









## MASTER OF LAWS (LLM)

LLM in Chinese Business Law LLM in Common Law LLM in Energy and Environmental Law LLM in International Economic Law LLM in Legal History (NEW)

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# Message from the Dean

The Faculty of Law of The Chinese University of Hong Kong (CUHK LAW) was established in 2004. 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 guality 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. We are providing a truly global learning environment. In 2018 CUHK LAW was ranked by the Times Higher Education (THE) ranking exercise the most international law school worldwide.

CUHK LAW offers five LLM programmes: the LLM in Chinese Business Law programme, the LLM in Common Law programme, the LLM in Energy and Environmental programme, the LLM in International Economic Law programme and the (research-based) LLM in Legal History. All our LLM programmes are designed for elite postgraduate students who wish to excel in their chosen areas of expertise. Taught by world-leading experts in their respective fields at the CUHK Graduate Law Centre in Hong Kong's Central business district, all five LLM programmes are structured to cater to student's career needs. The use of highly innovative and practice-oriented teaching modes ensures that our LLM students are well equipped with knowledge and skills to assume leadership positions in law and law-related sectors.

We are CUHK LAW! If you are ready to invest in your career by gaining expertise in a specialized area of law in one of the most exciting cities of the world, then join our LLM programmes.

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

# Message from the Programme Director

The CUHK Master of Laws Programmes provide students with an ideal platform to acquire expertise in one of the five specialized subject areas: Chinese business law, common law, energy and environmental law and international economic law, as well as in our latest subject area offering - legal history. We are proud to offer our students an enriching and stimulating learning environment in which to study and discover the law. The programmes are supported by the state-of-the-art research and practice experience of a first-rate faculty.

Our LLM Programmes have attracted intellectually curious and outstanding students from all over the world. You will therefore be joining a vibrant and dynamic community, with opportunities to build long-lasting professional and personal relationships with some of the most accomplished graduate students working in their respective specialist areas.



## LLM Programme Introduction

CUHK LAW offers five LLM Programmes. Each one is taught in English by first-rate academics with specialist knowledge and global experience. All teaching takes place in our Graduate Law Centre, dedicated and state-of-the-art premises in the heart of Hong Kong's legal and business district in Central. Our LLM Programmes offer an excellent opportunity for academic and professional growth, delivered by one of the world's top universities, in one of Asia's most exciting cities.

### **O** LLM in Chinese Business Law

The LLM in Chinese Business Law provides students with a structured course to study the principles, processes, institutions and methods of civil and commercial law in China in the context of an evolving political, economic and social environment. It is designed to enable students to develop a broad intellectual outlook on the legal aspects of doing business in China.

### **O** LLM in Common Law

The common law is an organic and exciting legal system which unites millions of people across the world. This programme will furnish students with substantive knowledge of Hong Kong law in some core common law subjects, and further develop the skills necessary to engage with the common law tradition more widely. Through the electives, students are given an opportunity to deepen their knowledge of the common law, or complement it with the study of new subjects.

### **O** LLM in Energy and Environmental Law

The LLM in Energy and Environmental Law aims to offer students an in-depth understanding of the legal aspects governing the key challenges of energy security and environmental protection. Students are trained for practice in the areas of energy investment and trade, project finance and infrastructure development, clean energy and climate change mitigation, with a focus on the specific energy and sustainability challenges of the Asia-Pacific region. The courses build on the expertise in energy and environmental law and investment and trade law at CUHK, and benefit from the participation of leading international practitioners in the field of energy and environmental law.

### **O** LLM in International Economic Law

The LLM in International Economic Law is designed to offer students an intensive course of study of the law and practice of cross-border business transactions. Students are trained for practice in key areas such as international sales and finance, M&A (mergers and acquisitions), WTO law and international banking law. Skills training modules ensure that graduates of the LLM in International Economic Law are able to conduct both practical work and independent research in relevant subject areas.

## **O** LLM in Legal History (NEW)

From 2022-23, CUHK LAW will offer a brand-new LLM in Legal History Programme. This LLM—one of the only such programmes globally—is designed to equip students with expertise in both the substance and the methodology of transnational legal history research. The LLM in Legal History is an elite programme which admits only a small number of high-quality students. Unlike traditional taught postgraduate programmes, the LLM in Legal History has a hybrid structure, combining classroom learning and research elements. In addition to their classes, students will complete a substantial research project under the supervision of a member of the faculty, accounting for half of their credits. Through their involvement in the programme students will acquire substantial research, writing and presentation skills, paving the way to successful academic, policy and practice careers.





