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Message
from the Dean



The Faculty of Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK LAW) stands among the most dynamic and accomplished law schools in Asia and beyond. Since welcoming its inaugural cohort in 2006, CUHK LAW has earned international recognition for excellence in legal education and research, while making a lasting contribution to our local community.

As the Faculty celebrates its 20th anniversary, I warmly invite you to consider joining the CUHK LAW community as we embark on a new chapter in our third decade. This journey will unfold against a backdrop of rapid and complex change — from the rise of AI to the challenges of climate change and the evolving demands on legal institutions. Guided by these shifts, our teaching and scholarship will continue to respond with rigour, imagination, and resolve.

In the years ahead, we shall remain deeply committed to the rule of law and to the University's enduring motto: "Through learning and temperance to virtue." We shall also continue to cherish the close ties we share with our alumni, supporters, and partners — as together we shall build on enduring legal values to meet the challenges of a changing world.

Our LLB Programme offers rigorous training in legal reasoning and a deep engagement with the foundations of law, ethics, and justice. You will be part of a vibrant and inclusive academic community, where learning is enriched through small-group teaching, mooting, and close interaction with world-class scholars.

We would be delighted to welcome you into our community of thinkers, learners, and future leaders in law.

Chao Xi

Professor Chao Xi
Dean of CUHK LAW

Message
from the Programme Director



Prof. Dicky Tsang is an Associate Professor in the Faculty of Law at The Chinese University of Hong Kong. His main research areas are private international law and company law. Prior to joining academia, he practised as a corporate finance lawyer at Linklaters and Shearman & Sterling. He is admitted to practice in the state of New York, England & Wales and Hong Kong. Prof. Tsang was awarded degrees from Georgetown University (S.J.D.), Columbia University (LLM, JD) and University College London (LLM).

Welcome to CUHK LAW, one of the most internationally diverse law schools in the world. With over 50 faculty members representing around 20 jurisdictions and regions, we offer students a truly global legal education and prepare them to thrive in an increasingly interconnected legal profession.

Our faculty includes leading scholars in key transnational fields, including public and private international law, comparative law, international trade law and Chinese law.

To broaden our students' global perspectives, we offer dual degree programmes, student exchange opportunities and overseas summer courses in partnership with leading law schools around the world, including institutions in the United States, the United Kingdom and Chinese Mainland. These opportunities enable our students to experience different legal systems and develop the international perspective that is increasingly valued by employers.

With an annual intake of approximately 90 students, CUHK LAW offers a close-knit and supportive learning environment where students benefit from meaningful interaction with faculty members and classmates alike. Located on our Shatin campus, the largest university campus in Hong Kong, our students enjoy four vibrant years in a beautiful natural setting, home to more than 200 plant species and 40,000 trees.

Our graduates have gone on to pursue postgraduate legal studies at many of the world's leading universities and have built successful careers at prestigious international law firms, chambers, corporations and public institutions in Hong Kong and beyond.

At CUHK LAW, we are committed to helping every student realise their potential. Our dedicated Careers Team, staffed by professionals with extensive experience in both the local and international legal markets, provides personalised guidance on internships, career planning and employment opportunities throughout students' legal education.

We invite you to join our vibrant international community and begin a legal education that will prepare you for opportunities both in Hong Kong and around the world.



Professor Dicky Tsang
Assistant Dean (Education)
& LLB Programme Director

Welcome to CUHK LAW





Studying law at CUHK LAW offers the opportunity to learn alongside some of Hong Kong's brightest students and be taught by leading academics and experienced legal practitioners from around the world. Students benefit from a dynamic learning environment, state-of-the-art facilities, and CUHK's unique collegiate system, which fosters personal growth, cross-disciplinary interaction, and a strong sense of community.

CUHK LAW is committed to developing not only legal knowledge and academic excellence, but also the broader skills needed to become responsible and engaged members of society. In addition to legal studies, students can explore courses across a wide range of disciplines, participate in student clubs and community service initiatives, and gain international exposure through overseas exchange programmes.

