

## AC Double Major Information Week on 8-9 April 2020

Two online information sessions were held by our department on 8 April and 9 April during the CB Double Major Information Week. During these sessions, Mr Sunny Wong (major leader of BBAAC) shared information about the advantages and considerations of choosing Accountancy (AC) as part of a double major.

By doing a double major, students can complete two majors in four years, meaning that they can enjoy the advantage of broad and in-depth learning. Choosing AC as part of a double major has several unique advantages. For example, it expands students' career options, because there is a high demand for accounting graduates. For example, nearly 70% of AC graduates start their careers in Big 4 audit firms. Moreover, the AC department provides credit-bearing internships in accounting firms, reputable commercial organizations and government bodies, so that the students can earn both credits and internship experience at the same time. In addition, the AC department enjoys wide professional recognition, from the ACCA, CIMA, CPAA, and HKICPA.

The information session also introduced some considerations about a double major program. First, double-major students may have a greater workload, as they need to complete core and elective courses for both majors. Second, timetabling is very important for double-major students. Students need to plan in advance so as to complete the required courses for both majors, especially if the students would like to undertake two different internships under the two majors. And third, double-major students have a less flexible study plan, especially if they undertake an AC department-sponsored internship. That is, internships are held in the Semester B or in Summer in Year 3, and therefore, double-major students may not be able to meet the credit requirements of both majors. As a result, the students may need to do more courses in summer.

The two suggested double-major pairs for AC are FIN-AC and IFMG-AC. All of the students admitted in 2018-19 and onwards (except ASI and ASII students) with a minimum CGPA of 3.0 are eligible to apply.