Admissions Talk

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- Undergraduate Admissions -
LLB & Integrated Double Degrees
1. Why HKU?
   HKU or Overseas (Top Universities)?
   HKU or Other HK Law Schools?

2. HKU – Which Programme?

3. HKU – Application Process?
Why HKU?

- Longest History – Sense of Belonging
- Law, Justice and Humanity: 50 Years and Beyond (Video)
Why HKU?

• Commitment to Excellence

“The Faculty is committed to academic and professional excellence. While the faculty has come a long way since its inception in 1969, it continues its efforts in international outreach, in strengthening ties with Mainland China, and in enhancing the quality of legal education with a view to training not just good lawyers but also leaders who have a passion to serve, wherever they are.”
Why HKU?

- Physical Resources

Dedicated Law Faculty Building

- Mooting Chambers
- Lui Che Woo Law Library
- Cheng Yu Tung Tower
- Academic Conference Centre
- Moot Court
Why HKU?

- HKU’s International Standing

Excellent International Ranking

**2021 QS Law Ranking in Law**
- 9. UC Berkeley
- 10. NUS
- 13. UNSW
- 15. UCL
- 16. KCL
- **21. HKU (2nd in Asia)**
- 31. UPenn

**2021 Times Higher Education World University Rankings in Law**
- 8. UCL
- 12. NUS
- 13. UC Berkeley
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## Why HKU?

### Other Benefits

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Why HKU?

Alumni Network

Just some of HKU’s alumni:

- Elsie Leung (Deputy Director of HK Basic Law Committee, First Secretary for Justice 1997-2005)
- Albert Chen (Cheng Chan Lan Yue Professor in Constitutional Law, Basic Law Committee member)
- Rimsky Yuen (GBM, SC, JP, Former Secretary for Justice)
- Patrick Chan (Non-Permanent Judge of the Court of Final Appeal)
- Johannes Chan (SC (Hon), Adjunct Professor, Former Chair Professor of Public Law, Former Dean)
- Alan Leong (SC, Former LegCo member)
- Ronny Tong (SC, non-official member of the Executive Council of Hong Kong, Former LegCo member)
- Audrey Eu (SC, Former LegCo member)
- Anna WU Hung-yuk (GBS, JP, Chair of the Competition Commission, Chair of PCLL Academic Board, HKU)
Why HKU?

HKU or Other HK Law Schools?

Experience
- HKU (1969)
- Law School A (1987)

Expertise
- HKU (80)
- Law School A (39)
- Law School B (49)

Diversity
- HKU
- Law School A
- Law School B
Why HKU?

- HKU Law Graduates on Staff

Professor Albert Chen
Cheng Chan Lan Yue Professor in Constitutional Law, Former Dean

Professor Johannes Chan, SC (Hon)
Adjunct Professor, Former Chair Professor of Public Law, Former Dean
Why HKU?

HKU Law Graduates on Staff

Cora Chan
Associate Professor

Felix Chan
Associate Professor

Alice Lee
Associate Professor

Wilson Chow
Associate Professor

Puja Kapai
Associate Professor

Michael Ng
Associate Professor

Eric Ip
Associate Professor

Anne Cheung
Professor

Rebecca Lee
Associate Professor

Eric Cheung
Principal Lecturer
Why HKU?

• Distinguished Visiting & Honorary Professors

Professor John Lowry
Professor Mindy Chen-Wishart
Professor Lech Garlicki
The Hon Mr Justice Andrew Li QC, SC
The Hon Mr Justice Frank Stock
The Hon Mr Justice Henry Litton
Why HKU?

Clinical Legal Education Programme
- Real cases
- General clinic or refugee clinic

Pathway Programmes
- UNSW
- KCL
- NUS
- UC Berkeley

Double Degree Programmes with Overseas Partners
- JD/LLM (UPenn)
- LLB/JD (UBC)
- LLM/LLM (Peking U)
- LLM/MLAW (U Zurich)
Why HKU?

