

Pathways to the Legal Profession in Hong Kong

Non-degree holder

School Leaver Entry

Open Entry

Certificate in Legal Studies
1 year Part-time **3**
HKU SPACE

Diploma in Legal Studies
1 year Part-time **4**
HKU SPACE

Advanced Diploma in Legal Studies
6-8 months Part-time **4**
HKU SPACE

Advanced Diploma for Legal Executives (Graduate Level)***
2 to 5 years Part-time
HKU SPACE

(2) Grad Dip in English & Hong Kong Law (CPE)
NCR¹
2 years Part-time
Manchester Metropolitan University

(3) LLB (Hons) Hong Kong
NCR¹
1 year Part-time
Manchester Metropolitan University

(1) Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
NCR¹
3 to 6 years Part-time (Standard Entry)
University of London

(1) Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
NCR¹
2 to 6 years Part-time (Graduate Entry)
University of London

PCLL Admission Conversion Examination**

(4) PCLL*
1 year Full-time or 2 years Part-time
(For practice in Hong Kong)
IELTS score of 7 or above

Bar Training Course in England and Wales
Full-time or Part-time

(5) LLM in Legal Practice
NCR¹
1 year Part-time
Manchester Metropolitan University

Degree holder

Associate Degree / Higher Diploma holder

(1) Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law
NCR¹
1 year to 5 years Part-time
University of London

Standard Entry

Graduate Entry

(1) LLB / GDCL	Bachelor of Laws / Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law, University of London (Preparatory tuition offered by HKU SPACE)
(2) GDEHKL (CPE)	Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law (Common Professional Examination)
(3) LLB (Hons) Hong Kong	Manchester Metropolitan University, for CPE holder only
(4) PCLL	Postgraduate Certificate in Laws
(5) LLM in Legal Practice	Master of Laws in Legal Practice, Manchester Metropolitan University

** See also <http://www.pcea.com.hk>, the website for the PCLL Conversion Examination.

** Only for students from the Professional Stream of the Advanced Diploma in Legal Studies and other Approved Legal Executive Courses.

Certificate in Legal Studies

Programme Code: LW014A

Application Code:

2055-1124AW (General Stream)

1990-1555AW (Professional Stream)

Certificate in Legal Studies is one of the best foundational core Hong Kong law programs, offering a starting point for those wishing to qualify as legal professionals (paralegal, legal executive, solicitor, and barristers). We built a program designed to give you the best possible start. With high exam pass rates, flexible exam schedule, a convenient course structure specially catering for students with busy jobs. More than 13,000 students have enrolled in Certificate in Legal Studies (CLS), this is the proven way to start your legal studies. Our former students include engineers, managers, CEOs, senior executives, professors, legal executives, and lawyers.

\$ General Stream: HK\$25,100 per year
Professional Stream: HK\$37,500 per year
Exam Fee: HK\$800 per sitting

D approx. 1 year

Q Level 3 (Reg. No.: 07/001779/2)
Validity Period: 05 May 2008 - 31 Dec 2018

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Diploma in Legal Studies

Programme Code: LW010A

The Diploma in Legal Studies program is the continuation of the popular Certificate in Legal Studies. If you will soon finish (or have already finished) the Certificate in Legal Studies, you should continue to the Diploma in Legal Studies, which builds upon your knowledge in Certificate in Legal Studies opening up a wide variety of professional and academic opportunities in the legal field, including guaranteed entry to other popular advanced law courses.

R Certificate in Legal Studies

\$ General Stream: HK\$25,100 per year
Professional Stream: HK\$37,500 per year
Exam Fee: HK\$800 per sitting

D approx. 1 year

Q Level 4 (Reg. No.: 07/001780/3) Validity Period: 05 May 2008 - 31 Dec 2018

Advanced Diploma in Legal Studies

Programme Code: LW024A

This programme is useful for those wishing to learn about Hong Kong law for their career development. It also enables students on the Professional Stream to complete the process of qualifying as a legal executive. Students with no intention to complete the entire programme may enroll in any individual subject module.

