

# Student Handbook 2013-2014

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Bachelor of Business Administration (Honors) in Business Analysis

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### Welcome Message

As a student in our Department, you will benefit from a wide choice of courses, state-of-the-art curricula, and caring academic staff who create a supportive learning environment. Whatever your future career plan may be in the area of Business Analysis or other business disciplines, you will find our programme specially designed and tailored to suit your needs and interests.

Many of our graduates have already provided outstanding service as business analysts and managers specializing in Managerial Statistics, Management Science and Service Operations Management in Hong Kong and beyond. Working together, we will continue to give you the means to join them.

The purpose of this handbook is to provide you useful information that you will need for your study here. Please read the handbook carefully. Further useful information can also be found in our department's website (www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/ms/programmes/ug/bbaba) and facebook (http://www.facebook.com/pages/Business-Analysis/173554832817539).

Finally, I wish you the best in your studies and look forward to seeing you during the coming year.

Prof Frank Chen Acting Head Dept of Management Sciences

# About the Department of Management Sciences

The Department of Management Sciences at the City University of Hong Kong is noted for its strong academic programmes. Most of the staff obtained their doctoral degrees from prominent universities in USA, Canada, UK and Australia. Together, they have many years of local and overseas experience in teaching and consulting. The size and the activities of its staff have made the Department one of the largest departments of management sciences in the Asia-Pacific region. The Department has three main functions: teaching, research and professional services. In all three areas, the work carried out is business oriented, with an emphasis on practical application of quantitative skills.

The teaching and degree programmes offered by the Department are wide ranging, and emphasize the applications of quantitative techniques in a very broad sense. It produces graduates who are well received by local business organizations, testified by the positions held by past graduates. The staff's superior teaching skills are well recognized and the Department has won three Teaching Excellence Awards presented by the University.



### **Programme Aims**

Nowadays, managers need to possess both qualitative and quantitative abilities to solve business problems and make decisions. The BBA(Hons) Business Analysis programme aims to

- provide students with professional training in business analytics, statistics, business intelligence, business knowledge and communication skills;
- develop students' ability to manage and analyse huge volume of business data using computing software popularly used in the global business world;
- enable students to solve business problems by a judicious application of technical and practical skills;
- enable students to obtain internationally recognized professional qualifications including SAS Certification and Financial Risk Manager (FRM) Examinations;
- prepare students for a statistical, analytical and managerial position in the financial, commercial, and government sector.



本的練商法商並電去析數提策資課是學業,業配腦處大據供所訊程生分統智合軟理量,商需。的要運析計能先件及商以業要的調用方及,進、分業便決的目訓用方及,進、分業便決的

### **Programme Highlights**

The BBA Business Analysis programme is composed of

- 1. College core courses (training on business knowledge);
- 2. Major core courses (training on analytical and problem solving abilities and IT skills)
- 3. Major elective courses (group A: further training on business analysis; group B: courses from AC, EF, IS, MGT, MKT and MS departments and CB3800 Business Practice Internship)
- 4. Language and Communication and GE courses
- 5. Minor/elective courses

### 1. College Core: (27 credit units)

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
Normativ	ve 4-year Degree			
CB2100	Accounting I	B2	3	
CB2201	Quantitative Methods	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB2300	Management	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB2400	Economics I	B2	3	
CB2500	Information Management	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB2505	E-Business	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB2601	Marketing	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB3410	Financial Management	B3	3	
CB4303	Strategy and Policy	B4	3	
Advance	d Standing I			
CB2100	Accounting I	B2	3	
CB2201	Quantitative Methods	B2	3	
CB2300	Management	B2	3	
CB2400	Economics I	B2	3	
CB2500	Information Management	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB2505	E-Business	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB2601	Marketing	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB3410	Financial Management	B3	3	
CB4303	Strategy and Policy	B4	3	
Advance	d Standing II (Senior-year Entry)			
CB2505	E-Business	<b>B</b> 2	3	
CB4303	Strategy and Policy	B4	3	

### 2. Core Courses (27 credit units)

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
AC3202	Corporate Accounting I	B3	3	
MS2200	Business Statistics	B2	3	
MS3111	Quantitative Business Analysis with Visual Basic for Applications	В3	3	
MS3251	Analytics Using SAS**	B3	3	
MS3252	Regression Analysis**	B3	3	
MS3261	Business Modeling with Spreadsheets **	B3	3	
MS4212	Business Forecasting	B4	3	
MS4224	Enterprise Data Mining	B4	3	
MS4226	Risk Management Models	B4	3	

### 3. Electives (18) credit units:

Students are required to take SIX electives from Groups A and B and at least THREE must be from Group A.

Group A (Business Analysis electives)

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
MS3224	Business Survey Design	B3	3	
MS4251	Quantitative Analysis for Marketing**	B4	3	
MS4252	Big Data Analytics	B4	3	
MS4253	Business Analysis Project**	B4	3	
MS4254	Quantitative Analysis for Economics and Finance**	<b>B</b> 4	3	
MS4262	Advanced Analytics using SAS**	<b>B</b> 4	3	

Group B (Other electives)

Course Code	Course Title	Level	Credit Units	Remarks
AC2101	Accounting II	B2	3	
CB3800	Business Practice Intemship +	<b>B</b> 3	3	
EF3320	Security Analysis and Portfolio Management	B3	3	
EF3333	Financial Systems, Markets and Instruments	B3	3	
EF4313	Corporate Finance I	B4	3	
IS3331	Data Management	B3	3	
IS3237	Information Service for Business Organizations	B3	3	
MGT3206	Organizational Behavior	B3	3	
MKT3603	Consumer Behavior	B3	3	
MKT4628	e-Marketing	B4	3	
MS3106	Simulation	B3	3	
MS4109	Project Management	B4	3	
MS4232	Casualty Insurance	B4	3	
MS4241	Life Insurance	B4	3	

<sup>+</sup> Subject to Programme Leader's approval

### 4. Language and Communication and GE Courses

From 2012 cohort onwards, students are required to satisfy the Chinese Language Requirement as follows:

For students with an HKDSE score below 4 in Chinese, or an HKALE AS Chinese Language and Culture score below D, they will be required to complete a 3-credit Chinese course. The 3 credits will NOT be counted towards the minimum credit units required for graduation and will NOT be included in the calculation of CGPA

### 5. Minor/Elective Courses

Students may need to take 18 credits of minor/elective courses to fulfil the minimum credit requirement for graduation.

<sup>\*\*</sup> new course offered

# **BBA BA Programme Structure**

Yr/Sem							Offer Year
<b>41</b>	AC - CB2100 Accounting 1	MGT - CB2300 Management	IS - CB2500 Information Management	ENGL (1)	EF - CB2400 Economics I	Chinese (1)	2012 2013
<b>8</b>	MKT - CB2601 Marketing	MS - CB2201 Quantitative Methods	GE (1)	ENGL (2)	GE (2)		2014 2015
2A	EF - CB3410 Financial Management	CB2505 E-Business	GE (4)	GE (3)	Minor	,	2013 2014
2B	MS2200 Business Statistics	AC3202 Corporate Accounting I	Minor	GE (5)	GE (6)		2015 2016
3A	MS3252 Regression Analysis	MS3251 Analytics using SAS	Major Elective 1	Minor	GE (7)		2014
38	MS3261 Business Modeling with Spreadsheets	MS3111 Quantitative Business Analysis with VBA	MS4212 Business Forecasting	Minor	GE		2016 2017
44 4	Major Elective 2	Major Elective 3	Major Elective 4	Minor	Major Elective 5		2015
48	MGT - CB4303 Strategy and Policy	MS4226 Risk Management Models	MS4224 Enterprise Data Mining	Minor	Major Elective 6		2017 2017 2018

Minimum Credits Required

GE - 7 courses (21 CU)

ENGL + Chinese - 3 courses (9 CU)

College Core - 9 courses (27 CU)

Major - 15 courses (45 CU)

Minor/Electives - 6 courses (18 CU)

Total: 40 courses (120 CU)

# BBA BA Programme Structure for Advanced Standing | Students

		Management	
	2200	- 0.5	
MS3251 Analytics using SAS Major	ness Stati MS3252	Busii	Marketing Quantitative Methods Business  EF - CB3410 CB2505 NIS Financial Management E-Business Regression
	Quanti Analys VBA	ГД	MS3261 Business Modeling with Spreadsheets
ctive 4 Major Elective 5 (4)	ecti	3 Major Elective 4	Major Elective 3 Major El
rerprise Major Elective 6	inin	MIS4224 Enterprise  dels Data Mining	MS4226 Risk MS4224 Er Management Models Data M
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Minimum Credits Required:

GE - 4 courses (12 CU)

ENGL + Chinese - 3 courses (9 CU)

College Core - 9 courses (27 CU)

Major - 15 courses (45 CU)

Minor/Electives Optional - 1 course (3 CU)

GE - 3 courses (9 CU)

Credits Exempted:

Minor/Electives - 5 courses (15 CU)

### Note:

Students admitted with level 3 in English in HKDSE will be required to take remedial English on top
of the 6 credits of ENGL.

