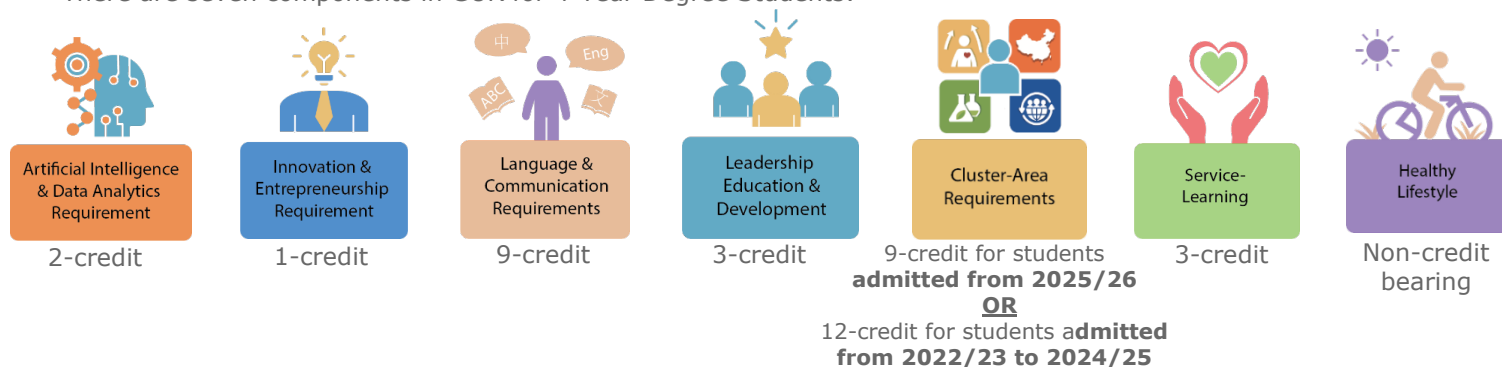


# General University Requirements (GUR) for 4-Year Degree Students admitted from 2022/23

General University Requirements (GUR) aims to widen your horizons and promote holistic development in your undergraduate years. It also contributes significantly to your development of PolyU's desired graduate attributes. There are seven components in GUR for 4-Year Degree Students:




## ➤ Artificial Intelligence and Data Analytics Requirement (GUR-AIDA)

GUR-AIDA aims to introduce the basic knowledge about the concept and design of Data Analytics methods and how it benefits varying Artificial Intelligence applications.

 **What you need to do:** Complete this 2-credit subject within the first year of study.


## ➤ Innovation and Entrepreneurship Requirement (GUR-IE)

GUR-IE aims to prepare first-year students with an entrepreneurial mindset and apply innovative strategies to find creative solutions that benefit both organizations and society in the age of digital transformation.

 **What you need to do:** Complete this 1-credit subject within the first year of study.


## ➤ Language and Communication Requirements (LCR)

LCR aims to help you become an effective communicator by developing your language competence for academic and professional needs. All students are required to take 9 credits of LCR subjects, including English (6 credits) and Chinese (3 credits).

 **What you need to do:** Complete two 3-credit English language subjects and one 3-credit Chinese language subject as pre-assigned according to your language competence.

## ➤ Leadership Education and Development (LEAD)

LEAD aims to introduce you to the concepts and theories of leadership and to prepare you to become ethical leaders. The "Online Tutorial on Academic Integrity", National Education and the "learning-to-learn" component are embedded in the LEAD subjects.

 **What you need to do:** Complete a 3-credit LEAD subject within your first year of study as pre-assigned by your Faculty/ Department.

## ➤ Cluster-Area Requirements (CAR)

CAR aims to expand your intellectual capacity beyond disciplinary domains and enable you to tackle professional and global issues from a multidisciplinary perspective. CAR includes a broader range of academic subjects that use different paradigms, theoretical perspectives and methods of enquiry across the following four cluster areas:



Human Nature, Relations and Development



Science, Technology and Environment



Chinese History and Culture



Cultures, Organisations, Societies and Globalisation

There are two additional requirements in CAR:

1. **English Writing and Reading Requirements (EW/ER)** to further enhance your proficiency in English.
2. **Chinese Writing and Reading Requirements (CW/CR)** to further enhance your proficiency in Chinese.



### What you need to do:

**For students admitted from 2025/26:** Complete at least one 3-credit subject in three of the four Cluster Areas as stipulated in the Programme Requirement Document, among which you have to fulfil the Reading and Writing Requirements in Chinese and English (CR/CW and ER/EW).

**For students admitted from 2022/23 to 2024/25:** Complete at least one 3-credit subject in each of the four Cluster Areas, among which you have to fulfil the Reading and Writing Requirements in Chinese and English (CR/CW and ER/EW).

## ➤ Service-Learning (SL)

SL aims to help you develop into a competent professional with a heart to serve others. This subject contains a significant service component, which allows you to apply your skills and knowledge to deal with complex issues in social services, develop a stronger empathy for people in need and develop a stronger sense of civic responsibility.



**What you need to do:** Take one 3-credit Service-Learning subject. Some Service-Learning subjects are embedded in the major study curriculum and to be taken as Discipline-Specific Requirements (DSR) subjects. However, the majority of PolyU students will need to choose Service-Learning subjects on their own. Please check your Programme Requirement Document (PRD) for details.

## ➤ Healthy Lifestyle (HLS)

The HLS programme is a set of courses and activities covering different dimensions of health that aims to help you build up a healthy lifestyle. Through this programme, you will acquire knowledge on healthy living that contributes to one's well-being and be able to make responsible health decisions. The current HLS programme consists of four components that need to be completed in sequence.



**What you need to do:** Complete all the components of the Healthy Lifestyle Programme before you graduate, preferably, in your first two years of study.

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You should consult your Academic Advisor to discuss your study plan for major and GUR subjects. Contact information of your Academic Advisor could be found in eStudent.

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