REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS (LLM)

These regulations apply to candidates admitted to the LLM curriculum in the academic year 2025-2026 and thereafter.

(See also General Regulations and Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula.)

The degree of Master of Laws (LLM) is a postgraduate degree awarded for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed curriculum specified in the syllabus, or for the satisfactory completion of a prescribed course of study in one of the following specialisations: Competition Law and Policy, Maritime Law, and Medical Ethics and Law.

LLM1. Admission Requirements

To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the degree of Master of Laws, a candidate

- (a) shall comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
- (b) (i) in respect of the courses of study leading to the degree of Master of Laws, shall either:
 - (1) hold the degree of Bachelor of Laws with at least second class honours of this University; or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose; or
 - (2) obtain either the Common Professional Examination of England and Wales or the Common Professional Examination Certificate of this University provided that in either case the candidate has also obtained a degree with at least second class honours of this University, or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose; and
 - (ii) in respect of the courses of study leading to one of the following specialisations for the degree of Master of Laws: Competition Law and Policy, Maritime Law, Medical Ethics and Law, shall either:
 - (1) meet the requirements in (b)(i)(1) or (2) above; or
 - (2) hold a bachelor's degree in a discipline other than law with at least second class honours of this University, or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose; and have at least two years of relevant experience or professional qualifications; and

(c) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b).

LLM2. Advanced Standing

Advanced Standing may be granted to candidates in recognition of studies completed successfully no more than 5 years before admission to the curriculum. Candidates who are awarded Advanced Standing will not be granted any further credit transfer for those studies for which Advanced Standing has been granted. The amount of credits to be granted for Advanced Standing shall be determined by the Board of the Faculty of Law, in accordance with the following principles:

- (a) a candidate may be granted a total of not more than 9 credits (one course) for Advanced Standing unless otherwise approved by the Senate;
- (b) credits granted for Advanced Standing shall not normally be included in the calculation of the GPA unless permitted by the Board of the Faculty of Law but will be recorded on the transcript of the candidate.

LLM3. Period of Study

- (a) The curriculum for the degree of Master of Laws shall normally require one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study, and shall include any assessment to be held during and/or at the end of each semester including summer semester.
- (b) Candidates shall not in any case be permitted to extend their studies beyond the maximum period of registration of two academic years in the case of full-time candidates and three academic years in the case of part-time candidates, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty of Law.

LLM4. Completion of Curriculum

To complete the curriculum for the degree of Master of Laws, a candidate shall

- (a) satisfy the requirements prescribed under TPG 6 of the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula; and
- (b) satisfactorily complete 72 credits in the case of a full-time study in one academic year, including a capstone experience, or 36 credits in the case of a part-time study in each of the two academic years of study, including a capstone experience.

LLM5. Selection of Courses

- (a) Candidates shall select their courses in accordance with these regulations and the guidelines specified in the syllabus before the beginning of each semester. Changes to the selection of courses may be made only during the add/drop period of the semester in which the course begins, and such changes shall not be reflected in the transcript of the candidate. Requests for changes after the designated add/drop period of the semester shall not normally be considered.
- (b) Withdrawal from courses beyond the designated add/drop period will not be permitted, except for medical reasons or with the approval of the Board of the Faculty of Law. Withdrawal without permission will result in a fail grade in the relevant course(s).

LLM6. Dissertation

- (a) Candidates must successfully complete LLAW6022 Advanced Research Methodology in order to be eligible to submit a dissertation.
- (b) Candidates, whether full-time or part-time, who elect to submit a dissertation shall propose a title for the dissertation, secure a supervisor, and secure the approval of the Programme Director by November 30 of the academic year in which they intend to submit a dissertation. Candidates shall submit the dissertation no later than May 1 of that academic year.
- (c) In exceptional circumstances a candidate may apply to the Board of the Faculty of Law for an extension of the period within which the dissertation must be submitted. Such application must be made at least one month before the prescribed date of submission. Late applications for extension will not be considered, except for medical reasons or with the approval of the Board of the Faculty of Law.
- (d) The candidate shall submit a statement that the dissertation represents his or her own work undertaken after registration as a candidate for the degree. The examiners may require an oral examination on the subject of the dissertation.

