



香港學術及職業資歷評審局
Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of
Academic & Vocational Qualifications

SUMMARY ACCREDITATION REPORT

UOW COLLEGE HONG KONG

LEARNING PROGRAMME ACCREDITATION

**HIGHER DIPLOMA
IN LEISURE AND RECREATION MANAGEMENT**

APRIL 2020

1. Terms of Reference

1.1 Based on the Service Agreement (No.: AA612), the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ), in the capacity of the Accreditation Authority as provided for under the Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Ordinance (AAVQO) (Cap. 592), was commissioned by UOW College Hong Kong to conduct a Learning Programme Accreditation with the following Terms of Reference:

- (a) To conduct an accreditation test as provided for in the AAVQO to determine whether the Higher Diploma in Leisure and Recreation Management programme of UOW College Hong Kong (the Operator) meets the stated objectives and QF standards and can be offered as an accredited programme; and
- (b) To issue to the Operator an accreditation report setting out the results of the determination in relation to (a) by HKCAAVQ.

2. HKCAAVQ'S Determination

Learning Programme Accreditation

2.1 HKCAAVQ has determined that, the Higher Diploma in Leisure and Recreation Management (HDLRM) programme meets the stated objectives and QF standard at Level 4, and can be offered as an accredited programme with a validity period of four years.

2.2 Validity Period

2.2.1 The validity period will commence on the date specified below. Operators may apply to HKCAAVQ to vary the commencement date of the validity period. Applications will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

2.3 The determinations on the HDLRM programme are specified as follows:

Name of Operator	UOW College Hong Kong 香港伍倫貢學院
Name of Award Granting Body	UOW College Hong Kong 香港伍倫貢學院
Title of Learning Programme	Higher Diploma in Leisure and Recreation Management 休閒及康樂管理高級文憑
Title of Qualification (Exit Award)	Higher Diploma in Leisure and Recreation Management 休閒及康樂管理高級文憑
Primary Area of Study and Training	Services
Sub-area (Primary Area of Study and Training)	Recreation, Leisure and Sports Management
Other Area of Study and Training	Not applicable
Sub-area (Other Area of Study and Training)	Not applicable
QF Level	Level 4
QF Credits	291
Mode of Delivery and Programme Length	Full-time, 2 years
Start Date of Validity Period	1 September 2020
End Date of Validity Period	31 August 2024
Number of Enrolment	One enrolment per year
Maximum Number of New Students	50 per year
Specification of Competency Standards-based Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No

Address of Teaching / Training Venue(s)	Li Dak Sum Yip Yio Chin Academic Building, Tat Chee Avenue, Kowloon Tong, Kowloon
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2.4 Recommendations

HKCAAVQ offers the following recommendations for continuous improvement of the HDLRM programme:

- 2.4.1 UOWCHK should establish more concrete pathway(s) for students to enhance their practical training experience in relevant courses such as “*Health and Fitness*” and “*Outdoor Adventure Recreation*”.
- 2.4.2 UOWCHK should review the use of the term “Skill Laboratory” in the course “*Leadership and Programming Skills*” to avoid possible misconception by students.
- 2.4.3 UOWCHK should make reference to feedback from teaching staff and students as well as the academic performance of students to continuously review and refine if appropriate the number of assessment tasks per course of the programme.
- 2.5 HKCAAVQ will subsequently satisfy itself whether the Operator remains competent to achieve the relevant objectives and the Programme continues to meet the standard to achieve the relevant objectives as claimed by the Operator by reference to, amongst other things, the Operator's fulfilment of any conditions and compliance with any restrictions stipulated in this Accreditation Report. For the avoidance of doubt, maintenance of accreditation status is subject to fulfilment of any condition and compliance with any restriction stipulated in this Accreditation Report.

3. Introduction

- 3.1 UOW College Hong Kong (UOWCHK) was formerly known as the Community College of City University (CCCU). UOWCHK is a company limited by guarantee registered under the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 622). Under a strategic alliance with the City University of Hong Kong (CityU), the University of Wollongong (UOW) assumes stewardship of CCCU over a five-year transitional period from June 2015 to June 2020. Following the end of the five-year

transition, CityU will resign as a Member of the company and UOWCHK will become wholly-owned by UOW.

