Why
Hong Kong?

Premier business hub in Asia, the bridge connecting Mainland China and the rest of the world

World No. 1 Financial System
(World Economic Forum’s Global Competitiveness Report 2019)

2nd Freest Economy In the World (2020 Index of Economic Freedom)

Asia’s 2nd largest private equity centre managing about 20% of the total capital pool in the region


5th in Worldwide Economic Performance (IMD World Competitiveness Ranking 2020)
HKU Business School

Faculty Members

Members from world-renowned and prestigious universities around the globe

130+ Faculty Members (full time)

14 Nationalities/Region

Including: Australia, Canada, France, Singapore, Sweden, UK and US etc.

Rankings

The University of Hong Kong

1st in Hong Kong

4th in Asia

22nd in the World

9th in the World

QS World University Rankings 2021

QS Graduate Employability Rankings 2020

1st in the World

1st in Hong Kong

35th in the World


Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2020

HKU MBA Programme

1st in Asia

1st Worldwide

13th International School

The Economist – Full-time MBA Ranking (2010-2018)


Forbes – The Best International MBAs: One-Year Programs 2019

Our 2020-2021 student community at a glance

Regions Represented

Undergraduate University

Australian National University

Columbia University

Cornell University

Fudan University

Imperial College London

Korea University

Nanjing University

National Taiwan University

New York University

Northwestern University

Peking University

Shanghai Jiao Tong University

Singapore Management University

The London School of Economics and Political Science

The University of Chicago

The University of Edinburgh

The University of Hong Kong

The University of Manchester

The University of Melbourne

The University of Sydney

Tsinghua University

University of British Columbia

University of California, Berkeley

University of California, Los Angeles

University of Michigan

University of Mumbai

University of Pennsylvania

University of Toronto

Xi’an Jiaotong University

Zhejiang University
Our Campuses

The HKU Business School provides a dynamic and conducive environment for learning, teaching and research. Advanced facilities are provided on the three campuses located in the HKU Main Campus, Cyberport and Admiralty Town Centre.

Cyberport Campus

located at the flagship of Hong Kong’s digital industry—Cyberport. The School’s facilities at Cyberport include state-of-the-art classrooms, group meeting rooms and social areas for postgraduate students and learning partners from corporates that collaborate with the School. This is a place where university and business communities can come together and inspire innovations.

HKU Main Campus

The Headquarters of the HKU Business School is located at K.K. Leung Building in the HKU Main Campus. In addition to facilities such as lecture theatres, classrooms, computer laboratories and other areas for academic activities, the campus is also home to many research centres and institutes under the School. The Main Campus also features other learning facilities, resource and services needed in university life.

Town Centre Campus

Located at the heart of the city. Admiralty Town Centre Campus brings the resources of the School to one of the financial districts in Hong Kong. Apart from featuring cutting-edge facilities such as executive classrooms, meeting rooms and comfortable lounges. This downtown campus is a convenient location for hosting events and seminars, and connecting students, alumni and partners from all over the world.
Modular Calendar

Courses are offered on a modular basis to allow students to focus on 1-2 courses at a time. Normally, each module consists of six to eight weeks including the examination week.

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For reference only. Actual duration can vary.

Quick Facts

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Class Days

Normally 4 sessions of teaching per week

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Course Assessments

A combination of:

- Assignments
- Mid-term Examinations
- Project Papers
- Presentations
- Other coursework
- Final Examination
Master of Finance in Financial Technology Overview

The financial sector is evolving rapidly in the digital era.

The HKU Business School Master of Finance in Financial Technology programme is jointly offered by three faculties: HKU Business School, the Faculty of Law and the Faculty of Engineering. Our cutting-edge curriculum balances quantitative skills and visionary thinking, and applies techniques of big data, AI and natural language processing to analyse real-world financial projects. Students will also cover the legal aspects of FinTech, from cyber-security to data protection and smart contracts. There is a strong industry demand for MFinTech graduates, with career opportunities in commercial and investment banks, brokerage and investment firms, private equity and venture capital firms, FinTech startups, insurance companies, treasury departments of non-financial corporations, regulatory agencies, and consulting and accounting firms.

Interdisciplinary Programme

HKU Business School  Faculty of Engineering  Faculty of Law

Career Industry Opportunities

Commercial and Investment Banks  Insurance Companies
Brokerage and Investment Firms  Treasury Departments of non-financial corporations
Private Equity and Venture Capital Firms  Regulatory Agencies
FinTech startups  Consulting and Accounting Firms

Dr. Rujing Meng
Programme Director - Master of Finance in Financial Technology

Q&A PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

Top 5 questions about the Master of Finance in Financial Technology programme, answered by our Programme Director: Dr. Rujing Meng.