R Diploma in Legal Studies

\$ HK\$9,200 per module inclusive of exam fee

D 1 year

Q Level 4 (Reg. No.: 07/001911/4) Validity Period: 05 May 2008 - 31 Dec 2018

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Advanced Diploma for Legal Executives (Graduate Level)

Programme Code: LW026A

Application Code: 2045-LW026A

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The Advanced Diploma for Legal Executives (Graduate Level) (Adv Dip for LE) is the only law programme that gives CREDIT FOR WORK EXPERIENCE, allowing candidates to FAST TRACK TO BECOMING A LAWYER via the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) programme without any need to study a law degree or similar qualification simply by also accumulating 3 years of law-related employment.

\$ From HK\$9,800 per module

D 2 years to 5 years

Q Level 5 (Reg. No.: 21/000551/L5) Validity Period: 01 Aug 2021 - on-going

Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law (Common Professional Examination)

Programme Code: LW013A

Manchester Metropolitan University, UK

Application Code: 2045-LW013A

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The Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law (CPE) offers a unique and affordable route towards legal practice in both Hong Kong and England & Wales. For more than 25 years, the programme has been one of the most popular pathways for degree holders in other disciplines to switch to a legal career, with large numbers of graduates now working as successful solicitors, barristers and, in some cases, even judges. Course fees are much lower than on many other part-time programmes in Hong Kong for students seeking a pathway to legal practice.

R Applicants should normally hold, or expect to be awarded in the current academic year, a degree in a non-law discipline or an acceptable degree equivalent. Students who have completed the Advanced Diploma in Legal Studies offered by HKU SPACE (or who will complete the programme in this academic year) can also apply, even if they do not hold a university degree. Mature applicants aged 25 or above may also apply under some circumstances, even if they do not hold a university degree.

\$ For 2022/23
HK\$48,800 (for Year 1); Payable to HKU SPACE
£673 Registration fee / Examination fee (for Year 1); Payable to MMU
Application Fee: HK\$200

D 2 years

E English

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This is an exempted course under the Non-Local Higher and Professional Education (Regulation) Ordinance. 根據《非本地高等及專業教育(規管)條例》，本課程屬獲豁免課程。

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These are exempted courses under the Non-Local Higher and Professional Education (Regulation) Ordinance. 根據《非本地高等及專業教育(規管)條例》，這些課程屬獲豁免課程。

NCR³

The course operator is applying for exemption under the Non-local Higher and Professional Education (Regulation) Ordinance. 課程主辦人正根據《非本地高等及專業教育(規管)條例》辦理豁免註冊手續。 It is a matter of discretion for individual employers to recognize any qualification to which this course may lead. 個別僱主可酌情決定是否承認本課程可令學員獲取的任何資格。

Professional Law Courses

專業法律課程

Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law Preparation Courses (University of London)

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It is a programme designed for you who wish to gain knowledge in aspects relevant to English commercial law and practice. It is a qualification in its own right and is suitable for students who are eligible for admission to the University of London LLB but do not wish to register for the full degree, or require a bridging qualification for entry into a postgraduate programme, or wish to enhance their existing qualifications. Preparation courses are offered to help candidates prepare for University of London Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law examinations. The preparation courses cover all compulsory and some optional modules.

TWO compulsory modules offered: Contract law
Commercial law

TWO optional modules offered: Company law
Intellectual Property Law

R University of London registration*:
an acceptable Bachelor's or Associate degree;
an acceptable Master's degree (or any other appropriately accredited Level 7 award) provided this is at least 1 year full time in duration;
an acceptable Level 5 or Level 6 award (such as an HND or Graduate Certificate) provided this is at least 1 year full time in duration.

