JUPAS CODE: JS6810

BACHELOR OF SOCIAL SCIENCES
(GOVERNMENT & LAWS) &
BACHELOR OF LAWS

GOVERNMENT & LAWS

ADMISSIONS 2022
HKU POLITICS AND LAW: 1924

- The Bachelor of Social Sciences (Government and Laws) & Bachelor of Laws double degree programme (HKU GLaws) at HKU is one of the most prestigious public affairs undergraduate programmes in Asia and beyond.

- Government and Laws was first taught as an integrated discipline at HKU as early as in 1924. The first Lecturer in Political Science and Jurisprudence was the eminent jurist George Keeton LLD FBA (1902-1989), who later became Dean of Laws and Vice-Provost at University College London (UCL).
GOVERNMENT AND LAWS: 1999

- HKU GLaws is jointly offered by the HKU’s prestigious Department of Politics and Public Administration (Faculty of Social Sciences) and Department of Law (Faculty of Law), each ranked high internationally.

- HKU GLaws has brought forth cohort after cohort of outstanding lawyers in public and private practice, government administrative officers, business and banking professionals, journalists, professors, and leaders of the non-profit sector.
2021 SUBJECT RANKINGS

DEPARTMENT OF POLITICS AND PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION
THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

29TH IN THE WORLD

21ST IN THE WORLD
HKU GLaws draws on multiple fields:

- **Comparative Politics**
- **Political Theory and Ethics**
- **International Politics**
- **Public Administration**

to nurture top-notch thinkers who are competent at attacking legal problems from all angles.
MAXIMUM FLEXIBILITY: 2 TRACKS

JS6810: HKU GOVERNMENT AND LAWS

Choice of Track made at the end of Year 2

4-Year Single Degree Track

BSS(GL) degree

MPhil., MA, MMgt, LLM, MPA, MPH, etc.

Diverse career paths

5-Year Double Degree Track

BSS(GL) degree & LLB degree

PCLL

Trainee Solicitor

Pupil Barrister
5-YEAR TRACK: BSS(GL) & LLB
(5 YEARS, 2 DEGREES)

Year 1

PPA major courses
Making Sense of Politics
One Faculty of Social Sciences core introductory course

Law core courses
Law of Contract I; Law of Contract II
Legal System of the Hong Kong SAR
Law and Society
Legal Research and Writing I

Common core courses
Two Common Core Courses

English language courses/
free electives
Core University English or Free Elective

Year 2

PPA major courses
Research Methods
Two PPA Gateway Courses

Law core courses
Law of Tort I; Law of Tort II
Constitutional Law
Legal Research and Writing II
Administrative Law

Common core courses
Two Common Core Courses

Year 3

PPA major courses
3 PPA electives
Global Citizenship or Social Innovation

Law core courses
Criminal Law I; Criminal Law II
Land Law I; Land Law II

Chinese language courses/
free electives
Practical Chinese and Free Electives

Year 4-5

PPA major courses
5 PPA electives and Capstone course

Law core courses
Introduction to Chinese Law
Commercial Law
Introduction to Legal Theory
Business Associations
Mooting and Dispute Resolution (Capstone)
Equity and Trusts I; Equity and Trusts II
Disciplinary Electives

Chinese language courses/
free electives
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**4-YEAR TRACK: BSS(GL)**

**(1 DEGREE, 2 MAJORS IN PPA AND IN LEGAL STUDIES)**
## Credits in the Two Tracks

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MULTIPLE EXCHANGE PROGRAMMES FOR GLAWS STUDENTS

1. HKU Worldwide Undergraduate Student Exchange Programme
2. Faculty of Social Sciences Exchange Programme
3. Faculty of Law Exchange Programme
4. Faculty of Law Self-Funded Visiting Student Scheme
HKU Scholarships and Prizes Won by Glaws Students

- Undergraduate Research Internship Awards
- HKU Foundation Scholarships for Outstanding Mainland Students
- HKU Worldwide Student Exchange Scholarships
- Simon K.Y. Lee Hall Social Responsibility Prize
- Serena Yang Award Scholarship
EXTERNAL SCHOLARSHIPS AND PRIZES WON BY GLAWS STUDENTS

