



College of
Humanities and Law

**Certificate of Higher Education in
Common Law Preparation Courses
(University of London)**

SC522A



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Programme Code : SC522A
Closing Date for Application : 10 August 2026
Course Commencement Date : 10 October 2026



Highlights

Fastest pathway to a prestigious law degree: No academic qualification is required for entry, but you will be directly studying the University of London LLB Year 1 modules.

Cost savings: After completing this program, you will receive an internationally recognized law certificate from UoL, and you will be able to apply straight to the University of London LLB Year 2.

The Certificate of Higher Education in Common Law (CertHE) is for you if:

- You wish to pursue a law degree but do not meet the LLB entry requirements;
- You have a personal or professional interest in law;
- You intend to undertake a degree programme but would like to gain a recognised law qualification before starting a formal degree study;
- You would like extra academic support to build a strong foundation in legal knowledge, legal writing, and exam skills before progressing to LLB Year 2;
- You want enrichment opportunities (e.g., prison visits) to enhance your legal study life.

Programme Details

University of London CertHE in Common Law

The CertHE in Common Law is a qualification in its own right that also provides an entry route to law degree study. The modules studied in the CertHE are the same as the Year 1 modules (Level 4) of the University of London LLB.

HKU SPACE tuition package for CertHE lasts for up to two years, with students studying four law modules in total. CertHE students will attend the Main Lectures (36 hours) and Revision Lectures (14 hours) together with the LLB students in each module and will be given additional learning experience and support (Enrichment Seminars and Module-specific Tutorials) throughout the course of study. Students will take the May/June or October round of the University of London Examinations. The provisional timetable is printed in the following pages.

Students who wish to study this programme **must** register through HKU SPACE as a Recognised Teaching Centre of the University of London. Students must comply with the attendance requirements (i.e. minimum 70%). University of London may refuse permission to sit an examination to a student who has not satisfied these requirements. For more information about the CertHE, please visit: <https://www.london.ac.uk/courses/common-law>

Programme Structure

1-Year Programme

(2026/2027)

Legal System and Method [LA1031]
Contract Law [LA1040]
Criminal Law [LA1010]
Public Law [LA1020]

2-Year Programme

Year 1 (2026/2027)

Legal System and Method [LA1031] *
Contract Law [LA1040]

Year 2 (2027/2028)

Criminal Law [LA1010]
Public Law [LA1020]

Students who enrolled on HKU SPACE's two-year tuition package are expected to complete the whole course of study of the CertHE. Student must, in the first academic year, register to study **Legal System and Method*** before registering for any other modules.

- The maximum period of registration for the CertHE in Common Law is **Three** years.
- The maximum number of examination attempts permitted for any module is three.

University of London Examinations

There are 2 examination periods in each academic year - May/June and October. In May/June exam, students can sit up to 4 examinations in their first year of study. In October exam, students can sit a maximum of 2 examinations.

The examination syllabus of each year is set out by the University of London in their Law Prospectus. The details will also be given to you when you have the offer. Normally, registration for local examinations in Hong Kong shall be done via the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority which is responsible for administering the University of London examinations. (www.hkeaa.edu.hk/en/ipe/ulondon)

Award by the University of London

Students who have passed all the four required modules will be awarded **Certificate of Higher Education in Common Law** by the University of London.

Transfer from the CertHE to Standard Entry LLB

Students who have passed all the four required modules and have been awarded the CertHE may apply to transfer to the Year 2 (Level 5) of Standard Entry LLB and be credited with all Level 4 modules.

Students who pass a minimum of three modules on the CertHE, and have satisfied the attendance requirements, may apply to transfer the registration to the Standard Entry LLB. However, those who transfer to the LLB before completing the CertHE will not subsequently be eligible to receive the CertHE award.

Career Progression for LLB Holders

University of London LLB is accepted as a pre-requisite academic qualification to the professional stage in many Common Law jurisdictions (such as Hong Kong PCLL)

Entry Requirements

An applicant -

- must be aged 18 or above on or before the date of programme registration;
- must pass the entrance test and attend an interview;
- must demonstrate a good level of English; AND
- must register with HKU SPACE as Recognised Teaching Centre of University of London.

