Super:
Local and International Recognition

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To ensure continuity of the examination system the standards of levels 4 and 5 of the HKDSE examination were set with reference to Grades A to D of the HKALE. Local universities have announced their recognition of the HKDSE qualification and have specified the four core subjects as mandatory requirements for entry. They have also confirmed the minimum requirements for admission to undergraduate programmes, which are level 3 in Chinese Language and English Language.

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Chinese Language: level 3
English Language: level 3

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and level 2 in Mathematics and Liberal Studies

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Mathematics: level 2
Liberal Studies: level 2

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Similar to current practice, different faculties of departments of these tertiary institutions may set specific entry requirements for one to two elective subjects and also other requirements.

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Minimum admission requirements of Sub-degree Programmes
Chinese Language
English Language
3 others subjects
Level 2 or equivalent

**VO:**
To meet the minimum entry requirements of sub-degree programmes students are advised to attain at least level 2 or equivalent in five HKDSE subjects including Chinese Language and English Language. In fact, different overseas education institutions and accrediting organisations have given very positive comments on the design and concept of the NSS curriculum and the HKDSE examination. In early 2010, the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) in the United Kingdom included the HKDSE in the UCAS Tariff system.

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**VO:**
Level 3 in HKDSE is recognised as being comparable to Grade E in the GCE Advance Level Examination, whereas level 5 is comparable to Grade A in GCE A Level. In 2007, the Australian government recognised the HKDSE as comparable to
the Australian Senior Secondary School Certificate. The HKEAA will continue to promote the HKDSE to tertiary institutions in the world, so that this new qualification will gain wider acceptance and credibility.

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Reference Materials

**VO:**
For further information, please visit these websites.

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Reference Website
www.hkeaa.edu.hk
www.edb.gov.hk/nas

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