## **Programme Requirements**

The programme consists of 24 units (i.e., the equivalent of 8 term-length courses, each worth 3 units). The programme's courses are designed to provide a foundational knowledge of the field. The ability to select from a wide range of Elective Courses allows students to complete the programme requirements while also pursuing their intellectual interests.

The majority of the LLM courses are worth 3 units. Students will have an average of 3 contact hours per week with teachers in each course. CUHK LAW holds classes during the day and evenings Monday to Friday, and during the day on Saturdays. Evening classes typically begin at 6:30pm. Classes incorporate a mix of lectures, seminars, presentations and class discussion. All courses are taught and assessed entirely in English.

Students may enroll in full-time or part-time modes of study. Full-time students can complete the programme in one year while part-time students are able to complete the programme in two years.

In order to graduate, students must meet the minimum cumulative GPA required by the University for postgraduate programmes.

## Study Sequence

## LLM in Chinese Business Law

Full-time (normative study period: 1 year)

YEAR 1	Term One	<ul> <li>Legal System and Methods in China</li> <li>Chinese Civil Law</li> <li>Chinese Contract Law</li> <li><i>Elective Course</i></li> </ul>
	Term Two	<ul><li>Chinese Company Law</li><li>Three Elective Courses</li></ul>

Part-time (normative study period: 2 years)

YEAR 1	Term One	<ul><li>Legal System and Methods in China</li><li>Chinese Civil Law</li></ul>
	Term Two	Two Elective Courses
	Term One	<ul><li> Chinese Contract Law</li><li> Elective Course</li></ul>
YEAR 2	Term Two	<ul><li> Chinese Company Law</li><li> <i>Elective Course</i></li></ul>





\* Applicants who have already covered any of these subjects as part of a common law undergraduate degree can apply to the Programme Director to replace them with alternative common law subjects or research papers.

## LLM in Energy and Environmental Law

Full-time (normative study period: 1 year)

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## LLM in Common Law

Full-time (normative study period: 1 year)

• Common Law: Origins and Development • Principles of Contract \* Two Elective Courses

 Principles of Criminal Law \* • Principles of Tort \* Two Elective Courses

 Common Law: Origins and Development Principles of Contract \*

• Principles of Criminal Law \* • Principles of Tort \*

Two Elective Courses

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International Environmental Law International and Comparative Energy Law **Two Elective Courses** 

Principles of Environmental Law Project Finance and Infrastructure Law Two Elective Courses

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International and Comparative Energy Law International Environmental Law

Principles of Environmental Law Project Finance and Infrastructure Law

**Two Elective Courses** 

Two Elective Courses

## LLM in International Economic Law

Full-time (normative study period: 1 year)

YEAR 1	Term One	<ul> <li>Law of International Business Transactions I</li> <li>Trans-national Legal Problems</li> <li>Two Elective Courses</li> </ul>	
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## Part-time (normative study period: 2 years)

YEAR 1	Term One	<ul> <li>Law of International Business Transactions I</li> <li>Trans-national Legal Problems</li> </ul>		
	Term Two	<ul> <li>Law of International Business Transactions II</li> <li>World Trade Law</li> </ul>		
YEAR 2	Term One	Two Elective Courses		
	Term Two	Two Elective Courses		



## LLM in Legal History

Full-time (normative study period: 1 year)

YEAR 1	Term One	<ul> <li>Common Law: Origins and Development*</li> <li>Elective Course</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Legal History Thesis (12 units)</li> </ul>	
	Term Two	Two Elective Courses		

## Part-time (normative study period: 2 years)

YEAR 1	Term One	<ul> <li>Common Law: Origins and Development*</li> <li><i>Elective Course</i></li> </ul>			
		Term Two	Two Elective Courses		
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## • Elective Courses

Students may choose, subject to place availability and enrollment priority, from the wide range of Elective Courses. Elective Course offerings vary from year to year according to student demand and staff availability. Some Elective Courses are extracted as below:

