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

SCHOOL OF ORIENTAL AND AFRICAN STUDIES (SOAS), UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

## A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE

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<th>Bachelor Degree Programmes</th>
<th>International Foundation Programmes (if applicable)</th>
<th>* Other Higher Education Programmes (if applicable, please specify)</th>
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<td><strong>1.</strong></td>
<td>Please state the general entrance requirements for holders of HKDSE applying for admission</td>
<td>Most offers will range from Level 4/5/5 to 5/5/5 in core or elective subjects, with candidates having scored a minimum of</td>
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<td>to your Institution. Example: <strong>Level _____ in ____ (number) subjects, including (names of subjects) or UCAS points, required including (names of subjects)</strong></td>
<td>Level 3 in all 6 subjects.</td>
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<td><strong>2.</strong></td>
<td>Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</td>
<td>Students who have scored an average of Level 3 across all subjects may be considered.</td>
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## B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE

| Meets | IELTS 7.0 (with 6.5 in writing), TOEFL 105 or another recognised English language qualification, including (i)GCSE, A/AS Level, IB | Level 4 HKDSE English Language would exempt students from our English language assessment. IELTS 5.5 (with 5.0 in writing), TOEFL 76 with 17 in writing or another recognised English language qualification. | 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. This will be considered as part of the whole application.

**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?  
   Please ensure that all sections of the UCAS application are completed in full, including personal statement and reference.

2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools’ recommendation other than academic performance?  
   Predicted grades, plus the candidate's overall suitability to be considered for the programme applied for.

**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.  
   For further information, please contact Claire Rowlinson (Country Manager for Hong Kong): cr35@soas.ac.uk  
   Or visit:  
   http://www.soas.ac.uk/international  
   http://www.soas.ac.uk/registry/scholarships/

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

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