



**HKU  
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THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG  
FACULTY OF LAW

香港大學法律學院

# Admissions Talk

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- Undergraduate Admissions -  
LLB & Integrated Double Degrees



**HKU**  
**LAW**

## **1. Why HKU Law?**

HKU or Overseas (Top Universities)?

HKU or Other HK Law Schools?

## **2. HKU Law – Which Programme?**

## **3. HKU Law – Application Process?**

# Why HKU Law?

- Longest History – Sense of Belonging
- Law, Justice and Humanity: 50 Years and Beyond (2019)  
(<https://50.law.hku.hk/>)
- Approaching 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary (2024)



# Why HKU Law?

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- Commitment to Excellence

“The Faculty is committed to academic and professional excellence. While the faculty has come a long way since its inception in 1969, it continues its efforts in international outreach, in strengthening ties with Mainland China, and in enhancing the quality of legal education with a view to training not just good lawyers but also leaders who have a passion to serve, wherever they are.”



# Why HKU Law?

- Physical Resources

## Dedicated Law Faculty Building



**Mooting Chambers**



**Cheng Yu Tung Tower**



**Academic Conference Centre**



**Lui Che Woo Law Library**



**Philip K.H. Wong Theatre**

# Why HKU Law?

- HKU Law's International Standing

## Excellent International Ranking

### 2023 QS Law Ranking in [Law](#)

2. University of Oxford
3. University of Cambridge
9. UC Berkeley
12. NUS
14. UCL
15. KCL
- 25. HKU (2<sup>nd</sup> in Asia)**
27. UPenn

### 2024 Times Higher Education World University Rankings in [Law](#)

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# Why HKU Law?

- Other Benefits

## Conversion exams

PCLL – local graduates (70-80%)

## Cost

**\$42,100 x 4**      vs      \$370,000 x 3

## Common Law Family

Local + international knowledge + skills

## China

PRC law modules in HK or in Shanghai

## Networking

Classmates, mentors, alumni

# Why HKU Law?

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- Alumni Network

HKU Law's alumni from :

Academics, Law firm partners, barristers, Government Officials, Legco members.....

## Associations

- ❖ HKU Law Alumni Association
- ❖ HKU Master of Laws in Arbitration & Dispute Resolution Alumni Association

## Activities

- Mentorship Programme
- Career talks
- Choir Concert
- Sports and Family Fiesta



# Why HKU Law?

## HKU Law or Other HK Law Schools?



### Experience

- HKU Law (1969)
- Law School A (1987)
- Law School B (2004)



### Expertise

- HKU Law (80)
- Law School A (39)
- Law School B (49)



### Diversity

- HKU Law
- Law School A
- Law School B

# Why HKU Law?

- **HKU Law Graduates on Staff**

**Professor Albert Chen, Former Dean**

**Professor Johannes Chan, SC (Hon), Former Dean**

Professor Anne Cheung

Professor Eric Ip

**Associate Professor:**

Dr Cora Chan

Dr Felix Chan

Dr Peter Chau

Mr Wilson Chow

Ms Puja Kapai

Mr Kelvin Kwok

Ms Rebecca Lee

Dr Michael Ng

Dr Richard Wu

**Assistant Professor:**

Ms Daisy Cheung

Dr Julius Yam

**Principle Lecturer/Senior  
Lecturer/Lecturer:**

Rr Alwin Chan

Mr Eric Cheung

Ms Julienne Jen

Ms Eva Tam

Mr Jacky Yeung

Ms Charmaine Yip

# Why HKU Law?

## Faculty and Staff Honors & Awards

### Mooting

- ❖ Philip C Jessup International Law Moot Court – Best Oralist & ranked 11<sup>th</sup> (International round )(2018)
- ❖ Oxford Internationals Intellectual Property Moot – Powell Gilbert Runner-up for the Best Written Submissions (2018)
- ❖ Red Cross International Humanitarian Law Moot-Runner-up (2017 & 2015)
- ❖ Herbert Smith Freehills competitions Law Moot-Champion (2017)

### Knowledge Exchange (KE)

University KE Excellence Award (2016)



### Research and Teaching Excellence

Humanities and Social Sciences Prestigious Fellowship Scheme  
General Research Fund projects and Early Career Scheme

Outstanding Young Researcher Award

Outstanding Research Award

Inaugural UGC Teaching Award

University Distinguished Teaching Award

University Outstanding Teaching Award

# Why HKU Law?

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- Distinguished Visiting & Honorary Professors

