

**The University of Hong Kong  
Faculty of Education**

**Postgraduate Diploma in Education**

**Key Learning Area : Personal, Social and Humanities Education (PSHE)**

**Major : Geography (Full-time and Part-time)**

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The Geography major course aims to provide intending teachers of geography with skills and awareness which will enable them to develop professional standing through:

1. a knowledge of the changes taking place in geographical education and within 21<sup>st</sup> century education in general
2. a knowledge and deep understanding of the educational purposes of geography within the key learning area of Personal, Social and Humanities Education (PSHE) in the school curriculum in Hong Kong
3. an awareness and knowledge about the problems pupils face in learning geography and seeing ways to minimize those difficulties
4. an understanding of the pedagogical considerations, key principles and techniques of planning a geography course appropriate to diverse classroom situations
5. an understanding of the approaches allowing development of well-structured and coherent lessons
6. an ability to use multiple strategies for assessing learning
7. a capability in identifying the principles and structures of the existing syllabi of geography in Hong Kong schools
8. an understanding of the new cultural shift in aligning learning, teaching and assessment
9. an awareness and knowledge to develop as reflective teachers, fostering on-going professional development