

THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG

Credit Unit Statement (CUS) of Taught Programmes

Faculty / Offering Unit: Faculty of Social Sciences /  
Hong Kong Institute for the Humanities and Social Sciences

Programme title: Master of Family Wealth Management

Applicable student cohort(s): 2024/25

The Master of Family Wealth Management (MFWM) Programme consists of two types of courses providing candidates the opportunity to acquire a holistic understanding of family wealth management. It brings together interdisciplinary scope to cover current topics and emerging trends facing family offices and wealth managers in today's global environment.

Students are required to complete ten courses (including a capstone project course), with a total of 66 credits. All courses (except the 12-credit capstone course) are 6-credit courses. A total of 130-150 hours of student learning activities (including both contact hours and all other forms of student learning activities) is the norm of a 6-credit course. Contact hours are in the range of 30-45 hours, except for the capstone project because students do group research work or internships under the guidance of a supervisor. The programme has a total study load of 1,584-1,602 hours, of which 436-454 are contact hours.

There are 2 categories of courses in this programme, as outlined below:

**1. Core and elective courses** (6 credits per course)

The core courses primarily rely on lectures/workshops (30-45 hours) and are supplemented by class discussions to teach content. The contact hours, learning activities, and assessment requirements for each course may vary depending on the teacher and the learning model employed. The learning activities for each course include lectures, case studies, individual consultations, in-class discussions, individual/group assignments, and group projects. The student learning hours can range from 130 to 150 hours.

Assessment of all courses is conducted in the form of coursework assessment (100%). The assessment methods vary between courses and may include individual assignments, group projects, individual/group presentations, quizzes, and class participation, depending on the nature of the course. The course teachers select the appropriate delivery and assessment mix to help students achieve the course learning outcomes. The written output for each course is expected to be approximately 3,000 words, with an allowable variation of plus or minus 10%

**2. Capstone project** (12 credits)

The compulsory capstone project is designed to provide students with an opportunity to conduct research in groups and propose possible solutions to a contemporary issue faced by family offices and wealth managers. The course requires minimal contact hours (52 hours) because students spend most of their time on research and analysis, with total student learning hours of about 300 hours. The main objective of this course is to help students gain a comprehensive understanding of research and analysis and develop research and analysis skills in a selected area of family wealth management. Throughout the course, students will receive guidance from experienced faculty and/or professional practitioners. Additionally, students can choose their case studies during the semester break. The capstone project can also be an internship experience, subject to the approval of the Programme Director/Chairman of the programme.

Assessment for this course is entirely based on research and a capstone project report. Students may also be assessed through a presentation evaluated by their peers (50%) and a panel (50%). The total written output for the capstone project should not be less than 15,000 words per course, and the assessment is based on 100% coursework.