Study Visa - Notes to Non-local Applicants

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Schedule of Programme Fees

Course fees	Fee payable in 2026/2027	** Fee payable in 2027/2028
Preparation Courses Tuition fee to "HKU SPACE" - HK\$73,000 in total (non-refundable)	1-Year (4 modules) HK\$73,000	-
	1 st Year (2 modules) HK\$36,500	2 nd Year (2 modules) HK\$36,500
Initial Registration fee to "University of London"	GBP£696	-
Module fee to "University of London"	GBP£216 per module	
Examination fee to "University of London" ^[Note]	GBP£276 per module	

[Note] A separate exam fees are payable to the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority for registration of taking the University of London exams in Hong Kong (\$1,245 per module in 2025/2026). Please consult their website for details
<https://www.hkeaa.edu.hk/tc/ipe/ulondon/>

** Subject to fee adjustment in 2027/2028

Provisional Timetable

Foundation in Legal Studies

The Foundation Course will be delivered live from UK via on-line learning platform. It is a series of three lectures introducing the English Legal System and legal skills. Students who are new to law will find it in particular useful. Students will hugely benefit from it before attending the Preparation Courses.

10/10/26 (Sat) 4:00 – 7:00 pm

11/10/26 (Sun) 4:00 – 7:00 pm

14/10/26 (Wed) 7:00 – 10:00 pm

Dr Yvonne Jacobs

Former Associate Dean Undergraduate Laws (Assessments and Student Lifecycle), University of London; Lecturer, Department of Law and Criminology, Royal Holloway, University of London

Main Lectures – 36 hours (per module)

Level 4 Legal System and Method

Student must, in the first academic year, register to study Legal System and Method* before register for any other modules

Online classes via Zoom

25/11/26 (Wed) 7 – 10:15 pm

26/11/26 (Thu) 7 – 10:15 pm

27/11/26 (Fri) 7 – 10:15 pm

29/11/26 (Sun) 4 – 7:15 pm

30/11/26 (Mon) 7 – 10:15 pm

01/12/26 (Tue) 7 – 10:15 pm

Face-to-face Tuition

03/01/27 (Sun) Morning

05/01/27 (Tue) Evening

10/01/27 (Sun) Morning

12/01/27 (Tue) Evening

17/01/27 (Sun) Morning

19/01/27 (Tue) Evening

Lecturer:

Mrs Tracey Aquino

Barrister,
Senior Lecturer in Law, London South Bank University

Level 4 Contract Law

Face-to-face Tuition

09/11/26 (Mon) Evening

10/11/26 (Tue) Evening

11/11/26 (Wed) Evening

13/11/26 (Fri) Evening

14/11/26 (Sat) Afternoon

15/11/26 (Sun) Afternoon

17/11/26 (Tue) Evening

18/11/26 (Wed) Evening

19/11/26 (Thu) Evening

21/11/26 (Sat) Afternoon

22/11/26 (Sun) Afternoon

23/11/26 (Mon) Evening

Lecturer:

Ms Jo Reddy

Adjunct Lecturer,
HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education

Level 4 Criminal Law

Face-to-face Tuition

24/10/26 (Sat) Afternoon

25/10/26 (Sun) Afternoon

26/10/26 (Mon) Evening

28/10/26 (Wed) Evening

29/10/26 (Thu) Evening

30/10/26 (Fri) Evening

01/11/26 (Sun) Afternoon

02/11/26 (Mon) Evening

03/11/26 (Tue) Evening

05/11/26 (Thu) Evening

06/11/26 (Fri) Evening

07/11/26 (Sat) Afternoon

Lecturer:

