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## Double Degree Programme (DDP) FAQs (Not applicable to Yale-Law DDP students)

### Prospective students

#### **1. *Can I apply for a DDP which is not listed in Concurrent, Double Degrees & Special Programmes?***

Law only offers structured DDPs and does not allow for ad-hoc degree combinations with the Law degree. This is because the LLB curriculum is structured to ensure students are able to meet all requirements of the Ministry and qualify for legal practice. The current structured DDPs with Law have been agreed after considerable discussions by the respective schools and the university committee managing educational policies and consultation with the various ministries.

### Current students

#### Programme Requirements

#### **2. *I am a Law-Biz DDP student. What is the difference between BBA (Hons)/BAC (Hons) and BBA/BAC?***

Law-Biz DDP students will be admitted into BBA or BAC by default. In the subsequent semesters when students has begun to read Biz courses and completed certain amount of Units, they will be given a choice to opt for the Honours programme or remain in the non-honours track. Students whose home faculty is BIZ do not have the option of a non-honours track for their home degree.

#### **3. *I am a Direct Entry Law DDP student. Can I restructure the schedule of courses in the programme (i.e., I intend to read certain 2<sup>nd</sup> degree Partner Faculty courses first, before completing the Law Compulsory courses?)***

Restructuring of the schedule of courses in the DDP structure is not allowed. Students whose home faculty is BIZ do not have the option of a non-honours track for their home degree. Students must complete Law compulsory courses first before they proceed with the requirements of their 2<sup>nd</sup> degree. This is because lower-level Law courses are pre-requisites or co-requisites to higher-level Law courses in the LLB program. In addition, Law DDP students are not allowed to read any of the Law Electives and/or Common Courses unless they have completed their Law compulsory courses.

#### **4. *During Online Course Registration, can I select Law Electives and/or Common Courses that do not meet my programme requirements?***

Law DDP students should refer to their respective [programme website](#) and read only Law Electives and/or Common Courses that meet their programme requirements.

#### **5. *Are students at a disadvantage because they read fewer Law electives?***

Generally, this would depend on the hiring organisations. Most organisations consider many other factors aside from the number of Law Electives a DDP student reads. Furthermore, DDP students may benefit from a cross-disciplinary curriculum.

#### **6. *Can I apply for a DDP which is not listed on the Concurrent, Double Degrees & Special Programmes page?***

Ad-hoc DDPs are not open to Law students as the LLB curriculum is structured to ensure students are able to meet all requirements of the Ministry and qualify for legal practice. The current structured DDPs with Law have been agreed after considerable discussions by the respective schools and the university committee managing educational policies and consultation with the various ministries.

**7. *I am a Law student in a DDP. Am I eligible to exercise the S/U option on my non-Law courses?***

Law DDP students are eligible to exercise the S/U options on non-Law courses that count solely towards their second degree requirements. Law DDP students may wish to check with their non-Law Faculty on their eligibility to exercise the S/U option. However, non-Law courses which are used to fulfil both the LLB and second degree requirements (i.e. common courses) will have to remain letter graded.

**Online Course Registration**

8. Students are to select course(s) to meet Double Degree Programme Requirements during online course registration exercise. Students enrolled in a course which is not able to fulfil the DDP requirements will be required to drop the affected course and make up the units.

**Student Exchange Programme**

**9. *Are students in the DDP eligible for SEP? If so, when do they go for an exchange?***

Students in the DDP are eligible for SEP opportunities. However, by nature of the programme structure, you will be on SEP with partner faculty instead of LAW. DDP students can only go for SEP in Year 4 after taking one year of partner faculty core courses. They then apply in Year 3 for an exchange programme in Year 4.

**10. *How does the exchange programme affect my overall grades (i.e. for both degrees)?***

Courses read while on exchange programme do not count towards class of honours. You only transfer the units earned but not its grades.

**Exit**

**11. *Are students able to withdraw from the DDP and how do we go about it?***

To exit from the programme, you only need to email us your confirmation. The window period to withdraw is from the date the exam results are released to the 1st week of the following semester. This policy is set by Registrar's Office and can be found at this [link](#).

**12. *I received a letter indicating that I failed to meet the academic continuation requirement for my Law DDP. How can I go about appealing against this?***

Students are required to write to the Law Office of Academic affairs at [lawundergrad@nus.edu.sg](mailto:lawundergrad@nus.edu.sg) and provide justifications. The faculty will review the student's case and advise them accordingly.

**Career Prospects**

**13. *What are the career prospects for DDP graduates?***

Knowledge and training in a secondary discipline (e.g. Business Admin, Economics) is always beneficial as it widens the perspectives and fills the vacuum for talents who can leverage on cross-disciplinary opportunities.

### **Contact Us**

Feel free to contact [us](#) for further clarifications.

## Concurrent Degree Programme (CDP) FAQs

### Programme Requirements

**1. *What is the difference between CDP and DDP?***

Students who complete the CDP are awarded with an Undergraduate (Honours) degree as well as a Master Degree, whereas students in the DDP will graduate with two Undergraduate degrees.

**2. *Can I restructure the schedule of courses in the programme?***

No restructuring in schedule of courses is allowed. Students are required to complete Law's curriculum first before moving on to read MPP courses.

**3. *Are students at a disadvantage because they read fewer Law electives?***

Generally, this would depend on the hiring organisations. Most organisations consider many other factors aside from the number of Law Electives a CDP student reads. Furthermore, students from a cross-disciplinary curriculum may benefit from this.

**4. *I am a Law student in a CDP. Am I eligible to exercise the S/U option on my non-Law courses?***

CDP students may wish to check with their non-Law Faculty on their eligibility to exercise the S/U option.

**5. *Once I have commenced onto MPP (postgraduate programme), can I read Law courses as Cross Faculty Course (CFC) to fulfil the MPP's graduation requirements?***

Each Graduate School has their own policies on CFCs. Students are required to check and seek approval from LKYSPP before course enrolment.

### Student Exchange Programme

**6. *Are students in the CDP eligible for SEP? If so, when do they go for an exchange?***

Students in the CDP are eligible for SEP opportunities with Law Partner Universities but only for one semester (either in Sem 1 or 2) in Year 3 as compared to a normal 4-year LLB programme.

**7. *How does the exchange programme affect my overall grades (i.e. for both degrees)?***

Courses read on the exchange programme do not count towards class of honours. You only transfer the units earned but not its grades.

### Exit

**8. *Are students able to withdraw from the CDP and how do we go about it?***

To exit from the programme, you only need to email us your confirmation. The window period to withdraw is the date the exam results are released to the 1st week of the following semester. This policy is set by Registrar's Office and can be found at this [link](#).

### Career Prospects

**9. *What are the career prospects for CDP graduates?***

Candidates can look forward to fielding positions in public law, international law and governance, among others. Some of our distinguished graduates now hold leading positions in government, not-for-profit organizations, NGOs and public service in the form of eminent judges, Members of Parliament, diplomats, researchers, policy analysts, professors and Law practitioners.

**10. *Would a CDP graduate have an advantage in joining the civil service? How would we weigh up against PSC scholars?***

Recruitment into civil service is solely based on merit. MPP graduates will be equipped with rigorous training, relevant skills and the aptitude to understand the legal, policy, and practical dimensions of governance and national, regional, and international policy-making. This could be their competitive advantage over other candidates, including PSC Scholars.

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