LLM7. Progress in Curriculum

- (a) Candidates shall normally be required to undertake a combination of courses and study requirements as prescribed in these regulations and the syllabus, and in the manner as specified below, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty of Law:
 - (i) Candidates who are on a one-year full-time mode of study shall normally be required to take not fewer than 27 credits nor more than 36 credits in any one semester (except the summer semester).

- (ii) Candidates who are on a two-year part-time mode of study shall normally be required to take not fewer than 9 credits nor more than 18 credits in any one semester (except the summer semester).
- (iii) Where candidates are required to make up for failed credits, the Board of the Faculty of Law may give permission for candidates to exceed the required curriculum study load of 72 credits.
- (iv) In each case under (i) or (ii) above, the total number of credits taken shall not exceed the required curriculum study load of 72 credits for the normative period of study specified in LLM3(a).
- (b) Candidates may, with the approval of the Board of the Faculty of Law, transfer credits for courses completed at other institutions during their candidature. The number of transferred credits may be recorded in the transcript of the candidate, but the results of courses completed at other institutions shall not be included in the calculation of the GPA. The combined total number of credits to be granted for Advanced Standing and credit transfer shall not exceed half of the total credits normally required under the curriculum of the candidates during their candidature at the University.
- (c) Unless otherwise permitted by the Board of the Faculty of Law, candidates shall be recommended for discontinuation of their studies if they have:
 - (i) failed to complete successfully 45 or more credits (under one-year full-time study) or 18 or more credits (under two-year part-time study) in two consecutive semesters (not including the summer semester), except where they are not required to take such a number of credits in the two given semesters; or
 - (ii) failed to achieve an average semester GPA of 1.5 or higher for two consecutive semesters (not including the summer semester); or
 - (iii) exceeded the maximum period of registration specified in LLM3(b).

LLM8. Exemption

Candidates may be exempted, with or without special conditions attached, up to 9 credits (one course) of the requirements prescribed in the regulations and the syllabus governing the curriculum with the approval of the Board of the Faculty of Law, except in the case of a capstone experience. Approval for exemption of a capstone experience may be granted only by the Senate with good reasons. Candidates who are so exempted must replace the number of exempted credits with courses of the same credit value.

LLM9. Assessment

(a) Candidates shall be assessed for each of the courses for which they have registered, and assessment may be conducted in any combination of continuous assessment of coursework, written examinations and/or any other assessable activities. Only passed courses will earn credits.

- (b) Candidates suspended under Statute XXXI shall not be allowed to take, present themselves for, and participate in any assessments during the period of suspension, unless otherwise permitted by the Senate.
- (c) Candidates shall not be permitted to repeat a course for which they have received a passing grade for the purpose of upgrading.
- (d) Candidates are required to make up for failed courses in the following manner:
 - (i) undergoing re-assessment/re-examination in the failed course to be held no later than the end of the following semester (not including the summer semester); or
 - (ii) re-submitting failed coursework, without having to repeat the same course of instruction; or
 - (iii) repeating the failed course by undergoing instruction and satisfying the assessments; or
 - (iv) for elective courses, taking another course in lieu and satisfying the assessment requirements.
- (e) Where candidates are permitted or required to present themselves for re-assessment/ re-examination/ re-submission/ assessment in an alternative course under (d) above, the new grade obtained together with the previous F grade shall be recorded on the transcript and be included in the calculation of the semester GPA, year GPA and the cumulative GPA. Such candidates shall not be eligible for any mark of distinction.
- (f) There shall be no appeal against the results of examinations and all other forms of assessment.

LLM10. Absence from Examination

Candidates who are unable through illness to be present at the written examination of any course may apply for permission to present themselves at a supplementary examination of the same course to be held before the beginning of the First Semester of the following academic year. Any such application shall be made on the form prescribed within seven calendar days of the first day of the candidate's absence from any examination. Any supplementary examination shall be part of that academic year's examinations, and the provisions made in the regulations for failure at the first attempt shall apply accordingly.

LLM11. Requirements for Graduation

To be eligible for the award of the degree of Master of Laws, candidates shall:

(a) comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;

- (b) complete the curriculum requirements prescribed in the relevant regulations and syllabuses within the maximum period of registration and satisfy the examiners in not fewer than 72 credits in accordance with the regulations governing examinations procedures, which shall include the successful completion of a capstone experience as specified in the syllabus; and
- (c) have achieved a Cumulative GPA of 1.50 or above.

