



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

SUMMARY ACCREDITATION REPORT

**HKU SCHOOL OF PROFESSIONAL AND CONTINUING
EDUCATION AND
UNIVERSITY OF LONDON INTERNATIONAL
PROGRAMMES**

**LEARNING PROGRAMME RE-ACCREDITATION
BSC BUSINESS AND MANAGEMENT**

DECEMBER 2017

This accreditation report is issued by the Hong Kong Council for Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications (HKCAAVQ) in its capacity as the Accreditation Authority as provided for under the Accreditation of Academic and Vocational Qualifications Ordinance (Cap. 592) (AAVQO). This report outlines the HKCAAVQ's determination, the validity period of the determination as well as any conditions or restrictions on the determination.

1. Introduction

- 1.1 HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education (HKU SPACE) was established by The University of Hong Kong (HKU) as the Department of Extra Mural Studies in 1956. It was incorporated as a non-profit-making company limited by guarantee in 1999. HKU SPACE offers full-time non-local degree programmes through the College of Business and Finance, the College of Humanities and Law, and the College of Life Sciences and Technology.
- 1.2 The University of London International Programmes (UoLIP) is the name given to the collaboration between the Central University and its Member Institutions to deliver awards to students of the University of London (UoL) not registered with the Member Institutions. The London School of Economics and Political Science takes the academic lead for the Economics, Management, Finance and Social Sciences (EMFSS) programmes.
- 1.3 A suite of four EMFSS programmes, including the BSc Business and Management programme (the Programme), were accredited by HKCAAVQ in 2012 and 2013, and three of them have already been re-accredited in 2016. These four programmes share most of the modules, and the delivery of the Programme is interwoven with the other three EMFSS programmes. This re-accreditation exercise is conducted in this context.
- 1.4 HKCAAVQ was commissioned by HKU SPACE and UoLIP, jointly as the Operator, to conduct a learning programme re-accreditation exercise with the following Terms of Reference:
 - (a) To conduct an accreditation test as provided for in the AAVQO to determine whether the following programme of the Operator meets the stated objectives and Hong Kong Qualifications Framework (HKQF) standard and can continue to be offered as an accredited programme from the date as specified in the accreditation report, where appropriate:

- (b) To issue to the Operator an accreditation report setting out the results of the determination in relation to (a) above.

1.5 The accreditation exercise was conducted according to the relevant accreditation guidelines referred to in the Service Agreement and the Terms of Reference stated therein. A site visit took place on 11 October 2017.

2. HKCAAVQ's Accreditation Determination

Having due consideration of the accreditation panel's observations and comments as presented in this Report, HKCAAVQ makes the following accreditation determination:

2.1 Learning Programme Re-accreditation

- Approval

Name of Local Operator	HKU School of Professional and Continuing Education 香港大學專業進修學院
Name of Non-local Operator	University of London International Programmes
Name of Award Granting Body	University of London
Title of Learning Programme	BSc Business and Management
Title of Qualification (Exit Award)	Bachelor of Science in Business and Management
Primary Area of Study and Training	Business and Management
Sub-area (Primary Area of Study and Training)	General Business Management
Other Area of Study and Training	Not applicable

Sub-area (Other Area of Study and Training)	Not applicable
Industry	Not applicable
Branch	Not applicable
HKQF Level	Level 5
HKQF Credit	360
Modes of Delivery and Programme Length	Full-time, 3 to 8 years Part-time, 3 to 8 years
Intermediate Exit Award(s)	Not applicable
Start Date of Validity Period	1 September 2018
End Date of Validity Period	31 August 2022
Number of Enrolments	One enrolment per year
Maximum Number of New Students	Full-time – 80 per year Part-time – 80 per year
Specification of Competency Standards-based Programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No
Address of Teaching Venue	(1) HKU SPACE Headquarters, T.T. Tsui Building, The University of Hong Kong, Pokfulam Road, Hong Kong (2) Graduate House Learning Centre, Level P6, Graduate House, No. 3 University Drive, The University of Hong Kong, Hong Kong (3) Admiralty Learning Centre, 2/F & 3/F, Admiralty Centre, 18 Harcourt Road, Hong Kong (4) United Learning Centre, 6/F & 34/F, United Centre, 95 Queensway, Hong Kong (5) HKU SPACE Po Leung Kuk Stanley Ho Community College Campus, 66 Leighton Road, Causeway Bay, Hong Kong

	<p>(6) Fortress Tower Learning Centre, 1/F, 4/F, 10/F, 14/F, 19/F & 22/F, Fortress Tower, 250 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong</p> <p>(7) Island East Campus, 494 King's Road, North Point, Hong Kong</p> <p>(8) Kowloon East Campus, 28 Wang Hoi Road, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon</p> <p>(9) Kowloon West Campus, G/F-3/F, 38-46 Nassau Street, Mei Foo Sun Chuen, Kowloon</p> <p>(10) Clothing Industry Training Authority, 63 Tai Yip Street, Kowloon Bay, Kowloon</p>
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2.1.1 Recommendation

The Operator should include competency in spoken English as one of the programme intended learning outcomes, and devise ways to assess students' attainment of this competency.

