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Senior Year Admission (for AD/HD holders): 02402-SYF

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School of Accounting and Finance

*A Leading Provider of Accounting and Finance
Education in China and the Asia-Pacific Region*

The School of Accounting and Finance has long been established as a leading provider of tertiary education in accounting. The incorporation of the economics, finance and law disciplines into the School in 2003 made it truly an interdisciplinary family. Carrying the Faculty's motto of "IDEAS" and embracing the University's promise of "Opening Minds • Shaping the Future", the School offers undergraduate and postgraduate study programmes that incorporate recent frontier research findings and professional competency. In addition to the traditional Bachelor of Business Administration in Accountancy, we have expanded our undergraduate curricula with Bachelor of Business Administration in Accounting and Finance and Bachelor of Business Administration in Financial Services. These programmes continuously attract the most intelligent and diligent students locally, from the Mainland and overseas.

Not only is our School the first of its kind in Hong Kong, but also perhaps the largest in the world in terms of the number of faculty members and student population. Among our full-time teaching staff of around 100, we have built up a critical mass of specialists in key disciplines such as financial accounting, management accounting, finance, auditing, taxation, business law, economics, corporate governance, and accounting information systems. The qualifications and diverse backgrounds of our faculty members also help advance our interdisciplinary approach to teaching, research, and consultancy within the School.

Our staff fully embrace changes and adapt to the ever-developing macro and micro economic environment with a positive frame of mind. With solidarity and teamwork, the School is committed to enhancing research innovations and bringing excellent teaching into the classroom.

A handwritten signature in white ink on a dark blue background, reading "Agnes Cheng".

Professor C.S. Agnes Cheng
Head and Chair Professor of Accounting
School of Accounting and Finance

Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) in **ACCOUNTANCY**

會計學（榮譽）工商管理學士學位

JUPAS Code: JS3911 /

Senior Year admission (for Associate Degree and Higher Diploma holders): 02402-SYA

Aims

This programme provides you with

- A strong basis in business education and specialization in accounting; and
- An integrated academic foundation for a career as a professional accountant with the required competencies, independence of mind, objectivity and ethical awareness.

Characteristics

- Our highly qualified academic staff will share their real-world business experience with you. We place strong emphasis on mentorship, career development and placement. Before graduating, you will gain practical experience during internships and placements with at least 100 hours of Work-Integrated Education (WIE) to enhance your learning through application.
- Our programme has integrated the latest technological knowledge related to accounting into the curriculum. New concepts such as Fintech and Big Data will be included in specific accounting topics in selected subjects.
- The programme has been accredited by international professional bodies such as the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA), the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) and CPA Australia.
- Our graduates are highly preferred and mostly recruited by the Big-4 CPA firms.
- Our School is the first in offering professional accounting programmes in Hong Kong with a history dating back to 1972.
- The PolyU credit-based system allows you the flexibility of choosing from a wide range of subjects in business including Finance, Logistics, Financial Services, and foreign languages such as Japanese or Korean. This will extend your career choices upon graduation.

- You are encouraged to participate in a range of extra-curricular activities such as global leadership training, business competition, professional mentoring, as well as overseas and mainland China student exchanges.

Career Prospects

With broad knowledge of accountancy and related subjects, you can start out on a career in any business sector, be it commerce or industry, or in public or private enterprises. The qualification will enable you to choose from a wide range of career opportunities in the areas of accountancy, auditing, taxation, finance, management consultancy and management.

Professional Recognition*

Graduates are eligible to enter the Qualification Programme of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) and the CPA Program of CPA Australia. They are also eligible for maximum exemption of 9 Papers from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) examination and exemptions of Paper 1 & Paper 2 from the Certified Tax Adviser (CTA) Qualifying Examination.

** Subject to accreditation assessment*

Programme Leader:

Mr Philip W. K. Chan

Assistant Programme Leader:

Mr Raymond Chan



Curriculum Structure

To qualify for graduation, a student must complete at least 120 academic credits, including the following:

University Core Curriculum

- Cluster Area Requirements: History, Culture and World Views [CAR (C)] subjects
- Cluster Area Requirements: Science, Technology and Environment [CAR (D)] subjects
- Freshman Seminar
- Language and Communication
- Leadership and Intra-Personal Development
- Service-Learning
- Healthy Lifestyle (non-credit bearing)

For details, please refer to the PolyU 4-year Undergraduate Degree Curriculum www.polyu.edu.hk/ous/4-year-undergraduate-degree-curriculum/curriculum-framework.