LLM12. Grading System

Individual courses shall be graded in accordance with TPG9 (a) or (c) of the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula as determined by the Board of Examiners.

LLM13. Classification of Awards

Upon successful completion of the curriculum, candidates who have shown exceptional merit may be awarded the degree with distinction as determined by the Board of Examiners, and this mark shall be recorded in the candidates' degree diploma.

SYLLABUS FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF LAWS

COURSEWORK

The Board of Examiners shall decide what proportion of the final assessment for each course shall be determined by written or other work carried out during the course of study. Candidates will be informed at the beginning of the course of the relative proportions of the final assessment to be derived from coursework and from written examinations which will be held at the end of the teaching programme.

OBJECTIVES

The degree of Master of Laws is offered by the Faculty of Law to meet a need in various specialist areas of the law that are of importance to Hong Kong and its locality, and to offer modules which Hong Kong is perhaps uniquely placed to provide to students from both within and outside Hong Kong. The modules available at present focus on arbitration and dispute resolution, Chinese law, competition law and digital regulation, corporate and financial law, human rights and public law, information technology and intellectual property law, international and comparative law, maritime law, and medical ethics and law, among others.

DISSERTATION

An 18-credit dissertation shall comprise a paper with required length ranging from 16,000 to 20,000 words on a legal topic approved by the Programme Director.

A 9-credit dissertation shall comprise a paper with required length ranging from 8,000 to 10,000 words on a legal topic approved by the Programme Director.

The dissertation must provide evidence of original work and a capacity for critical legal analysis and argument.

STRUCTURE

Candidates are required to complete 72 credits, including a capstone experience in accordance with the regulations for this degree and the syllabuses as set out below. Candidates must choose one capstone course and seven electives from the following Course List subject to the requirement that (i) they must choose at least one course each from at least four of the Clusters listed under Electives on the Course List; and (ii) no more than two courses from any single Cluster listed on the Course List.

COURSE LIST

(Each of the courses listed below carries 9 credits unless otherwise stated)

Capstone Courses (9 credits) (or 18 credits if taking LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation as a capstone)

(Candidates must complete one of the following courses)

LLAW6054 9-credit Dissertation#

LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation# (18 credits)

LLAW6058 Armed conflict, humanitarian law and human rights*

LLAW6334 Artificial intelligence and digital governance*

LLAW6024 Banking law*

LLAW6212 China intellectual property law*

LLAW6185 China investment law*

LLAW6156 Comparative constitutional law*

LLAW6279 Comparative corporate law and theories*

LLAW6082 Corporate governance and shareholder remedies*

LLAW6120 Intellectual property and information technology*

LLAW6037 International environmental law*

LLAW6182 International organizations*

LLAW6073 International protection of refugees and displaced persons*

LLAW6170 Internet and social media law and policy*

LLAW6336 Law and corporate finance in China*

LLAW6339 Transitional justice*

Candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054. Enrollment in these two courses requires prior approval by the Programme Director. Candidates must successfully complete LLAW6022 Advanced Research Methodology in order to be eligible to submit a dissertation. Part-time candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054 in their second year of studies.

Electives (63 credits) (or 54 credits if LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation is selected as a capstone course)

(Candidates (i) must complete at least one course each from at least four of the following Clusters, and (ii) no more than two courses from any single Cluster)

(Clusters: Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, Chinese Law, Competition Law and Digital Regulation, Corporate and Financial Law, Human Rights and Public Law, Information Technology and Intellectual Property Law, International and Comparative Law, Maritime Law, Medical Ethics and Law, and Others)

Arbitration and Dispute Resolution

LLAW6241 Arbitration award writing

LLAW6138 Arbitration law

LLAW6238 Comparative arbitration in Asia

LLAW6174 Family mediation

LLAW6222 Financial dispute resolution: Hong Kong and international perspectives

LLAW6099 International commercial arbitration

^{*} Courses marked by an asterisk are designated as both capstone courses and electives. If more than one of these courses is selected, one of them will count towards fulfilling the capstone requirement. The remaining course(s) will count as electives.

