The Chinese University of Hong Kong Faculty of Law (CUHK Law) provides a world-class academic and professional education in law. In just ten years’ time CUHK Law has become a world-leading law school and the top-ranked Hong Kong law school in terms of the research excellence of its faculty members (Research Assessment Exercise 2014). CUHK Law is the largest law school in Hong Kong, and delivers its undergraduate teaching on campus at Shatin, and its postgraduate teaching at the Graduate Law Centre in Central. Undergraduate law students benefit, however, from small class sizes and constant interaction with full-time teaching staff.

**Faculty Programmes**

CUHK Law offers the undergraduate degree of Bachelor of Laws (LLB); the taught postgraduate degree of Juris Doctor (JD); the double degree programme of Bachelor of Business Administration (Integrated BBA Programme) and Juris Doctor (BBA-JD); three taught postgraduate degrees of Master of Laws (LLM); the research postgraduate degrees of Master of Philosophy (MPhil) and Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) in Laws; and the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL), which is required for admission to the professions of solicitor and barrister. Both the LLB and JD are qualifying law degrees for the purposes of seeking admission to the PCLL.

**Undergraduate Programme (LLB)**

The Bachelor of Laws (LLB) is a four-year programme that is not only the first step of a career in law, but offers deep intellectual and personal development. In addition to offering a comprehensive legal education, the LLB develops the skills of critical analysis, creative problem-solving, and reasoned argument. These are life-long skills which make for adaptable and successful graduates in whatever career they ultimately seek, whether law or anything else.

The first two years cover the compulsory subjects that provide students with a fundamental understanding of how the common law works, the nature of Hong Kong’s legal system, and its role within the broader Chinese constitutional framework. The second two years consist of electives – giving students flexibility and a broad range of opportunities. Students are free to choose any electives. Some electives are grouped into streams, allowing students to earn a further specialisation on their transcript.

Teaching is through a combination of lectures and small group tutorials, delivered by a highly internationalised faculty staff drawn from 19 jurisdictions across Asia, Australasia, Europe, and North America.
Students may also participate in wide-range of activities beyond the classroom. There are mooting programmes, where students can hone their advocacy skills in international competition. There are clinical programmes, where students can put their legal skills to practice advising those in need. There is a Chinese mainland internship programme. There are funded summer study abroad programmes which lead groups of students to Beijing, Sydney, or Toronto. There are considerable foreign exchange and scholarship opportunities. Each student is assigned a Distinguished Professional Mentor, a professional lawyer to share his or her experience with the student, and an Academic Advisor, a member of faculty staff to assist the student in their academic decisions.

Double-Degree Options

The Faculty of Law offers all LLB students the chance to study in the double-degree programmes of Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Arts (Translation) (LLB and BA(Translation)), or Bachelor of Laws and Bachelor of Social Science (Sociology) (LLB and BSSc(Sociology)). Students can study for four years and obtain an LLB with or without a minor, or for five years (the fifth year may be deferred) to earn two degrees.

Double Degree Programme (BBA-JD)

The BBA-JD Double Degree Programme is jointly offered by the CUHK Business School and CUHK Faculty of Law. It is a 5-year programme designed for students seeking cross-disciplinary knowledge with parallel concentration on legal and business studies. Leveraging the synergy between legal and business training, graduates will be well-equipped to assume leadership roles in business and various sectors including the government, law enforcement, education and media. For details of the programme, please refer to the section of the Faculty of Business Administration.

LLB Entrance Requirements

The projected intake is 70-80 students. Those wishing to be considered for admission to the LLB programme must satisfy the general entrance requirements stipulated for admission to the University, and to the LLB degree, as well as demonstrate a high level of proficiency in both English and Chinese.

More about the LLB Programme

More information can be found in the LLB Programme Brochure and on our website at www.law.cuhk.edu.hk. There are also Open Days throughout the year, and we encourage anyone who is considering us to visit. Queries can be directed to the admissions team at lawugadm@cuhk.edu.hk.