2. University Chinese requirement

Total: 31 courses (93 CU)

BBA BA Programme Structure for Senior Yr - Advanced Standing II Students

Yr/Sem							Offer Year
3A	CORE X (3)	CB2505 E-Business	MS3252 Regression Analysis	MS3251 Analytics using SAS	MS2200 Business Statistics	ENGL (1)	2014
38	AC3202 Corporate Accounting I	MS3261 Business Modeling with Spreadsheets	MS3111 Quantitative Business Analysis with VBA	MS4212 Business Forecasting	GE (1)	Chinese	2016 2017
44	Major Elective 1	Major Elective 2	Major Elective 3	Major Elective 4	GE (2)	( <del>四</del> )	2015
48	CB4303 Strategy and Policy	MS4226 Risk Management Models	MS4224 Enterprise Data Mining	Major Elective 5	Major Elective 6		2017

Minimum Credits RequiredCredits ExemptedENGL + GE - 4 courses (12 CU)GE - 3 courses (9 CU)College Core - 2 courses (6 CU)ENGL + Chinese - 3 courses (9 CU)Major - 15 courses (45 CU)College Core - 6 courses (18 CU)

Minor/Electives - 5 courses (15 CU)

Total: 22 courses (63 CU)

1. May be required to make up for the university Chinese requirement

Note:

### **Course Description**

Major	Description	Assessment	Pre-requisite	Precursor
Courses		Pattern		
MS2200	Introduce statistical concepts and	C 50%	Nil	Nil
Business	techniques, such as descriptive	E 50%		
Statistics	statistics, probability			
	distributions, inferential statistics			
	and simple linear regression, commonly used in business			
	management decision making.			
AC3202	develop students' conceptual skills	C 50%	FB2100	Nil
Corporate	and professional competence in	E 50%	Accounting I	
Accounting I	the preparation and reporting of		or CB2100	
	financial accounting information		Accounting I	
	under generally accepted			
	accounting principles (GAAP) in			
	Hong Kong.			
MS3252	Introduce multiple and logistic	C 50%	Nil	MS2200
Regression	regression and analysis of	E 50%		Business
Analysis	variance techniques and models			Statistics or
	commonly used in solving			equivalent
MS3261	business problems.  Develop students' ability to	C 60%	Nil	Nil
Business	formulate, analyse and solve	E 40%	1111	1111
Modeling	business problems using	2 1070		
with	spreadsheet modeling.			
Spreadsheets	spreadsneet modeling.			
MS3251	Develop students' analytics	C 50%	Nil	MS2200
Analytics	technique to access data,	E 50%		Business
using SAS	manipulate data and do statistical			Statistics or
	reporting using SAS.			equivalent
MS3111	Introduce how to create business	C 100%	Nil	Nil
Quantitative	decision support systems using			
Business	Excel VBA programming			
Analysis with	language. Students can also use			
VBA	the knowledge learned from this			
	course to develop applications in			
	other areas such as statistical			
	analysis, or financial modeling.			

MS4212	Introduce to the students the	C 30%	Nil	MS3252
Business	commonly used forecasting	E 70%		Regression
Forecasting	techniques and the use of			Analysis
	statistical packages for			
	implementing these techniques. It			
	includes areas such as smoothing			
	and decomposition methods,			
	regression and univariate time			
	series models.			
MS4224	Data mining plays a very	C 100%	Nil	MS2200
Enterprise	important role in business –			Business
Data Mining	sales, marketing, and customer			Statistics
	support. It is being used to			
	discover implicit and useful			MS3251
	knowledge from vast datasets.			Analytics
	The course covers concepts			using SAS
	fundamental to understanding			
	and applications of data mining			
	methods to business problems.			
MS4226 Risk	This course aims to provide	C 40%	Nil	Nil
Management	students with basic terminology of	E 60%		
Models	various risks in complex business			
	situations; discuss widely used techniques to measure and			
	manage risks in financial			
	industries and equip students			
	with modelling and computing			
	skills to solve business problems			
	in the area of risk management.			

Elective	Description	Assessment	Pre-requisite	Precursor
Courses		Pattern		
MS3224	Provide students with knowledge	C 50%	Nil	MS2200
Business	about the nature of survey	E 50%		Business
Survey Design	research and the fundamental			Statistics or
	methodology of conducting survey research in the business			equivalent
	field; provide students with			_
	statistical techniques to help with			
	research design, sample design,			
	questionnaire design, fieldwork			
	procedure, data analysis and the			
	presentation of result; develop			
	students' computing and analytical skills to solve real-			
	world problems.			
MS4251	Develop students' ability to	C 40%	Nil	MS2200
Quantitative	apply the statistical techniques	E 60%		Business
Analysis for	introduced in the course to			Statistics or
Marketing	solve real world marketing			equivalent
	problems. It includes areas			1
	such as logit models, principal			
	components analysis,			
	exploratory factor analysis,			
	cluster analysis and			
M64252 Bi-	multidimensional scaling.	C 100%	MC2251 Analysias	Nil
MS4252 Big	Develop students' hands-on	C 100%	MS3251 Analytics	MII
Data Analytics	experience of construction of		using SAS	
	data management systems and decision support systems			
	using professional software			
	packages.			
	packages.			

MS4253	Develop students' skills in	C 100%	One of the	Nil
Business	translating a real problem into		following courses:	
Analysis	a problem statement from			
Project	unstructured initial ideas,		MS3252	
	identifying the key issues,		Regression	
	defining the scope of the		Analysis MS3261 Business	
	problem and breaking down		Modeling with	
	the work into a set of tasks to		Spreadsheets	
	be accomplished		MS4212 Business	
	systematically; develop		Forecasting	
	students' problem-solving		MS4224 Enterprise Data Mining	
	skills in the business		MS4226 Risk	
	environment by providing		Management	
	them with techniques to break		Models	
	down the work into a set of			
	tasks to be accomplished			
	systematically; develop			
	students' analytic ability to			
	integrate and apply the			
	knowledge and quantitative			
	skills, in particular statistical			
	and business intelligence			
	techniques, gained in the			
	programme to solve project			
	problems; develop students'			
	ability in planning,			
	conducting, managing and			
	controlling their own projects;			
	provide students with the			
	opportunity to develop their			
	skills in presenting the			
	findings of their own project			
	and explaining the			
	implications of the results in a			
	verbal presentation and			
	written report.			

MC4054	Th:	C 200/	1400050	N'S
MS4254	This course aims to introduce	C 30%	MS3252	Nil
Quantitative	the statistical techniques	E 70%	Regression Analysis and	
Analysis for	needed for economic and		Allalysis allu	
Economics	financial analysis. Topics		MS4212 Business	
and Finance	covered include transfer		Forecasting	
	function models, intervention		1	
	analysis, spurious regression,			
	cointegration ARCH and			
	GARCH models, and option			
	pricing models			
MS4262	Provide students with SAS	C 50%	MS3251 Analytics	Nil
Advanced	programming techniques and	E 50%	using SAS	
Analytics	concepts for processing and			
using SAS	accessing data across multiple			
using SAS	sources so as to perform			
	sophisticated analyses and			
	deliver information across the			
	organization as and when			
	needed in complex business situations.			
	Enable students to apply			
	relevant SAS programming			
	techniques in order to			
	effectively and efficiently			
	process data in different			
	industries such as			
	communications, financial			
	services, the government,			
	insurance, hotels,			
	manufacturing, retail, and			
	banking for analytic purposes,			
	such as to achieve a greater			
	return on customer relations,			
	to measure and manage risk, and to optimize IT networks.			
	Develop students' skills in			
	improving SAS programming			
	productivity, automating and			
	customizing data processing			
	and reporting to different			
	business industries through			
	hands-on experience.			

