

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF LAW**

MASTER OF COMMON LAW (SEPTEMBER 2025 INTAKE)

(Interested applicants are advised to visit the University's Taught Postgraduate Admissions website at <https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/faculty/faculty-law> before submitting applications).

Applications are invited for admission in September 2025 to read for the degree of Master of Common Law (MCL). The usual duration of the programme is one academic year of full-time study. The application deadlines are:

- Main Round: 12:00 PM (GMT +8) on December 13, 2024 (Friday)
- Clearing Round: 12:00 PM (GMT +8) on February 28, 2025 (Friday)

Admission offers may be made on a rolling basis, and late applications will only be considered if places are still available.

For further detailed information, please see <https://llm.law.hku.hk/mcl>.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the Master of Common Law, a candidate:

- (a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#) and the [Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula](#); and
- (b) shall hold the degree of Bachelor of Laws with at least a second-class honours or equivalent qualification in a non-common law jurisdiction; 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\(b\)](#).

The Faculty has specific requirements regarding IELTS and TOEFL tests¹:

<u>Test</u>	<u>Minimum Requirement(s)</u>
IELTS (Academic)	An overall band of 7.0 or above with no subtest below 6.5
TOEFL (Paper-based Test) ²	A score of 593 or above
TOEFL (Internet-based Test) ²	A score of 97 or above

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Scholarships may be awarded to a limited number of qualified students enrolled in the programme. An invitation to apply for the scholarship will be sent to all admitted students after announcing the first semester results, i.e., around February 2026 for the September 2025 intake. Applicants who would like to apply for the scholarship shall submit a separate application by a specific deadline.

In any given year, if candidates are adjudged to be of insufficient merit, no awards shall be made.

ENQUIRIES

If you experience difficulties during your application, please email lawpgs@hku.hk for assistance.

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¹ The Faculty only accepts IELTS/TOEFL score reports if the result is obtained within two years of the application deadline. Please also note that the Faculty does NOT accept scores from any of the following tests:

- IELTS Indicator
- IELTS One Skill Retake
- TOEFL iBT® Home Edition
- TOEFL ITP® Plus for China Solution
- TOEFL Essentials™ Test
- TOEFL MyBest™ Score Reports
- Duolingo English Test
- Pearson Tests of English
- College English Test 全國大學英語四、六級考試 (CET-4/CET-6)
- Test for English Majors 全國高等學校英語專業四、八級考試 (TEM-4/TEM-8)

² Applicants may use the following information when applying for an official TOEFL test report via Educational Testing Service (ETS):

- University Code: 9671
- School Type: 01 (Graduate School)
- Department Code: 99 (Undecided)