Second year Applied Physics major students (normative 4-year degree) with outstanding academic performance may apply for the Joint Bachelor’s Degree Program between City University of Hong Kong and Columbia University in USA, and obtain degrees from both universities.

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**Student Highlights**

**Cheng, Yuanhao**  
BSc Applied Physics, CityU  
Joint Bachelor’s Degree Program between CityU and Columbia University

“Columbia University is a prestigious university. I have had the chance to interact with many brilliant professors and students. Courses at Columbia are very demanding, but also very enlightening. I have spent a great deal of time reading books, understanding materials, and doing homework. By my self-study and through my discussions with professors and students, I have been able to easily learn whatever I want.

A number of libraries are located on campus, and each of them is furnished in a distinctive style. I have greatly enjoyed the time I’ve spent in each one learning and meeting people.”

**Song, Yuan**  
BSc Applied Physics, CityU  
Joint Bachelor’s Degree Program between CityU and Columbia University

“The Joint Bachelor’s Degree Program has allowed me to be engaged in two elite universities in two fascinating cities. Columbia University sees the entire city as its campus. Things that I can do in New York are far beyond my imagination. I’ve met every actor in the play Sleep No More inside the 5-storey McKittrick Hotel. I’ve spent weeks in the Metropolitan Museum of Art to admire history. I have shaken hands with the current World Chess Champion, Magnus Carlsen. New York is a place that is full of possibilities, no matter who you are.

All the assignments that I found challenging [at Columbia] were more inclined to theoretical fields, designed to enhance my understanding of physics, which created a balance comparing to those more experimentally-focused courses at CityU. Having resources at both universities available, I became much more confident in the field of physics.”

**Wu, Peilin**  
BSc Applied Physics, CityU  
Joint Bachelor’s Degree Program between CityU and Columbia University

“Studying in the Joint Bachelor’s Degree Program was an extremely rewarding journey... both academically and personally. The biggest lesson that I’ve learned was the personal paradigm shift after the expansion of my horizon. Every conversation with a great mind around the campus turned out to be inspiring.

Even though a two-year study [at Columbia] might be a bit short in time, it was well enough to peek through the cultural, social, political and religious differences, and those discrepancies really lifted me out of the normal plane of comprehension in a local perspective and granted me a glimpse of the whole picture.”