
PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

Accounting, Business and Economics

The BBA(Acc&Fin) and BBA(Law) with a major in Accounting degree programmes have been accredited as approved accountancy degree programmes under the Professional Accreditation System of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA). BBA(Acc&Fin) and BBA(Law) with a major in Accounting graduates may undertake the CPA Qualification Programme, which comprises the Professional Programme and the Final Professional Examination.

Details of the above Programme can be found by accessing the HKICPA website: <http://www.hkicpa.org.hk>.

BBA(Acc&Fin) graduates are exempted from the fundamental level of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) examination scheme. They must take the five non-exemptable papers in the professional level to fulfill the examination requirement for ACCA membership.

Details of the above exemption can be found by accessing the ACCA website: <http://www.accaglobal.com>.

BBA(Acc&Fin) non-local graduates are eligible for Associate Membership of CPA Australia provided that they completed all required core curriculum subject. They can complete the CPA Programme and advance to CPA status in the manner stipulated by the CPA Australia.

Actuarial Science

The BSc(ActuarSc) graduates who attain a sufficiently high standard in appropriate courses may obtain exemption from courses CT1, CT3, CT5, CT6 and CT7 examinations of the Faculty of Actuaries and the Institute of Actuaries in the United Kingdom.

The BSc(ActuarSc) graduates who attain a B- or higher standard in appropriate courses may obtain Validation by Educational Experience (VEE) credit from the following courses of the Society of Actuaries in the United State: Applied Statistical Methods, Corporate Finance, and Economics.

Architecture

The professional degree of Master of Architecture (MArch) is recognized by the Hong Kong Institute of Architects (HKIA), Architects Registration Board (ARB) and the Commonwealth Association of Architects (CAA). Upon passing the requisite examination held by the ARB and the HKIA in Hong Kong, graduates are eligible to apply for HKIA/ARB memberships.

(The RIBA recognized the Department of Architecture prior to the inception of the CAA and their involvement is continued through the close relationship between the two.)

The Master of Landscape Architecture (MLA) is a professional degree, accredited by the Hong Kong Institute of Landscape Architects (HKILA).

After two years approved practical experience, MLA graduates are eligible to sit HKILA Professional Practice Examinations in order to gain full professional status, and subsequently apply to become a Registered Landscape Architect (LA) in Hong Kong.

Chinese Medicine

Students who are registered in the Bachelor of Traditional Chinese Medicine (BTCM) curriculum in the academic years 1998–1999 to 2001–2002, or the Bachelor of Chinese Medicine (BChinMed) curriculum in September 2002 and thereafter will be required to sit for the Licensing Examination introduced by the Chinese Medicine Council of Hong Kong. Apart from those who are included in the ‘List of Chinese Medicine Practitioners’ compiled by the Government in accordance with the Chinese Medicine Ordinance (Cap. 549) and who are otherwise exempted from the Licensing Examination, the satisfactory completion of an approved undergraduate degree course of training in Chinese Medicine will fulfill the eligibility requirement for undertaking the Licensing Examination, which is a prerequisite for professional registration.

Dentistry

The degree of Bachelor of Dental Surgery (BDS) of the University of Hong Kong is recognized as a registrable primary qualification by the Dental Council of Hong Kong. That Council regards the University’s BDS degree as equivalent to its own licensing examination for the purposes of registration and holders of the University’s BDS degree are accordingly granted exemption from all parts of the Council’s licensing examination.

Earth Sciences

The BSc (Major in Earth Sciences) (Accredited Pathway) has been accredited by the Geological Society of London. This degree provides an accelerated route to validation as a Chartered Geologist after a minimum of five years of relevant post-graduation experience.

The Engineering Geology with the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE) Approved Courses Theme of the Master of Science in the field of Applied Geosciences provides the additional courses which graduates in Earth Sciences or Geology would need to meet the entry requirements of the HKIE in the Geotechnical Discipline. These courses have been approved by the HKIE.

Engineering

The degree of BEng in Civil Engineering has been accredited by the HKIE and the Hong Kong Institute of Construction Managers (HKICM).

The degree of BEng in Civil Engineering (Environmental Engineering) has been accredited by the HKIE and HKICM.

The degree of BEng in Civil Engineering (Law) has been accredited by the HKIE.

The degree of MSc(Eng) in Transportation Engineering has been accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Hong Kong for full exemption of the examination requirements leading to the Chartered Membership.

Graduates of the MSc(Eng) in Infrastructure Project Management are academically acceptable for Corporate (i.e. Full) Membership of HKICM.

The degrees of BEng in Electrical and Electronic Engineering/Electronic and Communications Engineering, Information Engineering, Electrical Engineering and Computer Engineering have been accredited by the HKIE.

The degree of BEng in Industrial Engineering and Technology Management has been accredited by the HKIE.