- LLAW6321 International commercial litigation
- LLAW6007 International dispute settlement
- LLAW6294 International investment: structuring, protecting, and resolving related disputes
- LLAW6230 Law and practice of investment treaty arbitration
- LLAW6324 Mediation advocacy
- LLAW6163 Negotiation: settlement and advocacy
- LLAW6196 Preventative law: approaches to conflict prevention and resolution

Chinese Law

- LLAW6025 China company law
- LLAW6343 China data protection law
- LLAW6139 China information technology and electronic commerce law
- LLAW6212 China intellectual property law*
- LLAW6185 China investment law*
- LLAW6186 China trade law
- LLAW6003 Civil and commercial law in the People's Republic of China
- LLAW6335 Constitutional and administrative law in the PRC
- LLAW6171 Corruption: China in comparative perspective
- LLAW6114 Cross-border legal relations between the Mainland and Hong Kong (in Putonghua)
- LLAW6307 Hong Kong National Security Law in comparative perspective
- LLAW6008 Introduction to Chinese law and legal system
- LLAW6336 Law and corporate finance in China*
- LLAW6110 Law and regulation of banking and insurance in the People's Republic of China
- LLAW6308 Law and society in China
- LLAW6340 Legal pluralism in Hong Kong
- LLAW6165 PRC economic law
- LLAW6047 PRC property law
- LLAW6048 PRC security and insolvency law
- LLAW6201 PRC taxation law and policy
- LLAW6167 PRC tort law

Competition Law and Digital Regulation

- LLAW6304 AI and competition law
- LLAW6187 Competition law and intellectual property
- LLAW6264 Competition law and policy in China
- LLAW6154 Competition law I
- LLAW6155 Competition law II
- LLAW6194 Competition law in the digital economy
- LLAW6101 Competition, mergers and acquisitions
- LLAW6141 Contemporary issues of comparative platform governance*
- LLAW6090 Economic foundations of competition law
- LLAW6195 Intellectual property and competition in the digital economy
- LLAW6295 Issues in consumer law: theory and policy
- LLAW6311 Sustainability and competition law*

Corporate and Financial Law

- LLAW6024 Banking law*
- LLAW6279 Comparative corporate law and theories*
- LLAW6257 Compliance for listed companies
- LLAW6245 Compliance in the Hong Kong securities industry

- LLAW6082 Corporate governance and shareholder remedies*
- LLAW6002 Credit and security law
- LLAW6084 Cross-border insolvency law
- LLAW6127 Current issues in financial law
- LLAW6087 Current issues in insolvency law
- LLAW6088 Derivatives: law and regulation
- LLAW6126 e-Finance: law, compliance and technology challenges
- LLAW6210 Energy law
- LLAW6249 Entertainment law
- LLAW6303 EU financial regulation and technology
- LLAW6282 Financial crime: governance, risk and compliance
- LLAW6287 FinTech finance
- LLAW6149 Healthcare law
- LLAW6107 Insurance law
- LLAW6206 International corporate finance
- LLAW6057 International securities law
- LLAW6096 International tax and tax planning
- LLAW6239 Law and regulation of private banking and wealth management
- LLAW6299 Law and wealth management
- LLAW6256 Law of anti-money laundering and counter-terrorist financing and compliance issues
- LLAW6283 Law of international civil aviation and aircraft finance
- LLAW6055 Law of international finance
- LLAW6260 Law of state immunity and sovereign debt
- LLAW6265 Law, regulation and compliance for insurance industry in Hong Kong
- LLAW6312 Legal and regulatory aspects of financial risk management
- LLAW6323 Legal concepts and practical application in financial transactions
- LLAW6224 Mergers and acquisitions
- LLAW6298 Private equity and venture capital: law and practice
- LLAW6098 Project finance
- LLAW6093 Regulation of financial markets
- LLAW6314 Regulatory aspects of ESG and sustainable finance
- LLAW6305 Sanctions: law and practice
- LLAW6049 Securities regulation I
- LLAW6244 Securities regulation II
- LLAW6102 White collar crime: law and practice

Human Rights and Public Law

- LLAW6183 Animal law
- LLAW6058 Armed conflict, humanitarian law and human rights*
- LLAW6153 Business and human rights
- LLAW6060 Current issues in human rights
- LLAW6062 Economic, social and cultural rights
- LLAW6063 Equality and non-discrimination
- LLAW6034 Human rights in Hong Kong
- LLAW6070 Human rights in the People's Republic of China
- LLAW6068 Human rights: history, theory and politics
- LLAW6072 International and regional protection of human rights
- LLAW6036 International criminal law
- LLAW6073 International protection of refugees and displaced persons*

