

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

**MASTER OF LAWS IN ARBITRATION AND DISPUTE RESOLUTION  
(SEPTEMBER 2026 INTAKE)**

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

Applications are invited for admission in September 2026 to read for the degree of Master of Laws in Arbitration and Dispute Resolution [LLM(Arb&DR)]. The usual duration of the programme is one academic year of full-time study or two academic years of part-time study. The application deadlines are:

- Main Round: 12:00 PM (GMT +8) on December 12, 2025 (Friday)
- Clearing Round: 12:00 PM (GMT +8) on February 27, 2026 (Friday)

***Note: Due to the class schedules of the compulsory and core modules, interested applicants without a law degree are eligible only to apply for the part-time mode.***

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/arbdr>.

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the degree of Master of Laws in Arbitration and Dispute Resolution, a candidate:

- (a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#) and the [Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula](#); and
- (b) (i) shall hold the degree of Bachelor of Laws with at least second class honours of this University; or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose; or
- (ii) shall hold a bachelor's degree in a discipline other than law with at least second class honours of this University, or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose, and have at least two years of relevant experience and professional qualifications; and
- (iii) shall have obtained either the Common Professional Examination of England and Wales or the Common Professional Examination Certificate of this University provided that, in either case, the candidate has also obtained a degree with at least second class honours of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose; 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 tests<sup>1</sup>:

Test	Minimum Requirement(s)
IELTS (Academic)	An overall band of 7.0 or above
TOEFL (Internet-based Test) <sup>2</sup>	A score of 100 or above

*\*Starting from the 2026 intake, IELTS and TOEFL test results must be obtained within two years prior to September 1 of the admissions year.*

## ENQUIRIES

If you experience difficulties during your application, please email [lawpgs@hku.hk](mailto:lawpgs@hku.hk) for assistance.

*October 2025*

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<sup>1</sup> The Faculty only accepts IELTS/TOEFL Score Reports if the result is obtained within two years before September 1 of each admissions year. 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)

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

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