- Exchange Opportunities

**200 Exchange Partners**
UK (including Oxford, Cambridge, London), US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, China, Japan, Israel, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden, Austria, Denmark, Singapore, Switzerland

**Incoming Exchange Students**
100+ incoming exchange students from 40+ law schools each year
### Which Programme?

- **Undergraduate**

### Basic Degree – LLB (4 Years)
- Maximum flexibility
- Specialization and minors

### HKU-UCL LLB
- 2 degrees in 4 years
- HK+UK qualified
- Annual intake of 10 (5 from each institution)

### HKU-PKU LLB
- 2 degrees in 5 years
- 2.5 years at each university
- Annual intake of 4-8 on each institution
- Common Law & Civil Law jurisdictions

### Pathway Programmes
- 2 degrees in 4 or 5 years
  - KCL LLM
  - UNSW LLM
  - UC Berkeley LLM
  - UBC JD
- Annual intake of 5 from each partner universities
Which Programme?

- **Undergraduate**

  - **BA&LLB**
    - Offered with *Faculty of Arts*
    - [https://www.infoday.hku.hk/faculty-of-arts](https://www.infoday.hku.hk/faculty-of-arts)

  - **BBA(Law)&LLB**
    - Offered with *HKU Business School*

  - **BSocSc(Govt & Laws)&LLB**
    - Offered with *Faculty of Social Sciences*
    - [https://www.infoday.hku.hk/faculty-of-social-sciences](https://www.infoday.hku.hk/faculty-of-social-sciences)

  - **BSc&LLB**
    - Offered with *Faculty of Sciences*
    - [https://www.infoday.hku.hk/faculty-of-science](https://www.infoday.hku.hk/faculty-of-science)

**Integrated Double Degree Programmes**

(Two Degrees in 5 Years)

**First Intake in Sept 2022**
Nurtures legal professionals with expertise in Science in a STEM-driven society

Key features:
- Offers first of its kind in Hong Kong for students interested in both law and science;
- Cultivates legal and scientific mindsets for academic talents;
- Copes with the soaring demand of patent practitioners and legal professionals in the technology industry;
- Feeds into the development of STEM talents who are capable of handling a wide variety of innovation-related matters such as patent applications.

Career prospects:
- In commercial or intellectual property firms,
- In the two branches of the legal profession,
- In entrepreneurship, government/regulatory posts, policy makers, environmentalist, and
- Be a researcher/an academic

More details (Admissions requirements/curriculum structure.....)

Attend the Live Admissions Talk on BSc&LLB jointly hosted by the Associate Deans (Teaching & Learning) of Law and Science via Webinar link below at 13:00 today:

https://hku.zoom.us/j/99080688426
Which Programme?

- **Juris Doctor** (2 years, qualified to take PCLL)
- **PCLL** (1 year full-time or 2 years part-time professional qualification exam)
- **LLM** (1 year full-time or 2 years part-time)
- **MPhil and PhD**
Application Process

All Applicants - JUPAS (DSE) & Non-JUPAS

- Good communication, intellectual and analytical skills
- Both English language proficiency and intellectual ability

Usually Only FIRST Choice Considered

- Interviews for some applicants (usually only Non-JUPAS applicants)
- Selected JUPAS applicants may be invited for interviews
- Personal statements important
Application Process

JUPAS applicants (70% of intake)
- Must achieve necessary grades for eligibility to HKU
- But minimum actual grades for admission to LLB and integrated double degrees are much higher (as below)

### 2021-22 Law Admissions
#### Average JUPAS (HKDSE) Results

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<td>6.807</td>
<td>5.758</td>
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<td>7.150</td>
<td>6.775</td>
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<td>BBA(Law)/LLB</td>
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<td>6.239</td>
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<td>BSS(GL)/LLB</td>
<td>7.041</td>
<td>6.676</td>
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Application Process

Non-JUPAS applicants (30% of intake)

- GCEA Level (excluding English and Chinese):
  at least 1A* and 3A (with 4 A-level subjects)
  or 2A* and 1A (with 3 A-level subjects)

- IB: at least 37/42 or 40/45

- Other qualifications: refer to UER for minimum requirements
Application Process

