



GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ENGLISH AND HONG KONG LAW

(COMMON PROFESSIONAL EXAMINATION)

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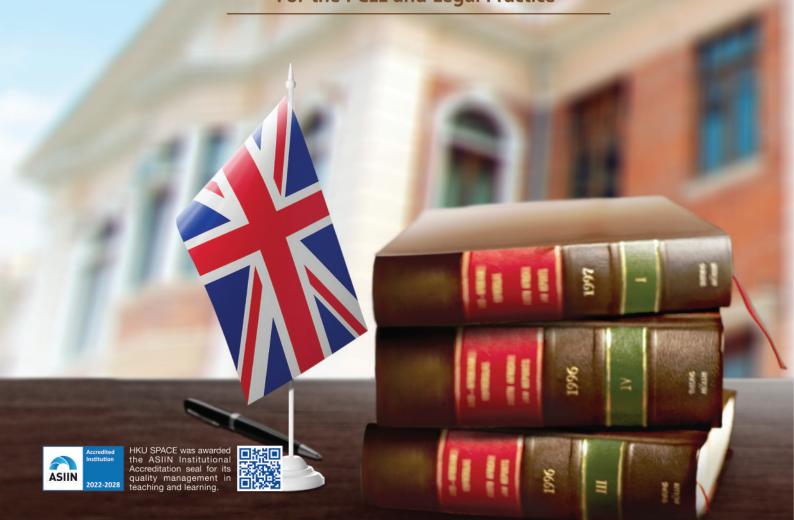
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LLB (HONS) HONG KONG

MANCHESTER METROPOLITAN UNIVERSITY

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30 Year Proven Track Record in Hong Kong
Successfully Preparing Students
For the PCLL and Legal Practice



UNIQUE FAST TRACK TOWARDS LEGAL PRACTICE

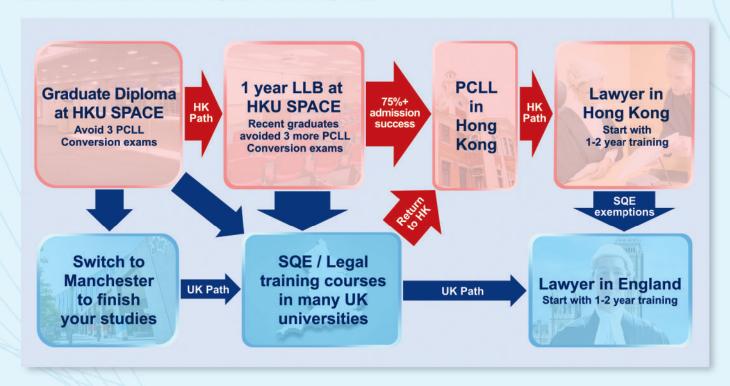
The Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law and LLB (Hons) Hong Kong of Manchester Metropolitan University is almost the only pathway which covers all the law subjects currently needed to progress towards legal practice in Hong Kong, while also providing a solid foundation for qualifying as a lawyer in England & Wales as well as Australia.

Graduates of this pathway can avoid taking many extra conversion exams required of graduates of most other English law programmes before they can apply for the Postgraduate Certificate in Laws (PCLL), the main route to qualifying as a lawyer in Hong Kong.

Study part-time for just two years and you will receive a *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law*, which provides an excellent pathway towards qualifying as a lawyer in England & Wales, including via the Solicitors Qualifying Examination (SQE). The *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* is also a popular pathway towards qualifying as a lawyer in Australia and other common-law jurisdictions around the world.

Add on an optional third year part-time and you will also get an *LLB (Hons) Hong Kong*, which is one of the most popular pathways to the PCLL without the hassle of having to sit a large number of extra conversion exams.

With thousands of alumni in Hong Kong, no other law programme of this kind offers such a wide range of career paths. That is why, for three decades, the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* has been the most popular part-time route towards legal practice in Hong Kong.



FACE-TO-FACE AND ONLINE

Unlike other Graduate Diplomas in Law which force you to choose between either face-to-face or online learning, on the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* you get the best of both worlds, with most Hong Kong based lectures taught in dual mode wherever possible.

That means you often get to choose whether you prefer to attend the lecture in the classroom, or instead watch live online from your home or office. Better still, there's no need to decide in advance. You're welcome to join one lecture face-to-face, and the next lecture online. Or whatever suits you best.