Professor Oliver Quick

Professor of Health Law and Policy,
School of Law, University of Bristol

Level 4 Public Law

Face-to-face Tuition

06/12/26 (Sun) **4-Hour (A)**

07/12/26 (Mon) Evening

08/12/26 (Tue) Evening

10/12/26 (Thu) Evening

11/12/26 (Fri) Evening

12/12/26 (Sat) **4-Hour (A)**

14/12/26 (Mon) Evening

15/12/26 (Tue) Evening

17/12/26 (Thu) Evening

18/12/26 (Fri) Evening

19/12/26 (Sat) **4-Hour (A)**

Lecturer:

Dr David Yuratich

Senior Lecturer in Law, University of Exeter

Additional Learning Supports	Per module	Period
Enrichment Seminars	3 hours (1 session)	January – February 2027
Module-specific Tutorials	12 hours (4 sessions)	February – April 2027

Revision Lectures	14 hours (4 – 5 sessions)	February – April 2027
Take-home assessment	1 question	January – March 2027
Mock Exam	2 questions	February – March 2027
Mock Exam Feedback Session (online)	1.5 hours	April 2027

Meeting Time and Venue

Meeting Time (3-hour lecture)

Morning = 10:00 - 11:00 am ; 11:15 - 12:15 pm ; 12:30 - 1:30 pm
 Afternoon = 2:30 - 3:30 pm ; 3:45 - 4:45 pm ; 5:00 - 6:00 pm
 Evening = 6:45 - 7:45 pm ; 8:10 - 9:10 pm ; 9:15 - 10:15 pm
 4-Hour (A) = 2:00 - 3:30 pm ; 3:45 - 4:45 pm ; 5:00 - 6:30 pm

Meeting Venue

HKU SPACE Admiralty Learning Centres. HKU SPACE reserves the right to move some classes to other locations, including HKU Main Campus and online classes. Please note that timetable with venues for each module you have enrolled on will be sent out one week before the start of that module. If you do not receive a timetable, please e-mail pauline.tang@hkuspace.hku.hk

Course Materials, Online Support and Library Access

University of London will provide module guides, statute books (where provided), UOL Student Portal Virtual Learning Environment (VLE) and Online Library. It provides free access to the professional legal databases, etc.

HKU SPACE lecturers will provide supplementary materials including lecture outlines, handouts and legal updates. Students will have access to the HKU SPACE's online learning platform (SOUL). Each student will also be provided with HKU Library Borrower's Card.

Mode of Study

- Teaching Medium is in English.
- Face-to-face lectures will **NOT** be recorded.
- Online lectures will be video-recorded and made available on HKU SPACE SOUL platform.

Enquiries

For further academic and enrolment enquiries please visit

<https://hkuspace.hku.hk/prog/cert-of-higher-education-in-common-law-preparation-courses-university-of-london>

or contact us at:

College of Humanities and Law, HKU SPACE

11/F, Fortress Tower, 250 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong (Exit B, Fortress Hill Station)

Email: pauline.tang@hkuspace.hku.hk

General Enquiries: (852) 2520 4665

Office Hour: Mondays - Fridays (9:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.) except Public Holidays

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Application Guidance Notes

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Application Deadline	: 10 August 2026
Entrance test/Interview	: 17 – 30 August 2026 (applicants will be notified of the details)
Course Commencement Date	: 10 October 2026
Application Fee	: No Application fee is charged.

How to Apply

All applications must be accompanied by supporting documents. This means you must submit a **clearly readable copy in English** of all pages of your qualification full transcript. If your application is successful, you may be required to show us the originals of the documents you submitted before your place is confirmed.

Please put a tick “ x ” in the box as appropriate

- Completed application form (Ref: SC522A)
- Copy of HKID (and passport if not Hong Kong Permanent Resident)
- Copy of your qualification in English
- Copy of documentary evidence of English proficiency
- Others: please specify _____

Online Application

1. Print out and fill in the Application Form, then Scan or Photograph it.
2. Scan or Photograph the requisite Qualifications that you hold.
3. Email all of the above to uol.lawcourses@hkuspace.hku.hk (subject: “UoL CertHE for application”).