1. Why did we revamp the FinTech Stream under the Master of Finance to Master of Finance in Financial Technology?

Due to the upcoming importance of FinTech in the industry, we wanted to provide a more comprehensive structure to our students. With our faculty’s rich experience in delivering the FinTech education through the previous Master of Finance FinTech stream and collaborating with the Faculty of Engineering and Faculty of Law, the curriculum of this new Master Programme enhances the learning experience, allowing our graduates to be more well-rounded in skills and expertise.

2. What are the job opportunities?

The financial sector is evolving rapidly in the digital era. The onslaught of data and powerful computing power demands new thinking and continuous innovation. FinTech startups and established companies have to adopt new ways of thinking and anticipate what will come next in response to this technology evolution. FinTech jobs are in high demand.

3. What type of student is suitable to study the Master of Finance in FinTech?

The programme is designed for those who are interested in the financial technology sector, as they would learn new competencies in new technologies such as big data, artificial intelligence and blockchain, etc. Students with computer science, engineering, mathematics, physics, statistics or science and technology related disciplines are highly preferred. Graduates are expected to be technologically adept, business savvy and able to offer innovative solutions to finance-related industries.

4. What is the difference between the Master of Finance and the Master of Finance in FinTech Programme?

The Master of Finance in FinTech aims to nurture FinTech talents with quantitative and analytical skills as well as practical experience, by employing technological innovations in financial practices.
Scholarship

Entrance Scholarship
We offer merit-based scholarships to new students at the time of admission. The amount of each scholarship is subject to the performance of the candidate. All eligible candidates will automatically be considered and no separate application for the scholarship is required.

Fargo Wealth Excellence Scholarship
Up to 10 scholarships shall be awarded, starting from the academic year 2021/22, to Year One students, available to all masters programmes offered by the HKU Business School on the basis of academic performance in the respective programmes and their contributions to the community of masters programmes. The Scholarship shall be at the value of HK$10,000 each.

Tuition Fee
$396,000*
A deposit of HK$95,000* is required to confirm the admission offer, the balance shall be payable in two instalments over one academic year.

Dr. Alan P. Kwan

- Quantitative Trading - Big Data in Finance

Finance, like many industries, is undergoing its unique transformation toward using data and algorithms to create higher value-added services and reduce costs. As data and algorithms become more freely available to end users, it is those people with both technical familiarity but also an understanding of the big picture that will help organizations capture value. We will study how each financial service has certain economics, which necessitate different statistical models and data inputs.

Course Exemption
Up to two required courses, except capstone course, may be granted (normally by examination) if candidates can produce evidence, such as transcript and course syllabus, that a course is equivalent in content and another course taken elsewhere for which a satisfactory grade has been obtained or are holding relevant professional qualifications which are obtained before admission to the curriculum.

No credits will be given for the exempted course and candidates shall be required to take an approved alternative course of the same credit value.

Advanced Standing
Advanced standing of up to two required courses, except for capstone course, may be granted if the course is completed at a graduate, postgraduate or master level from a recognized curriculum elsewhere within the last 4 years before admission to the Master of Finance curriculum and a good grade in the course was achieved or the candidate possesses a relevant professional qualification which are obtained before admission to the curriculum.

* Subject to change and final approval by The University of Hong Kong.

Elective Courses
- Introduction to FinTech and its Impact on the Future of Banking and Finance
- Text Analytics and Natural Language Processing in Finance and FinTech
- Entrepreneurship in Finance: Hedge Funds, Private Equity and Venture Capital
- Asian Financial Markets
- Equity Valuation and Investment Management
- Entrepreneurial Finance and Innovation Strategy

Faculty of Engineering*
- Deep Learning
- Financial Fraud Analytics

Faculty of Law**
- Privacy and Data Protection
- E-Finance: Law, Compliance and Technology Challenges
- Law of Anti-Money Laundering and Counter-Terrorist Financing and Compliance Issues

Other Masters Programmes^A
- Master of Accounting
- Master of Economics
- Master of Finance

Capstone Courses
- Big Data in Finance

Remarks: Not all the courses listed above will necessarily be offered each year and the above list is subject to further adjustment. A^Up to two elective courses may be taken from other taught postgraduate programmes offered by the School, subject to availability and review by the Programme Director based on your profile capabilities, and performance in the MFinTech programme. ** Up to one elective can be taken from the J subjects offered by the Faculty of Engineering. ^ Up to one elective can be taken from the 3 subjects offered by the Faculty of Law.
Hong Kong FinTech Landscape

Top 10
Hong Kong is among the world’s top ten fintech hubs. In 2018, Hong Kong ranked 5th in digitalisation of the traditional financial sector, and the percentage of its fintech users in Hong Kong reached 35.1%. In 2019, the consumer fintech adoption rate reached 67% in Hong Kong.