75%+ PCLL ADMISSION SUCCESS

Far more students are admitted to the PCLL via the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* and *LLB* (Hons) Hong Kong than any other English law programme. In recent years, our applicants have often enjoyed a more than 75% admission success record with large numbers successfully securing places on PCLL programmes at The University of Hong Kong (both full-time and part-time) and other universities, including some highly-prized government-funded places. Since our graduates can avoid taking many extra conversion exams required if you study most other English law programmes, they have enjoyed a much smoother pathway. Please note that admission criteria are subject to change and entry to the PCLL is not guaranteed.

Find out more at https://hkuspace.hku.hk/studylaw/pcll

BECOME A LAWYER IN ENGLAND & WALES

HKU SPACE's Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law is just as widely recognised in England as any other Graduate Diploma in Law. But as the only Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law it also has the advantage of showing employers that you bring something extra to the table and helps you stand out from other job applicants when applying for legal work in the UK.

Ben Rigby secured a job as a Solicitor in Manchester for a global top 10 law practice after graduating from the *Graduate Diploma* in English and Hong Kong Law.

Find out more at https://hkuspace.hku.hk/studylaw/ukpathways





BECOME A LAWYER IN AUSTRALIA

The Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law covered almost all the subjects needed to enrol in the Australian equivalent of the PCLL, a vocational law course called Practical Legal Training which enables you to qualify as a lawyer. All I needed to do was complete three more subjects, which only took me a few months.

Wade Ho is qualifying as a lawyer in Melbourne.

Find out more at https://hkuspace.hku.hk/studylaw/australialaw

WHAT WILL I STUDY?

Teaching on both the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* (GDEHKL) and *LLB* (Hons) Hong Kong is closely tailored to meet the requirements for qualifying as a lawyer in both Hong Kong and England & Wales:

GDEHKL YEAR 1

Full Modules:

- · Contract Law
- · Law of Tort
- · Public Law

Half Modules:

- · Hong Kong Legal System
- · European Union Law

GDEHKL YEAR 2

- · Criminal Law
- Equity and Trusts
- Land Law
- Hong Kong Land Law and Hong Kong Constitutional Law

LLB (OPTIONAL YEAR 3)

- · Law of Hong Kong Evidence
- · Business Associations
- Commercial Law
- PCLL Preparation Electives
- SQE Preparation Electives may also be offered (subject to validation and student demand)

Unlike most other English law courses, this three-year pathway covers all the law subjects currently required for entry to the PCLL. Year 1 classes begin in September with an introduction to English Legal System and a short test (which students must pass). This is followed by introductory classes usually taught by lecturers from Manchester Metropolitan University, which is responsible for setting and marking the exams in English law subjects.

From mid-November until early March, students on the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* will generally be required to attend two lectures per week, sometimes supplemented by a further lecture, tutorial or study skills seminar.

From March to April, students will be given extensive assistance in preparing for the exams through revision classes usually taught by lecturers from Manchester Metropolitan University.

Teaching on the *LLB* (*Hons*) *Hong Kong* follows a broadly similar format, with some variations. For further information, please visit http://hkuspace.hku.hk/prog/llb-mmu

The *LLB* (*Hons*) *Hong Kong* is the only course of its kind which offers additional preparation for the PCLL through PCLL Preparation Electives. These PCLL Preparation Electives are designed in close consultation with PCLL tutors to give you a head start over other students entering the PCLL, and usually taught by tutors from local PCLL programmes. SQE Preparation Electives may also be offered to help students seeking to qualify in the UK, subject to validation and student demand.

All students have 24/7 access to course materials and past exam papers through two online portals - Manchester Metropolitan University's Moodle system and HKU SPACE's SOUL 2.0 e-Learning system. You will also receive a free Reader's card allowing access to all of The University of Hong Kong libraries and many of the electronic resources inside those libraries.

Students are expected to attend at least 70% of all classes each year, but this requirement only applies to average attendance across the whole academic year.

EXCELLENT RESULTS

Although academic standards are high, previous students have achieved outstanding results thanks to our excellent teaching record:

GDEHKL YEAR 1:

86% pass rate

GDEHKL YEAR 2:

98% pass rate

LLB (OPTIONAL YEAR 3)

95% pass rate

(2020/21 results for students who enrolled and were assessed in the same academic year.)