3. Programme Details

The following programme information is provided by the Operator.

3.1 Programme Objectives

- Provide students with a range of subjects which look at business and management issues analytically and critically;
- Offer an intellectually demanding programme in business and management;
- Provide a strong basis in social science;
- Provide an opportunity for critical and theoretical study;
- Give students a knowledge and understanding of a range of issues in international management, whilst allowing students to learn from issues and experiences relevant to their local environment; and
- Provide students with a degree which will be valid by employers looking for people who can demonstrate logical and quantitative reasoning.

3.2 Programme Intended Learning Outcomes

Knowledge and understanding

- Analyse business and management issues from the perspective of a number of social science disciplines;
- Formulate and develop arguments on management issues in a logical manner;
- Critically evaluate claims made on a range of management issues;
- Display skills relevant to managing organisations effectively;
- Address both foundational and contemporary management issues, either public or private according to the courses chosen by the student;
- Understand aspects of business and sociology management relevant to managing organisations effectively;

Intellectual and cognitive skills

- Locate, extract, analyse and draw reasoned conclusions from multiple sources (including electronic sources) of appropriate literature and relevant data and acknowledge and reference sources appropriately;
- Critically analyse arguments;
- Effective problem solving and decision making skills by applying theory and theoretical models in practical situations;
- Assimilate and lucidly evaluate alternative views;

Transferable skills

- Communicate effectively in a written context;
- Use information technology (spreadsheets, word-processing and online databases) appropriately;
- Numeracy and quantitative skills including data analysis and interpretation;
- Organise information, and assimilate and evaluate competing arguments;
- Manage their own learning, including working effectively to deadlines; and
- Have the capacity for self-reflection and criticality including self-awareness, openness and sensitivity to diversity in terms of people, cultures, business and management issues. Have the capacity to handle ideas and scrutinise information in critical, evaluative and analytical ways.

3.3 Programme Structure

Standard Route

Module	HKQF Level	No. of Full Modules	HKQF Credits
Core	4	4*	120
	5	5	150
Elective	5	3	90
Total:		12	360

* Students are required to complete three full modules and two half modules. Each full module carries 30 HKQF credits and half module carries 15 HKQF credits.

Graduate Entry Route

Module	HKQF Level	No. of Full Modules	HKQF Credits
Core	4	4*	120
	5	5	150
Total:		9	270

* Students are required to complete three full modules and two half modules. Each full module carries 30 HKQF credits and half module carries 15 HKQF credits.

3.4 Graduation Requirements

- Students admitted via the Standard Route and registered in a degree for the first time from 2016/17 onwards must have attempted every element of the assessment for all 12 full modules and have passed at least 11 of them or the equivalent. Students registered in 2015/16 or earlier are required to pass at least 10 full modules or the equivalent.
- Students of the Graduate Entry Route have to attempt and pass all nine full modules or the equivalent.

3.5 Admission Requirements

Standard Route

- Two HKDSE Category A subjects at Level 3 (including English Language) and three HKDSE Category A subjects at Level 2 (including Mathematics); or
- (i) Two GCE "A" Level Grade E plus three GCE "O" Level Grade C (including English Language & Mathematics); or

- (ii) Two HKAL Grade E plus HKCEE English Language at Grade C and two subjects at Grade E in HKCEE (including Mathematics); or
- IB Diploma including Mathematics / Mathematical Studies at Grade 3 (Higher Level / Standard Level); or
- An Associate Degree / a Higher Diploma from HKU SPACE or other recognised awarding institutions; or

Graduate Entry Route

- Applicants who hold a full first degree completed in a minimum of three years of duration on a full-time basis (or equivalent) from a university or other institution acceptable to UoL will be considered.

Applicants completing the Certificate of Higher Education in Social Sciences, Diploma in Economics and International Foundation Programme offered by UoLIP and having met the specific requirements can apply for transfer to the Programme. The UoL also accepts applicants holding other qualifications from Hong Kong and overseas as satisfying the admission requirements as appropriate.

4. Substantial Change

- 4.1 HKCAAVQ may vary or withdraw the 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. The accreditation status of the Operator and/or Programme will lapse immediately upon the expiry of the validity period or upon the issuance of a notice of withdrawal of the Accreditation Report.

5. Qualifications Register

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

- 5.2 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 HKQF.

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