MS3106	This course aims to enable	C 40%	MS2200 Business	Nil
Simulation	students to construct	E 60%	Statistics	1,11
Simulation		L 0070	Statistics	
	simulation experiments to		O.D.	
	analyze business problems. It		OR	
	covers topics such as			
	generating random variates,		MS3252	
	input data analysis, building		Regression	
	and validating simulation		Analysis	
	models, output data analysis,			
	and analysis for the simulation			
	experiment.			
MS4109	This course aims to introduce	C 40%	Nil	MS2200
Project	the students the basic concepts	E 60%		Business
Management	and systematic approaches for			Statistics
	effective project management.			
	It covers topics such as project			
	planning, scheduling, cost			
	control and estimation, trade-			
	off and risk analysis,			
	concurrent engineering and			
	total quality management techniques.			
MS4232	This course aims to introduce	C 50%	Nil	MS2200
Casualty	the nature, scope and	E 50%	1111	Business
_	terminology of casualty	E 3070		
Insurance	insurance. This course covers			Statistics
	casualty insurance			
	management, basic			
	ratemaking and loss reserving			
	techniques, statistical			
	techniques in insurance work,			
	risk premium and experience			
3.604041	rating.	C 500/	374	Megagg
MS4241	This course aims to introduce	C 50%	Nil	MS2200
Life	the nature, scope and	E 50%		Business
Insurance	terminology of life insurance. It covers life insurance			Statistics
	management, insurance			
	regulation, life insurance and			
	annuities, health insurance etc.			
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# What People Say About Business Analysis

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### 精於大數據分析 商界稱王

香港智能裝置滲透率高,所產生的數據愈來愈多。賽仕軟件研究所(SAS)香港董事總經理林俊雄指:「中小企不重視數據分析,企業實在不可以再「斷估」。」

數據增長驚人,IDC 最新發布的大數據研究報告顯示,亞太區大數據技術及服務市場 規模於 2017 年將達 23.8 億美元。林俊雄謂:「結構化數據、非結構化數據及社交媒體信息的分析同樣重要,可為企業減低營運成本,帶來無窮商機。」

SAS 北亞洲區技術總監 Deepak Ramanathan 表示:「企業要跑出,有 3 大秘訣:1.數據;2.分析;3.平台。」

無論金融、市場營銷、IT、製造業等,都不可再「靠估」,而是利用科技做準確的分析。如即時分析交易數據,企業即可知客戶的購物習慣、時間、最受歡迎的產品等,繼而制定相應的銷售及推廣策略。客戶細分不再是以群組為單位,應縮窄至1位客戶,為客戶制定獨家優惠,既減低營銷風險,亦增加商機。



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### 精析專才渴市轉工加薪3成

ConnectedGroup 的 Technology & Industrial Practice 招聘經理葉庭輝表示:「數據精析功能漸受企業重視,尤其在零售及金融行業,甚至成為日常運作中的重要功能。」他舉例,零售行業中,客戶資料是建立客戶關係管理(CRM)的重要資料,從而預測顧客的購買趨勢及模式,有助制定市務推廣及產品發展策略。

葉庭輝補充,僱主除了要求專才具一定的統計、IT 及市務知識外,更重視溝通及解決問題的能力,是否有創意、懂批判性思考以及具團體合作精神,也相當重要。由於要求高,時常「有市無人」,所以要說服人才轉工,一般要加薪 15%至 20%。身處利基市場(Niche Market)或本身商業模式較複雜的企業,為找到合適人才,不惜多付 30%工資。



# 精析專才渴市 轉工加薪3成



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\*\*\* 市区外人员受卖强销售等了,每条的收益资况用于此的格 先生、每基帐资银世项。即等现金运产的路销售,也加入 现代的推导应至项工作。在专业资源调目至每年的原制 排析了了新原源的成功。「例如A包括有信用未及提示卡」 各两份大使用等时间次不同从系统工额保证信息。从有限 提一。由的对数据情况更是。也和创业程序可则数据 1.5萬元

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# What People Say About Business Analysis

CNBC

5 June 2013

By Chris Morris (http://www.cnbc.com/id/100792215)

### The Sexiest Job of the 21st Century: Data Analyst

Looking for a career change or a college major that's all but guaranteed to result in a hefty salary with copious benefits? Big data may not seem the obvious choice, but it could be your best.

With more and more companies using big data, the demand for data analytic specialists,—
sometimes called data scientists, who know how to manage the tsunami of information, spot
patterns within it and draw conclusions and insights—is nearing a frenzy.

"It is one of the [most] sought-after positions," said Rob Bearden, CEO of Hortonworks. "The desire on the enterprise side to find truly qualified data scientists has resulted in almost open headcount. It's probably the biggest imbalance of supply and demand that I've ever seen in my career. ... The talent pool is, at best, probably 20 percent of the demand."

That imbalance is a boon for job seekers. Qualified big data analysts command impressive salaries. Bearden said someone right out of school can earn \$125,000, while someone with a year or two of experience and a demonstrated skill set can easily make double that.



# What Our Alumni Say About Our Programme

"MST program can enhance me on the identification, assessment, and prioritization of risks. Although risk can never truly be eliminated entirely, having an effective plan in place can help mitigate the risk and control costs"

Mr Chu Sen, Chris, Credit Risk Management Manager, SME Banking, Standard Chartered Bank, 2006 BBA MST Graduate

"The knowledge - "statistics, data mining theories and practical skills such as SAS programming and Excel" I got from MST program is the huge support on my career development in banking analytics field."

Mr Ma Chi Ki, Senior Analyst, Customer Analytics Department, Standard Chartered Bank, 2007 BBA MST Graduate

"This program has the right mix of theories and practical skills. The knowledge I gained from this program enables me to integrate into working quickly and assists my career development in the field of business analysis."

Mr Lam Shun Yau, Revenue Management & Analytics Department, Hong Kong Disneyland, 2008 BBA MST Graduate

"Knowledge of SOL and Excel VBA are significant skills in my job. And the assignments done in the university, such as MS4215 Enterprise Data Warehousing and MS4216 Applied Multivariate Statistics, really trained my analytical thinking. Recently, I am working on some creative projects which are valuable for my company."

Mr. Atrick Lam, Project Analysi, Analysis department, Many Wells Property Agent Ltd, 2013 BBA MST Graduate

"SAS program skill and SQL and analytical mindset learned in this program are essential to my job. Moreover, different types of regression techniques, clustering and standardize process, the process of preparing valid analysis and basic knowledge of data mining are needed."

Mr. Ling Ho Tak Tony, Junior statistician, Numsight marketing consultant company, 2013 BBA MST Graduate

"3 years MST program trained me up to become a qualified person to my career now. The program helped me to build up the fundamental knowledge of different business aspects and strengthen my analytical skill through quantitative and qualitative approaches, which are quite essential to my job now."

Mr Lok Wong, Specialist, The Nielsen Company Limited, 2013 BBA MST Graduate

"Multi-tasking, good time management and business analysis learned from the program are very important and useful to my job, as I need to prepare and deliver various types of agency related reports, analysis and dashboards. Besides, I am also responsible to perform business analysis and provide comments & recommendations and maintain accurate agency hierarchy among all systems." Emily Lo, Junior Business Analyst, AIA Administrative and Business Development Department, 2013 BBA MST graduate



### ne Night in DBS >>>



In this issue, 'Wisdom' (智) is our main theme. This time, we are happy to invite nine alumni graduated from MST course to share their wisdom. We would like to find out the reasons why they choose banking industry as their entry point.

The interviewees are Julian Lam, Esther Li, Sandy Si, Ryan Cheung, Yuko Wan, Vian Chow, JessicaMa, Fergus Lo and Ricky Lo.(Photo: from left to right)

Questions for them include:

What specific goals have you set for yourself in your life?

Why do you choose banking industry to kick start your career?

