

REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF LAWS (LLB) AWARDED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING IN CIVIL ENGINEERING (LAW) (BENG[CIVE-LAW])

(See also General Regulations)

Admission requirements

1. To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the Degree of Bachelor of Engineering in Civil Engineering (Law) under these regulations, a candidate shall
 - (a) comply with the General Regulations; and
 - (b) hold a degree of BEng (CivE-Law) from The University of Hong Kong.
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Award of Degree of Bachelor of Laws

2. To be eligible for the award of the Degree of Bachelor of Laws, a candidate shall
 - (a) comply with the General Regulations; and
 - (b) complete the curriculum and satisfy the examiners in accordance with the regulations set out below.
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Curriculum

3. The curriculum shall extend over two academic years of full-time study starting in June and ending in August of the following year. To complete the curriculum a candidate shall
 - (a) follow instruction;
 - (b) satisfactorily complete all prescribed written and other work;
 - (c) satisfy the compulsory moot requirement, unless otherwise exempted by the Head of the Department of Law; and
 - (d) satisfy the examiners in at least 123 credits of courses selected from the law courses offered in the syllabus of the 4-year LLB curriculum or the syllabus below (excluding those which the candidate has already taken and passed in his or her studies for the BEng (CivE-Law) degree).
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Advanced standing

4. The Board of Faculty of Law may exempt any candidate from any of the courses, and award equivalent credits to such candidate (by way of advanced standing under UG2 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula), on the ground that appropriate courses have been completed successfully in other programmes: provided that no candidate shall be eligible for such exemption without having earned at least 198 credits by passing courses in the BEng(CivE-Law) degree at this University, unless otherwise approved by the Head of the Department of Law and the Head of Department of Civil Engineering, and at least 60 credits, or any other number of credits as the Board may from time to time otherwise specify, in the two years of study of the curriculum as set out in paragraph 3 by passing courses at the Faculty of Law.
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Selection of courses

5. Unless the Head of the Department of Law determines otherwise, candidates shall take courses totalling 123 credits in the two years of study. Candidates shall select their courses in accordance with these regulations and the guidelines specified in the syllabus by a prescribed date. Such selection shall be subject to approval by the Head of Department of Law. Changes to the selection of courses may be made subject to the approval of the Head of the Department of Law during the first two weeks of each semester, and such changes shall not be reflected in the transcript of the candidate. Requests for changes after the first two weeks of a semester shall not normally be considered, and candidates withdrawing from any course without permission after the first two weeks of a semester shall be given a fail grade.

Specialisation

6. A candidate who has obtained at least 48 credits of law electives under one of the specialisations in the syllabus of the 4-year LLB curriculum will be duly recognised by having that specialisation stated in the official academic transcript.

Passing a course

7. Candidates shall be assessed for each of the courses which they have registered for. Candidates shall pass a course if the Board of Examiners is satisfied by the candidate's performance in the assessment.

Grades

8. Grades shall be awarded in accordance with UG5 of the Regulations for First Degree Curricula. Any course for which a candidate is given an F grade shall not be counted towards the degree for the purpose of credits or cumulative GPA, but shall be recorded on the transcript of the candidate.

Examinations

9.(1) Any candidate who has failed to pass a course or courses in the manner provided for in these regulations may be permitted or required by the Board of Examiners

(a) to sit a supplementary examination (or take any relevant assessment or reassessment); or

(b) to repeat the course or courses by following the course of instruction and taking the prescribed examination (or any relevant assessment or re-assessment), or by taking the prescribed examination (or any relevant assessment or re-assessment) without following the course of instruction; or

(c) to undertake the study of any alternative course or courses which enable completion of the curriculum.

(2) Where a candidate is permitted or required to sit a supplementary examination or be assessed or reassessed under 1(a), or to be assessed in an alternative course under 1 (c), or to repeat a course or courses under 1(b), the new grade obtained shall replace the previous F grade in the calculation of the cumulative GPA, but the previous F grade may be recorded on the transcript.