HKU-UCL Dual Degree in Law

- 4-year dual degrees programme
- First two years at UCL and last two years at HKU
- Intake quota: 5 places for each institution
- Pay tuition fee to respective host institutions
- Obtain an LLB degree from respective institutions
- Eligible for admission to PCLL programme subject to application
Application Process

HKU-UCL Dual Degree in Law

- Via JUPAS and non-JUPAS application system
- JUPAS applicants* should also apply separately through the Faculty of Law online application system at https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/how-to-apply/
- OR to UCL through UCAS, but NOT BOTH
- Duplicate applications to BOTH HKU and UCL not allowed
- LNAT requirement is waived if applied through HKU

*Place HKU LLB programme (6406) as one of your Band A choices (for JUPAS) or as the first choice (for non-JUPAS) via JUPAS or non-JUPAS application system respectively in order to be considered in the main round admissions and be shortlisted for interviews.
Application Process

HKU-UCL Dual Degree in Law

- **Deadlines:**
  - 17 November 2021 (Non-JUPAS, for first round evaluation)
  - 8 December 2021 (JUPAS)
  - 15 January 2022 (Faculty Online Application)

- JUPAS applicants who decide to apply to HKU are required to submit an application to HKU via JUPAS together with an online application via the Faculty of Law website at [https://web.law.hku.hk/hkuucl/](https://web.law.hku.hk/hkuucl/)

- Non-JUPAS applicants who decide to apply to HKU are only required to indicate their choice of this programme in the non-JUPAS application form and submit the completed form to the University by the specified deadline.

- Shortlisted candidates may be invited for interview

- Q&A for information, please visit [https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/faqs/](https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/faqs/)

- All information regarding this Dual Degree is subject to change without prior notice. Please check website from time to time [https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/prospective-students/](https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/prospective-students/)
Application Process

HKU-PKU Dual Degree in Law

- 5-year dual degrees programme
- **HKU admitted students:** First two and a half years at HKU and last two and a half years at PKU
- **PKU admitted students:** First two and a half years at PKU and last two and a half years at HKU
- Intake quota: approx. 8 places for each institution
- Pay tuition fee to respective host institutions
- Obtain an LLB degree from respective institutions i.e. **HKU LLB (common law jurisdiction); and PKU LLB (civil law jurisdiction)**
- Eligible for admission to PCLL programme subject to application
Application Process

HKU-PKU Dual Degree in Law

- **Via JUPAS and non-JUPAS application system**

- Mainland applicants applying on the strength of GaoKao – via PKU Law Faculty online application system

- Hong Kong applicants* applying on the strength of HKDSE or other recognised examinations other than GaoKao – via JUPAS and non-JUPAS respectively

- **JUPAS applicants*** should also apply separately through the Faculty of Law online application system at [http://www.law.hku.hk/hkupku/](http://www.law.hku.hk/hkupku/)
Application Process

*Special notes on eligibility of applicants:*

- Must hold a valid Mainland Travel Permit for Hong Kong and Macau Residents (Home Return Permit) and are not a student from Macau.
- Must complete senior high schooling in Hong Kong.
- Highly proficient in both spoken and written Chinese (Putonghua) and English is a must.
- Place HKU LLB programme as one of your Band A choices (for JUPAS) or as the first choice (for Non-JUPAS) via JUPAS or non-JUPAS application system respectively in order to be considered in main round admissions.
- Shortlisted candidates may be invited for interview by the Panel comprising HKU Law and PKU Law members.
- **Deadline for Faculty online application:** 31 January 2022
- All information regarding this Dual Degree is subject to change without prior notice. Please check website from time to time. [https://www.law.hku.hk/prospective-students/ug-hku-pku-dual-degree-programme-in-law/](https://www.law.hku.hk/prospective-students/ug-hku-pku-dual-degree-programme-in-law/)
## Important Dates

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<td>8 Dec 2021</td>
<td>Deadline for submission of JUPAS application</td>
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<td>24 August 2022</td>
<td>Closing Date for Non-JUPAS (Subject to the availability of places)</td>
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Thank You!

We look forward to welcoming some of you in September 2022!