- The Rhodes Scholarship
- Swire Scholarship
- Sir Edward Youde Memorial Fund Scholarships/Overseas Fellowships
- Jardine Scholarship
- Baker & Mckenize Scholarship
- Goldman Sachs Global Leaders Awards
- K K Ho Prize
- Hong Kong Trustees Association Prize in Equity and Trusts
- HKSAR Government Scholarship
- Rotary Foundation Ambassadorial Scholarship
- The Hong Kong Jockey Club Scholarship Scheme
- Hong Kong Outstanding Youth Volunteer
- MacJannet Prize for Global Citizenship
HKU GLaws is a multidisciplinary and challenging study programme, which allows students to have a broad perspective on international politics and law, while looking in-depth into political concepts and local social issues. With vibrant interaction with renowned professors and bright peers, the Programme has equipped us with the essential organisation and analytical skills, and critical thinking, which are important for any career, be it in law, public services or elsewhere.

VERONICA TSE, ‘09
Senior Administrative Officer,
Government of the Hong Kong SAR

The HKU GLaws Programme has always been the correct choice for me. It was not just the training in analytical and critical thinking which proved to be invaluable to my career but my social awareness was greatly aroused. GLaws students will develop correct social values, gain positive attitudes and learn skill sets in human relations, leadership and management – all most useful for one’s personal development.

ANGIE LO, ‘04
Partner, Holman Fenwick Willan

I commend the HKU GLaws Programme without reservation. I have learnt to think critically about not only what the law is, but more importantly what the law ought to be, bearing in mind the justice and needs of our society. During my undergraduate studies, I was particularly inspired by the courses in political philosophy and international relations. I have grown tremendously in terms of analytical, interdisciplinary and empathy skills, all which are essential traits for any successful professional career and meeting the challenges of today’s world.

VICTOR LUI, ‘14
Barrister, Temple Chambers
LLM, University of Cambridge

The HKU GLaws Programme provides students with a unique, rigorous and in-depth intellectual exposure to various academic disciplines. The Programme structure allows for great flexibility, thus supporting students to pursue an intellectual journey of their choice and also thoroughly prepares a student for their professional career in the future. Furthermore, the Programme has opened doors for academic careers not just in Politics and Law, but also in Philosophy, and in my case, History. It was an amazing experience that not only had a positive impact on my career path but also my life.

AMANDA ZHANG, ’15
Dphil Oriental Studies candidate, University of Oxford
ALUMNI NON-LAW CAREERS

BUSINESS AND BANKING
- JP Morgan
- Goldman Sachs
- Barclays
- HSBC
- Standard Chartered Bank
- Cathay Pacific Airways
- Maersk Line
- Sino Properties

PUBLIC SECTOR
- Administrative Officers (AOs)
- Executive Officers (EOs)
- Securities & Futures Commission
- Hong Kong Airport Authority
- Police Inspectors
- Trade Development Council
- Urban Renewal Authority
ALUMNI NON-LAW CAREERS

RESEARCH/TEACHING

- HKU
- CUHK
- University of Oxford
- UCL
- Pennsylvania State University
- Utrecht University

POSTGRADUATE STUDIES

- Harvard University
- University of Oxford
- University of Cambridge
- London Business School
- London School of Economics
- University of Chicago
- New York University

JOURNALISM

- RTHK

NGOS

- Oxfam
- Friends of the Earth
- Human Rights China
ALUMNI LEGAL CAREERS

SOLICITORS
• Allen & Overy
• Slaughter & May
• Davis Polk
• Eversheds Sutherland
• Herbert Smith Freehills
• Jones Day
• King and Wood Mallesons
• Mayer Brown
• Reed Smith Richards Butler
• Simmons & Simmons
• White & Case

BARRISTERS
• Temple Chambers
• Des Voeux Chambers
• Sir Oswald Cheung’s Chambers
• Denis Chang’s Chambers
• Parkside Chambers
• Plowman Chambers
• ChengHuan SC Chambers

GOVERNMENT LEGAL SERVICE
• Department of Justice
• Legal Aid Department
PROUD TO BE A GLAWYER.

