

REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF LAWS (LLB) AWARDED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (LAW) (BBA[Law])

(See also General Regulations)

Admission requirements

1. To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the Degree of Bachelor of Laws under these regulations, a candidate shall
 - (a) comply with the General Regulations; and
 - (b) hold a degree of BBA(Law) from The University of Hong Kong.
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Award of Degree of Bachelor of Laws

2. To be eligible for the award of the Degree of Bachelor of Laws, a candidate shall
 - (a) comply with the General Regulations; and
 - (b) complete the curriculum and satisfy the examiners in accordance with the regulations set out below.
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Curriculum

3. The curriculum shall extend over two academic years of full-time study. To complete the curriculum a candidate shall
 - (a) follow instruction;
 - (b) satisfactorily complete all prescribed written and other work;
 - (c) satisfy the examiners in 18 credits of courses selected from the Faculty of Business and Economics
 - (d) satisfy the compulsory mooted requirement, unless otherwise exempted by the Head of the Department of Law; and
 - (e) satisfy the examiners in at least 111 credits of courses selected from the law courses offered in the syllabus of the 4-year LLB curriculum or the syllabus below (excluding those which the candidate has already taken and passed in his or her studies for the BBA(Law) degree).
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Advanced standing

4. The Board of Faculty of Law may exempt any candidate from any of the courses, and award equivalent credits to such candidate (by way of advanced standing under UG2 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula), on the ground that appropriate courses have been completed successfully in other programmes: provided that no candidate shall be eligible for such exemption without having earned at least 180 credits by passing courses in the BBA(Law) degree at this University, unless otherwise approved by the Head of the Department of Law and the Director of BBA Programmes at the School of Business, and at least 60 credits, or any other number of credits as the Board may from time to time otherwise specify, in the two years of study of the curriculum as set out in paragraph 3 by passing courses at this University.
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Selection of courses

5. Unless the Director of the School of Business and/or the Head of the Department of Law (as the case may be) determine otherwise, candidates shall take courses totalling 129 credits as set out in paragraph 3 in the two years of study. Candidates shall select their courses in accordance with these

regulations and the guidelines specified in the syllabus by a prescribed date. Such selection shall be subject to approval by the Head of Department of Law and/or the Director of School of Business (as the case may be). Changes to the selection of courses may be made subject to the approval of the Head of the Department of Law and/or the Director of the School of Business (as the case may be) during the first two weeks of each semester, and such changes shall not be reflected in the transcript of the candidate. Requests for changes after the first two weeks of a semester shall not normally be considered, and candidates withdrawing from any course without permission after the first two weeks of a semester shall be given a fail grade.

Passing a course

6. Candidates shall be assessed for each of the courses which they have registered for. Candidates shall pass a course if the Board of Examiners is satisfied by the candidate's performance in the assessment.

Specialisation

7. A candidate who has obtained at least 48 credits of law electives listed under one of the specialisations in the syllabus of the 4-year LLB curriculum will be duly recognised by having that specialisation stated in the official academic transcript.

Grades

8. Grades shall be awarded in accordance with UG5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula. Any course for which a candidate is given an F grade shall be taken into account in the calculation of the semester GPA (SGPA) and shall be recorded on the official academic transcript, but shall not count towards the cumulative GPA (CGPA) and the degree.

Examinations

9. (1) Any candidate who has failed to pass a course or courses in the manner provided for in these regulations may be permitted by the Board of Examiners
- (a) to sit a supplementary examination (or take any relevant assessment or re-assessment); or
 - (b) to repeat the course or courses by following the course of instruction and taking the prescribed examination (or any relevant assessment or re-assessment), or by taking the prescribed examination (or any relevant assessment or re-assessment) without following the course of instruction; or
 - (c) to undertake the study of any alternative course or courses which enable completion of the curriculum.
- (2) Where a candidate is required to sit a supplementary examination or be assessed or re-assessed under 1(a), or to be assessed in an alternative course under 1(c), or to repeat a course or courses under 1(b), the new grade obtained shall replace the previous F grade in the calculation of the cumulative GPA, but the previous F grade may be recorded on the transcript.
- (3) A candidate shall not be permitted to repeat a course for which he or she has received a pass grade for upgrading purposes.

Discontinuation of study

10. A candidate who is placed on probation at the end of the first semester or any subsequent semester [of their LLB] and fails to satisfy the criteria set out in the LLB examination procedures during the next consecutive semester, shall be recommended for discontinuation of study under the General Regulations.