\$ For 2022/2023,
HK\$30,000 (per package including TWO compulsory and TWO optional modules)
Separate fees in sterling are payable to the University of London for registration and examinations

D Minimum 1 year

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LLB (Hons) Hong Kong

Programme Code: LW015A

Manchester Metropolitan University, UK

Application Code: 2045-LW015A

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This one year programme for HKU SPACE students leads to an LLB (Hons) Hong Kong awarded by Manchester Metropolitan University, and gives exemption from more PCLL Conversion examinations than almost any other English law degree.

R The LLB (Hons) Hong Kong is for students who have completed the Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law (Common Professional Examination) taught at HKU SPACE and awarded by Manchester Metropolitan University.
Priority for admission is given to students who have completed the Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law (Common Professional Examination) at HKU SPACE. Applications will only be considered from students who have completed other Graduate Diploma in Law programmes if spaces are still available after giving first priority to HKU SPACE students.
Students who have previously studied this programme are not eligible for admission for a second time.

\$ HK\$48,800 tuition fee and £673 registration fee (2022-23)

D 1 year

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Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) Revision Courses (University of London)

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HKU SPACE will offer the Revision Courses independently for candidates intending to sit the University of London LL.B./Graduate Diploma in Commercial Law examinations in May/June or October 2023. The emphasis of Revision is on examination technique, common examination topics, past examination questions, issues raised in chief examiners' reports as well as recent legal developments. Courses will be delivered in short, one-week blocks by experienced teachers of good academic standing from the United Kingdom.

\$ HK\$3,300

D 1 week to 2 weeks

Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) Preparation Courses (University of London)

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Preparation courses are designed for students taking University of London LLB examinations. The courses cover all compulsory and some optional modules.

Taught modules include:

Module Code	Module Title
COML-9041NW	LL.B. – Legal System and Method
COML-9045NW	LL.B. – Public Law
COML-9044NW	LL.B. – Criminal Law
COML-9042NW	LL.B. – Contract Law
COML-9036NW	LL.B. – Tort Law
COML-9034NW	LL.B. – Equity & Trusts
COML-9038NW	LL.B. – Property Law
COML-9031NW	LL.B. – Jurisprudence & Legal Theory
COML-9025NW	LL.B. – Commercial Law
COML-9032NW	LL.B. – Family Law
COML-9033NW	LL.B. – Company Law
COML-9040NW	LL.B. – Evidence

R University of London registration:
Graduate entry route: a degree in a non-law discipline
Standard entry route: 5 HKDSE Category A Subjects at Level "33+222"; or 2 A-level and 3 HKCEE (Grade A – C) passes or equivalent

\$ For 2022/2023
HK\$10,000 (per module [Level 4] for single prep. course enrolment)
HK\$9,000 (per module [Level 4] for enrolment in any 2 or more prep. courses in a single transaction)
HK\$9,000 (per module [Tort Law, Property Law, Equity & Trusts and Jurisprudence and Legal Theory prep. course])
HK\$8,500 (per module [Commercial Law, Company Law, Evidence and Family Law prep. course])
Separate fees in sterling are payable to the University of London for registration and examinations

D 2 years to 6 years

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R Minimum Entry Requirements 基本入學要求 (P.015)

\$ Fee 學費

D Duration 修業期

🇬🇧 Medium of Instruction 教學語言

Q Qualifications Framework 資歷架構

E Exemption 豁免

S Short Course 短期課程

For more and latest programme information, please visit our website
有關最新課程資訊及詳情，請瀏覽學院網站 hkuspace.hku.hk

Online Preparatory Courses for PCLL Admission Conversion Examinations



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The following courses aims at preparing candidates for taking the PCLL Admission Conversion Examinations. The courses will cover the syllabi of the subjects as prescribed by the PCLL Conversion Examination Board. Revision of past papers and examiner's reports will also form an important part of the courses.

