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Message from the Dean

Established in 2004 the Faculty of Law of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK LAW) is the youngest of the legal education providers in Hong Kong. However, with an emphasis on very practice-oriented programmes delivered by first-class professors from over 20 different jurisdictions, the adoption of innovative teaching methods and last but not least the recruitment of a highly qualified student body, CUHK LAW has moved from strength to strength. The outstanding quality of our taught programmes is globally acknowledged and evidenced by collaborations with many leading law schools in the world. The research conducted by our professors and by our research students meets the highest standards and generates significant impact. We are proud that CUHK LAW is on a regular basis ranked amongst the top 50 law schools in the world by the Times Higher Education (THE) ranking exercise. We are providing a truly global learning environment. In 2018 CUHK LAW was ranked by THE as the world's most international law school worldwide.

Our Bachelor of Laws (LLB) programme is designed for critical and creative thinkers who are ready to become leaders in law and related fields, who want to be successful in the increasingly globalised legal arena and who are dedicated to serve the society. We invite you to join our exciting journey into the legal future. Join CUHK LAW!

Professor Lutz-Christian Wolff
Wei Lun Professor of Law
Dean, Faculty of Law



Message

from the Programme Director



Professor Lee holds a J.S.D. from Stanford Law School and an LL.M from Harvard Law School. His research interests include intellectual property, information law, and Internet law. He has published leading journal articles in Asia, Europe, and North America. Before starting his academic career, he was a practicing lawyer in Taiwan specializing in technology and business transactions.

The CUHK Faculty of Law is one of the premier law schools in Asia, and the cornerstone of the Faculty is our LLB Programme. The four-year LLB Programme is selective, engaging, transformative, and rewarding. Our LLB students study in a matchlessly rigorous and collaborative environment, situated on one of Asia's most beautiful campuses, located in a globalised city with a fascinating historical heritage.

The unique strength of our Faculty is that we bring together outstanding teachers with diverse backgrounds, experiences, and perspectives from around the world. Our teachers are demanding but readily available to help you succeed along your chosen paths. We bring real-world experience and leading research into the classroom. We will prepare you to fulfill the responsibilities that our society places on the profession. We will also guide you to become a leader in the legal profession.

In the LLB Programme, you will learn the rules and values underpinning the very foundations of society with extensive reading, thinking, writing, discussing, and debating. You will also acquire the expertise to synthesise large amounts of information and present it coherently. The substantive legal knowledge and critical thinking skills will allow you to engage in the most intriguing challenges in Hong Kong and the rest of the world.

CUHK Law will help you succeed both academically in the LLB Programme and professionally after graduation. You will become an integral member of a strong support system, consisting of our idiosyncratically designed Distinguished Professional Mentors Programme, pioneering legal clinics, robust mooted teams, various study abroad and exchange programmes, Law Student Careers Office, alumni network etc. You will be part of not only a valuable network, but also a caring family.

Our legal education emphasises persuasion, problem solving, analysing complex issues, dispute management and reflecting on competing viewpoints — all skills that are essential for every field of employment. Therefore, the LLB is a platform degree, not only permitting you to practise law, but also ensuring your success at the very highest levels, regardless of which career path you choose.

Join our vibrant community, and make an impact!

Professor Jyh-An Lee
Assistant Dean for Undergraduate Studies
& LLB Programme Director

Welcome

to CUHK Law



Why Study Law in Hong Kong?

Hong Kong is one of the most exciting places to study law in the world. Not only is it the only common law jurisdiction in East Asia, it remains a highly internationalised jurisdiction notwithstanding the resumption of Chinese sovereignty: the Basic Law, Hong Kong's constitutional charter, resulted precisely from the interaction of international law and Chinese law. Today, eminent judges from the rest of the common law world continue to serve on the courts of Hong Kong and virtually all of the globe's largest law firms maintain an active presence within Hong Kong's borders.

Hong Kong prides itself on its robust rule of law, fiercely independent judges, and world class financial regulatory system. Life in Hong Kong has always been shaped by the law. Those with the specialised knowledge a legal education provides are uniquely positioned to help shape the future of Hong Kong.