- LLAW6131 Media law
- LLAW6179 Multiculturalism and the law
- LLAW6075 National protection of human rights
- LLAW6242 Public interest clinic
- LLAW6144 Rights and remedies in the criminal process
- LLAW6076 Seminar in human rights research
- LLAW6215 Seminar on human rights and constitutionalism in Asia
- LLAW6339 Transitional justice*
- LLAW6316 Transnational criminal law

Information Technology and Intellectual Property Law

- LLAW6243 Advanced intellectual property law
- LLAW6333 AI and private law
- LLAW6334 Artificial intelligence and digital governance*
- LLAW6124 Communications law
- LLAW6285 Legal data science
- LLAW6223 Copyright and creativity
- LLAW6117 Data protection, cyber security and crime
- LLAW6325 Digital transformation of legal services
- LLAW6005 Hong Kong intellectual property law
- LLAW6120 Intellectual property and information technology*
- LLAW6188 Intellectual property policy and practice
- LLAW6140 Intellectual property, innovation and development
- LLAW6132 International and comparative intellectual property law
- LLAW6170 Internet and social media law and policy*
- LLAW6280 Introduction to artificial intelligence and law
- LLAW6313 Law as data
- LLAW6301 Law, innovation, technology and entrepreneurship (LITE) postgraduate internship
- LLAW6302 LITE lab: emerging technology and business models (postgraduate)
- LLAW6181 Management and commercialization of intellectual property
- LLAW6219 Patent law
- LLAW6046 Privacy and data protection
- LLAW6338 Regulatory ecosystem of artificial intelligence and advanced technology
- LLAW6326 Topics in technology law
- LLAW6200 Trademark law

International and Comparative Law

- LLAW6156 Comparative constitutional law*
- LLAW6248 Comparative contract law
- LLAW6209 Comparative family law
- LLAW6150 Comparative law
- LLAW6251 Comparative property law
- LLAW6133 International economic law
- LLAW6037 International environmental law*
- LLAW6182 International organizations*
- LLAW6288 Introduction to European Union law
- LLAW6227 Introduction to private international law (conflict of laws)
- LLAW6109 Public international law
- LLAW6211 World trade law, policy and business

Maritime Law

LLAW6329 Admiralty law and practice

LLAW6332 Advanced topics in maritime law

LLAW6172 Carriage of goods by sea

LLAW6327 Law of marine insurance

LLAW6342 Law of the sea

LLAW6328 Maritime arbitration

LLAW6225 PRC shipping law (in Putonghua)

LLAW6330 Shipping finance law

LLAW6331 Shipping management and law

Medical Ethics and Law

LLAW6271 Bioethics foundations

LLAW6300 Digitalisation: health, law and policy

LLAW6272 Medical law and ethics

LLAW6337 Medical malpractice

LLAW6247 Medico-legal issues

LLAW6291 Mental disability and the law

LLAW6318 Public health ethics and law

LLAW6274 The beginning and end of life

LLAW6275 The legal foundations of global health and development

LLAW6250 The regulation of biomedical research

LLAW6270 Understanding health systems: ethical and legal dimensions

Others

LLAW6022 Advanced research methodology

LLAW6231 Justice

LLAW6197 Law and social theory

LLAW6178 Law, economics, regulation and development

LLAW6164 Principles of family law

LLAW6341 Sports law

LLAW6306 The economic analysis of law

LLAW6322 The private law of cooperative institutions

LLAW6315 Theories and methods on law and society

NOTE: Not all courses will be offered in any given year. For actual courses available, please refer to annual course offerings.

SPECIALISATION

(I) Competition Law and Policy

STRUCTURE

The Faculty offers a postgraduate programme leading to the degree of Master of Laws for anyone who is interested in competition law and policy specialisation and meets the eligibility requirements for admission.

The proposed curriculum for the specialisation will focus on competition law and economics, which provides the theoretical foundation for much of competition law. Students will have the opportunity to survey the law and practice of competition across different jurisdictions and explore topics in cutting-edge areas of competition law and policy.

Candidates are required to complete 72 credits, including two compulsory courses, one capstone course, two designated electives and three other electives. Candidates who do not comply with these requirements will not be awarded the specialisation.