- 3.2 UOWCHK underwent an Institutional Review (IR) in March 2018 for the purpose of seeking Cap. 320 registration and degree-awarding status.
- 3.3 UOWCHK is operating six accredited Bachelor's Degree programmes, 28 Associate Degree (AD) programmes (with 5 additional ADs to be offered as HKCAAVQ-accredited programmes starting from September 2020) and a Diploma in General Studies (DGS). In addition, UOWCHK and UOW are jointly offering four non-local, top-up Bachelor's degree programmes that lead to UOW awards.
- 3.4 The Learning Programme Accreditation exercise was conducted according to the relevant accreditation guidelines referred to in the Service Agreement and the Terms of Reference stated therein. In view of the outbreak of the Coronavirus Disease-2019 (COVID-19) still on-going at the time of the site visit (originally scheduled from 5 to 6 March 2020 at UOWCHK's campus), HKCAAVQ and UOWCHK agreed that for public health concerns, the site visit was to be conducted via video-conferencing. Therefore, a site visit via video-conferencing took place on 5 March 2020.

4. Programmes Details

The following programme information is provided by the operator.

4.1 Programme Objectives

- PO 1 To equip students with professional knowledge, skills and attitudes to plan, organise, implement, supervise and evaluate leisure and recreation programmes and activities in Hong Kong;
- PO 2 To equip students with a theoretical foundation for further education in related areas; and
- PO 3 To provide students with professional education for employment in pertinent industries.

4.2 Programme Intended Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the programme, students should be able to:

- PILO I Apply academic knowledge and professional skills in planning and implementing leisure and recreation programmes and activities in Hong Kong;
- PILO II Evaluate critically the appropriateness of different approaches to leisure and recreation management and propose appropriate solutions;
- PILO III Assume the role of a supervisor and employ creativity, discretion and judgement when performing skilled tasks in relation to leisure and recreation management;
- PILO IV Demonstrate competencies in the use of information technology, analytical and creative thinking, ethics, and interpersonal and cross-cultural communication in the management of leisure and recreation events; and
- PILO V Evaluate leisure and recreation management issues in the light of cultural, economic, environmental, social and sustainable dimensions.

4.3 Programme Structure

Component	No. of Course	Credit Unit	QF Credits	% of Curriculum
Programme Core				
Discipline-specific courses	14	42	190	76.2%
Placement	1	6	33	
General Education / Generic Skills				
English Language	2	6	68	23.8%
Chinese Language	1	3		
Other GE Domains	2	6		
Total	20	63	291	100%

4.4 Graduation Requirements

The graduation requirement for the HDLRM programme is to complete 63 college credit units, including 48 college credit units from the Programme Core courses, and fulfil the GE requirement.

4.5 Admission Requirements

- (a) Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)
 - (i) Level 2 or above in five HKDSE subjects including Chinese Language¹ and English Language²;
 - (ii) If a subject under “other languages” is used for meeting the requirement in (i), a minimum of Grade E is required;
 - (iii) A maximum of two Applied Learning subjects graded “Attained” or above can be included for meeting the requirement in (i).

- (b) Other equivalent qualifications
 - (i) Completion of the UOWCHK/CCCU Diploma in General Studies programme or a one-year full-time Pre-Associate Degree programme;
 - (ii) Grade E or above in one General Certificate of Education A-Level (or A2)/International A-Level subject. Two Advanced Subsidiary (AS) Level subjects will be considered equivalent to one GCE A-Level. The same subject may not be counted at both A-Level and AS-Level;
 - (iii) A National University Entrance Examination (普通高等學校招生全國統一考試) score above the cut-off lines set for entry into non-government universities (本科二批分數綫) AND a minimum English score of 100;
 - (iv) Other equivalent qualifications, including International Baccalaureate Diploma, are also accepted as satisfying the entrance requirements.

- (c) Mature Applicants
 - (i) Aged 23 or above by September 1 of the year of admission.

