

**REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (LAW)
(BBA[Law])**

These regulations apply to candidates admitted to the first year of study of the 3-year curriculum in the academic year 2012-2013.

(See also General Regulations and Regulations for First Degree Curricula)

Admission to the degree

BBA(LAW)1 To be eligible for admission to the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Law), candidates shall

- (a) comply with the General Regulations;
 - (b) comply with the Regulations for First Degree Curricula; and
 - (c) satisfy all the requirements of the curriculum in accordance with these regulations and syllabuses.
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Period of study

BBA(LAW)2 The curriculum for the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Law) shall normally require six semesters of full-time study, spreading over three academic years, and shall include any assessment to be held during and/or at the end of each semester. Candidates shall in any case be required to complete the curriculum within five academic years, unless otherwise required or permitted by the Board of Studies in Business Administration and Law.

BBA(LAW)3 Students who obtain the degree of BBA(Law) after three years of study may, if they so wish, undertake the fourth and fifth years of study, leading to the award of the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) (See also Regulations for the Degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB) awarded in conjunction with the Degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Law)).

Curriculum requirements and progression in curriculum

BBA(LAW)4 To complete the curriculum, candidates

- (a) shall satisfy the requirements prescribed in UG 5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula;
- (b) shall enroll and attempt examination in not fewer than 189 credits of courses, or for candidates who opt to pursue the major in Accounting, shall enroll and attempt examination in not fewer than 201 credits of courses, in the manner specified in the syllabuses;
- (c) shall normally be required to enroll in at least 60 credits of courses in an academic year¹, in a manner as prescribed in the syllabuses;
- (d) shall normally be required to take not fewer than 24 credits nor more than 36 credits in any one semester (except the summer semester), or except in the last semester of study when candidates may be required to take fewer than 24 credits to satisfy the outstanding curriculum requirements;
- (e) may, of their own volition, take further credits during the regular or summer semesters², accumulating up to a maximum of 72 credits in one academic year¹;
- (f) may, with the approval of the Board of Studies in Business Administration and Law, exceed 72 credits in an academic year¹ provided that the total number of credits taken shall not exceed 216 credits; or where courses are taken to make up for failed credits are inclusive, the total number of credits shall not exceed 360 credits;
- (g) may select no more than 12 credits of courses in each summer semester², unless otherwise permitted by the Board of Studies;

- (h) shall select courses accumulating not fewer than 84 credits to declare a first major in Legal Studies and not fewer than 72 credits for a second major in Business, as prescribed in the syllabuses, and to take Business or Law electives to make up the balance of 189 credits; candidates who opt to pursue the major in Accounting shall select courses accumulating 96 credits to declare a first major in Accounting and 84 credits for a second major in Legal Studies, as prescribed in the syllabuses;
 - (i) may be required by the Board of Studies to take a reduced study load of not fewer than 24 credits per semester if their academic progression is unsatisfactory.
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Advanced standing

BBA(LAW)5 Advanced standing may be granted to candidates in recognition of studies completed successfully in accordance with UG 2 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula. The maximum number of advanced standing credits that may be granted is up to one-half the number of credits required for the award of the degree. Advanced standing credits granted shall not be included in the calculation of the Semester, Year or Cumulative GPA nor taken into consideration for the honours classification of the degree to be awarded.

Selection of courses

BBA(LAW)6 Candidates shall select courses in accordance with these regulations and the guidelines specified in the syllabuses before the beginning of each semester. Changes to the selection of courses may be made during an add-drop period designated for each semester, and such changes shall not be reflected in the transcript of the candidates. Requests for changes after the designated add-drop period of a semester shall not be considered, and candidates withdrawing from any course without permission after the designated add-drop period of a semester shall be given an F grade.

BBA(LAW)7 Candidates shall not be permitted to select a course for which the failed course forms a prerequisite unless permission is given by the department concerned to sit a qualifying examination in the failed course and satisfy the examiners in this.

Assessment

BBA(LAW)8 Candidates shall be assessed for each of the courses for which they have registered, and assessment may be conducted in any one or any combination of the following manners: written examinations or tests, continuous assessment of performance, laboratory work, field work, research or project reports, or in any other manner as specified in the syllabuses.

Grades

BBA(LAW)9 Grades shall be awarded in accordance with UG 8 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula.

BBA(LAW)10 Candidates shall not be permitted to repeat courses for which they have received a pass grade for the purpose of upgrading.

Absence from examination

BBA (LAW)11 Failure to take the examination as scheduled will automatically result in course failure under normal circumstances. Candidates who are unable, because of illness or other acceptable reason, to be present at any examinations of a course, may apply for permission to present themselves for a supplementary examination to be held not later than the beginning of the first semester of the following academic year. Failure to attend the supplementary examination as arranged shall automatically result in course failure. Any supplementary examination shall be part of that academic year's examinations, and the provisions made in the regulations for failure at the first attempt shall apply accordingly.