Discipline-Specific Subjects (subject to review)

COMMON SUBJECTS for all BBA students

- Business Finance
- Chinese Language Communication for Business
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Financial Accounting
- Global Economic Environment
- Introduction to Business Analytics
- Introduction to Business Law
- Introduction to Economics
- Introduction to Marketing
- Introduction to Psychology
- Introduction to Statistics for Business
- Management Accounting 1
- Management & Organisation
- Managing Business Information Systems and Applications
- Principles of Operations Management
- Strategic Management
- Tango! Managing Self & Leading Others
- Workplace English for Business Students I
- Workplace English for Business Students II

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Compulsory subjects:

- Accounting Information Systems
- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Auditing and Assurance
- Capstone Project
- Company Law
- Corporate Finance
- Hong Kong Tax Framework
- Intermediate Accounting 1
- Intermediate Accounting 2
- Management Accounting 2

In addition to the Major and University Core Curriculum, the student is required to take 9 more credits of elective subjects, which can be used for broadening purposes, or for fulfilling part of the requirements of a Minor, or for taking additional specialist electives, such as *Fintech Applications for Accounting and Finance Professionals*, and *Tax Planning and China Tax*.

Other Information

Mode of Study:	Full-time
Programme Duration:	4 years
Credits Required:	120 academic credits plus 3 training credits from WIE
Fund Type:	Government-funded
Intake Number:	108

Curriculum Structure

Students admitted to senior year places have to complete a maximum of 69 academic credits comprising

- 42 credits of General University Requirements (GUR) and BBA Discipline-Specific Requirement (DSR) core subjects
- 27 credits of DSR compulsory subjects

Plus 3 training credits in Work-integrated Education.

University Core (GUR) Curriculum

- Cluster Area Requirements: History, Culture and World Views [CAR (C)] subjects
- Cluster Area Requirements: Science, Technology and Environment [CAR (D)] subjects
- Service-Learning

Discipline-Specific Subjects

COMMON SUBJECTS for all BBA students

- Business Finance
- Chinese Language Communication for Business
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Financial Accounting
- Introduction to Business Law
- Management Accounting 1
- Strategic Management
- Workplace English for Business Students I
- Workplace English for Business Students II

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Compulsory subjects:

- Accounting Information Systems
- Advanced Financial Accounting
- Auditing and Assurance
- Capstone Project
- Company Law
- Corporate Finance
- Hong Kong Tax Framework
- Intermediate Accounting 1
- Intermediate Accounting 2
- Management Accounting 2

Other Information

Mode of Study:	Full-time
Programme Duration:	2 years
Credits Required:	63-69 academic credits plus 3 training credits from WIE
Fund Type:	Government-funded
Intake Number:	61

Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) in **ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE**

會計及金融（榮譽）工商管理學士學位

JUPAS Code: JS3466 /

Senior Year admission (for Associate Degree and Higher Diploma holders): 02402-SYB

Aims

This programme

- Prepares you for a career in accounting and finance with the necessary competence, knowledge and skills; and
- Provides you with a rounded business education in addition to expertise in accounting and finance, particularly in the areas of accounting and financial analysis, control and risk management, business analytics and business valuation.

Characteristics

- The programme integrates theory with practice and emphasizes specialist skills and up-to-date knowledge. Moreover, this programme prepares you to sit for professional examinations such as the Qualification Programme of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) and Level 1 of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA[®]) Program.
- Our highly qualified academic staff will share their real-world business experience with you. We place strong emphasis on mentorship, career development and placement. Before graduating, you will gain practical experience during internships and placements with at least 100 hours of Work-Integrated Education (WIE) to enhance your learning through application.
- Our programme has integrated the latest technological knowledge related to accounting into the curriculum. New concepts such as Fintech and Big Data will be included in specific accounting topics in selected subjects.
- The PolyU credit-based system allows you the flexibility of choosing from a wide range of subjects in business including Finance, Logistics, Financial Services, and foreign languages such as Japanese or Korean. This will extend your career choices upon graduation.
- You are encouraged to participate in a range of extra-curricular activities such as global leadership training, business competition, professional mentoring, as well as overseas and mainland China student exchanges.