The CUHK LLB

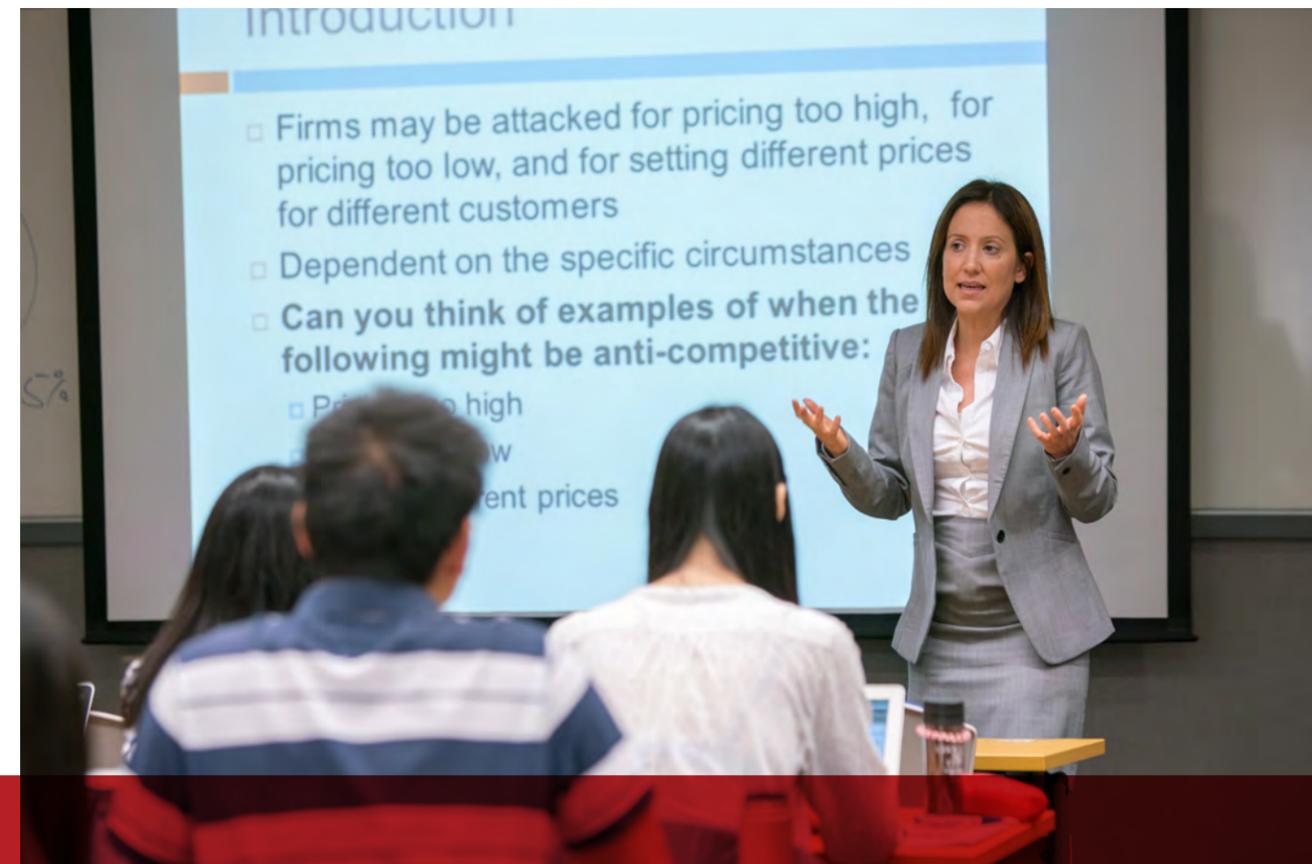


CUHK

Established in 1963, and with roots traceable back to the 1940s, CUHK has a unique mission to bring together East and West. It is highly regarded for its research excellence and four of its professors, including a former Vice-Chancellor, have been awarded Nobel Prizes.

CUHK strives to provide an environment where students are exposed to a variety of cultures, while enhancing both their Chinese and English language proficiency. CUHK has over 4,000 non-local students, drawn from 50 jurisdictions all over the world including Australia, Canada, mainland China, Germany, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Macau, Malaysia, Mauritius, New Zealand, Singapore, South Korea, Spain, Taiwan, the United Kingdom, and the United States.

