

**ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR HOLDERS OF
HONG KONG DIPLOMA OF SECONDARY EDUCATION (HKDSE)**

UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN

A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE			
	Bachelor Degree Programmes	International Foundation Programmes (if applicable)	* Other Higher Education Programmes (if applicable, please specify)
<p>1. Please state the general entrance requirements for holders of HKDSE applying for admission to your Institution.</p> <p>Example:</p> <p><i>Level ____ in (number) subjects, including (names of subjects) or UCAS points required including (names of subjects)</i></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Pass all four core subjects including Level 3 - 4 or better in English - In addition to English, pass three subjects at Level 4 or better, including two elective subjects <p>For further details about the entry requirements of different faculties/programmes, please refer to the following Annex 1.</p>	N/A	N/A
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>	www.abdn.ac.uk	N/A	N/A
B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE			
<p>1. Does the English Language component of the HKDSE satisfy your general English language requirement (Yes/No)? If yes, at what level?</p>	Yes, in general, Level 3 - 4 or better in English	N/A	N/A
<p>2. In case an applicant does not fulfil the general language requirements as listed above, does your Institution require an alternative language qualification other than the HKDSE attainment? If yes, please indicate.</p>	The above requirements will satisfy our English language requirements for oversea students. For any failing to meet these English requirements then an IELTS or TOEFL test could be used instead.	N/A	N/A

* For example, Higher National Certificate (HNC), Higher National Diploma (HND), Foundation Degrees, National Certificate (Scotland)

C. Student Learning Profile (SLP)

Information provided in the SLP includes student's other learning experiences, awards/achievements gained outside school, academic performance in school as well as his/her "self-account" (for example, impressive learning experiences, career goal setting, etc.)

1. Does your Institution consider information provided in the SLP when processing applications for admission?

Information in the SLP will be helpful; when considering an applicant.

D. Information needed before release of HKDSE results:

1. What information, apart from SLP, needs to be provided by the applicant to support his/her application?

Anything that provides evidence of the applicant's level of maturity, general ability, commitment and knowledge of the subject area.

2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?

Besides academic performance, an understanding of the demands/opportunities a university education will bring and a realisation that styles of learning and study will be different to the school environment. An indication of what they do to relax/how they spent their spare time and also an indication of what they do to participate in team/sport/school activities.

E. Other Information

1. Please provide further information (if any) regarding undergraduate studies at your Institution (such as scholarship etc.) for prospective students who hold the HKDSE, or the website address for accessing the relevant information.

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**Normally, students who have completed secondary education in Hong Kong holding the HKDSE should have reached the age of 18.*

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**General Entrance Requirements for holders of HKDSE
applying for admission to the University of Aberdeen**

- Law
 - Pass all four core subjects including Level 4 or better in English
 - In addition to English, pass three further subjects, all at minimum Level 4 and at least one at Level 5, including two elective subjects

- Medicine
 - Pass all four core subjects including:
 - English to Level 3 or better;
 - Maths to Level 4 or better (including minimum of Level 4 in both Compulsory and Extended parts)
 - Undertake three elective subject:
 - Chemistry compulsory to Level 5
 - Two further subjects out of Biology to Level 5, Physics to Level 5 or Maths (Maths to include Compulsory part to Level 5* & Extended part to Level 5)

- Engineering
 - For BEng in Civil, Electrical & Electronic, or Mechanical Engineering
 - Pass all four core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English, and Level 4 or better in Maths (Level 4 is required in both the Compulsory and Extended parts)
 - In addition to Maths, pass three subjects at Level 4 or better, including Physics and two other elective subjects. Science will not be counted as one of these other elective subjects

 - For BEng in Chemical or Petroleum Engineering
 - Pass all four core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English, and Level 4 or better in Maths (Level 4 is required in both the Compulsory and Extended parts)
 - In addition to Maths, pass three subjects at Level 4 or better, including Physics, Chemistry and one other elective subject. Science will not be counted as this other elective subject.

 - For MEng in Civil, Electrical & Electronic, or Mechanical Engineering
 - Pass all four core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English, and 4 or better in Maths (Compulsory and Extended parts)
 - Pass two subjects at Level 4 or better, and two subjects at Level 5. These four subjects must include Maths (Level 4 or better is required in both the Compulsory and Extended parts), Physics, and two other Elective subjects. Science will not be counted as one of these other elective subject.

 - For MEng in Chemical or Petroleum Engineering
 - Pass all four core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English, and Level 4 or better in Maths (Compulsory and Extended parts)

- Pass two subjects at Level 4 or better, and two subjects at Level 5. These four subjects must include Maths (Level 4 or better is required in both the Compulsory and Extended parts), Physics, Chemistry and one other Elective subjects. Science will not be counted as this other elective subject.

■ Sciences

- For most BSc subjects

- Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English and Maths (Compulsory part)
- Pass four subjects at Level 4 or better, including two Elective subjects either selected from (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, ICT, Geography) or selected from (Science, ICT, Geography). If one of these four subjects is Maths then Level 4 or better should be gained in both the Compulsory and Extended parts.

- For BSc Maths

- Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English, and Level 4 or better in Maths (Compulsory and Extended parts).
- In addition to Maths, pass three subjects at Level 4 or better, including two Elective subjects, one of which should be selected from (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Science, ICT, Geography). Science will not be counted as one of these subjects alongside Biology, Chemistry or Physics.

- For BSc Chemistry

- Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English and Maths (Compulsory part).
- Pass four subjects at Level 4 or better, including Chemistry and one other Elective subject. If Maths is one of these four subjects then Level 4 or better should be gained in both the Compulsory and Extended parts, otherwise the other Elective subjects should be selected from (Biology, Physics, ICT, Geography).

- For MChem

- Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English and Maths (Compulsory part).
- Pass four subjects, two at Level 4 or better, and two at Level 5, including Chemistry at Level 5 and one other Elective subject. If Maths is one of these four subjects then Level 4 or better should be gained in both the Compulsory and Extended parts, otherwise the other Elective subject should be selected from (Biology, Physics, ICT, Geography).

- For BSc Physics

- Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English, and Level 4 or better in Maths (Compulsory and Extended parts).
- In addition to Maths, pass three subjects at Level 4 or better, including Physics and one other Elective subjects

- For BSc Biomedical Science and MSci in Biological/medical Science

- Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 3 or better in English and Maths (Compulsory part)
- Pass four subjects, two at Level 4 or better, and two at Level 5, including Chemistry at Level 5 and one other Elective subject. If Maths is one of these four subjects, Level 4 or better should be gained in both the Compulsory and Extended parts, otherwise the other Elective subject should be selected from (Biology, Physics, ICT, Geography)

■ Arts

- For most M.A. subjects
 - Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 4 or better in English
 - In addition to English, pass three further subjects at Level 4 or better, including two elective subjects

- For M.A. Maths
 - Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 4 or better in English and Level 4 or better in Maths (Compulsory and Extended parts).
 - In addition to Maths and English, pass two further subjects at Level 4 or better, at least one of which should be an elective subject

- For M.A European Management Studies
 - Pass all four Core subjects, including Level 4 or better in English
 - In addition to English, pass two further subjects at Level 4 or better, and either French, German or Spanish at Grade B or better