## LLM in Chinese Business Law

- Chinese Environmental Law
- Chinese Financial Law
- Chinese Intellectual Property Law
- Chinese Investment Law
- Chinese Law and Society in an Age of Digital Technologies and Artificial Intelligence
- Chinese Securities Regulation
- Chinese Tax Law
- Criminal Justice and Society in China

## LLM in Energy and Environmental Law

- Chinese Energy Law
- Chinese Environmental Law
- Clean Energy and Climate Law
- Disaster Law
- Dispute Resolution in the Energy and Natural Resources Sector
- Financial Markets: Law and Operation
- · Oil and Gas Law

## LLM in Legal History

- Colonial Governance and the Rule of Law
- Comparative Legal Traditions
- History, Culture, and the Law
- Law and History
- Principles of Art, Antiquities, Cultural Heritage and the Law
- Transnational Law After Empire

Except for students of LLM in Legal History who have to take Legal History Thesis (12 units), students who would like to undertake an independent research project in an area of significant personal interest may choose Independent Research (3 units) or Independent Research Dissertation (6 units).

For the full list of Elective Courses, please refer to the Faculty's website.

## LLM in Common Law

- Common Law: Globalization and Convergence
- Colonial Governance and the Rule of Law
- Copyright, Digital Subject Matter and Information Technology
- Issues in Contract
- Issues in Tort
- Principles of Art, Antiquities, Cultural Heritage
   and the Law
- Principles of Intellectual Property
- Principles of Unjust Enrichment
- Transnational Law After Empire

## LLM in International Economic Law

- Business and the Law in Hong Kong
- Comparative Contract Law
- Conflicts in International Commercial Litigation
- European Union Law
- International and Comparative Intellectual Property Law
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Financial and Banking Law
- International Taxation
- Law and Practice of Investment Arbitration
- Merger Control
- Principles of Competition Law
- Shipping Law

## The Learning Environment



### **CUHK Graduate Law Centre**

All LLM Programmes are taught at the CUHK Graduate Law Centre. The LLM students have this in common with other graduate students in the Faculty of Law studying on the JD and PCLL courses, creating a mature and professionally oriented environment. The Graduate Law Centre is located at 2/F, Bank of America Tower, Central. Within only a few minutes' walk can be found the High Court and the appellate courts, the major business centres and many of the other attractions and amenities for which Hong Kong is famous. Facilities at the Graduate Law Centre include lecture theatres, seminar rooms, breakout rooms, the Warren Chan Moot Court, a computer laboratory, a student common area with additional computer work stations, and a Legal Resources Centre.

## **Our International Academic Faculty**

The Faculty has a strong team of experienced academic staff from various jurisdictions. Our research staff are specialists in many areas of expertise. Some come from extensive practice backgrounds, holding senior positions in legal practice and other fields across many jurisdictions. All strive for excellence in teaching and research and are committed to educating students in the law by drawing on their diverse teaching, research and professional experience.





## **Studying Abroad**

LLM Students can choose to study abroad as part of our International Exchange Programmes. These give students the opportunity to travel to new places, to meet new people, to experience new cultures, to learn new subjects and gain a greater international experience to impress future employers. Credits earned abroad may be transferred back to count towards degree requirements. In addition to university-level exchanges, which cover more than two hundred destinations worldwide, there are also faculty-level exchanges whereby graduate students can go to Faculty of Law, The University of Auckland (New Zealand), Melbourne Law School, The University of Melbourne (Australia), Faculty of Law, Maastricht University (The Netherlands) or The School of Law of Bocconi University (Italy). For further information please visit the Faculty's website.

## 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 fifteen years ago.

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 Warren Chan Moot Court at the Graduate Law Centre.

CUHK LAW moot teams have achieved notable results in recent mooting competitions as highlighted below:

The CUHK LAW Philip C. Jessup International Law mooting team won the regional rounds and one of the team members received the Best Oralist award in 2020.

In the Vis (East) International Commercial Arbitration Moot 2020, CUHK LAW won the championship.

In the International Criminal Court Moot Court Competition 2020, CUHK LAW placed first and won several awards including the Best Memorial Team Overall, the Best Regional Memorial for Asia, the Best Defense Counsel Memorial, the Second Runner-up for Best Memorial, and the Second Runner-up for Best Prosecution Memorial.

In the Leiden- Sarin International Air Law Moot Court Competition 2021, CUHK LAW took second place and won best team for the Respondent.