Admission to the LLB Programme is highly competitive, with around 1,700 applicants vying for a limited cohort in the 2026 intake. CUHK LAW students have achieved notable success in international mooting competitions, earned prestigious scholarships, and secured training contracts with leading local and international law firms. In recent years, nearly 90% of CUHK LLB graduates who applied for the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL), the professional qualification required to become a solicitor or barrister in Hong Kong, successfully gained admission.

CUHK LAW's internationally renowned faculty includes academics and practitioners from different jurisdictions. Combining leading expertise across diverse legal fields with extensive professional experience, they deliver a world-class legal education that integrates rigorous academic study with practical insight. Students benefit from dedicated mentorship and support, enabling them to develop the knowledge, skills, and confidence needed for future legal and professional success.





Programme Structure

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

The LLB provides students with the training necessary to enter into a well-regarded profession as well as the tools and knowledge to be engaged and responsible members of the broader community. Students will learn about Hong Kong's shared heritage with other common law legal systems around the world as well as its place within the broader Chinese legal 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's 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. The next two years consist of both electives and pre-requisite courses for admission to the PCLL. Students may organise their academic programme so as to leave space for a term or an entire year abroad, if they wish. Elective courses vary year to year. Students may select a particular stream of specialisation in either Global Law or Chinese Law. Students may also personalise their study by selecting electives courses clustered around particular sub-areas of legal investigation.

Study Sequence

YEAR 1 — 35 UNITS

Legal Analysis & Argumentation
Hong Kong Legal System*
Legal System of the PRC
Contract I & II*
Hong Kong Constitutional Law*
University Core Courses

YEAR 2 — 34 UNITS

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

YEAR 3 — 29 UNITS

Companies and the Law I & II*
Land Law I & II*
Commercial Law*
Evidence*
Law Elective Courses#
Non-Law Elective Courses

YEAR 4 — 29 UNITS

Independent Research Paper
Property Law*
Law Elective Courses#
Non-Law Elective Courses
University Core Courses

* Required for admission to the PCLL programme

\# e.g., Aviation Law, Civil Procedure, Competition Law, Family Law, Information and Privacy Law, Insurance and the Law, Intellectual Property Law, International Legal Advocacy, Introduction to Artificial Intelligence and the Law, Legal Technologies, Mooting, Public International Law, Tax Law





Dual / Double Degree Study Options

CUHK LAW offers LLB students several dual / double degree options, which allow them to pursue their academic interests and enhance their competitive edge.

3+1 Dual Degree Study Options: Bachelor of Law (LLB) + Master of Laws (LLM)

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

Master of Laws (LLM) Programme at Gould School of Law of the University of Southern California, United States

Students may enrol in the Master of Laws (LLM) Programme at the Dickson Poon School of Law of King's College London (KCL) or Gould School of Law of the University of Southern California (USC) in their fourth year. This provides students with an opportunity to obtain both an undergraduate degree (LLB from CUHK) and a postgraduate degree (LLM from KCL or USC) in four years.

Students will thus study at and obtain degrees from two world-class law schools, gain exposure to two important legal systems, and will as a result put themselves in prime position to pursue high-level global legal careers.

LLB Double Degree Programmes at CUHK

CUHK LAW offers double degree options (five years) designed to provide students with maximum flexibility:

Bachelor of Laws – Bachelor of Arts (Translation) [LLB-BA (TRA)]

Bachelor of Laws – Bachelor of Social Science (Sociology) [LLB-BSSc (Sociology)]

Students will be given the opportunity towards the end of their first year of studies to register for the double degree option, which will allow students to obtain two undergraduate degrees at CUHK in five years.

Thomas Liu



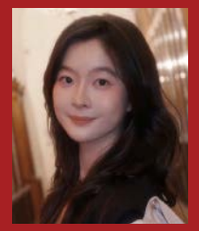
LLB (CUHK), LLM (KCL), BCL (Oxon), PCLL (CUHK)
Training Contract at Clyde & Co 2026
Graduate of Singapore American School



I had the privilege of experiencing various enriching opportunities offered by CUHK's LLB Programme.