Absence from an examination

11. A candidate who is unable through illness or other acceptable reason to attend for examination may apply for permission to attend for examination at some other time.

Pass lists

12. The degree of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) shall be awarded under these regulations in five divisions:

First Class Honours
Second Class Honours Division One
Second Class Honours Division Two
Third Class Honours
Pass

SYLLABUS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF LAWS (LLB) AWARDED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (LAW) (BBA[Law])

(The full 5-year curriculum is set out below for easy reference. Please consult the full regulations and syllabus of the BBA(Law) programme for details. For the LLB degree, please also refer to the syllabus of the 4-year LLB for the full list and description of law courses available.)

Unless otherwise determined by the Head of the Department of Law and/or the Director of the School of Business (as the case may be), the curriculum of the 5-year double degree of BBA(Law) and LLB is as follows:

First year (66 credits)

Faculty of Business and Economics/Science (36 credits)

Introduction to accounting (6 credits)
Introduction to management information system (6 credits)
Core courses (12 credits)¹
Introduction to economics I (6 credits)
Business statistics OR Probability and statistics I (6 credits)

¹ The list of core courses comprises 'Marketing' (BUSI1004), 'Principles of management' (BUSI1007) and 'Introduction to finance' (BUSI0061)/Introduction to finance (FINA1002)

Faculty of Law (18 credits)

Law and society (6 credits)
 The legal system (6 credits)
 Legal research and writing I and II (6 credits)

Other courses (12 credits)

English for academic communication for business students (3 credits)
 Practical Chinese language for law students (3 credits)
 Critical thinking and logic (6 credits)

Second year (66 credits)***Faculty of Business and Economics (24 credits)***

Core course (6 credits)¹
 Intermediate accounting I (6 credits)
 Intermediate accounting II OR business elective (6 credits)
 Management accounting I (6 credits)

Faculty of Law (39 credits)

Law of contract I (6 credits)
 Law of contract II (6 credits)
 Law of tort I (6 credits)
 Law of tort II (6 credits)
 Legal research and writing III (3 credits)
 Land law I (6 credits)
 Land law II (6 credits)

Other course (3 credits)

Writing solutions to legal problems (3 credits)

Third year (63 credits)***Faculty of Business and Economics (30 credits)***

Auditing OR Business elective (6 credits)
 Business policy (6 credits)
 Hong Kong taxation OR Operations and quality management OR Quantitative analysis form
 business decisions I (6 credits)
 Management accounting II OR Business elective (6 credits)
 Advanced financial accounting OR Business cycles and strategy OR Introduction to
 economics II OR Macroeconomics analysis (6 credits)

¹ The list of core courses comprises 'Marketing' (BUSI1004), 'Principles of management' (BUSI1007) and 'Introduction to finance' (BUSI0061)/'Introduction to finance (FINA1002)

Faculty of Law (30 credits)

Business associations (6 credits)
 Commercial law (6 credits)
 Legal research and writing IV and V (6 credits)*
 Introduction to Chinese law (6 credits)
 Law electives (6 credits)

Other course (3 credits)

A broadening course (3 credits)

[* Candidates may, in exceptional situations, seek a waiver of LLAW2015 Legal research and writing IV from the Head of Department of Law.]

Fourth year (first year of the LLB) (63 credits)***Faculty of Business and Economics (18 credits)***

Business electives (18 credits)

Faculty of Law (45 credits)

Introduction to legal theory (6 credits)
 Equity and trusts I (6 credits)
 Equity and trusts II (6 credits)
 Mooting (3 credits)
 Law electives (24 credits)

Fifth year (second year of the LLB) (66 credits)

Law electives (66 credits) (including the option of Internship (30 credits))

Note 1: Students who complete the Internship (30 credits) shall be deemed to have completed one semester of full-time study for the purpose of regulation (3) above. The course description of the Internship is as follows:

‘The Internship is designed to connect business and law to their original foundations, i.e. the world of business/legal institutions and behaviour through linking ‘real world’ experience with classroom and theoretical understanding. The Internship comprises a series of service learning and intern seminars (18 credits) and a dissertation (12 credits). Applicants will be selected on a competitive basis. The Internship option is not meant to be a ‘soft’ option for students to amass sufficient number of credits. Students are required to do considerable preparation for their internship in filing their applications, and are subject to rigorous monitoring and supervision during their placement period.