After the group interview, here are some interesting points that we came up with:

A. Some of them are referred to the banking industry by Professor Iris Yeung (Our professors are in general are not only concerned with our academic studies but also our career planning)

- B. Some of them are working in the bank as a summer intern referred to by the department it shows summer intern program can benefit Year 3 students and later they become the permanent staff
- C. All of them believe our modules SAS, Programming, Excel VBA has the competitive edge in terms of job hunting and it is a useful module for life
- D. They are used to working late till 8:00pm or more
- E. The MST graduates generally get good comments through word of mouth in the banking sector. Many banks are welcome our graduates due to the SAS programming training.
- F. They enjoy working in the bank because of its comprehensive fringe benefits

Julian Lam, Yuko Wan, Sandy Si, Ryan Chang, Esther Li, Vian, Jessica Ma, Fergus Lo, Ricky Lo

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We have also asked them if they haven't studied our course, which type of work they would be looking for?

- E: Marketing research
- S Customer services
- Y: Administrative
- R: English teaching
- V: Supply chain or logistic field
- J: Programmer

Generally speaking, make full use of data analytical skill to apply a job is the way to success. Their ideal job is the one that incorporates both their academic and practical skills, i.e. by combining their understanding in management sciences with their data-mining skills, and problem solving skills. They all utilize their analytical expertise to help them meet their career goals. This is exactly why they are convinced that they would be a very valuable member of the DBS team. Hence, if you want to get a data analyst job for a start, our course is a definite choice for you.

Owing to the long working hour, we recommend them to have a balance of life such as doing more exercise, joining our MSAA event for relaxing.

Written by: Sam Kung



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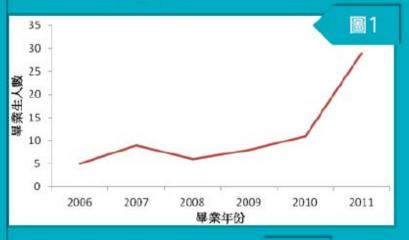


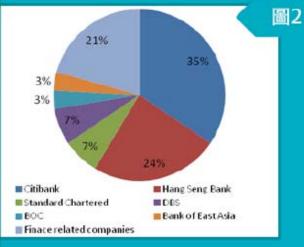


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## 畢業生出路摘要







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從事金融業畢業生的工作性質包括風險管理和客戶及市場分析,兩者的需求都有上升的趨勢(圖三)。由此可見,市場對於「統計和數據」分析的人才需求有增無減。



撰寫:Jessica, Fergus, Michael & Ricky

# What Our Students Say About Internship

Kwok Tsz Kin

Summer Internship: Business Analyst, Standard Chartered Bank

- "My department is about personal loan. My main duty is to find the valuable and possible clilents for the loan business. Also I have done the analysis to seek ways in improving the company's strategies."
- "I have learnt much in this internship. I was taught to do analysis and learnt in-depth knowledge of SAS programming code. Also I have accumulated the experience in screening the data from mass of them. They are all useful in my future career. It was also exciting to start the analysis from zero."
- "The knowledge I have gained in studies is highly related with my job. In the daily execution and analysis work, we mainly rely on SAS programming. It would be difficult and time-consuming to learn in such a short employment. So I think it is a competitive advantage for us to learn SAS in Year 2. Analysis is one of the major areas for MST students. I have made use of the testing and data mining tools in graphical analysis."

### Chris Chu

Summer Internship: AC Nielsen (China) Ltd

- "AC Nielsen is a well-known marketing research company which is ranked No. 1 in Hong Kong. During my internship in AC Nielsen I focused on data coding and checking, household checking and simple data analysis. AC Nielsen also provided me training on career development and business moral concepts too."
- "The working environment was enjoyable. My colleagues are quite young and I could get well along with them easily. There is working stress but it is far little from my expectations. From my observation, although my colleagues always work overtime, they still enjoy their work very much. I could not see any frustrations of working overtime and this would have been the plus in this company."
- "My Management Sciences knowledge helped my logical thinking when performing my duties. It also trained me to be number sensitive, which is essential in the marketing research field. Other MS knowledge like survey design and data analysis are really helpful in the workplace."

# What Our Students Say About Internship

Ma Chi Ki

Summer Internship: Market Research Officer, Standard Chartered Bank

"Our team is responsible for different kinds of surveys like ad hoc surveys and regular surveys. I was responsible for generation of call list and sent them to the agencies which helped us to collect the data. After the field work was done by those agencies, we needed to check whether the reports done by them is accurate or not. After the checking, we would send the reports to other departments for further usage.

If there were complaints collected during the surveys, we would send them back to the relevant departments like hotline team or customer relationship managers.

We needed to monitor the field work provided by the agencies. To do this, we would request the recording taped by the agencies monthly. This will ensure the quality of our data. I have used SAS programming in my work for checking the accuracy of data and storage of them in our driver.

I have done a project alone with the supervision of the manager. The project is to investigate the habits of university student in using the bank service."

"The knowledge of SAS programming and Excel was widely used in my job. Most of my duties were performed on Excel spreadsheets. The SAS programming skills I possess was not sufficient; therefore I needed to spend some time on reading relevant materials to improve myself."



### **Career Choices for Students**

Possessing strong analytical and technical skills, IT skills, business knowledge and effective communication, graduates are able to develop statistical, analyst and managerial positions in a variety of business, industry and government related organizations after graduation. Some examples of career choices are shown below:

### **Accounting:**

Associate Audit

### **Banking and Finance:**

Credit Analyst
Fraud Management
Business Strategy and Analytics
Business Performance Analyst
Business Planning Analyst
Database Marketing
Operations Research Manager
Risk Management

### **Government:**

Government statistician
Government statistical officer

### Marketing and Market Research:

Consultant Market research analyst Market analyst

### **Retail Industries and Supermarket:**

Customer and product segmentation Pricing Analyst

### **Telecommunication:**

Business Intelligence Consultant Pricing Analyst Revenue Management

### Theme park:

Business Analytics Management Consumer Database Forecasting

### **Job Market Information**

One of the Four Positions in Demand based on Robert Half Hong Kong - Business Analysts

http://www.roberthalf.com.hk/fs-positions-in-demand

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 The hiring landscape in Asia

For Job Seekers

- Highly sought-after skills
- Positions in demand
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### Positions in demand

News & Media

Compliance / Regulatory Reporting – Professionals in banking and financial services have felt the impact of the changes to the regulations under which they operate. The last three years have seen an explosion in new compliance and disclosure requirements. In response, financial companies have been building a strong compliance team. Professionals with an excellent track record in compliance and risk management – especially those in more senior roles – will find their expertise highly sought after in 2013.

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Internal Auditors – Much of the debate about the causes of the financial crisis has focused on the internal controls within financial institutions. As a result, Board members and senior management are demanding greater visibility from their accounting processes, elevating the role of the internal auditor. Internal auditors are the whistle blowers within an organisation, identifying poor processes and potential problems that might arise. That is why good internal auditors are highly valued by progressive companies.

Check out available jobs in Internal Audit >>

Financial Controllers— Similar to internal auditors, the role of the financial controller has become more important since the global financial crisis. While the auditor reviews other people's actions, the Financial Controller must take ownership of the work of their team and provide timely advice to the CEO. As every company is different, financial controllers with experience in a particular area or with specific product knowledge will be in high demand in 2013.

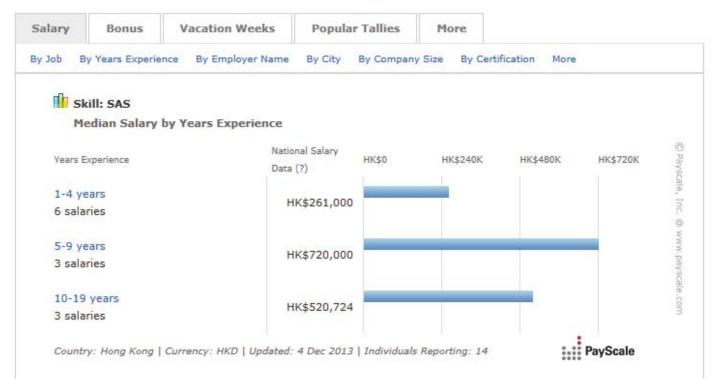
Check out available Financial Controller jobs >>

Business Analysts – Financial institutions, like all companies, are striving to do more with less. Being able to analyse a company's numbers and to identify where savings and efficiencies can be made is a powerful skill that is highly sought after. People with the analytical skills to improve overall efficiency and reduce costs are valuable to any organisation, especially to a complex company like a financial services firm.