CUHK is the only university in Hong Kong to have adopted the collegiate system found in institutions such as Oxford and Cambridge. The colleges create a nurturing environment, offering the chance for interaction with students and staff from other disciplines and backgrounds. They offer residential accommodation, and include dining rooms, sports facilities, and a wide range of clubs, activities, and societies. You can find more information about CUHK's different colleges on the main university webpage.



CUHK 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 is the top-ranked Hong Kong law school in terms of research excellence (HK Research Assessment Exercise 2014).

Choosing to study law at CUHK Law means many things. It is the chance to surround yourself with some of the brightest and most committed students in Hong Kong. It is the opportunity to learn from dedicated academics and lawyers drawn from all parts of the world. It is the privilege to study at a beautiful campus with top-class facilities. It is the benefit of studying at the only university in Hong Kong to adopt the collegiate system. Most importantly, it is the choice to expose yourself to new ideas and challenges, and in so doing, take a first step towards a profession that can help shape the fabric of Hong Kong life.

CUHK Law expects its students to not only develop their academic skills and specialised knowledge in a particular area of study, but to develop the skills necessary for the transition to adulthood and full participation as a member of Hong Kong society. General education and other non-law courses are also available to allow students to study fields outside of law, and participation in the social life of the university community is encouraged and expected. Students have the chance to

participate in a wide variety of extra-curricular activities, including membership in student clubs and societies, participating in overseas exchanges, or volunteering with social or charitable organisations in Hong Kong.

CUHK students are among the best and brightest Hong Kong has to offer. Competition for a place of study is fierce — we receive roughly 1,500 applications for about 80 possible places in the LLB each year. Our students have won top prizes in internationally-recognised mooting competitions, graduate scholarships, and training contracts in top international and local law firms. In recent years over 80% of CUHK LLB graduates who sought a place on the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) course, the next step in the process of qualifying as a solicitor or barrister in Hong Kong, were successful.



The Head Office of CUHK Law is located in the Lee Shau Kee Building, a purpose-built teaching and research facility located in the University's flagship campus in Shatin, New Territories. The Lee Shau Kee Building features a state of the art moot court, a legal resources centre, lecture theatres, classrooms and breakout rooms, all equipped with excellent information technology systems to support the learning activities of LLB students.

CUHK Law has its own dedicated area of the main campus library. The Lee Quo Wei Law Library consists of approximately 129,700 volumes of books and bound periodicals on law or law related subjects, including over 80 current print journal titles and over 400 multimedia items, complemented by access to a growing array of online sources, including nearly 6,000 e-journals and more than 107 online research databases. The Library provides seating for students in a mix of individual study desks, open plan tables and group study rooms, and offers computers for student use as well as a wireless network for use by students with their own laptops.

Overlooking the scenic Tolo Harbour, CUHK's stunning campus is the largest and greenest in Hong Kong, and won the gold award of Hong Kong Awards for Environmental Excellence. The University offers a wide range of sports and recreational facilities, including seven libraries, art museums, concert halls, a swimming pool, sports fields, tennis courts, squash courts, a water sports centre and gymnasium.

Facilities

Double Degree Study Options

CUHK Law offers LLB students with the double degree options, which allow them to pursue academic interests and enhance competitive edge in the most efficient way.

Bachelor of Laws (LLB) Double Degree Programmes at CUHK

CUHK Law provides maximum flexibility to offer students two double degree programmes that can be combined with an LLB: an LLB with Bachelor of Arts in Translation, and an LLB with Bachelor of Social Science in Sociology. Students will be given the opportunity towards the end of the first year of studies to register for the double degree option. After completing the first degree, the second degree can be deferred for up to three years.

Master of Laws (LLM) Programme at the Dickson Poon School of Law of King's College London

In collaboration with the Dickson Poon School of Law of King's College London (KCL), CUHK Law offers a study option for LLB students to join the KCL's Master of Laws (LLM) Programme. This option provides students with an opportunity to obtain both an undergraduate degree (LLB from CUHK) and a postgraduate degree (LLM from KCL) in four years. Students will spend their first three years at CUHK in Hong Kong and the fourth year at KCL in London. Students will gain invaluable exposure to two legal systems in Hong Kong and England and prepare themselves for work in an international workplace by studying at two world-class law schools.



