

Common Core Course List (Last update: 19 November 2025)

(30-credit Common Core Program for Students Admitted from 2022-23 Onward)

Common Core Course with Subject Area Prefix from 2023-24 ²	Course Title	Credit	Common Core Area	Remarks	Previous Common Core Course Code with "CORE" Prefix In 2022-23 ¹			
					Fall 2022-23	Winter 2022-23	Spring 2022-23	Summer 2022-23
Courses in Foundations Group								
LANG 1411	Elementary Putonghua for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1411			
LANG 1412	Intermediate Putonghua for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1412			
LANG 1413	Advanced Putonghua for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1413			
LANG 1414	Elementary Reading and Writing for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1414			
LANG 1415	Intermediate Reading and Writing for Non-Chinese Language Background Students	3	C-Comm		CORE 1415			
LANG 1416	Effective Chinese Communication	3	C-Comm		CORE 1416			
LANG 1421	Chinese Communication in the Digital Era	3	C-Comm		CORE 1421			
LANG 1422	Chinese for Workplace Applications	3	C-Comm		CORE 1422			
LANG 1423	Chinese Communication in Global Context	3	C-Comm		CORE 1423			
LANG 1424	Chinese Writing in Cultural Contexts	3	C-Comm		--			
LANG 1425	Chinese Communication in Interpersonal Relations	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
LANG 1426	Chinese Communication in Film and Literary Contexts	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
LANG 1511	Chinese for Non-Chinese Language Background Students I	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
LANG 1512	Chinese for Non-Chinese Language Background Students II	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
LANG 1513	Chinese for Non-Chinese Language Background Students III	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
LANG 1514	Chinese for Non-Chinese Language Background Students IV	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
LANG 1515	Chinese for Non-Chinese Language Background Students V	3	C-Comm	This is a common core course with effect from 2025-26 Spring.	--			
Course Cross-Listed in Foundations and Broadening Groups								
HUMA 3810	Taoism and the Chinese Tradition	3	C-Comm, H		--			CORE 3572 [#]

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Notes:

1 In 2022-23, all common core courses for the 30-credit Common Core Program were assigned a "CORE" prefix. Starting from 2023-24, this prefix has been removed, and common core courses have been coded according to their subject area code (e.g., "ACCT" for Accounting). Students should pay attention to the following for study plan and before enrolling in classes:

- (a) Students who took any "CORE" courses in 2022-23 can still use them to fulfill the corresponding common core area requirements. However, they cannot retake the same course with the corresponding subject area code. For example, if students completed CORE 1240 Electronic and Information Technology in 2022-23, they can use it to fulfill the Technology (T) area requirement; but they cannot retake the same course using the subject area code ELEC 1010 Electronic and Information Technology in subsequent terms.
- (b) If students took a course in 2022-23 that does not have a "CORE" prefix, they cannot use it to fulfill any common core requirements. For example, credits earned from SOSC 1850 Understanding Society in 2022-23 cannot count toward the Social Analysis (SA) area requirement.
- (c) Students can use the "CORE" course to fulfill EITHER common core OR School/major requirements, but not both.

Remarks:

The subject area codes are the alternate code of the CORE codes. For example, HUMA 1150 is the alternate code for CORE 1660. In 2022-23, students cannot use courses with subject area prefix (e.g., HUMA 1150) to fulfill any common core requirements. However, starting from 2023-24, students can use subject area-coded course (e.g., HUMA 1150) to fulfill EITHER the common core requirement OR the School/major requirement, but not both.

2 It is important to note that certain major/minor programs may include common core courses as required or elective courses. While these courses can fulfill relevant major/minor requirements, students should be aware of the credit reuse rules specified by individual programs. Credits from some of these common core courses may only be used to fulfill EITHER the common core requirements OR the major/minor requirements, but not both. Please refer to the program catalog or consult your major/minor departments for details.

Common Core Areas

HAIC: Human-AI Co-Creation and Data Literacy (for 2026-27 cohort); CTDL: Critical Thinking and Data Literacy; HMW: Habits, Mindsets, and Wellness; E-Comm: English Communication; C-Comm: Chinese Communication; A: Arts; H: Humanities; S: Science; T: Technology; SA: Social Analysis; SUS: Sustainability (from 2025-26 cohort); UxOP: Undergraduate experiential Opportunities Programs