REGULATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
MASTER OF SCIENCE IN INTEGRATED PROJECT DELIVERY (IPD)

These regulations are applicable to students admitted in the 2016-17 academic year and thereafter.

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

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.

Admission requirements

IPD1

To be eligible for admission to the curriculum leading to the Master of Science in Integrated Project Delivery, candidates

(a) shall comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
(b) shall hold a Bachelor’s degree with Honours in a relevant field of this University or from a comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
(c) shall produce proof of relevant work experience (normally a minimum of two years of post-degree practical experience in design, procurement, construction, policy-making or management of buildings, projects or urban districts, or an approved related field), including a curriculum vitae, at least one letter of reference from a relevant employer, and any other supplementary document as determined by the Programme Director;
(d) shall be fluent in both spoken and written English; and
(e) shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

Qualifying examination

IPD2

(a) A qualifying examination may be set to test candidates’ formal academic ability or their ability to follow the course of study prescribed. Such an examination 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.

Advanced Standing

IPD3

Candidates may be given advanced standing for up to 2 courses or 12 credits on the ground that equivalent courses or subjects have been passed at another university or comparable institution accepted by the faculty for this purpose, provided that no candidates shall be eligible for the award of the degree set out in these regulations without having completed at least 60 credits in this curriculum.
Award of degree

IPD4

To be eligible for the award of the Master of Science in Integrated Project Delivery, 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.

Period of study

IPD5

The curriculum shall normally extend over two academic years of part-time study. Candidates shall not be permitted to extend their studies beyond the maximum period of registration of three academic years, unless otherwise permitted or required by the Board of the Faculty.

Completion of the curriculum

IPD6

To complete the curriculum, candidates

(a) shall satisfy the requirements prescribed in TPG 6 of the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
(b) shall follow course of instruction and complete satisfactorily all prescribed written work and practical work where appropriate;
(c) shall satisfy the examiners in all prescribed courses in any prescribed form of assessment; and
(d) shall satisfy the examiners in attendance at workshops and other learning activities in the manner specified in these regulations and syllabuses in 72 credits of prescribed courses.

Capstone project

IPD7

Candidates are to complete a Capstone experience that covers the whole of the curriculum and allows candidates to show that they have achieved all of the learning objectives.

Grading systems

IPD8

Individual courses shall be graded according to one of the following grading systems as determined by the Board of Examiners:

(a) Letter grades, their standards and the grade points for assessment as follows:

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

and

(b) “Distinction”, “Pass” or “Fail”.

Courses which are graded according to (b) above will not be included in the calculation of the GPA.

Assessment

IPD9

(a) Candidates shall be recommended for discontinuation of studies under the provisions of General Regulation G12 if they have:
(i) failed to satisfy the examiners in three courses or more in any semester; or
(ii) failed to satisfy the examiners of any one course at the third attempt; or
(iii) failed to complete the curriculum by the end of the maximum period of registration; or
(iv) exceeded the maximum period of registration specified in the regulations of the curriculum.

(b) Candidates who have failed to satisfy the examiners in fewer than three courses in any semester must repeat the prescribed course(s).

Assessment results

IPD10

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.