Modules are assessed by exams or coursework, with shorter assessments for most half modules. Exams are held at various points in the academic year, with most exams in May/June followed by resit examinations in August.



VERY WIDE RANGE OF CAREER PATHWAYS

Studying law at HKU SPACE opens up a very wide range of career opportunities. After completing the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law*, I got job offers from local law firms as well as a professional services firm with offices around the world and joined the legal network of a Big 4 accounting firm to work on US tax and private client matters. As long as you have relevant legal experience, many in-house positions do not require a lawyer's qualification.

So even for people who do not intend to become lawyers, I would recommend studying the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* at HKU SPACE. This programme is really a gift which gave me the opportunity to study part-time and obtain a legal qualification without having to give up working full-time.

Van Kong secured a job in the legal network of a Big 4 accounting firm after graduating from the Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law.

THOUSANDS OF ALUMNI IN HONG KONG

Join the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* and you will join a programme which has a track record of more than 30 years in Hong Kong — and graduate into a network of thousands of alumni working in Hong Kong, many of them as successful solicitors, barristers and members of the judiciary, including two judges of the High Court.

Hong Kong is home to the first international alumni chapter of Manchester Metropolitan University and our Alumni Mentors regularly return to give mentoring sessions to students and advise on how to get good grades and prepare for the PCLL and legal practice.

HOW TO GET GOOD GRADES

Plan a suitable schedule and stick to it.

Attend as many classes as possible!

You can learn so much in class, and it will give you more confidence for the exams.

Jasmin Chan is an Alumni Mentor who graduated with a Distinction from the Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law.



Read more about our alumni at:

https://hkuspace.hku.hk/studylaw/lawalumni

Watch their stories at:

https://www.youtube.com/c/HKUSPACELawVideos





Hear more from Van Ma at: https://hkuspace.hku.hk/change/cht/van



ENROL TODAY

The Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law is extremely popular, and every year we have to turn away a large number of unsuccessful applicants. To maximise your chances of success, please apply as early as possible and be sure to submit all the correct documents.

As a graduate programme, you are normally expected to hold a Bachelor's degree or acceptable degree-equivalent. We also accept applications from mature students without a degree, including graduates of HKU SPACE's popular Advanced Diploma in Legal Studies. Students who have not completed their studies may apply, as long as they will graduate before the programme starts.

Applications for the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* can be conveniently submitted by email to mmulaw@hkuspace.hku.hk or via the enrolment counters at HKU SPACE Learning Centres. Applications must be accompanied by supporting documents, which will normally include both your university degree certificate and full transcript. For details, please refer to the application form.

Students who successfully complete the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* are normally guaranteed admission to the *LLB (Hons) Hong Kong* of Manchester Metropolitan University. For further information and an application form, please visit the Web page for the *LLB (Hons) Hong Kong*.

Both programmes are for those having the right to live and study in Hong Kong and it is the responsibility of applicants to determine if they are eligible. Under current immigration rules, it is unlikely that overseas applicants will be granted visas to study either programme.

STUDY WITH MANCHESTER LAW SCHOOL

As a student on the *Graduate Diploma in English and Hong Kong Law* you will be part of Manchester Law School, one of the UK's largest law schools, with more than 20,000 alumni around the world.

Based at the heart of the United Kingdom's second largest legal hub, Manchester Law School is a career-focused, academically pro-active and supportive law school, dedicated to providing you with outstanding opportunities to develop practical legal skills and to reach your individual aspirations and potential.

You will be taught by highly experienced professionals, including practising solicitors, barristers and renowned legal scholars.

HOW TO APPLY

Applicants may either apply by email to mmulaw@hkuspace.hku.hk or by taking the application form and all the required documents to any of the HKU SPACE Enrolment Counters. For addresses and service hours, please visit hkuspace.hku.hk/learning-centre or call centre hotline: (852) 3761-1111.

HKU SPACE Admiralty Learning Centre (Admiralty)

HKU SPACE Po Leung Kuk Stanley Ho Community College Campus (Causeway Bay)

HKU SPACE Fortress Tower Learning Centre (North Point)

HKU SPACE Island East Campus (North Point)

HKU SPACE Kowloon East Campus (Kowloon Bay)

HKU SPACE Kowloon West Campus (Lai Chi Kok)

ANY QUESTIONS?

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