Government & Laws Committee HKU
LEX INJUSTA NON EST LEX
GOVERNMENT AND LAWS 20TH ANNIVERSARY
MEET THE JURISTS

MARCH ISSUE 2019

BREXIT - TO DEAL OR NOT TO DEAL
SYMPOSIUM
BREXIT AND THE FUTURE OF EUROPEAN INTEGRATION

SPECIAL ISSUE 2019
CONSTITUTIONAL DEMOCRACY IN RETREAT
COMPARATIVE ASIAN PERSPECTIVES AND EXPERIENCES

PUTIN'S PROVIDENT PLAYBOOK
THE POLITICS OF 2020 ALL-RUSSIAN CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENTS
BATTLING THE CORONAVIRUS
EPIDEMIOLOGICAL, ETHICAL AND EPOCHAL DIMENSIONS
WITH A COMMENTARY BY DR. TONIO BORG, EUROPEAN COMMISSIONER FOR HEALTH (2013-2014)

THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION
AT THE NEXUS OF INTERNATIONAL LAW AND POLITICS
WITH AN INTERVIEW WITH MR. STUART HARBINSON, FORMER PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF HONG KONG, CHINA TO THE WORLD TRADE ORGANIZATION
WITH AN INTERVIEW WITH PROFESSOR JULIEN CHAISSE, SCHOOL OF LAW, CITY UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FEMINIST JURISPRUDENCE:
CONTEMPORARY PERSPECTIVES
GENDER EQUALITY IN HONG KONG AND BEYOND

REGIONALISM IN SOUTHEAST ASIA: TO BE OR NOT TO BE
ASSOCIATION OF SOUTHEAST ASIAN NATIONS
WITH COMMENTARY FROM PROFESSOR KERRY BROWN, DIRECTOR OF LAU CHINA INSTITUTE, KING'S COLLEGE LONDON
TUITION FEES

FIRST 4 YEARS OF STUDIES:

• Standard tuition fees ($42,100 for 2021-2022 intake)

FOR THE OPTIONAL YEAR(S) OF STUDIES FOR THE LLB (YEAR 5):

• Tuition fees will be set at a level higher than the standard fees.
MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR DSE

HKU GENERAL ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:
- English Language: Level 3
- Chinese Language: Level 3
- Mathematics: Level 2
- Liberal Studies: Level 2
- Elective Subjects: Level 3 in two subjects

JS6810 MINIMUM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS:
- English Language: Level 5
- Chinese Language: Level 4
- Mathematics: Level 3
- Liberal Studies: Level 3
- Elective Subjects: Level 3 in two subjects
DSE RESULTS

BEST SIX:

CONVERSION OF LEVELS TO SCORES (CATEGORY A):
5**=8.5, 5*=7, 5=5.5, 4=4, 3=3, 2=2, 1=1

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THERE IS NO PENALTY FOR REPEATERS. REGARDING REPEATING SUBJECTS:

• Count the best results of the same subject within 2 consecutive years (including year applying for admission).
ADMISSIONS INFORMATION

ADMISSIONS DECISIONS ARE BASED ON ACADEMIC MERIT.

2021 INTAKE: 47

- In 2021, a total of 366 students applied to HKU GLaws (JS6810).
- Only a minority of students who placed GLaws in Band A were admitted.
- No applicant who placed GLaws in Bands B to E has been admitted.

NO INTERVIEWS FOR JUPAS APPLICANTS, EXCEPT FOR:

- School Principal’s Nominations (SPN)
- Other Experiences & Achievements in Competitions/Activities (OEA)
- Multi-faceted Excellence Scholarship Scheme (MES)
- Sports Scholarship Scheme (SSS)
- Applicants with Disabilities

INTERVIEWS MAY BE HELD FOR SHORTLISTED NON-JUPAS APPLICANTS.
45%
Success Rate of JS6810 Band A Applicants (2021)
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