Check out available jobs in Business Analysis >>

### **Job Market Information**

### http://www.payscale.com/research/HK/Skill=SAS/Salary#by\_Years\_ Experience



### http://www.payscale.com/research/HK/Skill=VBA/Salary



### Preparation for Professional Qualifications

The BBA(Hons) Business Analysis programme can enable students to obtain internationally recognized professional qualifications including SAS Foundation Certification, SAS Advanced Analytics Certification and The Financial Risk Manager (FRM).

For SAS Foundation Certification, there is two-level certification: SAS Certified Base Programmer for SAS Credential and The SAS Certified Advanced Programmer for SAS credential. These two credentials are for those to analyze using SAS in different echelon. To obtain these certifications, analytical techniques are required. Students are prepared by studying the courses: MS3251 Analytics Using SAS and MS4262 Advanced Analytics using SAS.

For SAS Advanced Analytics, the SAS Certified Predictive Modeler using SAS Enterprise Miner Credential is available for students who perform predictive analytics. To prepare for the certification, students should study fundamental analytic subjects: MS2200 Business Statistics and MS3252 Regression Analysis and advanced analytic subjects: MS4212 Business Forecasting, MS4251 Quantitative Analysis for Marketing and MS4224 Enterprise Data Mining.

To prepare student for The Financial Risk Manager (FRM®) designation which is the globally recognized standard for those who manage risk, several subjects are provided including MS2200 Business Statistics, MS3252 Regression Analysis, MS4212 Business Forecasting, MS4254 Quantitative Analysis for Economics and Finance, and MS4226 Risk Management Models.

### **SAS Exam**

### Who should take the exam?

For those who pursue analysts positions in banks and big companies

### **Exam Format:**

- Around 64 multiple-choice questions
- Must achieve score of 70% correct to pass
- Around 2 hours to complete exam for Base SAS and Advanced SAS and 3 hours for Predictive Modeler exam
- Internet-based and closed book

### **Exam fee:**

HK\$ 1,404 per head per time (full-time student/staff can enjoy half price)

### **Exam time:**

Twice a year in semester break

### **Exam Results:**

Exam scores are released immediately after the exam and formal certificates will be available around two weeks later after the exam

### **Benefits of SAS Certification:**

- Increase your career opportunities and marketability
- Enhance your credibility as a technical professional
- Assess your knowledge of SAS software
- Allow you to earn industry validation for your knowledge
- http://support.sas.com/certify/benefits/indiv.html







### Financial Risk Manager (FRM) Examination

### Who should take the exam?

For those who pursue risk management profession

### **Exam Format:**

2 exams – Part 1 and Part 2 Part 1 exam (4 hours) – 100 multiple choice questions Part 2 exam (4 hours) – 80 multiple choice questions

### Exam fee:

Early registration – Part 1: US\$650 (registration fee US\$300+exam fee

US\$350); Part 2: exam fee US\$350

Standard registration – Part 1: US\$775 (registration fee US\$300+exam fee

US\$475); Part 2: exam fee US\$475

Late registration – Part 1: US\$950 (registration fee US\$300+exam fee

US\$650); Part 2: exam fee US\$650

### **Exam time:**

Twice a year in May and November

### Calculator permitted to be used at the exam:

Only GARP-approved calculators

### **Exam Results:**

Exam results are pass/fail and are released via email approximately six weeks after the Exam is administered. Candidates are provided with quartile results that enable them to see how they scored on specific areas relative to other candidates.

### **Exam Topics covered by MS courses:**

Topics Covered on the Part 1 FRM Exam	Weight	Courses Covered
Foundations of Risk Management	20%	MS4226, CB3410
Quantitative Analysis	20%	MS2200, CB2201, MS4216, MS4251, MS3252, MS4212, CB3410, EF3320, EF4320, EF4321
Financial Markets and Products	30%	MS4221, MS4226, CB3410, EF3320, EF4320, EF4321
Valuation and Risk Modeling	30%	MS4254, MS4226, CB3410, EF3320, EF4320, EF4321

http://www.garp.org/frm/exam-overview/topic-areas.aspx

### **Benefits of FRM Certification**

- FRM is the certification recognized among financial risk professionals worldwide. There are 26,000 certified FRMs practicing worldwide. The FRM professional certification differentiates you from your peers
- Studying the broad concepts underlying risk management will give you a comprehensive view and appreciation for the role risk management plays in an enterprise
- You will be more desirable to executive recruiters and hiring managers since they are now seeking FRM holders for senior risk management jobs more than ever before
- You will be recognized across the globe as a professional in financial risk management

### **Certificate Requirements**:

- A passing score on the FRM Examination.
- Active membership in the Global Association of Risk Professionals.
- A minimum of two years experience in the area of financial risk management or another related field including, but not limited to, trading, portfolio management, academic or industry research, economics, auditing, risk consulting, and/or risk technology.
- \* For those who do not have sufficient work experience may submit your 2 years of work experience within 5 years upon passing the FRM examination.

GARP ID: XXXXX

Mr. XXXXX XXXXX Hong Kong

Dear XXXXX,

### Congratulations, you passed the May 2010 FRM Exam Part I Examination!

On behalf of the Global Association of Risk Professional employees and Board of Trustees, congratulations on passing the 2010 FRM Part I Examination and demonstrating your commitment to excellence in Financial Risk Management. Your performance on the Financial Risk Manager examination validates that you possess certain of the professional skills, intuitive and analytical capabilities necessary to effectively perform the responsibilities of a financial risk manager and completes an important step in becoming an FRM Holder.

### Where Our Graduates Work ...

Past graduates' job titles: government statistician, credit risk analyst / officer, credit MIS analyst, data analyst, bank executive, assistant operations research manager, consultant, administrator, market research executive, business development executive, vice president, consultant – enterprise risk service etc

A sample of corporations that have employed our graduates include:

### Banks

Bank of China

Bank of Communications

Bank of East Asia

Citibank

Citic Ka Wah Bank

DBS Bank

Dah Sing Bank

Hang Seng Bank

**HSBC** 

PrimeCredit (Asia) Ltd

Standard Chartered Bank

Wing Lung Bank

### **Consultant Companies**

SAS Institute Limited

Solution Consultant Limited

### **Education Institutions**

Chinese University of Hong Kong

City University of Hong Kong

Hong Kong University of Science and

**Technology** 

Hong Kong School of Motoring

Intell Education Limited

The University of Hong Kong

### Government Departments

Census and Statistics Department

Education Bureau

Fire Services Department (Ambulance

Services)

Hong Kong Tourism Board

Hong Kong Trade Development Council

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Social Welfare Department

### Government Related Organizations

Hong Kong Hospital Authority

Hong Kong Housing Authority

**ICAC** 

Nam Long Hospital

Prince of Wales Hospital

### **Insurance Companies**

AIA International Assurance Company

Limited

Manual Life (International) Limited

Principal Insurance Corporation Limited

### Manufacturing Companies

Four Seas Mercantile Limited

Interprovincial Steel and Pipe

Corporation Limited (IPS Co.)

Nakagawa Electronics Limited

Techtronic Industries Company Limited

### Market Research Companies

ACNielsen (HK) Limited

ACORN Marketing & Research Consultants,

HKSAR

Asia Market Intelligence (AMI)

Bloomberg

Oracle Market Research Corporation

TAYLOR Nelson Sofres

Synovate Limited

### Media Companies

Hong Kong Broadcast

Oriental Daily News

TVB

### Real Estate Agencies

Jones Lang LaSalle (Hong Kong)

Midland Realty Group

NFP Hong Kong Limited

Wharf (Holdings) Limited

### **Transportation**

Cathay Pacific Airways Limited

Dah Chong Hong (Motor Leasing) Limited

HK Airport Service Limited

HK Dragon Airlines Limited

**MTR** 

### Others

DHL Logistics (HK) Ltd

Esso Mobil Corporation

Hong Kong Electric Group

Jardine OneSolution

**PCCW** 

Royal Bodyperfect

Samsung Electronics Hong Kong Co LTd

Wing On Department Store (HK)

### What Our Graduates Do ...

### **Our Graduates at Work**

Karmen Wu works for a leading Hong Kong Bank as a risk analyst. She says that the programme has given her education and training in enterprise data warehousing and data mining — processes essential to decision making in the modern business world.