Taught modules include:

Course Code	Course Title	Duration	Fee
COML-9112NW	Hong Kong Legal System	18 hours	HK\$2,500
COML-9113NW	Hong Kong Constitutional Law	24 hours	HK\$3,100
COML-9114NW	Commercial Law Part C	21 hours	HK\$2,600

LLM in Legal Practice [Top-up Award]

Programme Code: LW025A

Manchester Metropolitan University, UK



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This part-time LLM is ideal for those with busy work schedules. Offered by Manchester Metropolitan University in partnership with HKU SPACE, the LLM in Legal Practice is a **cost-effective degree programme with CPD point recognition**.

R This LLM is offered exclusively to holders of the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL), or those who have successfully completed the Legal Practice Course (LPC) or Bar Professional Training Course (BPTC).

Applicants will be considered and admitted on an ongoing, rolling basis and enrolment will close as soon as the cumulative intake is full. Since the intake is limited to a maximum of around 20 students, applicants are strongly recommended to apply as early as possible to ensure timely completion of the program.

\$ HK\$59,000 course fee & £1,015 registration fee (2022/23)

D 1 year

E English

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Postgraduate Diploma in Accounting and Commercial Law

Programme Code: AC052A

Application Code: 2045-AC052A



For programme details, please refer to page 042

Postgraduate Diploma in Finance and Law

Programme Code: FN017A

Application Code: 2045-FN017A



For programme details, please refer to page 052

Executive Diploma/Certificate in Legal Risk for Enterprise Risk Management

Programme Code: EP047A

Application Code: 2055-EP047A



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Upon completion of the programme, students should be able to:

- identify key legal issues affecting banking and commercial practices in Hong Kong;
- gain an updated knowledge on commercial law in Hong Kong and Mainland China; and
- design and implement legal risk management plans to combat commercial crimes and money laundering activities

R Applicants should hold a Bachelors Degree awarded by a recognized university or equivalent; or relevant professional qualifications.
E Applicants with other qualifications or substantial senior level / managerial work experience in accounting, law, auditing, finance, banking, government, risk management, or related areas will be considered on individual merit.
 Note: CPD points accredited by The Law Society of Hong Kong.

E Graduates of Executive Diploma in Asset Recovery Law, Receivable and Fraud Control Practice ("RMS's Executive Diploma") can claim a module exemption in Executive Diploma in Legal Risk for Enterprise Risk Management, subject to HKU's exemption policy.

\$ HK\$14,350 for the whole programme (2 modules); HK\$7,350 per module
 Note: The "Commercial Crimes and Money Laundering Law" module is not a CEF Reimbursement course.
 Application Fee: HK\$200

D 6 months to 8 months

E English supplemented with Chinese Language if necessary.

Law School Advantage for Secondary School Students

Programme Code: COML9115

Application Code: 2065-2012NW

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This course provides a practical introduction to law for secondary school students, through classes in important law subjects, such as contracts, torts, and company law, visits to courts, and discussions of possible law career paths, and studying law abroad and locally. As stated in the title, this course aims to provide an advantage to these students by guiding them on the difficult decision of a career pathway in law, and provide students with an unbeatable advantage in selecting their desired careers ahead.

R Applicants should be aged 15 or above. All applicants who are below aged 18 are subject to approval by the School (including providing Parental Consent). There are no specific entry requirements but, given the language of instruction, students should have competence in English language.

\$ HK\$4,800

D 10 weeks

E English

Introduction to Space Law and Policy (Online)

Programme Code: COML9116

Application Code: 2050-2437NW



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The main objective of this online course is to examine the role of international law in the regulation of outer space activities, particularly with the rapid commercialisation of outer space, and the increase in the number of state and non-state participants in outer space activities. The course will explore a variety of topics including the regulation of the use of outer space for peaceful (and non-peaceful) purposes, review the international legal framework governing space activities, exploitation of space natural resources, liability for damage caused by space activities, and legal ramifications of military and security activities in outer space.

R There are no specific entry requirements, but students should have competence in English language given the language of instruction.

\$ HK\$4,320

D 24 hours

E English