CUHK's exchange programmes allowed me to spend a summer at Copenhagen Business School. The bespoke CUHK-LLB and KCL-LLM study option allowed me to study international law in London for a year, earning two degrees in just four years. Finally, my participation in CUHK LAW world-class Willem C. Vis Moot Team, gave me the unparalleled opportunity to improve practical legal skills.

All-in-all, CUHK LAW's commitment to academic excellence, paired with abundant and exciting opportunities, is what makes the LLB Programme so recommendable.



Chantal Cheung

LLB (CUHK), LLM (KCL), PCLL (CUHK) Student
Training Contract at Baker McKenzie 2027
Graduate of German Swiss International School

Beyond its academics and mentorship, CUHK LAW gave me ample opportunities to grow. As Editor-in-Chief of the Hong Kong Student Law Gazette, I stayed attuned to legal developments and sharpened my commercial awareness. Championship results and top rankings in debate honed my critical thinking under pressure, while serving as Vice President of the Mooting Society built my collaboration skills. My leadership culminated in the CUHK MUN Presidency, after roles as Chair and Outstanding Delegate. These experiences secured my Baker McKenzie trainee contract and vacation schemes at White & Case and Hogan Lovells.



The CUHK-LLB and KCL-LLM study option condenses two qualifications into four years, allowing me to deepen my understanding of complex financial transactions from a comparative legal perspective.

I am grateful for CUHK LAW's unwavering dedication to nurturing an environment where students can thrive.

International Exposure Opportunities





Exchange Programmes

CUHK offers over 290 student exchange programmes at the university, faculty, and college levels. These programmes allow students to study abroad at leading partner universities across Australia, Canada, the United Kingdom and beyond, helping them broaden their horizons and earn credits that may count toward their LLB degree.

Faculty-level exchange partners:

Asia and Oceania
- East China University of Political Science and Law, Chinese Mainland
- National Taiwan University, Taiwan, China
- Peking University, Chinese Mainland
- Thammasat University, Thailand
- Tsinghua University, Chinese Mainland
- University of Auckland, New Zealand*
- University of New South Wales, Australia

Europe and North America
- Bocconi University, Italy
- Durham University, United Kingdom
- Maastricht University, Netherlands
- Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Canada
- University of Bergen, Norway
- University of Bristol, United Kingdom*
- University of Leeds, United Kingdom
- University of Sheffield, United Kingdom
- WU (Vienna University of Economics and Business), Austria

** University-wide Exchange Programme with designated quota for Law students*

Oxford Summer Programme

Each summer, CUHK LAW selects outstanding LLB students to participate in the summer study programmes at the University of Oxford, United Kingdom. A scholarship of up to HK$90,000 is offered to these outstanding students.

Summer Study Abroad Programmes

Summer Study Abroad Programmes (SSAP) allow students to travel as a group and take short summer courses taught by leading professors at top law schools outside Hong Kong. The programmes also include local cultural and professional activities.

- Faculty of Law, Thammasat University, Thailand
- School of Law, Tsinghua University, Chinese Mainland
- Osgoode Hall Law School, York University, Canada

Each student may receive funding of up to HK$10,000 to support their participation in the SSAP.

Stephanie Du



LLB (CUHK), PCLL (CUHK) Student
Training Contract at Sidley Austin 2028
Graduate of Wuhan Britain-China School



My journey at CUHK LAW has been transformative, strengthening my logical and critical thinking while sharpening my ability to communicate complex ideas. Through the Faculty's mentorship programme, I found an invaluable mentor who opened doors to internships, introduced me to legal practitioners, and guided me through uncertainty. My exchange at the University of Pennsylvania broadened my perspective through Wharton courses, venture capital events, client pitch simulations, and tech governance. These experiences sparked my interest in the intersection of law and commercial practice, preparing me to begin my legal career.



Amanda Le

LLB Year 4 Student
Graduate of Lam Son High School for the Gifted (Vietnam)

Studying law at CUHK LAW has been a transformative journey. The LLB curriculum has developed in me strong legal foundation, skills, and the maturity to navigate future challenges. I am grateful for the scholarships that recognise my achievements and inspire me to keep making progress.