Career Prospects

The BBA (Hons) in Accounting and Finance will open a great variety of job opportunities for you in accounting and finance, such as working in accounting firms, in commercial enterprises, and in the banking and securities industries. Given Hong Kong's position as an international financial centre and in view of China's huge demand for accounting and finance professionals, the opportunities both in Hong Kong SAR and mainland China for you as a graduate from the programme are expected to be great.

Professional Recognition*

Graduates are eligible to enter the Qualification Programme (QP) of the Hong Kong Institute of Certified Public Accountants (HKICPA) and the CPA Program of CPA Australia, and receive partial exemption from the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA) examination. They are equipped with the knowledge to sit for the Level 1 of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA[®]) examination.

** Subject to accreditation assessment*

Programme Leader:

Dr KP Yuen

Assistant Programme Leader:

Dr Francis Lam



Curriculum Structure

To qualify for graduation, a student must complete at least 120 academic credits, including the following:

University Core Curriculum

- Cluster Area Requirements: History, Culture and World Views [CAR (C)] subjects
- Cluster Area Requirements: Science, Technology and Environment [CAR (D)] subjects
- Freshman Seminar
- Language and Communication
- Leadership and Intra-Personal Development
- Service-Learning
- Healthy Lifestyle (non-credit bearing)

For details, please refer to the PolyU 4-year Undergraduate Degree Curriculum www.polyu.edu.hk/ous/4-year-undergraduate-degree-curriculum/curriculum-framework.

Discipline-Specific Subjects (subject to review)

COMMON SUBJECTS for all BBA students

- Business Finance
- Chinese Language Communication for Business
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Financial Accounting
- Global Economic Environment
- Introduction to Business Analytics
- Introduction to Business Law
- Introduction to Economics
- Introduction to Marketing
- Introduction to Psychology
- Introduction to Statistics for Business
- Management Accounting 1
- Management & Organisation
- Managing Business Information Systems and Applications
- Principles of Operations Management
- Strategic Management
- Tango! Managing Self & Leading Others
- Workplace English for Business Students I
- Workplace English for Business Students II

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Compulsory subjects:

- Business Valuation
- Capstone Project
- Company Law
- Corporate Finance
- Derivative Securities
- Intermediate Accounting 1
- Intermediate Accounting 2
- Investments
- Management Accounting 2

Elective subjects:

- Accounting Information Systems ⁽¹⁾
- Advanced Financial Accounting ⁽¹⁾
- Auditing and Assurance ⁽¹⁾
- Fintech Applications for Accounting and Finance Professionals
- Fixed Income Securities
- Foundation Mathematics for Accounting and Finance
- Hong Kong Tax Framework ⁽¹⁾
- International Finance
- Management of Financial Institutions
- Mergers and Acquisitions
- Risk Management

⁽¹⁾ These are required subjects for HKICPA QP programme. Students are recommended to take these 4 elective subjects in order to fulfil the entrance requirement for the QP programme.

In addition to the Major and University Core Curriculum, the student is required to take 9 more credits of elective subjects, which can be used for broadening purposes, or for fulfilling part of the requirements of a Minor, or for taking additional specialist electives.

Other Information

Mode of Study:	Full-time
Programme Duration:	4 years
Credits Required:	120 academic credits plus 3 training credits from WIE
Fund Type:	Government-funded
Intake Number:	38

Curriculum Structure

Students admitted to senior year places have to complete a maximum of 69 academic credits comprising

- 42 credits of General University Requirements (GUR) and BBA Discipline-Specific Requirement (DSR) core subjects
- 27 credits of DSR compulsory subjects

Plus 3 training credits in Work-Integrated Education.

