

REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF DIGITAL URBAN MANAGEMENT (MDUM)

(See also General Regulations and Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula)

These Regulations are applicable to candidates admitted to the Master of Digital Urban Management curriculum in the academic year 2025-26 and thereafter

Any publication based on work approved for a higher degree should contain a reference to the effect that the work was submitted to the University of Hong Kong for the award of the degree.

MUM1 Admission requirements

To be eligible for admission to the courses leading to the degree of Master of Digital Urban Management, candidates:

- (a) shall comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
- (b) shall hold
 - (i) a Bachelor's degree of this University; or
 - (ii) another qualification of equivalent standard from this University or from another university or comparable institution accepted for this purpose; and
- (c) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

MUM2 Qualifying examination

- (a) A qualifying examination may be set to test the candidates' formal academic ability or their abilities to follow the courses of study prescribed. It shall consist of one or more written papers or their equivalent and may include a project report.
- (b) Candidates who are required to satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination shall not be permitted to register until they have satisfied the examiners in the examination.

MUM3 Requirements for graduation

To be eligible for the award of the degree of Master of Digital Urban Management, candidates:

- (a) shall comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula; and
- (b) shall complete the curriculum and satisfy the examiners in accordance with the regulations set out below.

MUM4 Period of Study

- (a) The curriculum shall normally require one academic year of full-time study. Candidates shall not be permitted to extend their studies beyond the maximum period of registration of two academic years of full-time study, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty.
- (b) Candidates who are being granted advanced standing according to MUM10 shall complete the

curriculum in not more than two years' time.

MUM5 Completion of curriculum

To complete the curriculum, candidates:

- (a) shall satisfy the requirements prescribed in TPG 6 of the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
 - (b) shall follow courses of instruction and complete satisfactorily all written work and practical work as prescribed in the syllabuses;
 - (c) shall satisfy the examiners in all prescribed courses and in all prescribed form of assessment; and
 - (d) shall complete and present a satisfactory dissertation or capstone project as prescribed in the syllabuses.
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MUM6 Dissertation/Capstone project

The choice of dissertation or capstone project, as well as the dissertation or capstone project title, shall be submitted for approval by no later than 31-January of the second semester. The dissertation or capstone project shall be presented by a date as prescribed in the course outline; the candidates shall submit a statement that the dissertation or capstone project represents their own work undertaken after registration as candidates for the degree.

MUM7 Assessment

- (a) Each course will be assessed through a combination of written examination paper and coursework assessment, or by coursework assessment alone. The final grading for each course will be determined by performance in the written examination paper and an assessment of coursework;
- (b) Candidates who have failed to satisfy the examiners at the first attempt in not more than 18 credits of core and elective courses, excluding the capstone project or dissertation, in any semester may be permitted to make up for the failed course(s) in the following manner:
 - (i) undergoing re-assessment/re-examination in the failed course at a specified subsequent date;
 - (ii) re-submitting failed coursework, without having to repeat the same course of instruction;
 - (iii) repeating the failed course by undergoing instruction and satisfying the assessments; or
 - (iv) for elective courses, taking another course in lieu and satisfying the assessment requirements.
- (c) Candidates who have satisfied the examiners in all the courses but have presented an unsatisfactory capstone project or dissertation may be permitted to revise the capstone project or dissertation and re-present it by a specified subsequent date;
- (d) Candidates who are unable because of their illness to be present for one or more papers in any written examination may apply for permission to present themselves at a supplementary examination to be held before the beginning of the following academic year. Any such application shall be made on the form prescribed within seven calendar days of the first day of the candidates' absence from the examination; and
- (e) Candidates shall be recommended for discontinuation of their studies if they:
 - (i) are not permitted to present themselves for re-assessment in any course(s) in which they have failed to satisfy the examiners or to revise and re-present their capstone report or

- dissertation;
- (ii) have failed to satisfy the examiners at the first attempt in more than 18 credits of core and elective courses excluding the dissertation or capstone project, in one semester; or
 - (iii) have failed to achieve an average Semester GPA of 1.0 or higher for two consecutive semesters;
 - (iv) have failed to satisfy the examiners in a second attempt in any course(s) or in their capstone report or dissertation; or
 - (v) have exceeded the maximum period of registration specified in these regulations of the degree.
- (f) Candidates shall not be permitted to repeat a course for which they have received a passing grade for the purpose of upgrading.
 - (g) There shall be no appeal against the results of examinations and all other forms of assessment.
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MUM8 Grading system

Courses shall be graded according to letter grades, their standards and the grade points for assessment as follows:

Grade	Standard	Grade Point
A+	Excellent	4.3
A		4.0
A-		3.7
B+	Good	3.3
B		3.0
B-		2.7
C+	Satisfactory	2.3
C		2.0
C-		1.7
D+	Pass	1.3
D		1.0
F	Fail	0

MUM9 Assessment results

On successful completion of the curriculum, candidates who have shown exceptional merit may be awarded a mark of distinction, and this mark shall be recorded in the candidates' degree diploma.

MUM10 Advanced standing

- (a) Advanced standing shall be granted to candidates who have successfully completed a cognate Master's degree of this University or another qualification of equivalent standard accepted for this purpose.
- (b) Advanced standing of up to 12 credits may be granted by the Board of the Faculty subject to the condition that the application for advanced standing is received within five years of successful completion of the degree accepted for this purpose.
- (c) Applications for advanced standing shall normally be made at the same time of application for admission to the Master of Digital Urban Management curriculum, and should be accompanied by copies of academic transcripts to support the application.