A highlight of my study here was a Faculty-funded internship with the International Organization for Migration, Geneva. It has deepened my interest in global issues and human rights law.

I am deeply thankful to CUHK LAW for all its valuable support and opportunities.



Student Activities



Mooting

Mooting gives students a taste of life as a lawyer presenting written and oral arguments in complex hypothetical court cases. CUHK LAW students annually participate in internal, local, regional and international mooting competitions. CUHK LAW has enjoyed great success in all mooting competitions since mooting was first offered in 2006.

CUHK LAW encourages students to participate in mooting competitions. Participation may attract course credits towards degree completion. An academic staff member advises each team and supervises its work. Practice moots take place in the state-of-the-art Moot Court in the Shatin campus and Warren Chan Moot Court at the Graduate Law Centre in Central.

CUHK LAW moot teams have achieved notable successes in international mooting competitions as highlighted below:

- Championship in the Herbert Smith Freehills Competition Law Moot in 2019; Best Advocate and a Certificate of Outstanding Advocacy Skills in 2025.
- Championships in the Leiden-Sarin International Air Law Moot Court Competition 2022 and 2024.
- Championships in the Willem C. Vis East International Commercial Arbitration Moot in 2016 and 2020; Honourable Mention for Best Written Memorandum for Claimant in 2025 and Honourable Mention for Best Individual Oral Advocate and Best Written Memorandum for Respondent in 2026.
- Werner Melis Award for Best Respondent Memorandum, Martin Domke Award for Best Oralist, and Eric E. Bergsten Award for Best Team Orals (Top 16) in the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot in 2025.
- Regional Round Winner and Dillard Award for Memorial Writing in the Philip C. Jessup International Law in 2022.
- First Place Winner, Best Team Overall, Best Regional Memorial for Asia, Best Defense Counsel Memorial, Second Runner-up for Best Memorial, and Second Runner-up for Best Prosecution Memorial in the International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition in 2020.

The Undergraduate Law Society of CUHK

CUHK LAW offers a dynamic student experience, supported by a student-run law society and a student-run law magazine. These platforms provide valuable opportunities for students to get involved, develop their interests, and connect with peers.

The Undergraduate Law Society plays a central role in student life, representing members' voices and fostering a strong sense of community within the Faculty and the wider legal profession. Building on a solid foundation, the Society delivers a range of initiatives and activities designed to enrich the student experience and support both personal growth and professional development.

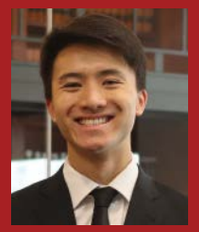


Charles Chan

LLB (CUHK)
LLM Candidate at the University of Cambridge
Graduate of La Salle College



My four years at CUHK LAW were truly transformative. I am grateful for the Faculty's supportive mentors and collaborative learning environment. Beyond academics, I served on the Undergraduate Law Society's Executive Committee and represented CUHK LAW in international mooting competitions, including the Willem C. Vis International Commercial Arbitration Moot (Vis), Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) International Arbitration Moot and Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer (HSFK) Competition Law Moot. In my final year, I coached the Vis Moot team, competed internationally, and worked as a fully funded research assistant at the UN International Law Commission in Geneva. These experiences made my legal education both challenging and deeply rewarding.



Justin Vrijmoed

LLB Year 2 Student
Graduate of St Paul's College

Studying law at CUHK LAW has been enriching, equipping me with foundational legal skills through the rigorous curriculum and supportive mentorship. Beyond academics, serving as President of the Undergraduate Law Society taught me leadership and problem-solving skills. Mooting and exchange programmes are prime opportunities to broaden one's legal perspective and to hone their advocacy skills. What stands out most is the Distinguished Professional Mentors Programme, which offers me opportunities to interact with established practitioners and gain an early understanding of the mindset required to excel in the legal profession.