## **Cultural & Professional Diversity**

Since 2006, the LLM Programmes have produced an alumni body of graduates hailing from diverse backgrounds. The jurisdictions of origin of the LLM alumni include 45 countries/regions. For the 2021 academic year, we admitted students from Bosnia and Herzegovina, Canada, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Mainland China and Thailand.



Most of our part-time students come from professional backgrounds: accountants, bankers, surveyors, civil servants, and legal practitioners. This mix creates an interesting and stimulating learning environment. Our part-time students study alongside our full-time students.

### **Professional backgrounds & Affiliations**

- Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA)
- Certified Public Accountant (CPA)
- The Hong Kong Institute of Chartered Secretaries (HKICS)
- The Hong Kong Institute of Bankers (HKIB)
- The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA)
- Registered Professional Surveyors (RPS)
- Qualified lawyers from various jurisdictions



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	•	Mexico		Taiwan
	<b>**</b> -	New Zealand		Thailand
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## Career Success & **Careers Facilities**

The Faculty runs a careers advice programme that supports its students in many ways.

### Law Student Careers Office

The Faculty's Law Student Careers Office provides students with guidance on career choices, applications and interviews as well as assistance with career preparation and professional development. The Director, Mr. Paul Mitchard QC, has prepared a programme of seminars on career and professionalism topics which includes presentations by representatives of Hong Kong and Chinese law firms and barristers' chambers and other prospective employers.

### Virtual Careers Resource Centre

The Law Student Careers Office also maintains a Virtual Careers Resource Centre (VCRC) which serves as a contact point for employers, teaching faculty and students. The VCRC contains a Legal Careers Directory with up-to-date information on law firms and chambers and on internships, paralegal positions and other employment opportunities for students. 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 designated to ensure that CUHK LAW students are fully informed and equipped for entering into what today is a challenging and rapidly-changing jobs market.

### Mentoring

As well as advice on career development provided by the Careers Office and academic staff, CUHK LAW also supports an e-mentoring programme through which students may connect with CUHK LAW alumni in their chosen field for career guidance and help with achieving the level of 'employability' and professionalism which many employers require.



"Today's prospective employers look for evidence of a broad range of skills going beyond academic achievement and it is crucial that students understand how to meet this challenge and take steps early in their University career to put themselves in the best position to meet these demands."

Mr. Paul Mitchard OC Director of Career Planning and Professionalism



Philip Yue (Hong Kong)

### LLB and LLM (CUHK)

After studying law as an undergraduate, I became interested in environmental protection and the fight against climate change. Studying the LLM Energy and Environmental Law at CUHK has been, without a doubt, a very rewarding experience. By studying the course, I was able to further equip myself with the crucial knowledge and know-how to help contribute to environmental protection, as well as expanding my personal network. The course syllabus is very well-organized and there was a large pool of electives that covered my interests. The faculty and its members are highly skilled, knowledgeable, yet always approachable and helpful. Studying the LLM program has been a fruitful experience for me and I very much recommend it to anyone considering the programme.



First State Examination (HU Berlin), LLM (CUHK)

The LLM in Chinese Business Law has given me a deeper understanding of Chinese law and Chinese legal culture. It also helped me to better grasp the economic, political, and social implications of doing business in China, All professors were leading experts in their respective fields and encouraged the students to participate in class discussions. I appreciated the international and diverse learning environment at the Faculty, and I am happy to have made great friendships during my time here. The Faculty staff was very helpful and provided spectacular assistance to the international students. I was able to grow professionally and personally and I am very thankful for the time I spent at CUHK.



Lan Wu (China)

LLB (Jinan), LLM (CUHK)

I very much enjoyed my study at CUHK. I joined the LLM in Energy and Environmental Law Programme in the first year after its creation. Although it was just newly launched, the courses were well-structured and of the highest quality, and the professors are all experts in their respective fields. They were supportive and always ready to help. I greatly advanced my understanding of energy and environmental law. The LLM in Energy and Environmental Law was truly an enriching experience. I was impressed by the various educational site-visits, such as a tour to of a nuclear power plant, coal-fired power plant, water treatment plant, T-Park Waste-to-Energy facility, etc. I was honoured to join international workshops and speak with distinguished scholars. I also benefited a lot from guest lectures and seminars that covered my interests in energy and environmental law issues. All these gave me the opportunity to better understand the energy sector and broadened my horizons. Studying here was a highly valuable experience for me and I would wholeheartedly recommend it to anyone considering the programme.

