THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG FACULTY OF ARTS

Criteria for the Award of a Taught Master's Degree with Distinction

The award of a taught postgraduate qualification with an overall distinction is a recognition of excellence, a relatively rare achievement. To obtain an overall distinction, the candidate must

- (a) have received a CGPA of at least 3.60; and
- (b) have received a grade of A- (grade point 3.70) or above in the capstone experience; and
- (c) have not received any grade below C+ (grade point 2.30) in all courses attempted.

All courses attempted, including failed courses, are counted towards the CGPA. The aforementioned conditions shall apply, unless otherwise stated on the latest guidelines that are published on Schools' and Centres' websites for their respective Taught Master's Degree programmes.

The Board of the Examiners for Taught Postgraduate Curricula may, at its absolute discretion and with justification, award an overall distinction to a candidate deemed to have demonstrated meritorious academic achievement but whose CGPA falls below 3.60 by not more than 0.1 grade point, provided that conditions (b) and (c) are also met.

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