Failure to pass a course

BBA(LAW)12

- (a) 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
 - (i) to sit a re-examination (or take any relevant re-assessment); or
 - (ii) to repeat the entire course or courses by following instruction and taking the prescribed examination (or any relevant assessment); or
 - (iii) to undertake the study of any alternative course or courses that enable completion of the curriculum in case that the course concerned is an elective course.
- (b) Where candidates are permitted or required to present themselves for re-assessment/ re-examination/ assessment in an alternative course under (a) above, the new grade obtained together with the previous F grade shall be recorded on the transcript and shall be included in the calculation of the Semester GPA and the Cumulative GPA for the purposes of determining the eligibility for award of the degree and the honours classifications.

BBA(LAW)13 The maximum number of attempts for a particular course or requirement is three.

Unsatisfactory performance

BBA(LAW)14 Candidates shall be recommended for discontinuation under the provisions of General Regulation G 12 and UG 4(e) of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula if they have:

- (a) failed to complete successfully 36 or more credits in two consecutive semesters (not including the summer semester), except where they are not required to take such a number of credits in the two given semesters; or
 - (b) failed to achieve an average Semester GPA of 1.0 or higher for two consecutive semesters (not including the summer semester); or
 - (c) exceeded the maximum period of registration specified in BBA(LAW) 2.
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Award of degree

BBA(LAW)15 To be eligible for the award of the degree of Bachelor of Business Administration (Law), candidates shall have

- (a) achieved a Cumulative GPA of 1.0 or above;
- (b) accumulated a minimum of 189 credits (201 credits for Accounting major) and passed all the compulsory courses required in the syllabuses; and
- (c) satisfied the requirements in UG 5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula.

Degree classification

BBA(LAW)16

- (a) Honours classification shall be awarded in five divisions: First Class Honours, Second Class Honours Division One, Second Class Honours Division Two, Third Class Honours, and Pass. The classification of honours shall be determined by the Board of Examiners for the degree in accordance with the following Cumulative GPA (CGPA) scores, with all courses taken (including failed courses) carrying equal weighting:

<u>Class of honours</u>	<u>CGPA range</u>
First Class	3.60 – 4.30
Second Class	(2.40 – 3.59)
Division One	3.00 – 3.59
Division Two	2.40 – 2.99
Third Class	1.70 – 2.39
Pass	1.00 – 1.69

- (b) Honours classification may not be determined solely on the basis of a candidate's Cumulative GPA and the Board of Examiners for the degree may, at its absolute discretion and with justification, award a higher class of honours to a candidate deemed to have demonstrated meritorious academic achievement but whose Cumulative GPA falls below the range stipulated in BBA(LAW) 16(a) of the higher classification by not more than 0.05 of a grade point.
- (c) A list of candidates who have successfully completed all degree requirements shall be posted on Faculty noticeboards.

¹ An 'academic year' comprises two regular semesters, with dates as prescribed by the Senate each year. A 'summer semester' may be organised in addition to the two regular semesters.

² Candidates are normally not allowed to take summer course(s) in their final-year of study.

**SYLLABUSES FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (LAW)
(BBA[Law])**

These syllabuses apply to candidates admitted to the first year of study of the 3-year curriculum in the academic year 2012-13.

1. Candidates must enroll and attempt examination in not fewer than 189 credits (201 credits for Accounting major) of courses in accordance with the regulations and the syllabuses. In addition, the 189 credits (201 credits for Accounting major) of courses should be completed in the following manner:

UG 5 requirements [21 credits]	
Languages*	9 credits
HKU Common Core Curriculum*	12 credits

(a) For non-Accounting major:

Major in Legal Studies [84-96 credits]	
- First year Core courses	12 credits
- Second year Core courses	30 credits
- Third year Core courses	30 credits
- Law electives	12-24 credits
Major in Business [72-84 credits]	
- First year Core courses	36 credits
- Second year Core courses	18 credits
- Third year Core courses	18 credits
- Business electives**	0-12 credits
Total credits of degree programme	189 credits

(b) For Accounting major:

Major in Legal Studies [84 credits]	
- First year Core courses	12 credits
- Second year Core courses	30 credits
- Third year Core courses	30 credits
- Law electives	12 credits
Major in Accounting [96 credits]	
- First year Core courses	42 credits
- Second year Core courses	30 credits
- Third year Core courses	24 credits
Total credits of degree programme	201 credits

2. To gain international or global perspective, candidates are strongly encouraged to enroll in a course with international or global content in the fourth year of studies, or by taking a Common Core course in Global Issues (AoI). A suggested list of “International/ Global Content Course for FBE Students” can be found on page xx.
3. Candidates are not permitted to enroll in courses where significant portions of the course contents overlap with each other, or where the courses are mutually exclusive. See the list of “Mutually Exclusive Course for FBE Students” on page xx.
4. Final grading will be determined by performance in the examination (40-60%) and an assessment of coursework (40-60%) except for final project/ final papers which will be assessed by 100% coursework.

