

## Important Notes on Choosing Quantitative Finance as Second Major

- 1. Quantitative Finance (QFin) is a highly technical and demanding discipline that is suitable only for those with outstanding ability in quantitative skills, such as mathematics, statistics, and programming. Almost all first major QFin students have achieved 5\* or 5\*\* in the DSE Extended Mathematic Module I or II.
- 2. Students who are interested in Finance in general but do not have outstanding quantitative skills are strongly advised to take Finance instead as a second major.
- 3. All courses offered by our School have quota restriction. Students' successful declaration of a second major in QFin will NOT guarantee them a place in the relevant courses for fulfillment of the major requirements. Students must be aware of the possibility of not being able to enroll in QFin courses which may result in failure to meet all QFin major requirements for graduation or deferment of graduation.
- 4. Several courses in the QFin major have pre-requisite requirements. Students are reminded to take note of the course pre-requisites and are advised to make reference to the suggested study sequence for BSc(QFin) students (<a href="https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/programme/bsc-qfin">https://ug.hkubs.hku.hk/programme/bsc-qfin</a>) when planning their studies.
- 5. Second major QFin students are NOT entitled to the value-enhancing activities for BSc(QFin) students, such as the international field trip, Round Table with Practitioners and Executive Mentoring Scheme, which are reserved for first major students only.
- 6. With effect from the 2016-17 intake, students who would like to pursue a second major in QFin are required to undergo a selection process, and the arrangements are as follows:
  - (a) Interested students are required to submit their applications in mid-October. Shortlisted candidates may be invited by email to an interview if necessary.
  - (b) Declaration of a second major in QFin has been blocked by the system. Only successful students will be able to declare such via SIS during the initial course selection period or add/drop period.

Application Period for the academic year 2024-2025: September 25, 2024 – October 18, 2024

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