¹ For applicants who have either learned Chinese Language for less than 6 years while receiving primary and secondary education or learned Chinese Language for 6 years or more in schools, but have been taught an adapted and simpler Chinese Language curriculum not normally applicable to the majority of students in local schools, alternative Chinese Language qualifications (GCE AL/AS Chinese Grade E or GCSE/IGCSE Chinese Grade C/4) or Grade E in HKDSE “other languages” can replace Chinese Language Level 2.

² Candidates applying for entry based on their HKDSE results cannot replace HKDSE English Language Level 2 with GCE/GCSE/IGCSE subjects or TOEFL or IELTS.

4.6 Teaching and Learning Activities

The medium of instruction for the HDLRM programme is English, except for the course *Practical Chinese*. The HDLRM programme employs a range of teaching and learning activities, such as lectures, tutorials, presentations, case studies, in-class discussions, role-plays, and site visits.

The HDLRM programme also includes a compulsory placement course of 6 credit units. Students are required to complete 320 hours of internship placement.

5. Important Information Regarding this Accreditation Report

5.1 Variation and withdrawal of this Accreditation Report

5.1.1 This Accreditation Report is issued pursuant to section 5 of the AAVQO, and contains HKCAAVQ's substantive determination regarding the accreditation, including the validity period as well as any conditions and restrictions subject to which the determination is to have effect.

5.1.2 HKCAAVQ may subsequently decide to vary or withdraw this Accreditation Report if it is satisfied that any of the grounds set out in section 5(2) of the AAVQO apply. This includes where HKCAAVQ is satisfied that the Operator is no longer competent to achieve the relevant objectives and/or the Programme no longer meets the standard to achieve the relevant objectives as claimed by the Operator (whether by reference to the Operator's failure to fulfil any conditions and/or comply with any restrictions stipulated in this Accreditation Report or otherwise) or where at any time during the validity period there has/have been substantial change(s) introduced by the Operator after HKCAAVQ has issued the accreditation report(s) to the Operator and which has/have not been approved by HKCAAVQ. Please refer to the '*Guidance Notes on Substantial Change to Accreditation Status*' in seeking approval for proposed changes. These Guidance Notes can be downloaded from the HKCAAVQ website.

5.1.3 If HKCAAVQ decides to vary or withdraw this Accreditation Report, it will give the Operator notice of such variation or withdrawal pursuant to section 5(4) of the AAVQO.

5.1.4 The accreditation status of Operator and/or Programme will lapse immediately upon the expiry of the validity period or upon the issuance of a notice of withdrawal of this Accreditation Report.

5.2 Appeals

5.2.1 If the Operator is aggrieved by the determination made in this Accreditation Report, then pursuant to Part 3 of the AAVQO the Operator has a right of appeal to the Appeal Board. Any appeal must be lodged within 30 days of the receipt of this Accreditation Report.

5.2.2 If the Operator is aggrieved by a decision to vary or withdraw this Accreditation Report, then pursuant to Part 3 of the AAVQO the Operator has a right of appeal to the Appeal Board. Any appeal must be lodged within 30 days of the receipt of the Notice of Withdrawal.

5.2.3 The Operator should be aware that a notice of variation or withdrawal of this Accreditation Report is not itself an accreditation report and the right to appeal against HKCAAVQ's substantive determination regarding accreditation arises only from this Accreditation Report.

5.2.4 Please refer to Cap. 592A (<http://www.legislation.gov.hk>) for the appeal rules. Details of the appeal procedure are contained in section 13 of the AAVQO and can be accessed from the QF website at <http://www.hkqf.gov.hk>.

5.3 Qualifications Register

5.3.1 Qualifications accredited by HKCAAVQ are eligible for entry into the Qualifications Register ("QR") at <http://www.hkqr.gov.hk> for recognition under the QF. The Operator should apply separately to have their quality-assured qualifications entered into the QR.

5.3.2 Only learners who commence the study of the named accredited learning programme during the validity period and who have graduated with the named qualification listed in the QR will be considered to have acquired a qualification recognised under the QF.

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