## What Our Students Say



Sebastien Clisson (France)

LLB (Paris 10 – Nanterre), LLM (Pantheon-Sorbonne), LLM (CUHK)

The LLM in International Economic Law equipped me with all the knowledge necessary to work as a lawyer on the international scene. The diverse range of courses taught by truly passionate and highly skilled professors also allowed me to develop both a practical and business oriented view of the law. As a result I gained a comprehensive knowledge of the law surrounding cross-border business transactions with a notable focus on Mainland China and Hong Kong. The LLM also gave me the opportunity to connect with students from different backgrounds and engage in extra-curricular activities with the Graduate Law Students Association. It has been a truly enriching experience on both a personal and professional level.



### LLB (Moi), LLM (CUHK)

Studying International Economic Law at CUHK has been a very fruitful and incredible experience. The cultural diversity in both the teaching staff and the student body is amazing! At CUHK I can confidently say that I got an invaluable opportunity to learn from the best in the industry. The opportunities offered both in-campus and off-campus are simply endless. Hong Kong, being a global financial hub, is among the best destinations in the world to pursue the study of International Economic Law. The programme efficiently and effectively prepares students for the highly competitive job market of law.



### LLB (NTU, Taiwan), LLM (CUHK)

I was awarded the Master of Laws Global Scholarship offered by the CUHK Faculty of Law in 2016 and coming to Hong Kong to study LLM in International Economic Law has been the best decision I have ever made in my life. This LLM Programme not only equipped me with all the vital knowledge for a legal career on the international scene, but also the opportunity to expand my personal network. The lecture syllabus is well-organised, with four well-structured required courses and a broad enough choice of electives to cover my interests. The professors are highly-skilled, and the faculty staff is very approachable and is always ready to help you with any difficulties you might come across. This LLM Programme has been a rewarding experience and I cannot recommend it highly enough!



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Simon Bisegger (Switzerland)

### LLB and LLM (Fribourg), LLM (CUHK)

After completing my legal studies in Switzerland and qualifying as an Attorney-at-law and working at court in Switzerland for some time, I wished to return to university in order to further develop my knowledge of international business law. When I learnt about the LLM in International Economic Law Programme at CUHK, I was convinced from the very first moment that this would be the right programme for me: not only is Hong Kong a common law jurisdiction where I (as a civil lawyer) would be exposed to another legal system, but it would also be an opportunity to learn more about Asia. These expectations were fully met by CUHK's LLM Programmes. The professors are all experts in their respective fields. Also, learning together with my fellow Asian students has proven to be a culturally enriching experience. Last but not least, I do not want to miss the opportunity to say thank you to CUHK's administrative staff who was always very supportive and made my life at the university as pleasant as possible.



Patcharanee Jetiyanont (Thailand)

### BBA (Thammasat), LLB and MM (Chulalongkorn), LLM (CUHK)

I have a background in both the Law and various Business fields. I chose to focus my career on China. As such, doing an LLM in Chinese Business Law at CUHK was the best decision I have ever made. The programme provided me with insight regarding Chinese business law. All of the professors and faculty members were very nice and internationally qualified. They were more than willing to help me enhance my legal knowledge and help prepare me for the professional world. I found the courses to be very practical and highly relevant to my career. In addition, the Graduate Law Center, where the courses are held, is located in a very convenient area in the business district of Hong Kong. Learning Chinese Business Law in Hong Kong, which is one of the world's leading financial hubs and one of the leading economic hubs of Asia, was truly an invaluable experience for me.



LLB (Democritus), MA (Panteion), LLM (CUHK)

After completing an LLB in Law and an MA in Business Management in Greece, I decided to apply to The Chinese University of Hong Kong to undertake an LLM in International Economic Law. My interests and the good reputation of the university were the main reasons why I chose to come to Hong Kong, a vibrant center for business combining Chinese culture and a western lifestyle. I found the programme excellent. Giving presentations, taking part in workshops, and working as a team member convinced me that I made the right choice.



BBA (HKU), LLM (CUHK)

The LLM in Common Law Programme advanced my career in finance by providing me with a solid understanding of the law. I learned the skills of legal analysis, most importantly, how to consider issues from a variety of perspectives. The programme has been a rewarding experience for me. I enjoyed the classes, discussions with my fellow classmates, and attending seminars held by leading global legal professionals. Moreover, the Graduate Law Centre is located in the central business district which I found very convenient for part-time students.