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Study Sequence

■ YEAR 1 ————— 33 UNITS

Legal Analysis & Argumentation
Hong Kong Legal System*
Legal System of the PRC
Contract I & II*
Hong Kong Constitutional Law*
University Language Courses
General Education Courses
Physical Education Courses
IT Course

■ YEAR 2 ————— 35 UNITS

Administrative Law*
Criminal Law I & II*
Tort I & II*
Equity & Trusts I & II*
Jurisprudence & Ethics
Elective Non-Law Courses
University Language Courses
General Education Courses

■ YEAR 3 ————— 29 UNITS

Companies and the Law I & II*
Civil Procedure*
Land Law I & II*
Commercial Law*
Criminal Procedure*
Evidence*
Elective Non-Law Courses

■ YEAR 4 ————— 30 UNITS

Independent Research Paper
Conveyancing*
Elective Law Courses#
Elective Non-Law Courses
General Education Courses

* Required for admission to the PCLL programme

e.g. Human Rights Law, Competition Law, Family Law, Intellectual Property Law, Environmental Law, Crime and Criminal Justice, the Law of the Sea, International Commercial Dispute Resolution, International Trade and Financial Law, Public International Law, Jessup International Law Moot, Mooting, International Legal Advocacy, Tax Law, Internet Law

Programme Structure

The CUHK LLB is a full-time four-year academic journey designed to expand students' intellectual capabilities.

The LLB provides students not only with the first steps into a well-regarded profession, but also with the tools and knowledge to be engaged members of the community. Students will learn of Hong Kong's shared heritage with other common law legal systems around the world, as well as its place within the broader Chinese context. The LLB includes the study of not only the practical elements of Hong Kong's legal system, but also the theoretical and normative perspectives that undergird it. This approach provides students with a comprehensive understanding of the laws and legal principles upon which Hong Kong society is founded and operates.

Intellectual coherence is the overarching principle which guides the ordering and grouping of subjects, and which sets the CUHK LLB apart from comparable degree programmes.

The first two years in the CUHK LLB contain compulsory subjects, grouped together into three themes: Foundations of Law, Public Law, and the Law of Obligations, while the second two years consist mainly of electives and pre-requisite courses for admission into the PCLL. Students may organise their academic programme so as to leave space for a term or an entire year abroad, if they wish. The elective courses vary year on year depending on the expertise of staff in the Faculty, and students may also elect to identify a particular stream of specialisation in either Global Law or Chinese Law.

Teaching and Learning



CUHK Law is one of the most globalised law schools in the world. The Faculty is a mix of internationally-recognised professors specialising in a variety of fields and professional consultants with real-world experience in the practice of law. Together, they offer our LLB students the very best legal education in Hong Kong in all areas of study and practice. At CUHK Law, no matter which area of law attracts your interest, you will find an expert in our Faculty.

Mentorships

Students enjoy a close mentoring relationship with Faculty members – each student is assigned an Academic Advisor to help ensure success both in legal studies and in university life in general. CUHK Law's priority is to provide you with an excellent legal education that prepares you for your future career and aids you in developing as a lifelong learner.

CUHK LLB students belong to a vibrant community. They regularly meet remarkable people who inspire them to realise their goals. Each student has a Distinguished Professional Mentor, a solicitor or barrister or judge or government lawyer, eager to share their professional and life experience with their mentees. The Sir TL Yang Society, named after a former Chief Justice of Hong Kong and Honorary Professor at CUHK Law, provides opportunities throughout the year to hear expert speakers and meet distinguished guests. It also provides up to HK\$10,000 to every student towards Summer Study Abroad Programmes.

Overseas Exchanges & Summer Study Abroad Programmes (SSAP)

Students participating in an SSAP travel as a group and study short courses from leading professors at a top law school outside of Hong Kong, and also participate in local cultural and professional activities. Current summer programme locations include Tsinghua University in mainland China, the University of Sydney in Australia, and Osgoode Hall Law School at York University in Canada. All the SSAPs are designed and run exclusively for the benefit of CUHK Law students.

Over 280 term or year-long foreign exchange programmes at University, Faculty and College levels are also offered to provide students with the opportunity to study worldwide. These programmes can broaden students' life experience and academic understanding. Credits earned abroad may count towards completing the LLB.

