

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

THE UNIVERSITY OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE			
	Undergraduate Programme	Diploma Programme (if applicable)	Foundation Programme (if applicable)
<p>1. Please state the general entrance requirements for holders of HKDSE applying for admission to your Institution.</p> <p>Example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Level 5 and Level 4 in 2 elective subjects other than English Language 	<p>Diploma must include 4 core and at least 2 elective subjects. At least 3 subjects must be achieved at Level 4 or higher. Details please refer to the Appendix.</p>	N/A	<p>Please click here for more details.</p>
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access to the specific programme-level requirements.</p>	<p>www.studyat.uwa.edu.au/undergrad/international</p>	N/A	<p>Please click here for more details.</p>
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>HKDSE English:</p> <p>Core English Language</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> minimum Level 4 <p>OR</p> <p>Literature in English (Elective)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> minimum Level 3 <p>IELTS (Academic): Overall 6.5 with no band less than 6.0</p> <p>TOEFL iBT: Overall score of 90, with 22 in writing and no less than 20 in other bands</p> <p>Please click here for more details.</p>	N/A	<p>Please click here for more details.</p>

C. Other Information

1. Would your Institution grant advanced standing for HKDSE holders with outstanding results?	No, advanced standing is not awarded on the basis of Secondary Education	N/A	Please click here for more details.
2. Please provide further information (if any) regarding undergraduate studies at your Institution for prospective students who hold the HKDSE (such as scholarship etc.), or the website address for accessing the relevant information.	www.studyat.uwa.edu.au/undergrad/international	N/A	Please click here for more details.

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

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UWA Conversion Schedule for the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education

Aggregate (best 4)*	Rank	Reflective Levels of Achievement
24	99.95	5**,5**,5**,5**
23.5	99.5	5**,5**,5**,5*
23	99	5**,5**,5*,5*
22.5	98.5	5**,5*,5*,5*
22	98	5**,5*,5*,5
21.5	97.5	5*,5*,5*,5
21	97	5*,5*,5*,5
20.5	96.5	5*,5*,5*,5
20	96	5,5,5,5
19.5	95	5,5,5,4.5
19	94	5,5,5,4
18.5	93	5,5,4,4.5
18	92	5,5,4,4
17.5	90	5,4,4,4.5
17	88	5,4,4,4
16.5	86	4,4,4,4.5
16	84	4,4,4,4
15.5	82	4,4,4,3.5
15	80	4,4,4,3

*NOTES

1. The Diploma must include 4 core and at least 2 elective subjects;
2. Elective subjects must be either Category A or Category C subjects;
3. Ranks on the HKDSE are calculated on the basis that: 5**=6, 5*=5.5, 5=5, 4=4, 3=3, 2=0, 1=0 for Category A subjects or A*=6, A=5, B=4, C=3, D=2, E=1 for Category C subjects;
4. Aggregate is calculated using the best 4 Category A or Category C subjects, excluding Mathematics Core (in conjunction with note 5);
5. Extended Mathematics modules may be counted as one full subject, or can be combined with Core Mathematics at half points each;
6. At least three scores must be achieved at Level 4 or higher (*L4 = A-Level 'D'*);
7. The Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority is the awarding body for the Diploma.

Subject Equivalents – HKDSE

WACE subject	WA TEE subject	HKDSE equivalent
English (ENG)	English / English Literature	Core English Language – minimum Level 4
		Literature in English elective – minimum Level 3
Mathematics 2C/2D (MAT 2C/2D)	Discrete Mathematics	Core Mathematics – minimum Level 3
Mathematics 3A/3B (MAT 3A/3B)	Discrete Mathematics	Core Mathematics – minimum Level 3
Mathematics 3C/3D (MAT 3C/3D)	Applicable Mathematics	Extended Mathematics Module 1 (Calculus and Statistics) – minimum Level 3
Mathematics Specialist 3C/3D (MAS 3C/3D)	Calculus	Extended Mathematics Module 2 (Algebra and Calculus) – minimum Level 3
Chemistry 3A/3B (CHE 3A/3B)	Chemistry	Chemistry elective* – minimum Level 3
Physics 3A/3B (PHY 3A/3B)	Physics	Physics elective – minimum Level 3
		Physics component within the 'Combined Science' elective – minimum Level 3