Career Support

Professional Development and Career Support

Many of our LLB graduates progress to the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) and subsequently pursue careers as solicitors and barristers in Hong Kong and other jurisdictions. Others choose to further their studies overseas or build careers in fields where legal training is highly valued, including business, finance, consulting, compliance, public administration, and non-governmental organisations.

Throughout their studies, LLB students develop strong analytical, problem-solving, and communication skills that prepare them for success across a wide range of professions.

The Faculty's Careers Team supports students in exploring career opportunities from the earliest stages of their legal education. Through career advisory, skills workshops, career talks, networking events, and mentoring initiatives, students gain valuable exposure to the legal profession and the broader employment market.

CUHK LAW Careers Hub

CUHK LAW Careers Hub serves as a central platform connecting students, alumni, faculty members, and employers.

We provide dedicated support to LLB students as they explore career pathways and prepare for internships, vacation schemes, exchange opportunities, and graduate recruitment programmes. Students receive guidance on career planning, CV and cover letter preparation, interview skills, networking, and professional development.

A comprehensive Legal Careers Directory provides up-to-date information on law firms, barristers' chambers, corporations, government departments, and other employers, together with internship and recruitment opportunities. Through regular employer engagement activities, students are well positioned to build professional networks and develop the skills required for future career success.

Christy Lam



LLB (CUHK), PCLL (CUHK) Student
Training Contract at Slaughter and May 2027
Graduate of Diocesan Girls' School



CUHK LAW has been the ideal place to begin my legal journey. Its curriculum, interactive tutorials, and guidance from dedicated professors and mentors from the Distinguished Professional Mentor Programme have helped me grow academically. The Faculty's support for mooting enabled me to participate in the Leiden-Sarin Air Law Moot Competition, which strengthened my advocacy skills.

Through the Faculty's guidance and one-on-one career consultations, I gained insight into the profession through internships at the Securities and Futures Commission and the Department of Justice. These experiences contributed to my securing a training contract at a Magic Circle firm.



Samuel Lo

LLB (CUHK), PCLL (CUHK)
Training Contract at Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton 2026
Graduate of Diocesan Boys' School

CUHK LAW's career guidance was instrumental to my professional development. I am deeply indebted to the then Director of Career Planning and Professionalism, whose guidance, drawn from his experience at top US and Magic Circle firms, was transformative. His one-on-one consultation sessions on CV drafting, interview strategies, and workplace communication were pivotal in securing my training contract at Cleary and vacation schemes at firms like Skadden.

Beyond career preparation, I appreciated CUHK LAW's support for my one-year exchange at London School of Economics and Political Science (LSE) in London, during which I joined both the Jessup and Vis international law moots as an oralist. Balancing two concurrent moots strengthened my time management, adaptability, and mental agility.



Mentorship Programmes

Academic Advisors

At CUHK LAW, students benefit from close mentoring relationships with Faculty members. Each student is paired with an Academic Advisor who provides guidance not only in legal studies but also in navigating university life. Our goal is to support your academic success and help you grow into a lifelong learner prepared for a rewarding legal career.





Distinguished Professional Mentor (DPM) Programme

The Sir T L Yang Society Distinguished Professional Mentor (DPM) Programme is a cornerstone of our mentorship offerings. This unique initiative connects LLB students with seasoned legal professionals who offer personalised advice and support. Through this programme, students gain the skills and confidence needed to become ethical and effective practitioners. All LLB students are invited to the Annual Reception for Distinguished Professional Mentors, held during the Sir T L Yang Society High Table Dinner.

Each undergraduate student is matched with a Distinguished Professional Mentor during their final three years at CUHK LAW. These mentors come from various sectors of Hong Kong's legal community, including the judiciary, private practice, government, business, and NGOs. Students are introduced to their mentors at a special reception at the end of their first year, and the relationship provides practical insights and guidance as they prepare for professional life.

Admissions

CUHK LAW admits approximately 90 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
English Language	5
Chinese Language	4
Mathematics	3
Citizenship and Social Development	Attained
Elective 1	3
Elective 2 or Mathematics (Extended Part) Module I (M1) or Module II (M2)	3

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, 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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