University Core (GUR) Curriculum

- Cluster Area Requirements: History, Culture and World Views [CAR (C)] subjects
- Cluster Area Requirements: Science, Technology and Environment [CAR (D)] subjects
- Service-Learning

Discipline-Specific Subjects

COMMON SUBJECTS for all BBA students

- Business Finance
- Chinese Language Communication for Business
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Financial Accounting
- Introduction to Business Law
- Management Accounting 1
- Strategic Management
- Workplace English for Business Students I
- Workplace English for Business Students II

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Compulsory subjects:

- Business Valuation
- Capstone Project
- Company Law
- Corporate Finance
- Derivative Securities
- Intermediate Accounting 1
- Intermediate Accounting 2
- Investments
- Management Accounting 2

Elective subjects:

- Accounting Information Systems ⁽¹⁾
- Advanced Financial Accounting ⁽¹⁾
- Auditing and Assurance ⁽¹⁾
- Fintech Applications for Accounting and Finance Professionals
- Fixed Income Securities
- Foundation Mathematics for Accounting and Finance
- Hong Kong Tax Framework ⁽¹⁾
- International Finance
- Management of Financial Institutions
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Other Information

Mode of Study:	Full-time
Programme Duration:	2 years
Credits Required:	63-69 academic credits plus 3 training credits from WIE
Fund Type:	Government-funded
Intake Number:	12

Bachelor of Business Administration (Honours) in FINANCIAL SERVICES

金融服務（榮譽）工商管理學士學位

JUPAS Code: JS3595 /

Senior Year admission (for Associate Degree and Higher Diploma holders): 02402-SYF

Aims

This programme

- Prepares you for responsible positions in the finance area of industrial, commercial, financial and government sectors in the Asia-Pacific Rim;
- Helps you develop critical thinking and analytical skills especially in relation to finance and associated disciplines;
- Develops your ability to handle financial problems facing non-financial corporations and financial institutions;
- Develops your skills in using derivative instruments for portfolio management, product design, and corporate hedging; and
- Enables you to make competent investment and financial decisions using innovative methods where applicable, so that the decisions are compatible with the underlying institutional frameworks.

Characteristics

- The programme integrates theory with practice and emphasizes specialist skills and up-to-date knowledge. Moreover, this programme prepares you to sit for professional examinations such as Level 1 of the Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA®) Program.
- Strong emphasis is placed on critical thinking and analytical skills for addressing today's complex business issues.
- There is a wide choice of subjects in finance and financial services focused on investment, banking, derivatives, insurance, corporate finance and financial planning.
- For hands-on experience before graduation, you are required to complete 100 hours (3 training credits) of Work-Integrated Education (WIE). You may take up summer placements in Hong Kong SAR, mainland China or overseas, or part-time employment during a semester. It affords you the opportunity to develop pragmatism, professionalism, and sensitivity and allows you to explore various career choices.

- The PolyU credit-based system allows you the flexibility of choosing from a wide range of subjects in business including Finance, Logistics, Financial Services, and foreign languages such as Japanese or Korean. This will extend your career choices upon graduation.
- You are encouraged to participate in the Whole Person Development Programme (WPDP) which includes a range of extra-curricular activities such as leadership training camps, peer tutoring, mentorship, and exchange study at an overseas university to cultivate cosmopolitanism, sensitivity, and ideally, creativity.

Career Prospects

This qualification enables you to build a professional career in banking, investment, insurance, stock-broking, treasury, finance, commerce or industry.

Professional Recognition*

Graduates who have passed certain subjects may gain partial exemption from the Certified Financial Planner (CFP^{CM}) Certification Examination Program of the Institute of Financial Planners of Hong Kong (IFPHK). They may also enjoy partial exemption from the professional examination of the Association of Chartered Certified Accountants (ACCA).

** Subject to accreditation assessment*

Programme Leader:

Dr Jacqueline Wang

Assistant Programme Leader:

Dr Derek Yim

Curriculum Structure

To qualify for graduation, a student must complete at least 120 academic credits, including the following:

University Core Curriculum

- Cluster Area Requirements: History, Culture and World Views [CAR (C)] subjects
- Cluster Area Requirements: Science, Technology and Environment [CAR (D)] subjects
- Freshman Seminar
- Language and Communication
- Leadership and Intra-Personal Development
- Service-Learning
- Healthy Lifestyle (non-credit bearing)

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Discipline-Specific Subjects (subject to review)