The degree of BEng in Logistics Engineering and Supply Chain Management has been accredited by the HKIE and the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (CILT).

The degree of MSc(Eng) in Industrial Engineering and Logistics Management has been accredited by the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Hong Kong for full exemption from the examination requirements leading to the Chartered Membership.

The degree of BEng in Mechanical Engineering has been accredited by the HKIE.

The degree of BEng in Mechanical Engineering (Building Services Engineering) has been accredited by the Hong Kong Institution of Engineers (HKIE).

The degree of BEng in Medical Engineering has been accredited by the HKIE.

Geography

The Department of Geography, together with the Department of Urban Planning and Design and the Department of Civil Engineering, offer the Master of Arts in Transport Policy and Planning [MA(TranspPol&Plan)] programme. Graduates of the MA(TranspPol&Plan) programme will be exempted automatically from the examination requirements leading to the qualification of Chartered Membership of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (Hong Kong) (CMILT).

Law

The University and the governing bodies of the legal profession in Hong Kong have agreed upon a scheme of qualification which will lead to admission to practise in Hong Kong for the University's law graduates. After completing the University's Bachelor of Laws degree (LLB), an intending barrister or solicitor will attend further courses at the University and must obtain a Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL). It will then be necessary for him or her to complete satisfactorily pupillage or a period of employment as a trainee solicitor and attend a specified number of continuing legal education courses in order to qualify for admission to practise as a barrister or solicitor respectively.

Medicine

The degrees of Bachelor of Medicine and Bachelor of Surgery (MBBS) are recognized as registrable primary qualifications by the Medical Council of Hong Kong.

Nursing

The degrees of Bachelor of Nursing (BNurs) are recognized as registrable qualification by the Nursing Council of Hong Kong.

Psychology

Recognition has been granted by the Hong Kong Psychological Society to the degree courses in Psychology offered by this University, entitling graduates to graduate membership in the Society. The course leading to the Postgraduate Certificate in Psychology (PCPsych) has been similarly recognized, as has the Cognitive Science programme (required course combination to be advised by the Programme Director).

The courses leading to the Master of Social Sciences in Clinical Psychology and the Master of Social Sciences in Educational Psychology both provide professional training in the respective fields, and are recognized by employing bodies in Hong Kong. The Clinical Psychology programme is advised by international and local committee of clinical psychology specialists, whilst the Educational Psychology programme is advised by an advisory committee of leading educational psychologists.

Real Estate and Construction

The professional degree of Bachelor of Science in Surveying [BSc(Surv)] is recognized by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) and the Hong Kong Institute of Surveyors (HKIS), and graduates are admitted to the Institutes' Assessment of Professional Competence.

The MSc(ConstProjectMan) and MSc(RealEst) programmes are also fully recognized by RICS while the majors of Quantity Surveying, General Practice Surveying, General Practice Surveying and Facility Management, and General Practice Surveying and Planning and Development are accredited by HKIS.

Full professional status is gained after an appropriate length of approved practical experience and passing the Institutes' Assessment of Professional Competence which may be taken in Hong Kong.

Social Work

The Department of Social Work and Social Administration offers the Bachelor of Social Work (BSW) degree and the Master of Social Work (MSW) degree programmes. Both programmes provide full-time and part-time modes of study. The BSW full-time, BSW part-time, MSW full-time and MSW part-time modes of study are recognized by the Hong Kong Social Workers Registration Board (SWRB) in Hong Kong as accredited social work qualifications.

The Department of Social Work and Social Administration is a member of the International Association of Schools of Social Work, which implies recognition of the standard of the courses.

Speech and Hearing Sciences

Employing bodies in Hong Kong recognize successful completion of the Bachelor of Science in Speech and Hearing Sciences [BSc(Sp&HearSc)] curriculum as a professional qualification for speech therapists.

Urban Planning and Design

The degree of MSc(UrbanPlanning) is recognized as a professional qualification by the Hong Kong Institute of Planners (HKIP). Full professional status may be gained after two years' approved practical experience, of which at least one year must be in Hong Kong.

The degree of MSc(UrbanPlanning) is also recognized by the Royal Town Planning Institute (RTPI) in the United Kingdom and graduates can become licentiate members to undergo two years of assessment of professional competency to become full corporate members of the Institute.

Graduates of the MSc(UrbanPlanning) programme who specialized in transport planning are also qualified to apply for chartered membership of the Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport (Hong Kong) (CMILT) after they have five years of practical experience at professional level.

The Master of Housing Management (MHousMan) (Professional Stream) is recognized by the Chartered Institute of Housing and the Hong Kong Institute of Housing. Graduates of this stream are eligible to apply for Corporate Membership of both Institutes after fulfilling the Practical Experience Requirement (PER).