6.1.1 Overview of Programme

The Double Honours Degree in Economics and Law is offered by the Faculty of Arts and Social Sciences and Faculty of Law, leading to both the degrees of B.Soc.Sci. (Hons.) and LL.B. (Hons.).

Economics and Law are, in some areas, complementary disciplines. Increasingly, experts will use methodologies from the two disciplines. Scholars and practitioners of the two fields have been actively examining the places where they meet. For example, most Corporate Law subjects in top law schools now include economic analysis, and economists working on public policy, such as competition policy, require a working knowledge of the supporting legal infrastructure.

Singapore is a regional centre for legal services, and a lot of our international legal work involves commercial, corporate and financial law. This means there is — and will continue to be — a demand for lawyers with a strong background in economics, as well as for economists trained in law. Likely future employers are: some law firms, large commercial banks, and institutions such as the Monetary Authority of Singapore, the Media Development Authority, the Infocomm Development Authority and the Competition Commission of Singapore.

The programme includes the core of our Economics and Law degrees, as well as some other modules to allow students to explore beyond those areas.