1. UG 5 requirements [21 credits]

(a) Languages [9 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
CBBL0001 ^	Practical Chinese language course for BBA(Law) students* (Year 1)	3
CAES1908	English for Academic Communication for BBA(Law)* (Year 1)	3
CAES1602	Writing solutions to legal problems* (Year 3)	3

^ Putonghua-speaking students must take CUND0002 or CUND0003. Students who have not studied the Chinese language during their secondary education or who have not attained the requisite level of competence in the Chinese language to take CBBL0001 can apply to the Faculty:

(i) to take credit-bearing Cantonese or Putonghua language courses offered by the School of Chinese (especially for international and exchange students), or

(ii) for exemption from Chinese language requirement and take an elective course in lieu.

(b) HKU Common Core Curriculum* [12 credits] 12

2. Major in Legal Studies [84-96 credits]

(a) Year I [12 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
LLAW1008	The legal system	6
LLAW1009	Law and society	6

(b) Year II [30 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
LLAW1001	Law of contract I	6
LLAW1002	Law of contract II	6
LLAW1005	Law of tort I	6
LLAW1006	Law of tort II	6
LLAW1013	Legal research & writing I	6

(c) Year III [30 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
LLAW2012	Commercial law	6
LLAW2013	Land law I	6
LLAW2014	Land law II	6
LLAW2017	Legal research & writing II	6
LLAW3010	Business associations	6

xxxxxxx. Law electives (Year II/III) 12-24

Total credits for major in Legal Studies 84-96

3. Major in Business [72-84 credits] (for non-Accounting major)

(a) Year I [36 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
BUSI1002	Introduction to accounting	6
BUSI1003	Introduction to management information systems	6
BUSI1004	Marketing <i>or</i>	6
FINA1003	Corporate finance	
BUSI1007	Principles of management	6
ECON1001	Introduction to economics I	6
Statistics requirement:		6
STAT0302	Business statistics or	
STAT1306	Introductory statistics	

(b) Year II [18 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
BUSI0019	Intermediate accounting I	6
BUSI0027	Management accounting I	6
BUSI1004	Marketing <i>or</i>	6
FINA1003	Corporate finance	

(c) Year III [18-30 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
BUSI0009	Business policy	6
BUSI0018	Hong Kong Taxation or	6
BUSI0023	Operations and quality management or	
BUSI0036	Quantitative analysis for business decisions I	
BUSI0003	Advanced financial accounting or	6
BUSI0008	Business cycles and strategy or	
ECON1002	Introduction to economics II	
xxxxxxx	Business electives**	0-12

Total credits for major in Business

72-84

4. Major in Accounting (Core Courses) [96 credits]

(a) Year I [42 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
BUSI1002	Introduction to accounting	6
BUSI1003	Introduction to management information systems	6
BUSI1004	Marketing <i>or</i>	6
FINA1003	Corporate finance	
BUSI1007	Principles of management	6
BUSI0027	Management accounting I	6
ECON1001	Introduction to economics I	6
Statistics requirement:		6
STAT0302	Business statistics or	
STAT1306	Introductory statistics	

(b) Year II [30 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
BUSI0018	Hong Kong Taxation	6
BUSI0019	Intermediate accounting I	6
BUSI0020	Intermediate accounting II	6
BUSI0028	Management accounting II	6
BUSI1004	Marketing <i>or</i>	6
FINA1003	Corporate finance	

(c) Year III [24 credits]

<u>Course code</u>	<u>Course title</u>	<u>Credits</u>
BUSI0009	Business policy	6
BUSI0023	Operations and quality management <i>or</i>	6
BUSI0036	Quantitative analysis for business decisions I	
BUSI0003	Advanced financial accounting	6
BUSI0006	Auditing	6

Total credits for major in Accounting 96

* To fulfill the graduation requirement of this degree as specified by the Board of Studies in Business Administration and Law in accordance with UG 5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula, candidates admitted in the academic year 2012-2013 must satisfactorily complete the credits of courses identified by an asterisk(*). Those courses are in one of the following areas of study: English language studies, Chinese language studies and Common Core courses (selecting no more than one course from each Area of Inquiry (AoI)).

** Any electives offered by the Faculty of Business and Economics.

Note: Year two and three syllabuses and course structure are subject to changes.

REFERENCE TABLE

1. For non-Accounting major

Year	Lang.	Common Core	Major in Legal studies (Core)	Major in Business (Core)	Business or Law Electives	Total
I	6 credits	6 credits	12 credits	36 credits	-	60 credits
II	-	6 credits	30 credits	18 credits	12 credits	66 credits
III	3 credits	-	30 credits	18 credits	12 credits	63 credits
Total	9 credits	12 credits	72 credits	72 credits	24 credits [#]	189 credits

[#] At least 12 credits must be a Law elective

2. For Accounting major

Year	Lang.	Common Core	Major in Legal studies (Core)	Major in Accounting (Core)	Law Elective	Total
I	6 credits	6 credits	12 credits	42 credits	-	66 credits
II	-	6 credits	30 credits	30 credits	6 credits	72 credits
III	3 credits	-	30 credits	24 credits	6 credits	63 credits
Total	9 credits	12 credits	72 credits	96 credits	12 credits	201 credits