Mooting

CUHK Law's award-winning mooting teams compete around the world. Its clinical programmes enable students to provide legal assistance to refugee asylum seekers. And its Chinese mainland internship programme provides students with opportunities to undertake short-term work at a court in China.

Scholarships

There are academic scholarships at University level, Faculty level, and College level. Within CUHK Law there is a student-run law society and a student-run law magazine. Students are encouraged to take advantage of the many opportunities that the Faculty offers.

“We aim to help you develop your existing learning skills and develop new skills in learning, which will be invaluable in your future career and life pursuits.”

Professor Steven Gallagher

Associate Dean for Teaching and Learning

Professor Steven Gallagher has taught equity and trusts, land law and culture heritage law. His research interests include cultural heritage, legal history and equity. He is currently researching issues in cultural heritage law in Asia. Steven was formerly Associate Dean (Academic Affairs) in the Faculty of Law at CUHK.



Student Careers

The Faculty runs a careers advice programme that supports undergraduate students in a variety of ways.

Law Student Careers Office

The Faculty's Law Student Careers Office provides students with guidance on career choices, career preparation and professional development. The Faculty's Director of Career Planning and Professionalism, Mr. Paul Mitchard QC, has designed and runs a programme which includes seminars on career and professionalism topics and presentations by representatives of law firms, barristers' chambers and other prospective employers. The Office additionally maintains an alumni e-mentoring programme for the benefit of all the students of the Faculty.

Virtual Careers Resource Centre

The Law Student Careers Office also maintains a Virtual Careers Resource Centre (VCRC). This is a powerful online resource that serves as a contact point for employers, teaching faculty members and students. The VCRC has a Legal Careers Directory that contains up-to-date information on law firms and chambers and on internships and other employment opportunities. The VCRC website also notifies careers seminars and other events as well as providing students with information on matters such as job applications and CV preparation and with a wide range of other career-related resources.

“The demands of legal recruiters are becoming increasingly sophisticated: it is therefore important for students, right from the start of their university career, to keep abreast of what is going to be required of them in addition to academic achievement and to take steps to enable them to meet those demands.”

Mr. Paul Mitchard QC

Director of Career Planning and Professionalism

Mr. Paul Mitchard QC is a graduate of the University of Oxford. He spent more than 35 years in practice as a Solicitor in England and, since 2009, in Hong Kong. He was appointed as Queen's Counsel in 2008 and was one of the first solicitors to be granted higher rights of audience in Hong Kong. From 2001 until his retirement in 2014, Mr. Mitchard was a partner at the US law firm of Skadden Arps, where he set up and headed the firm's litigation and arbitration practice in Europe and Asia. He was Visiting Professor of Law at the China University of Political Science and Law 2012-15.



What Do Our Students Say



Martin Hui

LLB (CUHK), PCLL (CUHK)
Trainee Solicitor at Allen & Overy
Alumnus of TWGHs Wong Fut Nam College

Given that legal practice in the modern era is increasingly cross-border and international, I have sought to find international experiences throughout my 5-year university life at CUHK Law. In particular, representing CUHK Law in the 15th Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot broadened my international perspective and allowed me to further explore the discipline of Public International Law.

Also, the invaluable experiences of studying at the University of Cambridge, Tsinghua University and Trinity College Dublin with the support of CUHK Law, have provided me with international experience and knowledge of a multitude of cultures and languages.

With the intellectually challenging yet rewarding education provided by CUHK Law, I am grateful to have completed Vacation Schemes and secured Training Contracts at a Magic Circle firm and a White Shoe firm. CUHK Law fostered my growth to be an all-rounded lawyer who will always take the initiative and strive for perfection, both in the intellectual and professional context.



Rachel Chiu

CUHK LLB graduate 2019
Training Contract at Deacons 2020
Alumna of St. Stephen's Girls' College

CUHK Law has paved the way for me to become the type of lawyer I want to be. Not only has the CUHK LLB Programme given me an excellent environment to learn and exchange ideas with students and professors from all around the world, it has also provided me with ample opportunities to explore my interests and develop my career. My two-year experience as a mooter and then a student coach of the Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot Team pushed me to sharpen my advocacy skills and piqued my interest in international law as well as litigation. I am also most grateful for the faculty's Distinguished Professional Mentorship Programme, which gave me a head start in building connections with legal professionals and in finding my first internship while I was still an inexperienced freshman.

