THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Summer Institute 2008 Assessment Details

Students in 6 credit programme:

- Journal: 35 %, Examination 50 %, Attendance 15%

Throughout two-week programme, students will be required to develop and maintain a journal, recording their lecture notes as well as notes from the field trips (35 percent). At the conclusion of the two-week programme, students will also sit an exam (50 percent). The exam will be the usual end of course exam, which will be based on lecture notes and the readings. The journal and the examination, along with an attendance grade (15 percent) will form the basis for evaluating individual student performances.

For the journal, students will be expected to take detailed notes from all the lectures as well as provide summaries of the subsequent Q&A sessions. Students will also be expected to include reports of their trips to the various field sites. The journal may be supplemented with appendices of either image or audio files taken during the course. The journal will be reviewed (but not formally assessed) twice during the course to ensure that each student is keeping an adequate record. This informal assessment will provide the student with opportunities to correct their approaches as well as ensure that the core teaching staffs are aware of individual proficiencies within the group.

Students will be continuously assessed on their attendance. Attendance is mandatory at all lectures and field visits, unless prior approval has been given. Attendance also includes participation in the lectures and site visits (asking questions/raising issues).

Students in 12 credit programme.

- Essay 45%, Examination 40%, Attendance 15%

Each student will develop a journal taking notes from the lectures and field trips, the final product of which will be an assessed essay (45 percent). Submission deadline for the essays will be 22nd August 2008. At the conclusion of the four-week programme, students will also sit an exam (40 percent). The exam will be the usual end of course exam, which will be based on lecture notes and the readings. The exam (40 percent) and the essay and journal (45 percent), along with an attendance grade (15 percent) will form the basis for evaluating individual student performances.

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Grading System

The assessment structure will be:

<u>Grade</u>	Grade Point		<u>Standard</u>
A+ A A-	4.3 4.0 3.7	}	Excellent
B+ B B-	3.3 3.0 2.7	}	Good
C+ C C-	2.3 2.0 1.7	}	Satisfactory
D+ D	1.3 1.0	}	Pass
F	0		Fail