

SMART PEOPLE

Current Status

12 years'
free primary and
secondary education

Around **90%** of the
half-day kindergartens
joining the Kindergarten
Education Scheme provide
free services

65% **S T E A M**
of senior secondary students studied one
or more STEAM-related elective subjects in
2023/24 and all have to study Mathematics
as a core (i.e. compulsory) subject

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University Grants Committee (UGC)
– funded universities

2024/25 academic year (provisional figures)

94 199

students studying UGC-funded undergraduate
programmes

34 025 (36%)

of them studied STEM-related
programmes

2024/25 academic year (provisional figures)

13 788

students studying UGC-funded postgraduate
programmes

6 901* (50%)

of them studied STEM-related
postgraduate programmes
(*Excludes additional part-time
Postgraduate Diploma in Education)

2023

↑ 10%

compared with 2022 (HK\$30,138 million)
Gross domestic expenditure on R&D (GERD)
HK\$33,006 million

About **140 000** trainees in the civil
service attended various I&T-related training
in 2024-25

Initiatives