Professor John Lowry, Cheng Yu Tung Visiting Professor

Professor Mindy Chen-Wishart

Professor Lech Garlicki

The Hon Mr Justice Kemal Bokhary, GBM, JP, QC

The Hon Mr Justice Patrick Chan, GBM

Ian Grenville Cross , SBS, QC, SC

The Hon Mr Justice Geoffrey Ma, GBM, QC, SC

Ms Anna Wu Hung-yuk GBS, JP

The Hon Mr Justice Andrew Lin, QC, SC

The Hon Mr Justice Frank Stock, GBS, QC, JP

The Hon Mr Justice Henry Litton, GBM, CBE, JP, SC



# Why HKU Law?

FREE LEGAL ADVICE SCHEME ON HKU CAMPUS  
港大校園免費法律諮詢計劃

Partnership with The Liberty of One King 自由一人制律師



Small text and table describing the scheme's details.

## Clinical Legal Education Programme

- Real cases
- General clinic or refugee clinic

## Pathway Programmes

- UNSW
- NUS
- KCL
- UC Berkeley



## Double Degree Programmes with Overseas Partners

- JD/LLM (UPenn)
- LLM/LLM (Peking U)
- LLB/JD (UBC)
- LLM/MLAW (U Zurich)

# Why HKU Law?

- Exchange Opportunities

## Over 200 Exchange Partners

UK (including Oxford, Cambridge, London),  
US, Canada, Australia, New Zealand, China,  
Japan, Israel, Germany, Netherlands, Sweden,  
Austria, Denmark, Singapore, Switzerland



## Incoming Exchange Students

100+ incoming exchange students  
from 40+ law schools each year

# Which Programme?

- Undergraduate

## Basic Degree – LLB (4 Years)

- Maximum flexibility
- Specialization and minors

### HKU-UCL LLB

- 2 degrees in 4 years
- HK+UK qualified
- Annual intake of 10 (5 from each institution)

### HKU-PKU LLB

- 2 degrees in 5 years
- 2.5 years at each university
- Annual intake of 4-8 on each institution
- Common Law & Civil Law jurisdictions

### Pathway Programmes

- 2 degrees in 4 or 5 years
  - KCL LLM
  - UNSW LLM
  - UC Berkeley LLM
  - UBC JD
- Annual intake of 3-5 from each partner universities

# Which Programme?

- Undergraduate

Integrated  
Double  
Degree  
Programmes

(Two Degrees  
in 5 Years)

## BA&LLB

- Offered with *Faculty of Arts*
  - <https://arts.hku.hk/current-students/undergraduate/BALLB>

## BBA(Law)&LLB

- Offered with *HKU Business School*
  - <https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/programme/bba-law-and-llb>

## BSocSc(Govt & Laws)&LLB

- Offered with *Faculty of Social Sciences*
  - <https://ppaweb.hku.hk/programmes/ug/gl>

## BSc&LLB

- Offered with *Faculty of Sciences*
  - <https://www.scifac.hku.hk/prospective/ug/6858-bsc-and-llb>



# Which Programme?



- Juris Doctor (2 years, qualified to take PCLL)
- PCLL (1 year professional qualification exam)
- LLM (1 year full time or 2 year part time)
- MPhil and PhD

# Application Process



## All Applicants - JUPAS (HKDSE) & Non-JUPAS

- ✓ Good communication, intellectual and analytical skills
- ✓ Both English language proficiency and intellectual ability



## Usually Only FIRST Choice Considered

- ✓ First batch of interviews arranged in January 2024 for non-JUPAS students
- ✓ Predicted score report
- ✓ Personal statements important

# Application Process



## JUPAS applicants (70% of intake)

- ✓ Must achieve necessary grades for eligibility to HKU
- ✓ But minimum actual grades for admission to LLB and integrated double degrees are much higher (see next slide)

## Non-JUPAS applicants (30% of intake)



- ✓ GCEA Level (excluding English and Chinese):  
at least **3A\*** and **1A** (with 4 A-level subjects)  
or **2A\*** and **1A** (with 3 A-level subjects)
- ✓ IB: at least **37/42** or **40/45** (slight higher for double degree programmes)
- ✓ Other qualifications: refer to UER for minimum requirements

# Application Process

## 2023-24 Law Admissions Average JUPAS (HKDSE) Results

	English	Chinese	Best 6 Subjects
LLB	6.661	5.592	35.376
BA&LLB	7.278	6.229	39.148
BBA(Law)&LLB	7.094	5.942	39.731
BSS(GL)&LLB	6.923	6.115	38.885
BSc&LLB	6.118	5.063	36.529



# Application Process

## HKU-UCL Dual Degree in Law



- ▶ 4-year dual degree programme
- ▶ First two years at **UCL** and last two years at **HKU**
- ▶ Intake quota: 5 places for each institution
- ▶ Pay tuition fee to respective host institutions
- ▶ Obtain an LLB degree from respective institutions
- ▶ Eligible for admission to PCLL programme subject to application

