PATHWAY FROM UNSW LLB OR JD TO HKU LLM

This information is for current UNSW LLB and JD students who are interested in gaining a HKU LLM through the UNSW-HKU Masters Pathway Program.

The first intake for the Pathway Program for UNSW Law & Justice students to HKU was HKU’s First Semester (September) 2020. Thereafter, it is anticipated that there will be two intakes per year for the Pathway Program: First Semester (September) and Second Semester (January).

HOW IT WORKS

For the first semester at HKU, UNSW Law & Justice students will be enrolled at HKU as non-award exchange students in HKU LLM courses, completing an equivalent number of units of credit (UOC) they need to complete for their UNSW law degree.

Upon successful completion of these courses in the first (exchange) semester, and following confirmation by UNSW that they have completed the requirements for their UNSW law degree, students will be enrolled as HKU LLM students in the next immediate semester, completing the remaining required HKU LLM courses for the completion and award of HKU LLM degree.

Note that:

1. Students who have successfully completed the HKU LLM courses during the first (exchange) semester will have the credits transferred back to their UNSW law degree.
2. Where a student did not satisfactorily complete the various courses in the first (exchange) semester at HKU, the student will not be permitted to enrol as HKU LLM student in the next immediate semester.
APPLICATION PROCESS

UNSW Law & Justice students will need to follow the standard student exchange application procedure and must indicate their interest in the Pathway Program on the exchange application. For more information on exchange, visit: https://www.law.unsw.edu.au/students/international-opportunities/exchange

Students will be notified by UNSW Study Abroad and Exchange Office if they have been successfully selected for the Exchange component of the Pathway Program.

A separate application is also required for admission into HKU LLM, with an application fee of HK$300 payable at the student’s expense. For more information on HKU LLM application, visit: https://aal.hku.hk/tpg/programme/master-laws

It is advised that students should only lodge the HKU LLM application once they have been notified of their success in the Exchange component of the Pathway Program by UNSW Study Abroad and Exchange Office.

Students are strongly encouraged to lodge both applications by the relevant deadlines.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY FOR UNSW LLB STUDENTS

To be eligible for the Pathway Program, UNSW LLB (double) degree students must have:

1) Successfully completed all required courses for the award of their non-law degree. [Please check with the relevant faculty student services to ensure you have completed the requirements for that degree.]
2) Completed all core courses of their LLB degree (to meet Australian professional qualification requirements).
3) A minimum of 18 or maximum of 24 units of credit left to satisfy the requirements of their LLB degree.
4) Achieved a 70 WAM or higher for their UNSW LLB (double) degree.

PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY FOR UNSW JD STUDENTS

To be eligible for the Pathway Program, UNSW JD students must have:

1) Completed all core courses of their JD degree (to meet Australian professional qualification requirements).
2) A minimum of 18 or maximum of 24 units of credit left to satisfy the requirements of their JD degree.
3) Achieved a 70 WAM or higher for their JD degree.

STUDY COSTS

During the first (exchange) semester, UNSW Law & Justice students will be enrolled as a non-award exchange student at HKU and will pay the normal tuition fees to UNSW. During the second (HKU LLM) semester, they will be enrolled as HKU LLM students and will pay the required LLM fees to HKU.

For more information on HKU LLM program fees, visit: https://www.law.hku.hk/programmes/fees.php
OTHER COSTS

Students are responsible for other costs associated with their studies at HKU, including student visa cost, airfare, living expenses and accommodation.

For accommodation options at HKU, kindly refer to their website for more information: https://www.cedars.hku.hk/

FUNDING

UNSW offers a range of scholarships for UNSW students to go on exchange. For more information, visit: https://student.unsw.edu.au/globalscholarship

FURTHER INFORMATION

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