

THE CHINESE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF LAW

2022 Professional Ethics Student Essay Competition

Regulations

The **2022 Professional Ethics Student Essay Competition** (the “Essay Competition”) aims at promoting the awareness of professional ethics among CUHK LAW students through research.

Regulations governing the Essay Competition are as follows:

1. There are six Prizes donated by the MaMa Charitable Foundation Limited (the “Donor”): three Prizes for CUHK LAW undergraduate students (the “Undergraduate Prizes”) and three Prizes for CUHK LAW taught postgraduate students (the “Postgraduate Prizes”).

The Undergraduate Prizes and the Postgraduate Prizes comprise respectively:

- (i) One First Prize of HK\$20,000 for the Essay Competition winner,
 - (ii) One Second Prize of HK\$3,000 for the Essay Competition first runner-up, and
 - (iii) One Third Prize of HK\$2,000 for the Essay Competition second runner-up.
- If a Prize is awarded to a team then the amount of such Prize shall be divided and distributed in equal shares to the members of that team.

2. The Prizes shall be known as the “2022 Professional Ethics Student Essay Awards”.

3. The 2022 Essay Competition Topic is:

“Professional ethical obligations and data protection – can lawyers ever fully safeguard the interests of their clients, particularly with regard to confidentiality?”

4. The Undergraduate Prizes shall be awarded to students who are enrolled in the CUHK LAW LLB programme in the academic year 2021-22 and participate (individually or as team not exceeding two persons) in the Essay Competition.
5. The Postgraduate Prizes shall be awarded to students who are enrolled in the CUHK LAW JD, PCLL or LLM programmes in the academic year 2021-22 and participate (individually or as team not exceeding two persons) in the Essay Competition.
6. Essays must be written in English and be not more than 5,000 words long. Essays must be submitted to the CUHK VeriGuide System for detection of plagiarism. Each essay together with a signed academic honesty statement generated by the VeriGuide System must be sent to CUHK LAW via email at law@cuhk.edu.hk on or before **13 April 2022**.
7. By participating in the Essay Competition students give their consent to CUHK LAW and the

Donor to use and publish their essays, including the disclosure of their identity as the essay authors.

8. CUHK LAW will select among all Essay Competition participants up to three students or student teams for the award of the respective Undergraduate or Postgraduate Prizes for the Donor's endorsement.
9. CUHK LAW will issue an award letter to all Prize recipients.
10. CUHK LAW and the Donor reserve the right not to award any Undergraduate or Postgraduate Prizes.

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