5th
In 2018, Hong Kong ranked 5th in EY’s Open Banking Opportunity Index.

Top 10
The Hong Kong Monetary Authority (HKMA) granted 8 virtual bank licenses since March 2019. Virtual banking will spur innovation and development of Hong Kong fintech, enhance customer experience and financial inclusion.

Hong Kong Fintech Week, the annual flagship fintech event in Asia hosted by InvestHK, drew more than 12,000 attendees, 50 exhibitors, and 18 trade delegations in 2019.

Source: Fact Sheet- Hong Kong Fintech Landscape, InvestHK, Feb 2020

Admission Requirements
To be eligible for admission to our programme, you must:

1. Obtain a TOEFL/IELTS score if you are not from an English-medium university.
   - TOEFL: 80
   - IELTS: 6

2. Hold a recognised bachelor’s degree or equivalent.

3. Minimum score requirement: with no subtest below 5.5

4. Obtain statements from two referees, regarding suitability for the programme.

5. Apply Here
   - Graduate transcript / interim transcript if graduate transcript is not available yet
   - Graduate Certificate, if available
   - Latest CV
   - Award certificate/degree certificate, applicable to candidates from Mainland Institutions only
   - TOEFL or IELTS report that was taken within 2 years before your application submission. If you are not from an English-medium university
   - GMAT / GRE score report, if applicable
   - Certificates for professional qualifications (e.g. ACCA, CFA, CPA), if applicable
   - Proof of internship experience of all positions, or most recent full-time employment, whichever is applicable

Remarks:
- Application with missing supporting documentation will be considered incomplete and will not be further processed.
- In the application stage, the original copy of supporting documents is NOT required and candidates only need to upload the softcopy to the application website. If you receive an admission offer from our programme, we will ask you to submit the original/official true copy of the documents.
- Due to the large volume of applications received by HKU, your application account will only be valid for four weeks. You should submit your application within this period; otherwise, your application will be lost.
- Admission process normally takes 8 weeks after application deadline. For a more detailed steps, please refer back to the Master Programme website.
Living in Hong Kong
The HKU Business School has a dedicated team that prepares our masters students for success in the world of work.

Leveraging our networks and resources, we aim to provide top-notch career services that:

01 help students explore and understand the industry sectors they are most interested in, and evaluate options based on their profile and aspirations;

02 help students develop a realistic career plan by facilitating the planning and execution of their personal career exploration and strategies; and

03 help students enhance their skills, competencies and confidence necessary in the world of business.

We value partnerships, and work tirelessly in reaching out to the community and corporate, both local and in the region, for all forms of collaboration, particularly that in terms of knowledge sharing and talent acquisition. Many of the related events and job opportunities are exclusive to HKU Business School masters students.

Partial Employers List

Technology
- Alibaba
- DiDi
- Huawei
- IBM
- NetEase
- Tencent

Banking
- Bank of America
- Bank of China
- Bank of Communications
- BNP Paribas
- HSBC
- J.P. Morgan
- Ping An Bank
- Société Générale
- Standard Chartered

Financial Services (Auditing/Asset Management/Investment Banking/PE/VC)
- BlackRock
- Bloomberg
- China International Capital Corporation (CICC)
- China Merchants Finance
- CITIC Securities
- Goldman Sachs
- Guotai Junan International
- Moody’s Analytics

Professional Services and Consulting
- Accenture
- Deloitte
- Ernst & Young
- KPMG
- PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC)

Others
- DFS Group
- Hong Kong Monetary Authority
- Securities and Future Commission

90% secured employment within three months after course completion^
We support you along the journey.

Tools and resources
- Support your research and job market intelligence with professional tools.

01
Know Yourself and Your Strengths
- Can awareness of your relationship with personal strengths.
- One-on-One Career Consultation
- Personify and workplace communication
- Industry overview series
- CV Clinic
- Personal Branding on Social Media
- Small Group Mock Interviews
- Presentation and Pitching Skills

02
Plan Your Career
- Analyse your profile, research the options and build a realistic career plan.

03
Tell Your Story
- Present your experience effectively and promote your professional identity.
- CV Writing and Cover Letter
- Professional Body Language
- Presentation and Pitching Skills
- Alumni Sharing
- Professional Body Language
- Networking and Challenges
- Social Media Awareness

04
Discover the Open and Hidden Job Market
- Learn how to look for a job and source the clients they need.
- Job Fair
- Job Fairs
- Career Fairs
- Internship Opportunities
- Graduate Programs

05
Network, Network, Network
- Leverage the IAG Community to expand your network.
- Alumni Sharing
- Competitions and Challenges
- Professional Body Language
- Networking and Challenges
- Social Media Awareness
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Our HKU Alumni Network

230,000+ Alumni

> 150 Nationalities

133 Alumni Networks

23,000+ HKU Business School Graduates