



School of Law

香港城市大學
City University of Hong Kong



BACHELOR OF LAWS (LLB)

法律學學士

Professional
Legal Education for
Tomorrow's Lawyers



THE PROGRAMME

The LLB programme (admission code: 1061) provides a sound preparation for the practice of law and for many other careers. Globalisation and rapid economic growth have created many new opportunities for lawyers and legally aware persons in commerce, business and public life. Modern legal education must ensure that law graduates are well-educated and have the skills required to seize these opportunities. The LLB programme offered by CityU is designed to meet these challenges.



Aims and Intended Learning Outcomes of Law Major

The Major aims to:

- ▶ provide a liberal education in the theory and practice of law at the level and rigour appropriate for an undergraduate degree;
- ▶ equip students with a critical understanding of law and legal institutions so as to enable them to serve the needs of Hong Kong and the international community; and
- ▶ facilitate the development of a range of intellectual skills, in particular the ability to think analytically and critically, to solve problems, and to communicate effectively both orally and in writing.

Programme Structure

In order to graduate, LLB students are required to complete 120 credit units comprising core law courses, law electives, Gateway Education courses such as English language courses and Chinese civilisation courses.

The core courses for LLB students comprise of Legal Methods, Research and Writing, Hong Kong Legal System, Law of Contract, Law of Tort, Constitutional Law, Administrative Law, Criminal Law, Land Law, Jurisprudence and Legal Theory, Company Law, Public Law of the PRC, and Private Law of the PRC. Students contemplating entry to the legal profession must also study Equity and Trusts, Law of Evidence, and Commercial Law.

In addition, LLB students may develop particular areas of interest by studying electives from various areas such as commercial law, environmental law, public law, international law, human rights law, international economic law, Chinese law, intellectual property law, cyberspace law, dispute resolution, international advocacy, comparative law, and criminal law. Special emphasis is placed on comparative and international legal perspectives. Some of the LLB lectures will be given together with the Juris Doctor (JD). Joint teaching of LLB and JD courses enables students to work together and develop team working skills.



Scholarships

Students with outstanding academic results are eligible for scholarships. For details, please visit <https://www.cityu.edu.hk/scholarship/>.



Special Features

- ▶ The University offers various types of scholarships and prizes in recognition of students' achievements or for the financial support to students in need
- ▶ An opportunity to participate in Global Legal Education and Awareness Project (G-LEAP) and study for a month-long intensive course at University College, Oxford (reconfirmed every 2 years)
- ▶ Legal placement at law firms, international companies, banks and NGOs in Hong Kong, courts in mainland China or going overseas to work for NGO during summer
- ▶ Extensive training and financial support for students participating in international mooted competitions
- ▶ Exciting exchange opportunities with universities in Austria, Belgium, Canada, China, Germany, India, Ireland, Israel, Italy, Norway, Singapore, Spain, Switzerland, Taiwan, the Netherlands, the UK and the US
- ▶ Opportunity to edit the City University of Hong Kong Law Review, one of the academic journals led by the School
- ▶ Guest lectures by scholars from top overseas law schools or legal institutions

Career Prospects

A law degree offers a firm foundation for a variety of successful careers in accountancy, business, finance, management, journalism and the Civil Service, and further study, both in Hong Kong and overseas. Graduates may pursue further studies or professional qualifications in law, business and management, accountancy, finance and corporate administration. Graduates who wish to practice law in Hong Kong will need to complete the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) programme which we also offer at CityU. The Master of Laws (LLM), offered by the School, also creates significant opportunity for law graduates to extend their qualifications to the postgraduate level.

Admission Requirements

JUPAS Applicants

To be eligible for admission to the LLB programme, the HKDSE applicant should achieve Level 5 or above in English Language and satisfy the University General Entrance Requirements. For details of JUPAS applications, please visit www.cityu.edu.hk/admo/programmes/bachelor-laws.

Direct/Non-JUPAS Applicants

To be eligible for admission, you must satisfy the University General Entrance Requirements and meet the following programme specific entrance requirements.

- an overall band score of 7 in IELTS[#]; or
- a TOEFL[#] score of 100 (internet-based test); or
- Grade C or above in HKALE AS Level Use of English; or
- other equivalent qualifications.

([#] Obtained within 3 years before admission)

For details, please visit www.cityu.edu.hk/admo.

Applicants may apply for admission to the LLB programme directly. Advanced standing entry will not be considered.

Mature local applicants are eligible to apply for admission to first-year studies even if they do not satisfy the minimum entrance requirements. Mature applicants must be over the age of 25 by 1 September of the year of admission and be able to demonstrate their aptitude and suitability for study.

STUDENT TESTIMONY

“ I completed my LLB and PCLL programmes at CityU. The multi-dimensional nature of the programmes provided me with a solid foundation for my future practice as a barrister. In particular, the well-structured moot training allowed me to gauge the depth of research and analysis required before advancing any arguments in court. Also, the quality of the teaching staff especially former and current legal practitioners gave students practical tips and valuable insights of how things work in practice.



**Brian CHOK, Barrister,
Sir Oswald Cheung's Chambers**

LLB Graduate 2013 & PCLL Graduate 2015

During my 4-year LLB programme, I had the opportunity to join the G-LEAP programme to undertake a summer course at Oxford University which is an eye-opening experience and inspires me to pursue my postgraduate studies in the United Kingdom after graduation. I also participated in the internship programme arranged by the School of Law with the Courts in Mainland China which availed me to have dialogues with members of the Court and judges about the difference between civil and common law regimes and the cases they were handling.

In retrospect, my 5-year education at CityU was proven to be fruitful and rewarding. I am very grateful for all the assistance and advice offered to me throughout my studies. Also, the optimal size of the LLB programme and the small group in PCLL allowed me to bond with my classmates and groupmates closely and paved the way for our smooth working relationships in practice.



**Cammy MAN,
Solicitor**

LLB Graduate 2014 &
PCLL Graduate 2015

“ The CityU LLB and PCLL programmes are well-known for providing students with essential and practical skills for their legal career. I was looking for a law school that could provide not only legal knowledge, but also a wide spectrum of opportunities of growth for students in preparation for the legal profession. I made the right choice and the experience I gained in CityU was well beyond my expectation.

After working as a solicitor focusing on dispute resolution, I realise how much I have learnt from different extra-curricular activities, such as the CityU Law Review Editorial Board, moot competition, and other overseas learning experience programme. Every time when I look back, I am always grateful for everything the Law School has offered, and for all the support and guidance of all professors and mentors. I am always proud to be a CityU law graduate.

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