
**STUDENT
MEMBERSHIP
OF
THE LAW SOCIETY
OF HONG KONG**



THE
LAW SOCIETY
OF HONG KONG
香港律師會

STUDENT MEMBERSHIP ELIGIBILITY

Under the Articles of Association of The Law Society of Hong Kong ("The Law Society")¹:

Any law student at any institution prescribed from time to time by the Council and any trainee solicitor including a trainee solicitor seconded to Hong Kong from another common law jurisdiction under the terms of a trainee solicitor contract may apply for admission to the Society as a Student Member in such form and upon payment of such fee as may from time to time be prescribed by the Council."

(Subscription fee has been waived for 2024.)

Student Members are issued with a Law Society Student Member card² and are entitled to

- a) receive The Law Society's weekly circulars;
- b) access the Members' Zone of the Law Society website;
- c) participate in Law Society activities; and
- d) access to the job listings under the Extended Situations Vacant Service for Student Members.

Student Members do not have the right to vote in the Law Society elections or to stand for election to the Council.

WHAT DOES STUDENT MEMBERSHIP OFFER?

JOINT-PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES



SEMINARS



DISTINGUISHED SPEAKERS' LUNCHEON



SPORTS & RECREATIONAL ACTIVITIES



TEEN TALK



CHRISTMAS PARTY



¹ ARTICLE 3(bb) of the Articles of Association of The Law Society of Hong Kong.

² The card is valid for one year. A charge of HK\$100 will be imposed for the replacement of a lost card.

WHAT IS EXPECTED OF A LAW SOCIETY STUDENT MEMBER?

Student Members are bound by the *Articles of Association* and all practice directions, rules and regulations of The Law Society.

In particular, student membership does not entitle its holder to claim Hong Kong legal qualification or professional title. Student membership must not be used in any way to suggest that the holder is able to advise on the laws of Hong Kong or appear before the courts of this jurisdiction. The title "Student Member" should not, therefore, appear in any advertisement, professional stationery or name plate of a Student Member.

HOW TO APPLY

If you wish to become a Student Member of The Law Society you must complete the attached application form and send it to the address stated below.

It is important that with this form you enclosed **either**

- (a) a confirmation letter from the university, law school or department at which you are currently studying law confirming:
- i. that you are a bona fide student,
 - ii. the course in which you are participating,
 - iii. the date of commencement of your studies, and
 - iv. the date upon which it is anticipated that those studies will conclude;

OR

- (b) a copy of your current student card validly issued by the university at which you are currently studying law indicating that you are a bona fide student and the course in which you are participating.

The membership year for Student Members runs from 1 January to 31 December.

If you have any further questions concerning student membership including eligibility, please contact:

REGISTRATION SECTION
THE LAW SOCIETY OF HONG KONG

3/F, Wing On House
71 Des Voeux Road Central
Hong Kong

Tel : 2846 0500
Fax : 2845 0387
E-mail: regist@hklawsoc.org.hk

APPLICATION FOR STUDENT MEMBERSHIP

1.1 • Full Name in English

1.2 • Full Name in Chinese

1.3 • Hong Kong Identity Card No.

2 • University/Institution/Law Firm/Company

3 • Corresponding Address

Recent
Passport Size
Photograph

4 • E-mail Address

5 • Telephone Number

Details of the law course that I am attending

6.1 • Course Name

6.2 • ☐ Part-time ☐ Full-time

6.3 • Year (e.g. 1, 2)

6.4 • Course Provider's Name

6.5 • Date of First Enrolment

6.6 • Expected Date of Completion of Studies

7 • I enclose the following document to support my application for student membership: (*"tick" one only*)

- ☐ a letter from the university, law school or department confirming my enrolment details; or
☐ a copy of my student card, showing my status as a current law student, and the course in which I am participating.

(Note: Your application cannot be processed without the above attachment.)

8 • In addition to participating in Law Society activities, I wish to contribute to The Law Society by:

- ☐ joining a committee or working party
☐ assisting in Law Week organisation or activities
☐ contributing articles for publication in Hong Kong Lawyer
☐ promoting any other interests - *specify*:

9 • I confirm that

- (i) all the information provided to The Law Society for the purpose of my application for student membership is true, accurate and not misleading. I understand that knowingly or wilfully making any false statement or withholding any information or otherwise misleading The Law Society for the purpose of my application for my student membership could constitute an offence and I may lose my status with The Law Society;
(ii) I will abide by the Articles of Association, practice directions and rules and regulations of The Law Society; and
(iii) I will not attempt to or in any way represent myself as qualified to act as a Hong Kong solicitor. In particular, I will not use my status with The Law Society in any advertisements, professional stationery or name plates.

Signature

Date

Your submission of personal data above is subject to the Personal Information Collection Statement attached to this form.

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY

STUDENT MEMBER NO.

