

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

**SHEFFIELD HALLAM UNIVERSITY**

<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>Varies depending on course however a minimum of 2 category A subjects:</p> <p>120 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'attained with distinction'</p> <p>or</p> <p>160 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subjects 'attained with distinction'</p> <p>or</p> <p>200 UCAS tariff points</p>	N/A	<p>Varies depending on course however a minimum of:</p> <p>120 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subjects 'attained with distinction'</p> <p>or</p> <p>160 UCAS tariff points</p>
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>	www.shu.ac.uk	N/A	www.shu.ac.uk
<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>HKDSE English: Level 4 at Category A English Language</p> <p>IELTS 6.0 with a minimum of 5.5 in all skills or equivalent</p>	N/A	<p>HND courses will require students to obtain a UKBA recognised secure English Language Test for visa purposes</p> <p>IELTS 6.0 or equivalent</p>

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

<b>C. Information needed <u>before</u> release of HKDSE results:</b>	
1. What information, apart from SLP, needs to be provided by the applicant to support his/her application?	Full application. Undergraduate courses: submitted via UCAS or direct to the University must include references and predicted grades if possible.
2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?	Ability to work as part of a group, ability to manage own work and meet deadlines etc,
<b>D. Other Information</b>	
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.	<a href="http://www.shu.ac.uk">www.shu.ac.uk</a>

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

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## Sheffield Hallam University, UK

### Entry requirements for Hong Kong students



Sheffield Hallam University has a long history of welcoming students from Hong Kong and also has established strong links with partner institutions in Hong Kong including City University, the University of Hong Kong and School of Continuing and Professional Education of the Vocational Training Council.

#### **Entry requirements for Hong Kong students applying for study beginning 2010/11 or 2011/12 at Sheffield Hallam University**

#### **Academic Entry Requirements for Undergraduate courses**

##### **For the first year of entry**

Sheffield Hallam consider HKALE as the equivalent of UK A Levels.

Applicants with HKALE qualifications will need to meet the course entry requirements as set on the Sheffield Hallam website, these are typically 200 -300 UCAS tariff points.

Please note that some courses may require students to have undertaken required subject study, e.g. where an A Level is required from within particular subject area a Hong Kong student would be required to evidence HKALE study or equivalent within the described subject area.

##### **For second and third year entry on undergraduate programmes**

Post-HKALE 2-year Associate Degrees or Higher National Diplomas and appropriate required subject knowledge.

#### **Academic Entry Requirements for Postgraduate courses**

For postgraduate entry requirements, please refer to individual course descriptions within the online prospectus [www.shu.ac.uk](http://www.shu.ac.uk) or the International student prospectus.

#### **English Language entry requirements**

If English is not your first language you will need to demonstrate English Language proficiency to a minimum level of IELTS 6.0 or equivalent. Some courses may have a higher minimum English language requirement, please see the course entry requirements listed on the Sheffield Hallam University website for further details.

# Entry requirements for Hong Kong students applying for courses beginning 2012/13 onwards

## Sheffield Hallam University is pleased to recognise the new Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)

### English Language

You must have a minimum Level 4 in English Language at Category A or if you do not meet this requirement a minimum IELTS 6.0 . UCAS points awarded for English Language at Category A will be included in the calculation of total UCAS tariff points.

Please note this may be higher dependent on course entry requirement, please see the course entry requirements listed on the Sheffield Hallam University website.

### Academic requirement

Although Category B subjects do not formally have a tariff by UCAS, Sheffield Hallam University recognise achievement in each of these subjects at 'Attained with Distinction' level as the equivalent of 40 UCAS Tariff Points.

The table below shows the equivalent entry requirements for applicants from Hong Kong

Please note that some courses may require students to have undertaken required subject study within Category A study, e.g. where an A Level is required from a within particular subject area a HKDSE student would be required to evidence Category A study within the described subject area.

Please contact us to check or visit [www.shu.ac.uk](http://www.shu.ac.uk) online course listing for full course entry requirements.

Standard UK entry requirement	Equivalent HKDSE entry requirement
200 UCAS tariff points from minimum of 2 A Levels	min 120 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'Attained with Distinction' or min 160 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subject 'Attained with Distinction' or min 200 UCAS tariff points
220 UCAS tariff points from minimum of 2 A Levels	min 160 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'Attained with Distinction' or min 200 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subject 'Attained with Distinction' or min 220 UCAS tariff points
240 UCAS tariff points from minimum of 2 A Levels	min 160 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'Attained with Distinction' or min 200 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subject 'Attained with Distinction' or min 240 UCAS tariff points
260 UCAS tariff points from minimum of 2 A Levels	min 180 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'Attained with Distinction' or min 220 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subject 'Attained with Distinction' or min 260 UCAS tariff points
280 UCAS tariff points from minimum of 2 A Levels	min 200 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'Attained with Distinction' or min 240 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subject 'Attained with Distinction' or min 280 UCAS tariff points
300 UCAS tariff points from minimum of 2 A Levels	min 220 UCAS tariff points + 2 relevant category B subjects 'Attained with Distinction' or min 260 UCAS tariff points + 1 relevant category B subject 'Attained with Distinction' or min 300 UCAS tariff points

## Further information

For more information and to apply visit

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