### LLB (Exeter), LLM (CUHK)

The Environmental and Energy LLM provided me with remarkable opportunities to experience international knowledge sharing through participation in two international conferences, both in Environmental and Energy aspects. It has equipped me with the skills and knowledge to confidently pursue a career in the environmental and energy field or a possible Ph.D. in the future. This LLM challenges your understanding of not just law but also draws in aspects of economics and geopolitics that help you understand the complex nature of regulating these areas both locally and internationally.



BA and MA (Delhi), LLB (JGLS), LLM (CUHK)

I have been fortunate to be awarded the Konrad-Adenauer-Stiftung Scholarship from KAS RECAP for LLM in Energy and Environmental Law. The LLM program provides a micro and macro understanding of energy and the relationship between energy and the environment. The lectures are well-organized and well-structured and the faculty offers a large number of elective courses. The faculty hosts diverse and interactive lectures and seminars by visiting professionals which provide an opportunity to engage with various ideas and a invaluable chance to network. Being part of the vibrant culture of Hong Kong has been a culturally enriching experience.



Lauren Yuen (Hong Kong)

LLB (Bristol), LLM (CUHK)

Having previously studied in a common law jurisdiction, the LLM in Chinese Business Law Programme has offered me an interesting comparison of how different legal systems would affect business decision-making in different countries. Importantly, the LLM exposes me not only to PRC law, but also to the principles of European continental laws.

Classes are always interactive and the professors are very approachable and supportive. On top of that, I really appreciate the diversified and refreshing assessment methods adopted in class such as mock client presentations, in which I was able to gain hands-on experience of the law in action rather than just the law on the books. In terms of personal development, I was also impressed by the variety of outside-the-classroom opportunities provided by CUHK such as mooting and career workshops. Overall, I believe the well-structured CBL Programme has equipped me with the necessary skills to pursue a first-rate career.



Rienk Brouwer (The Netherlands)

### LLB and LLM (VU University Amsterdam), MBA and LLM (CUHK)

As a part-time LLM student, I can highly recommend CUHK's Part-time LLM in Common Law to (civil law trained) lawyers and business people looking for a more detailed and fundamental understanding of the (Hong Kong) common law system. The teaching is of a very high standard by excellent - mostly international - professors, and the teaching complex is state-of-art and easy to reach in down-town Hong Kong. Learning outcomes are practically relevant and academically stimulating, and therefore, in my opinion, highly valuable and useful both personally and professionally.



BA (New York), JD (Melbourne), LLM (CUHK)

Undertaking an LLM in Chinese Business Law has enabled me to better understand the financial and legal implications of the expanding trade and business relationship between China and the world. The professors are experts in their respective fields. They provided us with a rigorous understanding of the processes and principles of civil and commercial law in China. Moreover, they encouraged us to draw upon experiences from our respective countries and comparatively analyse the common law and civil law systems. Engaging in language exchange partnerships with my classmates in Mandarin and Cantonese even further enriched what has been a valuable experience.



## Janine Manke (Germany)

### First State Examination (LMU Munich), Second State Examination (Bavaria), LLM (CUHK)

It was always my greatest ambition to study in Hong Kong and thus I am extremely thankful and feel privileged for having the opportunity to study at one of Asia's best law schools. Especially enlightening is the teaching style at CUHK, which slightly differs from the one in German universities. CUHK professors are pressing much harder for personal opinions and value interaction, and it helps to study in small but active groups. This new learning experience in a highly international setting will no doubt help me to broaden my own views and perspectives before I return to Germany to work as a lawyer later this year. My fellow students from all around the world have further contributed to the great time I have had at CUHK - I found it to be a particularly enriching experience. I feel very humbled to be part of this year's executive programme and found CUHK to be the perfect place to study, grow as a person, and to make new life-long friends.



### BSc (San Carlos), JD (Regent), LLM (CUHK)

Studying law at CUHK has given me a different perspective on how to approach the study and the practice of law. The LLM in International Economic Law is a very good programme that is not all about theory but also includes practice tips like drafting contracts. The professors in this programme are all top-notch and I learned a lot from them. This will all help me in my career down the road. I would recommend the LLM in International Economic Law to anyone who is considering taking it.