Amy Lee works for a leading Hong Kong Bank as a credit and risk analyst officer. She says that in her final year she has had the chance to apply theories by using real cases. Statistical analysis and results are transformed into actionable information for senior management. This is an opportunity to practice communication and interpersonal skills.

Geoff Lam works for a leading Hong Kong bank as a Assistant Vice President, AP Consumer Credit Risk Division. When customers come applying for credit cards or loan services, computerized decision-making systems are used to decide whether applications are accepted or not.





Frederick Li works for a Hong Kong-based airline as a marketing research executive and is mainly responsible for conducting marketing research and planning.

Lay Fong Ling works for a large Hong Kong bank as an assistant operations research manager. She carries out reengineering and streamlining studies for different departments to see if systems efficiency can be improved.



## **Caring Staff**

n admission to a programme in the Department of Management Sciences, each student is assigned a mentor for the entire duration of the programme. The following channels of communication between staff and students are also available:

### 1. Programme Leaders

academic problems connected with the programme as a whole.

### 2. Course Lecturer and Tutor

academic problems connected with a particular course in the programme.

#### 3. Staff-Student Committee

problems, suggestions and complaints of a more general nature at departmental level.

### 4. College Student Advisory Committee

problems, suggestions and complaints of a more general nature at college level.

## 5. Counsellor at the Student Development Services

non-academic problems of financial, personal, social, study and career nature.



## **Expectations of Students**

### **Attendance and Punctuality**

Attendance and punctuality is expected. Please attend all classes on time and do not leave early.



### **Class Behavior**

As a matter of general courtesy, you should not engage in disruptive behaviors during class. Please refrain from idle talks and switch off your mobile phones or pagers. Otherwise you may be asked to leave the classroom. More detailed information regarding student conduct and behavior can be found on the CityU web page at <a href="http://www.cityu.edu.hk/arro">http://www.cityu.edu.hk/arro</a>



### **Academic Honesty**

You must pursue your studies with academic honesty, which is central to the conduct of academic work. You are expected to present your own work, give proper acknowledgement of other's work, and honestly report findings obtained.

Students who commit an act of academic dishonesty which jeopardizes the integrity of the learning and assessment process may be charged and be liable to disciplinary actions.

http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/arro/content.asp?cid=73

### **Whole Person Development**

Aslogan of our department is "Be friendly, be confident, be proud of being student of CityU". Apart from good grades, you need to pursue whole person development — intellectually, spiritually and socially.

Visit Student Development Services webpage:

http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/sds/wpd/ to plan your learning in a balanced way.



### **Four-Year Plan**



#### **Second Year**

- Meet career counsellor to discuss making career choices, selecting a minor and identifying internships
- Participate in whole person development scheme
- Participate in extra-curricular activities
- Create a resume
- Explore resources and services in CAIO & SDS
- Explore Student Exchange Programme

### **Third Year**

- Meet career counsellor to discuss making a career plan
- Participate in career development workshops (e.g. MBTI test, interviewing skills)
- Develop career-related skills
- Update and refine resume
- Learn to write a cover letter for job application
- Identify internships and participate in internship programme
- Continue to participate in whole person development scheme extracurricular activities
- Seek positions of leadership (e.g. PALSI leaders, student mentors) in campus activities/schemes

### **Fourth Year**

- Start job search for full-time employment
- Participate in mock interviews
- Continue to update resume
- Continue to participate in career group activities
- Continue to attend various career-related workshops

# Recommended Activities & Extra Courses

### A Rich Environment in which to Live and Learn

The Department holds a long tradition of striving for high-standard research, high-quality teaching and a friendly environment in which students can learn, enjoy and excel. We are proud that we have recently been named as one of CityU's best teaching departments. To achieve the desired learning outcomes, the Department provides students with a wide range of learning opportunities.

### **Student Exchange Programme**

A imed at broadening the horizons of our students, each year since 1996 the Student Exchange Programme has enabled outstanding students to study abroad for a semester or a year. Our partners include universities in

Asia, the Mainland, the United States, Canada, the United Kingdom, and other countries in Europe. The programme helps students to develop their personal qualities and to experience international education.

Website: <a href="http://www.cb.citvu.edu.hk/exchange">http://www.cb.citvu.edu.hk/exchange</a>

## Peer-Assisted Learning Supplemental Instruction (PALSI) Scheme

Supplemental Instruction (SI) is a cooperative learning model designed to enhance students' understanding in course materials and improve students' overall learning and reasoning skills. The Scheme is intended to run for 9 weeks, from week 4 to week 12 (Semester B).



Senior students who have performed well in the department core courses are invited to play the role of SI leaders. They meet with junior students (SI student), studying in the same course, to discuss academic work and share tips on effective learning strategies.

SI students meet with SI leaders 2 hours per week in groups, SI leaders will assist the SI students to better prepare for classes, formulate study plans and review of class materials. This will help them to master the course's content and improve their learning and thinking skills. SI students prepare for the weekly meeting by studying the course materials beforehand, formulating relevant questions, and identifying the focus of the meeting. The primary roles of SI leaders are facilitation and sharing.

Website: <a href="http://www.cityu.edu.hk/edo/palsi/">http://www.cityu.edu.hk/edo/palsi/</a>

### "A" Project: Student Ambassadors Programme

The Student Ambassadors Programme ("A" Project) is a student development programme launched by the Student Leadership and Development Teams, SDS in 1997. The objective of this programme is to foster students' whole person development, such as positive attitude, leadership, problem solving abilities, communication and interpersonal skills as well as broadening students' social exposure, international outlook and life experience; enhance students' knowledge of and sense of belonging to CityU through the practical experience of serving the University and develop a pool of Student Ambassadors to help promote the University's image.

The Student ambassadors are required to attend a comprehensive training programme and to offer service to the University. The training programme includes training camps, feature talks, visits, workshops, group projects and a high table dinner. A partially sponsored non-local interflow tour is also included in the training programme for those Student Ambassadors with excellent participation and performance in training and services to the University.

Website: <a href="http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sds/sa">http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sds/sa</a>

### Whole Person Development Scheme (WPD)

The Whole Person Development Award Scheme is established to encourage students to take positive and systematic steps to pursue whole person development. Students' participation and involvement in student activities or extra-curricular training programmes will add scores leading towards the Award.

On joining the Scheme, students are expected to participate in programmes grouped under the following areas of development according to your own interest:

7 Areas of Development	Programme Examples
Spiritual	Cultural forum, community service
Intellectual	Study skills, thinking skills workshop
Physical	P.E. Course, sport tournament, health education programmes
Social	Orientation for freshmen, training for student leaders
Aesthetic	Music, art appreciation
Career	Career talk, workshop on job search
Emotional	Peer counsellor training, mental fitness series

Student will obtain points after attending the programme you choose and points are earned from the time you spend in a programme. The more time

you spend, the more points you can obtain. Certificates and souvenirs will be awarded to you once you have fulfilled the requirements of the Scheme in a ceremony held in June each year. The certificate gained may serve as useful reference for you in application for jobs or scholarships.

Website: <a href="http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sds/wpd/index.htm">http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sds/wpd/index.htm</a>



## Campus Internship Scheme (CIS) and Campus Work Scheme (CWS)

#### Introduction

To better consolidate students' work-based learning experience and to enhance their professional and personal development on campus. The Career and Internship Office (CAIO) is responsible for implementing the



Schemes, further enquiries may be forwarded directly via email to caio@cityu.edu.hk

### **Programme Objectives (CIS)**

- To enhance students' understanding of the work environment and their long term personal and professional development
- To develop students' analyltical, problem-solving, and interpersonal skills to engage in discovery and innovation
- To facilitate students' career exploration and add value to their employability.

### **Programme Objectives (CWS)**

- To enhance students' understanding of the work environment and develop work ethics and positive work attitude needed in the workplace
- To learn generic work skills and gain real life work experience

Web Site: <a href="http://www.cityu.edu.hk/caio">http://www.cityu.edu.hk/caio</a> For enquiry: Tel: 3442 5591

### **Student Mentoring Scheme (SMS)**

he purposes of SMS are:

- To help second -year students adjust to programme study;
- To develop a supportive personal network amongst second-year students and senior students;
- To create a warm atmosphere and positive academic culture in the campus;
- To assist second -year students in enhancing their educational experience and development as a person and as a professional in their chosen fields of study.

