

Subject Description Form

Subject Code	BRE337
Subject Title	Property Law
Credit Value	3
Level	3
Pre-requisite / Co-requisite/ Exclusion	Nil
Objectives	The subject is intended to: 1. Further develop and apply knowledge and reasoning skills. 2. Evaluate and apply property law to factual situations. 3. Examine law relating to property transactions, land use control and compensation.
Intended Learning Outcomes	Upon completion of the subject, students will be able to: Use and understand the legal terms relating to the subject and be able to make use of such terms to communicate effectively. a. Identify and evaluate the key concepts and principles of Hong Kong land law and Conveyancing. b. Compare and contrast the different property concepts. c. Apply knowledge and reasoning skills to solve legal problems relating to ownership and land use control. d. Explore and evaluate problem-solving solutions in the context of land use and development. e. Possess the ability to evaluate property law with reference to contemporary issues.
Subject Synopsis/ Indicative Syllabus	The sequence of learning in this module is organized around two themes, and three topics. The two themes are: 1. Acquisition, transfer and extinction of interests in land in Hong Kong. 2. The control of land use (including both private and public control). The topics are: 1. Vendor/purchaser transactions. 2. The relationship between owners and managers of multi-storey buildings. 3. The relationship of landlord and tenant.

Reading List and References

Recommended (the latest editions of the following books should be used):

Murphy, W.T., & Robert, S. (2004). Understanding Property Law. (4th ed). Sweet & Maxwell.

S.H.Goo., & Alice S.C.Lee. (2015). Land Law in Hong Kong. (4th ed). LexisNexis.

Sihombing, J., & Wilkinson, M. (2014). A Student's Guide to Hong Kong Conveyancing. (7th ed). LexisNexis

Nield, S. (1997) Hong Kong Land Law. (2nd). Addison Wesley Longman China Limited.

Merry M. (2016) Building Management in Hong Kong. (3rd ed). LexisNexis

Merry, M. (2016) Hong Kong Tenancy Law, (6th ed). LexisNexis

John, Litton., & Kate, Olley. (2018) Planning Law in Hong Kong. LexisNexis.

Richard, E. Smith. (2006) Planning Control: Development, Permission and Enforcement. RICS Books.

Supplementary:

Authorized Hong Kong Law Report and Digest, Sweet & Maxwell.

Government Publications.

Halsbury Laws of Hong Kong, Butterworths.

Hong Kong Cases, Butterworths.

Useful websites

Polytechnic University library database: Westlaw

Department of Legal Justice HK: <http://www.doj.gov.hk/eng/legal/index.htm>

Hong Kong Legal Information: <http://www.hklii.org/>

Hong Kong e-legislation: <https://www.elegislation.gov.hk/>