

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

**THE UNIVERSITY OF MANCHESTER**

<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 UCAS points required including (names of subjects)</i></p>	<p>The University will be making a range of offers to applicants presenting the HKDSE dependant on the specific requirements of individual disciplines. This range will normally be from 5*55 to 554, with subject specific grades stated where required.</p>	N/A	N/A
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>	<p>All courses state A level entry requirements here: <a href="http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/">www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/</a></p> <p>For subjects requiring A*AA or AAA at A level, requirements from the HKDSE will normally be between 5*55 – 555. For those requiring AAB and below, requirements will normally be between 554 – 544. For some courses applicants will be required to take Mathematics Extended Part in addition to the compulsory component.</p>	N/A	N/A
<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>English Language requirements vary by course and department but are usually the equivalent of GCSE Grade C or B, or IELTS 6.0 – 6.5 for undergraduate entry (for Foundation Programme 5.5)</p> <p>Other English Language qualifications normally accepted for undergraduate entry include IGCSE, Cambridge CAE &amp; CPE and Pearson Test of English.</p>	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?

Yes

### 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?

Some courses have additional entry requirements such as previous work experience, submission of written work or design portfolio with the application or previous study of a particular subject.

For students taking IELTS or equivalent: Some departments ask that the appropriate score has been met before applying for a course whilst other departments give conditional offers subject to applicants achieving our general entry requirement level of English Language proficiency before starting the course.

Departments sometimes have different entry requirements so it is important that applicants check the individual course information on the University website before they apply.

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

Advice for writing references:

Include key facts about a student:

- their academic performance in their post-16 education
- their potential for academic success in higher education
- why the course they have chosen is suited to them
- any personal qualities which will benefit them at university, such as skills, aptitude, enthusiasm
- what they can bring to the university, such as extra-curricular activities and interests

If the applicant's first language is not English, please comment on their ability to write and speak in English, and indicate if any of their studies were taught in English.

If you teach the applicant now or taught them prior to their taking a break from education, please give details and describe how they compare with others in their class.

It can be useful to include brief details about the school/college, such as:

- size and type of school/college

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- number of students in student's year group and/or class sizes, and the proportion typically progressing to HE</li> <li>- typical number and patterns of qualifications taken by students</li> </ul> <p>Describe their suitability for the chosen courses and where possible give an indication of their predicted grades.</p>
<p><b>E. Other Information</b></p>	
<p>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.</p>	<p>Scholarship information:  <a href="http://www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/funding/international">www.manchester.ac.uk/undergraduate/funding/international</a></p> <p>Information about the University and the city of Manchester:  <a href="http://www.manchester.ac.uk/international/manchester/">www.manchester.ac.uk/international/manchester/</a></p> <p>Information about Accommodation:  <a href="http://www.manchester.ac.uk/international/accommodation/">www.manchester.ac.uk/international/accommodation/</a></p>

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

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