### The scopes of SMS are:

- The range of activities can be very comprehensive, from educational to entertaining, personal to professional;
- The student mentors can assume very flexibly the roles of big brother / sister, adviser, information provider, counselor, coach or private tutor, or simply friend;
- The types of activities and relationship really depend on the needs of the first-year students and their chemistry with the mentors.



### MS Summer Jobs/Internship Programme

The Programme is designed to provide students with real-life working experience in local contexts for a period of time. With placements in international businesses, banking, financial services, insurance, accountancy firms, etc., students are expected to gain in-depth, ample and practical understanding of business operations and the professional contexts in which they are expected to apply the theory and skills they have learned in the university.





### CB3800 Business Practice Internship

The internship is designed to provide students with real life working experience in local contexts for a period of time. With placements in international businesses, banking, financial services, insurance, accountancy firms, etc., students are expected to gain in-depth and practical understanding of business operations and the professional contexts in which they are expected to apply the theory and skills they have learned in the formal curriculum.

Students will be placed into a multi-national corporation for six weeks full-time internship during the summer. Before the internship, students shall participate in 2-day workshop on business ethics, business etiquette and interpersonal communication skills. At the end of the internship, students are required to prepare and submit a report.

Website: <a href="http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/course/cb3800">http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/course/cb3800</a>



### **Disney International College Programme**

Listernational College Programme (ICP) at Walt Disney World at Florida, US for three months. Students are well-prepared before the internship through a two-day preparatory training workshop on business ethics, business etiquette and interpersonal communication skills. ICP offers students from any academic discipline outstanding learning opportunities through different courses, and all students are evaluated on their performance and a report from their immediate supervisor. Students are assigned jobs in Character, Operations, Custodial, Merchandise, and Quick Service Food & Beverage. They are involved in the Disney magic by sharing and interacting with guests, learning important business philosophies, and making friends with people all over the world.

Website: <a href="http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/DisneyICP">http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/DisneyICP</a>











### **Industrial Mentoring Scheme**

Aims at establishing a caring and supportive relationship between City University alumni, business executives (mentors) and undergraduates (mentees) to achieve the following objectives:

- To facilitate the educational, social and personal growth of mentees
- To develop mentees' fullest potential, vision and aspirations for the future
- To enhance mentees' future professional and career development
- To empower mentees to face challenges in society

### **Statistical Consulting Unit (SCU)**

The Statistical Consulting Unit (SCU) in the Department of Management Sciences enhances the quality of statistical aspects of research. It provides statistical consultation to support university research and administration, and conducts plenty of survey projects for external organizations and companies. SCU offers part-time employment opportunities to students as interviewer, fieldwork supervisor, data entry staff, administrative assistant and analyst.

For application of job, send email to msscu@cityu.edu.hk.

Website: <a href="http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/ms/scu/">http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/ms/scu/</a>

### **Assessment and Awards**

### **Academic Standing**

The grade points for the course grades are given as follows:

Letter Gra	ade	A+	Α	A-	B+	В	B-	C+	С	C-	D	F
Grade Po	oint	4.3	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0	1.7	1.0	0.0

Based on the grade point awarded and the credit units earned for a course, Grade Point Average (GPA) is calculated and used as an indicator of a student's academic performance. To have good academic standing, your GPA must attain a minimum level of 1.7. Otherwise you will be given either of the following: (1) academic warning, (2) probation, (3) academic suspension. Students with very bad academic performance will be terminated. For more details about academic standing, please visit our CityU web page at <a href="http://www.cityu.edu.hk/arro/">http://www.cityu.edu.hk/arro/</a>

### **Classification of Awards**

The University grants bachelor's degree awards with the following classifications. The following CGPA criteria will be adopted as guidelines for classification of awards:

Awards	CGPA
First Class Honours	3.5 or above
Upper Second Class Honours	3.0 - 3.49
Lower Second Class Honours	2.5 - 2.99
Third Class Honours	2.0 - 2.49
Pass	1.7 - 1.99

http://www6.cityu.edu.hk/arro/content.asp?cid=72

### **Dean's List**

At the end of Semester A and Semester B, students' GPAs are calculated. Where a student over that period has (1) earned 12 credit units or more, (2) achieved a GPA of 3.7 or above and (3) not failed any course, the student is placed on the Dean's List.

### **Departmental Scholarships**

### **Outstanding MS Students Scholarshp**

Six awards, each of value HKD 2500 are given to oustanding second and final year undergraduate students from each Programmes of the MS Department annually. The selection criteria are based on the students' academic achievement and participation in organizing activites and functions at the University. The scholarships are presented at the annual University Scholarship and Prize Presentation Ceremony. A commemorative plaque is also presented to each awardee.

### MS Student Development Scholarship

The Department of Management Sciences offers three scholarships, known as MS Student Development Scholarship, each year to exceptional undergraduate students from each Program who are performing to a high standard in their extra-curricular activities, have aspirations to compete locally and internationally in approved competitions.

The value of this award is HK\$5,000 and is awarded on the basis of extra-curric-

### Freetech Technology Limited Scholarship

This scholarship is for MS students with excellent academic results, up to the amount of HK\$40,000 with not less than 8 awards shall be granted each year. The actual number of awards to be granted each year will be determined by the assessment panel.

#### **MS Entrance Awards**

The awards are for students submitted to the Department's bachelor's degree programmes with outstanding academic achievements, i.e. CGPA 3.5 or above and obtain at least a grade of "B+" in CB2201. A maximum of 5 awards with each award not exceeding HK\$50,000 shall be granted every year. The award recipient will receive the award for one academic year following the announcement of the award. The actual number of awards to be granted each year will be determined by the assessment panel.

### **MS Academic Improvement Awards**

The awards shall be offered to full time MS students who have made the most significant improvement on their academic study as reflected in their Semester Grade Point Average in the latest two semesters. Summer term is not counted as a semester. A maximum of 10 awards with each award not exceeding HK\$1,500 shall be granted every year. The actual number of awards to be granted each year will be determined by the assessment panel.

## **Departmental Subsidies**

### Support to student exchange activity (HK\$5000):

- Achieve CGPA 2.5 or above at CityU (before exchange)
- Passing all courses at the host university

### Subsidies for passing professional examinations, including:

### (60% of examination fee):-

- SAS Certified Base Programmer Credential for SAS 9
- SAS Certified Advanced Programmer Credential for SAS 9
- SAS Certified Predictive Modeler using SAS Enterprise Miner 7

### (33% of examination fee):-

- Level 1 of Chartered Financial analyst (CFA)
- Level 1 of Financial Risk Manager (FRM)
- Exam 1 of Professional Risk Manager (PRM)
- Paper 1, 3, 5 of Insurance Intermediaries Qualifying Examination (IIQE)
- Paper 1, 7, 8 of HK Securities Institute Examiniation (HKSI)
- Oracle Database 11g: SQL Fundamentals I
- Oracle Database 11g: Administration I
- Introduction to Oracle9i SQL

<sup>\*</sup>All subsidies are subject to availability of funds in the department

### **Useful Links**



### Blackboard / e-Portal https://eportal.cityu.edu.hk

It provides the links for academic support such as the Library or Computer Services, thus standardizing information presentation with a consistent web-based front end while gathering data from a variety of back end sources. The system can also make information more personalized by providing the feature of targeting messages to individuals.

## 2. College of Business http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk

The website provides resources that relates to the college of business.

### 3. BBA Programmes

### http://www.cb.cityu.edu.hk/bba

This website provides plenty of useful information of BBA programme, such as the structure of BBA major, the introduction of BBA minor, and BBA Advice Corner etc.

## 4. Department of Management Sciences http://www.ms.cityu.edu.hk

Website of Department of Management Sciences

## Department of Management Sciences Career and Student Development

http://www.ms.cityu.edu.hk

This website provides useful information of many activities, workshops, career interest groups, and arrangements specially designed to support your whole person development and career plan.

### 6. AIMS

### https://banweb.cityu.edu.hk

This important website has a lot of functions. It can show student account summary, apply for student locker, go to JobPlus, check English language attainment requirement, check registration status, look-up class to add, web add/drop classes and apply Student Residence etc.

