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Double Degree Programme
SHARP at both ends
Acquiring an Unparalleled and Interdisciplinary Learning Experience

Uniqueness of BBA-JD

The Bachelor of Business Administration (Integrated BBA Programme) and Juris Doctor (JD) Double Degree Programme (BBA-JD) harnesses the combined strengths of the CUHK Business School and the Faculty of Law. Both Faculties are committed to preparing students through interdisciplinary learning, which goes beyond the traditional single discipline approach. We aim to prepare students for careers in sectors such as law, business, finance and government.
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Angel Ng
Chief Executive Officer
Citi Hong Kong and Macau
Increasingly sizeable corporations today need people who are knowledgeable in both business and law. This new programme is an express path to equip young executives with the perspective and competence to address complex challenges such as compliance, operations management and business strategy within a legal framework.

Henry Leung
Head of Legal Department
The Kowloon Motor Bus Company (1933) Limited
The CUHK BBA programme provides students with a comprehensive and world-class business education. The programme design comprises broad-based business theory, practice and exposure to the latest developments in the business world, which equip graduates with the expertise needed to excel in the ever-changing environment.

The JD is a respected graduate qualification in legal studies, recognised in many common law and other jurisdictions such as Australia, Canada, Singapore, USA, Japan and the Philippines. It is a qualifying law degree recognised for admission to legal practice in Hong Kong. The CUHK JD has been very popular among business graduates.

The CUHK BBA-JD Programme is the first of its kind in Asia. It is a well-structured through-train programme that enables full-time students to graduate with an undergraduate (BBA) degree and a postgraduate (JD) degree in 5 years, as opposed to the typical 6 years when the two programmes are taken separately.

The CUHK BBA-JD Programme admitted its first cohort of students in 2017-18. Our elite students from around the globe, including Hong Kong, Korea, Mainland China, Singapore, Thailand and Taiwan, bring to the Programme a vast amount of diversity and talent.

The Programme also offers students the option of graduating after 4 years with either a BBA degree or a BBA degree with a Minor in Law. This provides students with the flexibility to tailor their education to their interests, strengths and needs.
Three years into the CUHK BBA-JD Programme, I have managed to explore opportunities and widen my horizons beyond my expectations. Although the curriculum, admittedly, is rigorous, I have found that help in the form of the programme’s academic advisors, as well as course professors, are always readily accessible. It was also with their help that I managed to participate in a highly meaningful exchange programme with the University of Southern California, Los Angeles, last year. Despite the added workload of a double degree, the careful programme plan ensures us, students, will not only not miss out on such opportunities, but furthermore complement it through special networking sessions arranged for us. As such, I have been able to move further with my goal of being a ‘global citizen’ with the BBA-JD Programme.

In my freshman year in the CUHK BBA-JD Programme, I have built a solid foundation of practical knowledge and other transferrable skills. Studying business and law side-by-side provides room for further reflection on how they are inter-related, highlighting the complexities of current and future complications faced by the business and legal worlds, resulting in a more sophisticated, open and encompassing worldview.

Besides classroom learning, much-coveted opportunities to participate in workshops, visit different organisations, listen to sharings from experienced professionals and interact with mentors were pleasant and necessary steps towards understanding the rising trends of my fields of study, providing me with more insight into possible future careers and what can be done now to better equip me for my aspirations.

Students will study a well-designed comprehensive curriculum comprising 172 units of BBA major, undergraduate law (LLB), JD and University core courses.

In the first three years students will pursue the Integrated BBA Programme curriculum with a business concentration of their own choice and take 6 undergraduate law courses covering the legal systems of Hong Kong and PRC, Contract and Tort. Students will start the JD Programme in the fourth year and complete it in their fifth year. The JD Programme offers students a wide range of courses in the common law, Chinese law, comparative law, international law, the law of trade, and business and finance.

For details of the study scheme, please refer to the programme website: www.cuhk.edu.hk/prog/bba-jd
The Programme equips its graduates with a diverse and versatile skill set in both business and law, preparing them for the rapid changes and evolving challenges in Hong Kong, Mainland China and global markets. Graduates will enjoy a wide-range of career prospects and advancement opportunities in such areas as:

- Banking, financial services and regulatory
- Legal profession, including law firms, barristers’ chambers or in-house
- Global consulting groups
- Non-profit organisations (national and international)
- Academia
- Journalism
- Leading multinational corporations
- Government (legal and non-legal)

Upon completion of the BBA-JD Programme, graduates who aspire to practise law in Hong Kong, either as barristers or as solicitors, may further their legal studies by applying for the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL) Programme. The CUHK Faculty of Law offers its own PCLL Programme. Students who complete the PCLL Programme and subsequent training contracts (in the case of solicitors) or pupilage (in the case of barristers) will be eligible to practise law in Hong Kong.

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Learning Environment

Students will enjoy the tranquil learning environment at the CUHK Shatin Main Campus and the state-of-the-art facilities at CUHK Graduate Law Centre in Central, at the heart of the legal and business district of Hong Kong.
Admission

Local students with HKDSE qualifications (Code: 4264)

Applicants who hold the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE) Examination qualifications have to submit their application through JUPAS. The minimum entrance requirement for the Programme is as follows:

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Students may apply on the strength of their international qualifications (e.g. International Baccalaureate (IB), General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (GCE A-level)) and other comparable qualifications at secondary level.

For details on admission requirements and channels, please visit the website of the CUHK Office of Admissions and Financial Aid: admission.cuhk.edu.hk

Students with other recognised qualifications

Selection

Applicants will be selected on the basis of academic merit and overall quality. Selected applicants will be invited to an admission interview conducted by a joint panel comprising members of the Business School and the Faculty of Law.