APPLICATION APPROVED ON

STUDENT MEMBER CARD EXPIRY DATE

Opting In/Out: The Law Society's Materials & Publications

If you **do not wish** the Society to use or provide your permitted kinds of personal data to the permitted classes of transferees for use in direct marketing as described in the attached Personal Information Collection Statement, **you should tick the box below. Please note that this will result in your ceasing to receive some of the information and materials the Society has in the past been providing members with although such information may still be accessed should you voluntarily search for same in the Society's website.**

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I do not wish the Society to use or provide to other persons for use the permitted kind of personal data for direct marketing

If you do not tick the check box above, you shall be treated to have indicated no objection to the use of your permitted kinds of personal data by the Society and the provision of the said data to the permitted classes of transferees for use in offering or advertising the availability of the marketing subjects.

If at any time in the future you wish to withdraw your consent, you may exercise your opt-out right by notifying the Society. The following is the designated email address of the Society which you may use to notify the Society your opt-out request:

opting@hklawsoc.org.hk

Signature of
Applicant: _____

Date: _____

Personal Information Collection Statement

The personal data collected in this Application (“the data”) will be used by the Law Society of Hong Kong (“the Society”) for the following purposes and purposes directly related thereto:

- (i) The processing of this Application, the management of the membership and related matters;
- (ii) The exercise of the powers of the Society conferred upon it under the Legal Practitioners Ordinance (Chapter 159) and its subsidiary legislation; and
- (iii) The performance of the functions of the Society in accordance with its Memorandum and Articles of Association and the attainment of the objects for which the Society is established which include the provision of services to members (including student members), the making of arrangements for dissemination of information to the legal profession by all manner of means, the promotion of the knowledge of legal subjects by lectures, books, correspondence, pamphlet or otherwise and the making of arrangements of social and recreational activities for members (including student members).

In making this Application, it is obligatory for you to supply the Society with all data requested in the form except as otherwise indicated. The consequence for you if you fail to supply such data is that the Society will not be able to process this Application.

The data may be provided to such persons within the Society whose proper business it is to have access to and assist in the processing of this Application, the management of the membership and related matters. The data may also be provided to other persons who may help the Society in attaining the purposes above mentioned.

Any data that is provided to anyone outside of the Society will be restricted to what is necessary and not excessive to achieve any intended purpose.

You have the right to request access to and correction of the data. Any such request should be addressed to the Secretary General, the Law Society of Hong Kong, 3/F, Wing On House, 71 Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong.

The Privacy Policy Statement of the Society is available on its website at **www.hklawsoc.org.hk**.

Use of personal data for direct marketing purposes

To attain the objects for which the Society is established, it is necessary for the Society to use, albeit a minimum amount of, your personal data. In the event that your application for student membership of the Society is approved, the Society may use your name, university / institution/ law firm or company name and contact details (i.e. correspondence addresses, email address and phone number as may from time to time be provided to, updated and collected by the Society) (collectively **“the permitted kind of personal data”**) for the purpose of offering to you or advertising the availability of the following goods, services and facilities (collectively **“the marketing subjects”**):

- (i) Continuing Professional Development (“CPD”) and Risk Management Education (“RME”) courses and/or examination preparatory courses provided by relevant course providers;
- (ii) Training courses, workshops, seminars, local and overseas visits to develop and enhance professional standards of the legal profession;
- (iii) Events or activities to be held in the Society Secretariat;
- (iv) Social, sports and recreational activities organized by the Society alone, jointly with other parties or by other parties;
- (v) Rewards, loyalty, privilege, discount, or co-branding programmes or promotions for banking services and products, research systems and services, credit cards, insurance services and products, real estate, telecommunications services, travel, transport, resorts, hotels, leisure products, gifts, electronic products, foods and wine/spirit consumables, apparel, footwear, sports goods, luxurious consumer products, beauty, health and household products and services;
- (vi) Ticketing services for concerts, talks, seminars, sports and special events;
- (vii) Information on publications, books, newspapers, journals and magazines available for subscriptions;
- (viii) Translation services, law costs drafting services, legal research services, professional services offered by persons such as China Appointed Attesting Officers, Accredited General Mediators, Notaries Public and Civil Celebrants, banking, credit cards, insurance, accountancy services, information and communications technologies services, recruitment and human resource management services; and
- (ix) Charitable, educational, philanthropic, social, pro-bono and other activities that solicit contributions, donations or participation.

If you wish to receive information of the above marketing subjects, it may be necessary for the Society, with your consent, which includes an indication of no objection, to provide the permitted kinds of personal data to the following classes of transferees (collectively **“the permitted classes of transferees”**):

- (a) Persons, institutes and organisations which provide CPD and RME courses or which provide or organise social, sports and recreational activities for members of the legal profession;
- (b) Publishers, marketing agents, research, survey, translation service providers, search, investigation and other legal services providers, recruitment and human resource agencies, information and communications technologies service providers;
- (c) Organisations which carry out pro-bono, charitable, educational, philanthropic, social or other activities that solicit contributions, donations or participation; and
- (d) Commercial entities, public bodies and co-branding partners which carry out the kinds of marketing subjects stated above which may be approved by the Society

and in the transfer of such data for the offering or advertising the availability of the aforesaid marketing subjects the Society may receive money or other property from or through the permitted classes of transferees.