COURSE LIST

(Each of the courses listed below carries 9 credits unless otherwise stated)

Compulsory Courses (18 credits)

(Candidates must complete two of the following courses)

LLAW6154 Competition law I LLAW6155 Competition law II

Capstone Courses (9 credits) (or 18 credits if LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation is selected as a capstone course)

(Candidates must complete one of the following courses)

LLAW6054 9-credit dissertation# LLAW6014 18-credit dissertation#

LLAW6187 Competition law and intellectual property*

LLAW6141 Contemporary issues of comparative platform governance* LLAW6195 Intellectual property and competition in the digital economy*

LLAW6295 Issues in consumer law: theory and policy*

LLAW6311 Sustainability and competition law*

Candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054. Enrollment in these two courses requires prior approval of the specialisation programme leader(s). Candidates must successfully complete LLAW6022 Advanced Research Methodology in order to be eligible to submit a dissertation. Part-time candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054 in their second year of studies.

* Courses marked with an asterisk are designated as both capstone courses and designated electives. If more than one of these courses is selected, one of them will count towards fulfilling the capstone requirement. The remaining course(s) will count as designated electives or, if more than two designated electives are selected, as other electives.

Designated Electives (18 credits)

LLAW6304 AI and competition law
LLAW6187 Competition law and intellectual property*
LLAW6264 Competition law and policy in China

LLAW6194 Competition law and policy in China
LLAW6194 Competition law in the digital economy
LLAW6101 Competition, mergers and acquisitions

(Candidates must complete two of the following courses)

LLAW6141 Contemporary issues of comparative platform governance*

LLAW6090 Economic foundations of competition law

LLAW6195 Intellectual property and competition in the digital economy*

LLAW6295 Issues in consumer law: theory and policy*

LLAW6046 Privacy and data protection

LLAW6311 Sustainability and competition law*

LLAW6306 The economic analysis of law

Other Electives (27 credits) (or 18 credits if LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation is selected as a capstone course)

Candidates should refer to the Electives listed under the Course List for the syllabus for the general degree of Master of Laws above. No more than two courses may be taken from any single Cluster in the Electives except for the Competition Law and Digital Regulation Cluster.

NOTE: Not all courses will be offered in any given year. For actual courses available, please refer to annual course offering.

SPECIALISATION

(II) Maritime Law

STRUCTURE

The Faculty offers a postgraduate programme leading to the degree of Master of Laws for anyone who is interested in maritime law specialisation and meets the eligibility requirements for admission.

The curriculum for the specialisation aims to improve legal practice in the maritime sector by providing professionals with interdisciplinary knowledge and comparative insights, leading to enhanced fair industry standards and service quality.

Candidates are required to complete 72 credits, including two compulsory courses, one capstone course, two designated electives and three other electives. Candidates who do not comply with these requirements will not be awarded the specialisation.

COURSE LIST

(Each of the courses listed below carries 9 credits unless otherwise stated)

Compulsory Courses (18 credits)

(Candidates must complete two of the following courses)

LLAW6172 Carriage of goods by sea

LLAW6327 Law of marine insurance

Capstone Courses (9 credits) (or 18 credits if LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation is selected as a capstone course)

(Candidates must complete one of the following courses)

LLAW6054 9-credit dissertation#

LLAW6014 18-credit dissertation#

LLAW6329 Admiralty law and practice*

LLAW6332 Advanced topics in maritime law*

LLAW6328 Maritime arbitration*

LLAW6225 PRC shipping law (in Putonghua)*

LLAW6330 Shipping finance law*

LLAW6331 Shipping management and law*

Candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054. Enrollment in these two courses requires prior approval of the specialisation programme leader(s). Candidates must successfully complete LLAW6022 Advanced Research Methodology in order to be eligible to submit a dissertation. Part-time candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054 in their second year of studies.

* Courses marked with an asterisk are designated as both capstone courses and designated electives. If more than one of these courses is selected, one of them will count towards fulfilling the capstone requirement. The remaining course(s) will count as designated electives or, if more than two designated electives are selected, as other electives.