## 7. Chinese Civilization Course (CCIV) http://www.cciv.cityu.edu.hk

This is the place where you can enhance your knowledge about Chinese culture through open lectures, self-exploration and guided studies.

Location: 6/F Amenities Building Phone: 3442 2477, Fax: 3442 0508

## 8. The English Language Centre (ELC) http://www.cityu.edu.hk/elc/

You are welcome to use its Self-Access Centre and Language Lounge where you can relax and practice your English through informal language activities.

Location: 2/F Academic Building Phone: 3442 7607, Fax: 3442 0165

E-mail: elc@cityu.edu.hk

### 9. SDS Online

### http://www.cityu.edu.hk/sds/online

SDS takes good care of student needs and will help you in every possible way to overcome personal and study problems through its extra-curricular activities, Counseling Service, Student Development Centre and Career Centre. Students interested in Government Grant & Loan, bursaries and scholarships may also enquire at SDS.

Location: 6/F Amenities Building Phone: 3442 8090, Fax: 3442 0230

E-mail: sosds@cityu.edu.hk

## 10. The Run Run Shaw Library http://www.cityu.edu.hk/lib/

The Library provides a self-learning environment with comprehensive information materials in both print and electronic forms. You can download some useful resources from its website, for example past examination papers, electronic journals and thesis.

Location: 3/F Academic Building

E-mail: lb@cityu.edu.hk

### 11. English Language Clinic

What is the language clinic?

- Get editing & proofreading help with your assignments & reports;
- Get individual counselling on your difficulties with English writing;
- Devise a personalised plan to improve English grammar & writing To make an appointment with one of the tutors please visit:

### http://www.english.cityu.edu.hk/languageclinic/

### 12. FTP

### ftp://XXXXXXXX@personal.cityu.edu.hk

XXXXXXXX: Student ID

It provides a 5MB space for you to store any files.

#### 13. JIJIS

### http://www.jijis.org.hk

This is a one-stop on-line career service for employers and university students offered by the career centers of universities in Hong Kong.

### 14. JobPlus

### http://eportal.cityu.edu.hk

JobPlus is a job vacancy system for CityU full-time students on part-time, temporary, summer and graduate jobs hunting. JobPlus provides updated information on the job details and application procedures to facilitate your job search.

You can get in JobPlus by:

- 1. Log on e-Portal with your student ID and password
- 2. Select AIMS -> Student Services Menu
- 3. Click "Job Plus" under section of "Job Vacancy".

### 15. Census and Statistics Department

http://www.censtatd.gov.hk/

This page provides the statistical data and information useful for doing your projects.

### 16. Hong Kong Statistical Society

http://www.hkss.org.hk/

This is a professional statistical society in Hong Kong.

### 17. Statistical Society of Australia

http://www.statsoc.org.au/

This is a professional statistical society in Australia.

### 18. Statistical Society of Canada

http://www.ssc.ca/

This is a professional statistical society in Canada.

### 19. Royal Statistical Society (RSS)

http://www.rss.org.uk/

This is a professional statistical society in UK.

### 20. American Statistical Association (ASA)

### http://www.amstat.org/

This is a professional statistical society in USA.

### 21. Asia Pacific Marketing Federation

### http://www.apmf.org.sg/apmf.html#Cert

This is a professional marketing society in Asia Pacific where you can find some information in marketing research.

## 22. The Hong Kong Knowledge Management Society

http://www.hkkms.org/

This is a professional knowledge management society in Hong Kong.

### 23. Society of Actuaries

http://www.soa.org/

This is a professional actuarial society in USA.

## 24. The Chartered Institute of Logistics and Transport in Hong Kong (CILTHK)

http://www.cilt.org.hk

This is a professional logistics and transport society in Hong Kong.

### 25. Excel

### http://office.microsoft.com/en-us/excel/

This is the webpage for Excel software.

### 26. SAS Institute

### http://www.sas.com

This is the website for SAS software.

### 27. SPSS Inc

### http://www.spss.com/

This is the website for SPSS software.

#### 28. SAP

### http://www.sap.com

This is the website for SAP software.

### 29. Business Analysis facebook

http://www.facebook.com/pages/Business-Analysis/173554832817539

### Academic Calendar 2013/2014

Week	\$	M	T	W	T	F	8	Events	Public Holldays
	May, 2013	3		1	2	3	4		1 Labour Day
	5 12 19 26	6 13	7 14	8 15 22	9 16 23	10 17 24	11 18	6 – 20 Examination Period	17 Buddha's Birthday
	19	20 27	21 28	22 29	23 30	24 31	25	21 May – 8 Jun Semester Break	
	June	-				٠.			
		9	4	5	6	7	1 8	Summer Term 2013	
WK.1 WK.2	9	3 10 17	11 18	5 12 19	6 13 20 27	14 21 28	15 22 29	10 Jun – 27 Jul Teaching Period	12 Juan No Festival
WK.3	2 9 16 23 30	24	25	26	27	28	29		
WK.4									
	July	1	2	3	.4	.5	6		1 HK SAR Establishment Day
WK.5 WK.6	14	8 15 22 29	9 16 23 30	3 10 17 24	11 18 25	5 12 19 26	13 20 27	15 Graduation Date	
WK.7	7 14 21 28	22 29	23 30	24 31	25	26	27	27 Last Day of Teaching 29 Jul – 3 Aug Student Revision Period	
	August								
	4	5	6	7	8	2	3 10	5 – 10 Examination Period	
	11	12 19	13	14	15 22 29	9 16 23 30	17 24	12 – 31 Term Break	
	18 25	26	20 27	21 28	29	30	31		
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WK.3 WK.4	15 22	16 23	17 24	18 25	19 26	20 27	21 28		20 Day following Mid-Autumn Festival
WK.5	29	30							
1	October		1	2	3	4	5	2 Graduation Date	1 National Day
WK.6 WK.7	6 13	7	-8 15	9 16	3 10 17	11 18	5 12 19		14 Day following Chung Yeung Festival
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	29	30	31						26 Day following Christmas Day
	January,			1	2	3	4		1 First day of January
WK.1	5 12	6 13	7 14	8 15	9 16	10 17	11 18	<u>Semester B 2013/2014</u> 13 Jan – 26 Apr Teaching Period	
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	March								
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WK.10 WK.11	23 30	24 31	25	26	27	28	29		
	April								
WK.12		7	1 8	9 16	3 10	11	5 12		5 Ching Ming Festival 18 Good Friday
WK.13	6 13 20 27	14 21 28	8 15 22 29	16 23	17 24	18 25	12 19 26	18 – 24 Easter Break 26 Last Day of Teaching	19 Day following Good Friday 21 Easter Monday
	27	28	29	23 30				28 Apr - 3 May Student Revision Period	

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Note: represents public holidays including all Sundays

### Provisional Academic Calendar 2014/2015

	Start Date	End Date
Semester A Teaching Period Student Revision Period Examination Period Semester Break	1 September 2014 1 December 2014 8 December 2014 22 December 2014	29 November 2014 6 December 2014 20 December 2014 10 January 2015
Semester B Teaching Period	12 January 2015 (Tentative Lunar New Year	25 April 2015 holidays: 19 – 21 February 2015)
Student Revision Period Examination Period Semester Break	27 April 2015 4 May 2015 18 May 2015	2 May 2015 16 May 2015 6 June 2015
Summer Term Teaching Period Student Revision Period Examination Period Term Break	8 June 2015 27 July 2015 3 August 2015 10 August 2015	25 July 2015 1 August 2015 8 August 2015 29 August 2015

### Provisional Academic Calendar 2015/2016

	Start Date	End Date
Semester A Teaching Period Student Revision Period Examination Period Semester Break	31 August 2015 30 November 2015 7 December 2015 21 December 2015	28 November 2015 5 December 2015 19 December 2015 9 January 2016
Semester B Teaching Period	11 January 2016 (Tentative Lunar New Year	23 April 2016 holidays: 8 – 10 February 2016)
Student Revision Period Examination Period Semester Break	25 April 2016 2 May 2016 17 May 2016	30 Åpril 2016 16 May 2016 4 June 2016
Summer Term Teaching Period Student Revision Period Examination Period Term Break	6 June 2016 25 July 2016 1 August 2016 8 August 2016	23 July 2016 30 July 2016 6 August 2016 27 August 2016

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