Thanks to the training and support of CUHK Law, I am honoured to have received a training contract from Deacons, commencing in 2020. I am excited to pursue my PCLL postgraduate degree in CUHK this September.



Michael Leung

CUHK LLB graduate 2019
Alumnus of St. Paul's Co-educational College

The LLB program at CUHK has provided me with an intellectually challenging and rewarding learning experience. The lectures and small group tutorials illuminate the theoretical grounding of the law, and its practical application respectively. Collectively, they have served as an effective preparation for my studies with CUHK's PCLL program in the coming year.

Besides financial support, the Faculty has enriched my learning experience by providing mooting opportunities for students to represent the university. Specifically, mooting enabled me to engage in in-depth study of various areas of international law, and polished my advocacy skills, thus better preparing me for legal practice with a nuanced understanding of the skill sets required.

The faculty's support does not stop within the classroom, but further extends to arranging scholarship opportunities. While I have had the opportunity to be awarded with the HSBC Hong Kong Scholarship thanks to the faculty's nomination, this pales in comparison to the large number of subject prizes and scholarships specifically offered to CUHK law students.

Ultimately, the curriculum and the opportunities outside the classroom together have made my learning experience an extremely enjoyable and smooth process.

Winsome Lai

CUHK LLB Year 3
Alumna of Shatin Tsung Tsin
Secondary School



The CUHK LLB programme is comprehensive and well-structured. On one hand, the lectures and interactive tutorials have equipped me with a wide range of legal skills. On the other hand, students are provided with ample opportunities to take part in mooting competitions. Taking part in The Annual Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot, has enhanced my advocacy and research skills which are crucial for my legal career.

The teachers at CUHK are undoubtedly experienced and eloquent. However, what set them apart is that they are very approachable and devoted to student's learning. Whenever we have questions, they always give their very best in explaining complex legal ideas patiently.

All in all, the decision to choose the CUHK LLB programme is one that I would never regret. I am truly grateful to be part of the CUHK LLB family and I am looking forward to meeting the challenges that lie ahead.

Cissy Lin

CUHK LLB graduate 2019
Alumna of Guangzhou No. 2
Middle School



My four-year study at CUHK Law has been a very unique and valuable experience. The "lecture - tutorial" teaching mode enables us to gain deep and clear understanding of the legal principles through explanations by the well-learned professors and practitioners, as well as our own discussions in the class. I also benefited greatly from various exchange programmes held by the LLB Programme. I was given the opportunity to develop a deeper understanding of the "One Country, Two Systems" policy both theoretically and practically when studying Chinese law at Tsinghua University and subsequently taking an internship at the Nanjing Intermediate People's Court in Jiangsu Province. Further, the learning experience on international law and other elective law courses at York University and The University of Sheffield offered me a whole new dimension to look at the law on a larger scale, as well as a golden chance to experience life and culture in other countries. In all, not only does this four-year study lay a solid foundation for my future pursuit in law, it also equipped me with the ability to look at things more independently and critically.

Admissions

CUHK Law admits approximately 80 outstanding new members to the LLB student body every year through the JUPAS and Non-JUPAS routes. There are no shortcuts to the application process: each application will be carefully evaluated on the basis of academic merit and overall quality.

JUPAS (Code: 4903)

Prospective students taking the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) examination should apply through the Joint University Programmes Admissions System (JUPAS). Applicants must fulfil the following minimum requirements in order to be considered. However, meeting these requirements does not guarantee admission – in the past, the vast majority of admitted students have far exceeded them.

Subjects	Minimum Score (Weighting)
English Language	5 (2)
Chinese Language	4 (1.5)
Mathematics	3 (1)
Liberal Studies	3 (2)
Elective 1	3 (1)
Elective 2 or Mathematics (Extended Part) Module I (M1) or Module II (M2)	3 (1)

Non-JUPAS

Prospective students who do not apply on the basis of the HKDSE should apply through the Non-JUPAS route. Most Non-JUPAS applicants apply on the strength of their results in the International Baccalaureate (IB), GCE Advanced-Level examinations, or other comparable secondary school qualifications.

Applications

Applications for admission should be directed to the CUHK Office of Admissions and Financial Aid: <http://www.cuhk.edu.hk/adm>



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