### BSc, MSc and LLB (Delhi), LLM (CUHK)

The LLM in Common Law Programme at CUHK provided me with a wonderful and amazing learning experience that deeply enhanced my legal theoretical as well as practical professional knowledge. I had the opportunity to learn more about the Common Law and the how the Common Law functions in various Common Law jurisdictions, especially in Hong Kong. The programme's professors are all highly skilled and experienced professionals. The professors are also friendly and very approachable. All the lectures are interactive, making them even more engaging. The faculty of law also holds regularly moot court seminars and invites various legal celebrities. I found that this helped students to enhance their understanding of the law.



## Admission Requirements

## **Applicants must have:**

- 1 a qualification to practise law in the jurisdiction of the student's residence; or
- 2 a Bachelor of Laws (LLB) degree or a degree of equivalent standing (for the LLM in Common Law, the LLB should normally be from a non-Common Law jurisdiction); or
- 3 a Bachelor's degree in a non-law subject with substantial law-related working experience (for LLM in Legal History, a Bachelor's degree or Master's degree in a related fields such as history, sociology, political science or anthropology).

As many areas of professional activity are related to law, we welcome applications from those who do not have a law degree but have relevant work experience in the areas such as commerce, accountancy, social work, energy, environmental preservation, media, education and public administration.

Applications can be made before completion of an undergraduate degree, provided that the applicant is in the final year of study. In this situation, any offer will be conditional upon successful completion of the undergraduate degree, and satisfaction of the other admission requirements, prior to enrolment in the LLM Programmes.

Applicants whose undergraduate studies were not conducted and assessed in English are required to take an appropriate English language proficiency test and to achieve a sufficient score, such as a score of 570 or above in TOEFL (Paper Based Test), 88 or above in TOEFL (Internet Based Test); Band 6.5 or better in IELTS; which result was obtained not more than two years prior to the date of applying to join the LLM Programmes, or equivalent.

For more information about the General Admission Requirements and the English Language Proficiency Requirement prescribed by the University's Graduate School, please visit their website at *https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions*.

## Tuition Fee\*

The tuition fee for 2021/22 is HK\$5,880 per unit for a total of 24 units within the normative study period. The tuition fee for 2022/23 is to be announced.

A different tuition fee may apply for students studying beyond the normative study period.

\* Subject to annual review

## Scholarships

A number of Master of Laws scholarships will be available for award on the basis of academic merit. For further details, please visit the Faculty's website.

## **Continuing Education Fund**

Thirteen postgraduate courses the Faculty offers have been included in the list of reimbursable courses under the Continuing Education Fund (CEF). The Office of the CEF does not have record of registration of these courses under the Qualifications Framework. The Faculty will submit the registration record to the Office of the CEF to complete the registration in due course. This process will not affect eligible students to claim reimbursement upon successful completion of CEF reimbursable courses. For eligibility and reimbursement procedure of CEF, please refer to *https://www.wfsfaa.gov.hk/cef.* 

## Targeted Taught Postgraduate Programmes Fellowships Scheme

CUHK LAW's LLM in International Economic Law (IEL) Programme has been awarded Targeted Taught Postgraduate Programmes Fellowships by Hong Kong's University Grants Committee (UGC) in recognition of the programme's contribution to the training of legal talent to support Hong Kong's strategic position as a regional and international business centre from 2021-22 to 2022-23. Awardees are required to pay only HK\$42,100 and the remaining fees will be subsidized by the fellowship. For details, please refer to https://www.ugc.edu.hk/eng/ugc/activity/targeted\_postgraduate\_scheme.html.



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# Application Deadlines

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis until all places have been filled, so early applications are strongly encouraged. Applications received after 8 April 2022 may still be considered subject to the availability of places.

## 28 January 2022 (first round)

25 February 2022 (second round)

## 8 April 2022 (third round)

## How to Apply

Applications should be submitted online. For details, please visit the website of the University's Graduate School at https://www.gs.cuhk.edu.hk/admissions/programme/law.

Applicants are required to provide copies of certificates as evidence that they have met the Admission Requirements. Applications will not be considered until all the required documents have been received.

Applicants may provide a personal statement which addresses the applicant's reasons to join the relevant LLM Programme.

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There is a non-refundable application fee of HK\$300.

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