

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

NORTHUMBRIA UNIVERSITY

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</i></p> <p><i>UCAS points required including (names of subjects)</i></p>	<p>The University will be marking a range of offers either based on UCAS tariff equivalency or specific grades at HKDSE. Some courses will be also require grades in specific subjects.</p> <p>Please refer to our website for our UCAS tariff requirement</p>	<p>Grades for entry to our International Foundation Programme vary according to the student' intended target course.</p> <p>Please contact the International Office for further details.</p>	N/A
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>	<p>www.northumbria.ac.uk/coursesearch</p>	N/A	
B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE			
<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>Entry to Year 1 of our undergraduate courses requires students to have achieved between IELTS 5.5 and 6.5 or equivalent depending on the programme. For courses at Newcastle Business School, no element in an IELTS score should be 0.5 or more points below the required overall score. For further details please see our website.</p>	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?

Predicted grades can be useful although they are not mandatory. Some courses may require particular experience or a portfolio and it is therefore very important for applicants to check the course requirements detailed on website before making their application.

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

We would like to know more about the applicants' general attitude to their studies, their potential to succeed on their chosen course, and how this course will help them achieve their future ambitions.

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.

Information regarding fees and discounts can be found at:
www.northumbria.ac.uk/brochure/international/fees/intdiscounts

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

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