

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

**UNIVERSITY COLLEGE BIRMINGHAM**

<b>A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE</b>			
	<b>Bachelor Degree Programmes</b>	<b>International Foundation Programmes (if applicable)</b>	<b>* Other Higher Education Programmes (if applicable, please specify)</b>
<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</i></p> <p><i>UCAS points required including (names of subjects)</i></p>	<p>We would accept two from either core or elective from the 23 subjects assessed by the UCAS towards the tariff (<i>the UCAS tariff value for HKDSE</i>) of 220.</p>	<p>Completion of secondary schooling. All applications are considered on individual merit</p>	<p>Foundation Degrees:</p> <p>Offers range from a minimum of 120</p>
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>	<p>www.ucb.ac.uk</p>	<p>www.ucb.ac.uk</p>	<p>www.ucb.ac.uk</p>
<b>B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE</b>			
<p>1. Please indicate the requirement in English Language in terms of level attained under the HKDSE, and/or requirement under other qualifications that demonstrate the applicant's English standard.</p>	<p>Provisionally we believe the HKDSE does satisfy UCB's English language requirement. UCB would seek a minimum of Level 3 in English on the HKDSE</p> <p>UCB also accepts the following English language qualifications for entry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● IELTS: 6.0</li> <li>● TOEFL IBT: 80</li> <li>● Cambridge Certificate of Advanced English: Minimum Grade C</li> <li>● Cambridge Certificate of proficiency in English: Minimum Grade C</li> </ul> <p>Hong Kong Use of A/S English Test: Minimum Grade E</p>	<p>UCB would seek a minimum of Level 2 in English on the HKDSE for IFD programmes.</p> <p>IELTS: 5.0</p> <p>Cambridge Preliminary English Test (PET)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● IELTS: 5.0</li> <li>● TOEFL IBT: 60</li> </ul> <p>Cambridge First Certificate in English: Minimum Grade C</p>	<p>Provisionally we believe the HKDSE does satisfy UCB's English language requirement. UCB would seek a minimum of Level 3 in English on the HKDSE</p> <p>UCB also accepts the following English language qualifications for entry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● IELTS: 5.5</li> <li>● TOEFL IBT: 70</li> </ul> <p>Cambridge First Certificate in English: Minimum Grade A/B</p>

\* 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?	Yes	No	Yes
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### 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?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed UCB application form/ UCAS</li> <li>One reference photocopy of passport details</li> <li>Photocopy of qualification certificates held Evidence of English qualification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed International Student Application Form</li> <li>One reference photocopy of passport details</li> <li>Photocopy of qualification certificates held Evidence of English qualification</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Completed UCB application form/ UCAS</li> <li>One reference photocopy of passport details</li> <li>Photocopy of qualification certificates held Evidence of English qualification</li> </ul>
2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?	Ideally UCB is seeking those qualities that any future employer would value, such as enthusiasm, discipline, communication, numeracy and IT skills along with some form of previous work experience. Above all, UCB the quality to succeed.	Ideally UCB is seeking evidence of the potential to develop those qualities that any future employer would value, such as enthusiasm, discipline, communication, numeracy and IT skills along with some form of previous work experience. Above all, UCB the quality to succeed.	Ideally UCB is seeking those qualities that any future employer would value, such as enthusiasm, discipline, communication, numeracy and IT skills along with some form of previous work experience. Above all, UCB the quality to succeed.

### 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.	UCB offers a range of scholarships for international students to undertake Higher education study, full details of which can be seen on our website.  For certain programmes (Culinary Arts Management, Spa Management & Hospitality and Salon Management), applicants are required to purchase technical clothing and accessories from UCB upon commencing the	No, scholarships are awarded for International Foundation study as UCB believe our fees are amongst the lowest in the UK.  Further details of programmes offered by UCB can be obtained from either our website	UCB offers a range of scholarships for international students to undertake Higher education study, full details of which can be seen on our website.  For certain programmes (Culinary Arts Management, Spa
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	<p>programme. The cost of this equipment does not exceed £300.</p> <p>Students studying for Higher Education programmes in the tourism or sport fields have compulsory field visits integrated into their programmes, the cost of which is included in the programme fees.</p> <p>For applicants applying to study the BA (Hons) Culinary Arts Management, who have no previous catering experience, an intensive summer culinary skills bridging course is offered prior to the commencement of the programme. This course is free of charge.</p> <p>Further details of programmes offered by UCB can be obtained from either our website (<a href="http://www.ucb.ac.uk">www.ucb.ac.uk</a>) or by contacting Dr Sarah Chiu in the International Student Centre on <a href="mailto:s.chiu@ucb.ac.uk">s.chiu@ucb.ac.uk</a></p>	<p>(<a href="http://www.ucb.ac.uk">www.ucb.ac.uk</a>) or by contacting Dr Sarah Chiu in the International Student Centre on <a href="mailto:s.chiu@ucb.ac.uk">s.chiu@ucb.ac.uk</a></p>	<p>Management &amp; Hospitality and Salon Management), applicants are required to purchase technical clothing and accessories from UCB upon commencing the programme. The cost of this equipment does not exceed £300.</p> <p>Students studying for Higher Education programmes in the tourism or sport fields have compulsory field visits integrated into their programmes, the cost of which is included in the programme fees.</p> <p>For applicants applying to study the Foundation Degree in Culinary Arts Management, who have no previous catering experience, an intensive summer culinary skills bridging course is offered prior to the commencement of the programme. This course is free of charge.</p> <p>Further details of programmes offered by UCB can be obtained from either our website (<a href="http://www.ucb.ac.uk">www.ucb.ac.uk</a>) or by contacting Dr Sarah Chiu in the International Student Centre on <a href="mailto:s.chiu@ucb.ac.uk">s.chiu@ucb.ac.uk</a></p>
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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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