(3) A candidate shall not be permitted to repeat a course for which he or she has received a pass grade for upgrading purposes.

Discontinuation of Study

10. A candidate who is placed on probation at the end of the first semester or any subsequent semester [of their LLB] and fails to satisfy the criteria set out in the LLB examination procedures during the next consecutive semester, shall be recommended for discontinuation of study under the General Regulations.

Absence from an examination

11. A candidate who is unable through illness or other acceptable reason to attend for examination may apply for permission to attend for examination at some other time.

Pass lists

12. The degree of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) shall be awarded under these regulations in five divisions:

First Class Honours

Second Class Honours Division One

Second Class Honours Division Two

Third Class Honours

Pass

SYLLABUS FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF LAWS (LLB) AWARDED IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING IN CIVIL ENGINEERING (LAW) (BENG[CIVE-LAW])

(The full 5-year curriculum is set out below for easy reference. Please consult the full regulations and syllabus of the BEng (CivE-Law) programme for details. For the LLB degree, please also refer to the syllabus of the LLB for the full list of law courses available)

Unless otherwise determined by the Head of the Department of Law and/or the Head of the Department of Civil Engineering, the curriculum of the 5-year double degree of BEng in Civil Engineering (Law) and LLB is as follows:

First year (69 credits)

Faculty of Engineering (48 credits)

Computer application in civil engineering (6 credits)

Construction materials (6 credits)

Engineering drawing (6 credits)

Engineering mathematics I (6 credits)

Environmental engineering (6 credits)
Fluid mechanics (6 credits)
Structural mechanics (6 credits)
Theory and design of structures I (6 credits)

Faculty of Law (12 credits)

Legal research and writing I and II (6 credits)
The legal system (6 credits)

Broadening courses (9 credits)

Broadening (6 credits)
Practical Chinese language course for civil engineering (law) students (3 credits)

First year summer (3 credits)

Industrial training (3 credits)

Second year (72 credits)

Faculty of Engineering (42 credits)

Engineering geology and rock mechanics (6 credits)
Engineering mathematics II (6 credits)
Hydraulics and hydrology (6 credits)
Principles of civil engineering management (6 credits)
Soil mechanics (6 credits)
Surveying (6 credits)
Theory and design of structures II (6 credits)

Faculty of Law (21 credits)

Law and society (6 credits)
Law of tort I (6 credits)
Law of tort II (6 credits)
Legal research and writing III (3 credits)

Broadening course (3 credits)

Writing solutions to legal problems (3 credits)

Other course (6 credits)

Critical thinking and logic (6 credits)

Second year summer (18 credits)

Engineering design and communication (6 credits)
Project (12 credits)

Third year (72 credits)

Faculty of Engineering (30 credits)

Construction project management (6 credits)
Engineering hydraulics (6 credits)
Foundation engineering (6 credits)
Inter-disciplinary design project (6 credits)
Theory and design of structures III (6 credits)

Faculty of Law (24 credits)

Land law I (6 credits)
Land law II (6 credits)
Law of contract I (6 credits)
Law of contract II (6 credits)

Electives (18 credits)

Civil engineering (law) electives (18 credits)

Fourth year (first year of the LLB) (60-66 credits)

Faculty of Law (60-66 credits)

Business associations (6 credits)

Commercial law (6 credits)

Constitutional law (6 credits)

Criminal law I (6 credits)

Criminal law II (6 credits)

Introduction to Chinese law (6 credits)

Law electives (18-24 credits)

Legal research and writing IV and V (6 credits)

Fifth year (second year of the LLB) (57-63 credits)

Faculty of Law (57-63 credits)

Administrative law (6 credits)

Equity and trusts I (6 credits)

Equity and trusts II (6 credits)

Introduction to legal theory (6 credits)

Law electives (30-36 credits)

Mooting (3 credits)