Designated Electives (18 credits)

(Candidates must complete two of the following courses)

LLAW6329 Admiralty law and practice*

LLAW6332 Advanced topics in maritime law*

LLAW6186 China trade law

LLAW6238 Comparative arbitration in Asia

LLAW6107 Insurance law

LLAW6099 International commercial arbitration

LLAW6321 International commercial litigation

LLAW6037 International environmental law

LLAW6342 Law of the sea

LLAW6328 Maritime arbitration*

LLAW6225 PRC shipping law (in Putonghua)*

LLAW6330 Shipping finance law*

LLAW6331 Shipping management and law*

LLAW6211 World trade law, policy and business

Other Electives (27 credits) (or 18 credits if LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation is selected as a capstone course)

Candidates should refer to the Electives listed under the Course List for the syllabus for the general degree of Master of Laws above. No more than two courses may be taken from any single Cluster in the Electives except for the Maritime Law Cluster.

NOTE: Not all courses will be offered in any given year. For actual courses available, please refer to annual course offerings.

SPECIALISATION

(III) Medical Ethics and Law

STRUCTURE

The Faculty offers a postgraduate programme leading to the degree of Master of Laws for anyone who is interested in medical ethics and law specialisation and meets the eligibility requirements for admission.

The specialisation is designed as an integrated interdisciplinary one that addresses concerns of growing importance in the health professions, law and business. It aims at providing students with an appreciation of various aspects of the fields of health ethics and law. The specialisation offers lawyers, social scientists, policymakers and healthcare professionals a guide to the fundamental ethical, legal and social issues influencing the delivery of healthcare.

Candidates are required to complete 72 credits, including two compulsory courses, one capstone course, two designated electives and:

- (a) if the candidate <u>DOES NOT hold</u> a common law based LLB, JD or other equivalent legal system qualification, a foundational course and two other electives;
- (b) if the candidate <u>DOES hold</u> a common law based LLB, JD or other equivalent legal system qualification, three other electives.

Candidates who do not comply with these requirements will not be awarded the specialisation.

COURSE LIST

(Each of the courses listed below carries 9 credits unless otherwise stated)

Compulsory Courses (18 credits)

(Candidates must complete two of the following courses)

LLAW6272 Medical law and ethics

LLAW6274 The beginning and end of life

Capstone Courses (9 credits) (or 18 credits if taking LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation as a capstone)

(Candidates must complete one of the following courses)

LLAW6054 9-credit Dissertation#
LLAW6014 18-credit dissertation#
LLAW6200 Digitalization: health

LLAW6300 Digitalisation: health, law and policy*

LLAW6291 Mental disability and the law* LLAW6318 Public health ethics and law*

LLAW6275 The legal foundations of global health and development*

LLAW6250 The regulation of biomedical research*

Candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054. Enrollment in these two courses requires prior approval of the specialisation programme leader(s). Candidates must successfully complete LLAW6022 Advanced Research Methodology in order to be eligible to submit a dissertation. Part-time candidates can only enroll in either LLAW6014 or LLAW6054 in their second year of studies.

Foundational Course (9 credits)

(For any candidate who DOES NOT hold a common law based LLB, JD or other equivalent legal system qualification)

LLAW6160 Legal system and methods

Designated Electives (18 credits)

(Candidates must complete two of the following courses)

LLAW6271 Bioethics foundations

LLAW6212 China intellectual property law

LLAW6209 Comparative family law

LLAW6300 Digitalisation: health, law and policy*

LLAW6005 Hong Kong intellectual property law

LLAW6120 Intellectual property and information technology

LLAW6140 Intellectual property, innovation and development

LLAW6132 International and comparative intellectual property law

LLAW6337 Medical malpractice

LLAW6247 Medico-legal issues

LLAW6291 Mental disability and the law*

LLAW6219 Patent law

LLAW6164 Principles of family law

LLAW6046 Privacy and data protection

LLAW6318 Public health ethics and law*

LLAW6275 The legal foundations of global health and development*

LLAW6250 The regulation of biomedical research*

LLAW6315 Theories and methods on law and society

Other Electives (18-27 credits) (or 9-18 credits if LLAW6014 18-credit Dissertation is selected as a capstone course)

Candidates should refer to the Electives listed under the Course List for the syllabus for the general degree of Master of Laws above. No more than two courses may be taken from any single Cluster in the Electives except for the Medical Ethics and Law Cluster.

NOTE: Not all courses will be offered in any given year. For actual courses available, please refer to annual course offerings.

^{*} Courses marked with an asterisk are designated as both capstone courses and designated electives. If more than one of these courses is selected, one of them will count towards fulfilling the capstone requirement. The remaining course(s) will count as designated electives or, if more than two designated electives are selected, as other electives.