COMMON SUBJECTS for all BBA students

- Business Finance
- Chinese Language Communication for Business
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Financial Accounting
- Global Economic Environment
- Introduction to Business Analytics
- Introduction to Business Law
- Introduction to Economics
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- Workplace English for Business Students II

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Compulsory subjects:

- Capstone Project
- Derivative Securities
- Financial Planning
- Investments
- Management of Financial Institutions
- Principles of Insurance
- Risk Management

Elective subjects:

- Business Valuation
- Corporate Finance
- Credit Analysis & Management
- Fintech Applications for Accounting and Finance Professionals
- Foundation Mathematics for Accounting and Finance
- International Finance
- Wealth Management

In addition to the Major and University Core Curriculum, the student is required to take 9 more credits of elective subjects, which can be used for broadening purposes, or for fulfilling part of the requirements of a Minor, or for taking additional specialist electives.

Other Information

Mode of Study:	Full-time
Programme Duration:	4 years
Credits Required:	120 academic credits plus 3 training credits from WIE
Fund Type:	Government-funded
Intake Number:	30

Curriculum Structure

Students admitted to senior year places have to complete a maximum of 69 academic credits comprising

- 42 credits of General University Requirements (GUR) and BBA Discipline-Specific Requirement (DSR) core subjects
- 27 credits of DSR compulsory subjects

Plus 3 training credits in Work-integrated Education.

University Core (GUR) Curriculum

- Cluster Area Requirements: History, Culture and World Views [CAR (C)] subjects
- Cluster Area Requirements: Science, Technology and Environment [CAR (D)] subjects
- Service-Learning

Discipline-Specific Subjects

COMMON SUBJECTS for all BBA students

- Business Finance
- Chinese Language Communication for Business
- Corporate Social Responsibility
- Financial Accounting
- Introduction to Business Law
- Management Accounting 1
- Strategic Management
- Workplace English for Business Students I
- Workplace English for Business Students II

SPECIALIST SUBJECTS

Compulsory subjects:

- Capstone Project
- Derivative Securities
- Financial Planning
- Investments
- Management of Financial Institutions
- Principles of Insurance
- Risk Management

Elective subjects:

- Business Valuation
- Corporate Finance
- Credit Analysis & Management
- Fintech Applications for Accounting and Finance Professionals
- Foundation Mathematics for Accounting and Finance
- International Finance
- Wealth Management

Other Information

Mode of Study:	Full-time
Programme Duration:	2 years
Credits Required:	63-69 academic credits plus 3 training credits from WIE
Fund Type:	Government-funded
Intake Number:	6

Entrance Requirements for all three programmes

4-year curriculum based on HKDSE qualifications:

For entry with HKDSE (Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education) qualifications, local applicants must satisfy the General Entrance Requirements of the University:

HKDSE Subjects	Core Subjects				Elective Subjects	
	Chinese Language	English Language	Mathematics	Liberal Studies	1st Elective	2nd Elective or M1/M2
Level Requirement	3	3	2	2	3	3

English Language and Mathematics are given the highest weighting in the calculation of admission score.

For details of non-JUPAS and non-local applications, please refer to the Study@PolyU website www51.polyu.edu.hk/eprospectus/ug.

Senior Year admissions:

Higher Diploma / Associate Degree in Business, or other non-business disciplines deemed appropriate, from a recognized institution plus GPA at a satisfactory level and other specific requirements

Exchange Programme


Students admitted under the 4-year curriculum can apply to PolyU's Global Engagement Office (GEO) and the Faculty of Business (FB) for exchange studies and should submit their applications during their second year with FB. Students admitted on senior year basis should submit their applications during their first year with FB.

Scholarships for all three programmes

- **Academic Scholarships for Local Applicants**
These are available for local students with outstanding performance in HKDSE.
- **Academic Scholarships for Non-local Applicants**
Students with excellent academic and overall performance are eligible for these scholarships which cover a maximum of four-year tuition fees and living expenses.
- **Non-academic Scholarships**
These are available for local and non-local students with outstanding non-academic achievements in arts, leadership, music, sports, service, etc.

For further details, please refer to the Study@PolyU website www51.polyu.edu.hk/eprospectus/ug.

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