THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG Master of Urban Studies and Housing Management

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2024 to read for the degree of Master of Urban Studies and Housing Management offered by the Department of Urban Planning and Design, Faculty of Architecture.

To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admissions Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements as listed below:

- (a) shall comply with the <u>General Regulations</u> and the <u>Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula</u>;
- (b) and shall
 - (i) hold a Bachelor's degree of this University; or

(ii) hold a qualification of equivalent standard of this University or another university or comparable institution accepted for this purpose (Note 1); and

- (iii) pass the qualifying examination, if required.
- Note 1: accepted qualifications include but not limited to:
 - i. a Professional Diploma in Housing Management awarded by the HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education, and at least five years' work experience in the housing field; or
 - ii. full membership of the Hong Kong Institute of Housing (MHKIH), and at least five years' work experience in the housing field (at least two of which must be post-qualification); or
 - iii. chartered membership of the Chartered Institute of Housing (MCIH), and at least five years' work experience in the housing field (at least two of which must be post-qualification).

Candidates who hold these qualifications, if shortlisted, may have to attend a qualifying examination that tests their academic ability to follow the curriculum prescribed. The qualifying examination consists of one or more written papers and takes place prior to the final selection of candidates for admission into the programme.

(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 high degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b).

An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case-by-case basis.

2. The degree of Master of Urban Studies and Housing Management (Urban Studies Stream) is an interdisciplinary programme designed to upgrade the intellectual capability and skills of students who have already completed their undergraduate studies from various backgrounds and are interested in contemporary urban and housing issues. This curriculum will provide interdisciplinary training to those wishing to specialise in the urban and housing areas at postgraduate level, through offering courses on the latest debates and methodologies pertinent to urban and housing studies.

3. The degree of Master of Urban Studies and Housing Management (Housing Management Professional Stream) is an interdisciplinary programme designed not only to upgrade the training and skills of professionals working in the area of housing management in the public or private sector but also to provide a firm intellectual foundation for those wishing to specialise in the housing area at postgraduate level. The Housing Management (Professional Stream) leads to the award of the MUS&HM degree, and graduates will be eligible for membership in the Chartered Institute of Housing and the Hong Kong Institute of Housing.

4. The Urban Studies Stream involves one year of full-time study. Students are required to complete eight taught courses, and a dissertation (or capstone project + 2 optional courses) during the study period. The Housing Management (Professional Stream) involves two years of part-time study or one year of full-time study. Students are required to complete eleven taught courses and a dissertation (or capstone project + 2 optional courses) during their study period.

5. The composition fee of the Master of Urban Studies and Housing Management (Urban Studies Stream) for 2024-25 is \$189,760 for the whole programme, while the composition fee for the Housing Management (Professional Stream) is \$204,120 for the whole programme. The composition fee for 2024-25 is subject to amendment / approval.

6. Applications for a taught postgraduate programme can be made via our on-line application system at <u>https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/programme-list</u>.

7. Further information on the curriculum may be obtained from:

Department of Urban Planning and Design The University of Hong Kong Pokfulam Road Hong Kong

Telephone No. : 3917 2721

Website : <u>https://www.arch.hku.hk/programmes/upad/master-of-urban-studies-and-housing-</u> management/

- 8. Application deadline is extended to <u>12:00 noon (GMT +8), 15 February 2024</u>. Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis. Early applications will be given favourable consideration.
- 9. MUS&HM offer email will be sent by late April 2024 or earlier. A confirmation letter will be sent around mid-May 2024.

10. The Regulations and Syllabuses for the above programme can be viewed at <u>https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/programme-list</u>.

11. Early applications will be given favourable consideration.

February 2024