# Application Process

## HKU-UCL Dual Degree in Law



- ▶ Via JUPAS and non-JUPAS application system
- ▶ JUPAS applicants\* should also apply separately through the Faculty of Law online application system at <https://web.law.hku.hk/hkuucl/>
- ▶ OR to UCL through UCAS, but **NOT BOTH**
- ▶ Duplicate applications to **BOTH** HKU and UCL not allowed and will result in disqualification
- ▶ LNAT requirement is waived if applied through HKU

\* *Place HKU LLB programme (JS6406)* as one of your Band A choices (for JUPAS) via JUPAS or as the first choice (for non-JUPAS) via HKU non-JUPAS application system in order to be considered in the main round admissions and be shortlisted for interviews.



# Application Process

## HKU-UCL Dual Degree in Law

- ▶ **Deadlines:** 15 November 2023 (Non-JUPAS, for first-round evaluation)  
6 December 2023 (JUPAS)  
31 January 2024 (Faculty Online Application for JUPAS applicants)
- ▶ JUPAS applicants who decide to apply to HKU are required to submit an application to HKU via JUPAS together with an online application via the Faculty of Law website at <https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/>
- ▶ Non-JUPAS applicants who decide to apply to HKU are only required to indicate their choice of this programme in the non-JUPAS application form and submit the completed form together with a personal statement for this Dual Degree programme to the University by the specified deadline.
- ▶ Shortlisted candidates may be invited for interview
- ▶ FAQs for information, please visit <https://www.law.hku.hk/prospective-students/ug-faq/>
- ▶ All information regarding this Dual Degree programme is subject to change without prior notice. Please check website from time to time <https://hkuucl.law.hku.hk/>

# Application Process

## HKU-PKU Dual Degree in Law



- ▶ 5-year dual degree programme
- ▶ **HKU admitted students:** First two and a half years at **HKU** and last two and a half years at **PKU**
- ▶ **PKU admitted students:** First two and a half years at **PKU** and last two and a half years at **HKU**
- ▶ Intake quota: approx. 8 places for each institution
- ▶ Pay tuition fee to respective host institutions
- ▶ Obtain an LLB degree from respective institutions  
i.e. **HKU LLB (common law jurisdiction); and PKU LLB (civil law jurisdiction)**
- ▶ Eligible for admission to PCLL programme subject to application



# Application Process

## HKU-PKU Dual Degree in Law



- ▶ Via JUPAS and non-JUPAS application system
- ▶ Mainland applicants applying on the strength of GaoKao – via PKU Law Faculty online application system
- ▶ Hong Kong applicants\* applying on the strength of HKDSE or other recognised examinations other than GaoKao – via JUPAS and non-JUPAS respectively
- ▶ JUPAS applicants\* should also apply separately through the Faculty of Law online application system at <https://web.law.hku.hk/hkupku/>

# Application Process

## HKU-PKU Dual Degree in Law



### \* *Special notes on eligibility of applicants:*

- ❖ *Must hold a valid Mainland Travel Permit for Hong Kong and Macau Residents (Home Return Permit) and are not a student from Macau.*
- ❖ *Must complete high schooling in Hong Kong and will be graduating from a Hong Kong secondary school at the time of application.*
- ❖ *Highly proficient in both spoken and written Chinese (Putonghua) and English is a must.*
- ❖ *Place HKU LLB programme as one of your Band A choices (for JUPAS) or as the first choice (for Non-JUPAS) via JUPAS or non-JUPAS application system respectively in order to be considered for main round admissions.*
- ❖ *Shortlisted candidates may be invited for interview by the Panel comprising HKU Law and PKU Law members.*
- ❖ *Deadline for Faculty online application: **31 January, 2024***
- ❖ *All information regarding this Dual Degree programme is subject to change without prior notice. Please check website from time to time. <https://www.law.hku.hk/prospective-students/ug-hku-pku-dual-degree-programme-in-law/>*



# Important Dates

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Ongoing till 15 Nov 2023

Deadline for first-round non-JUPAS evaluation

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28 Oct 2023

HKU Information day

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6 Dec 2023

Deadline for submission of JUPAS application

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Late Dec 2023 to Jan 2024

1<sup>st</sup> round of Non-JUPAS interviews

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Late Mar to early Apr 2024

2<sup>nd</sup> round of Non-JUPAS interviews  
Interviews for the double degree programmes

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22 August 2024

Closing Date for Non-JUPAS  
(Subject to the availability of places)



*Thank You!*

We look forward to welcoming  
some of you in September 2024!