reference Center (EBSCOhost) | | | ✓ | ✓ |
| The Serials Directory (EBSCOhost) | ✓ | | ✓ | ✓ |
| 中港電視。電影刊物資料庫 via HKBU (Full-text Access) | | | √ | |

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
- The Economist
- 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

^{*} Librarian's recommendation

Collaborations:

- 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 – 1:00 pm |
| Sundays and Public Holidays | Closed |

^{*}Campus will remain open when evening classes are scheduled.

11.2 Library Opening Hours*

| Mondays – Fridays | 9:15 am – 7:00 pm |
|-----------------------------|----------------------|
| Saturdays | 9:00 am – 12:00 noon |
| Sundays and Public Holidays | Closed |

^{*}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 Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No.8 or above will be issued within the next 2 hours, special arrangement (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 the Black Rainstorm Warning is in force, the following arrangements shall apply:

Class Arrangements

| For Morning | Warning signal issued at or | All morning classes (i.e. 9:00 am – |
|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Classes | after 7:00 am | 1:00 pm) will be cancelled |
| For Afternoon | Warning signal cancelled before | All afternoon classes (i.e. 1:00 pm – |
| Classes | 11:00 am | 6:30 pm) will be held as scheduled |
| | Warning Signal in force at or | All afternoon classes (i.e. 1:00 pm – |
| | after 11:00 am | 6:30 pm) will be cancelled |
| For Evening | Warning signal cancelled before | All evening classes commencing after |
| Classes | 4:00 pm | 6:30 pm will be held as scheduled |
| | Warning Signal in force at or | All evening classes commencing after |
| | after 4:00 pm | 6:30 pm will be cancelled |

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