Note: scans/photographs must be clear and legible.

By post

Or you can post the completed application form, together with clearly readable copies of all the required documents, to: HKU SPACE, 3/F, Admiralty Centre, 18 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong [Ref: SC522A].

In person

Please check the current opening hours for enrollment counters of HKU SPACE Learning Centres at <https://hkuspace.hku.hk/learning-centre>. Bring this application form together with both the originals and copies of all required documents with you (this will avoid you being asked for the originals later).

Notes

The personal data provided to the school in this application form will be used for processing your application for admission, and for registration. The application papers of unsuccessful candidates will be destroyed.

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University of London
Certificate of Higher Education in Common Law
 Application Form

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATION
10 August 2026

1 – 8. Personal Details (Please complete all parts in BLOCK LETTERS and put a tick “√” in the box as appropriate)

1. Student Name (name as appeared on H.K.I.D card)

Surname/Family Name

First Name(s)/Given Name(s)

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Your names **in the order** you wish them to appear on the University’s records and on your final certificate:

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2. Title: Prof Dr Mr Mrs Ms **3. Gender:** Male Female

4. Date of birth (DD/MM/YY)

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5. H.K.I.D. card No.

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Holders of H.K.I.D. card must fill in their H.K.I.D. No.

Permanent HK Resident Yes No

[If ‘No’ please see Notes to Non-local Applicants]

6. Nationality

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7. Mobile Phone No.

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8. Correspondence Address Residential Business

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HK KLN NT

Email address

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Emergency Contact Person

In case of emergency, we may need to contact your family or friend. Please suggest.

Contact Person

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Phone

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* Students must register “Legal System and Method” in your first year

Please do not fill in anything below this line – FOR OFFICE USE ONLY

Tuition fee

HKD \$

Initial Registration fee paid

GBP £

Module fee paid

GBP £

Date Received GBP £

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DATE OF ISSUE

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18. Use of Personal Data

- a) HKU SPACE / the University of London will send you the latest updates and promotional materials on the availability of the programmes and courses, seminars and events and other services as well as the alumni events, privileges and offers, networking opportunities and fund-raising initiatives through various communication channels such as direct-mail, email and mobile phone, by using your personal data (including, but without limitation to, your name, contact details and other information collected in your profile such as the programme(s) you enrolled, your graduation year etc). You always have the right to make subsequent changes on your choice of receiving further marketing materials by sending a written unsubscribe request (by email or by post) to the University.

If you DO NOT WISH to receive our latest updates and promotional materials through the communication channels as stated above, please check this box.

- b) Under the provisions of the Personal Data (Privacy) Ordinance, applicants have the right to request the University to ascertain whether it holds your personal data, to be given a copy, and to apply for correction of the data, if deemed incorrect. Applications for access to personal data should be made by using a special request form and on payment of a fee. For general requests of personal data amendment, please fill out the "Application Form for Personal Data Amendment" and submit it to HKU SPACE.
- c) For details on HKU SPACE / the University of London's policy on personal data (privacy), please refer to the prospectus or website.

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20. Declaration to be signed by the Applicant – please read carefully before signing

- a) I declare that all information provided in this application form and the accompanying documents is accurate and complete. I understand that any misrepresentation may result in the disqualification of my application for admission or registration with HKU SPACE / the University of London, without entitlement to any refund. Making, submitting, or using false instruments (including forged documents) is a serious criminal offence under the Crimes Ordinance (Cap. 200, Laws of Hong Kong) and may lead to prosecution and imprisonment. HKU SPACE / the University of London will refer any suspected admission fraud to the Police and reserves the right to take further action as appropriate.
- b) I agree to HKU SPACE / the University of London processing the personal data provided in this form for admission, registration and academic and administrative communication purpose.
- c) I confirm that I have (or will have) online access by the time I register for this programme.
- d) As a student of the Certificate of Higher Education in Common Law, I understand that I must attend a full-time or part-time course at a recognised teaching centre, including HKU SPACE.

Signature _____ Date _____

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