

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

University of Reading

A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE

	Bachelor Degree/ Undergraduate Programme	International Foundation/ Diploma/ UG Diploma Programme (if applicable)	Other Higher Education Programmes (if applicable)
1. Please state the general entrance requirements for holders of HKDSE applying for admission to your Institution.	Level 4, 4, 4 - 5, 5, 5 depending on the programme in at least two elective subjects, excluding Liberal Studies.	Pass HKDSE with scores of 3, 2, 2 in at least two elective subjects and excluding Liberal Studies. Students who have completed Form 5 with a minimum overall score of 60% will also be considered.	
2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access to the specific programme-level	http://www.reading.ac.uk/15/Study/international/your-country/study-int-country-specific-hong-kong.aspx	http://www.reading.ac.uk/ISLI/study-in-the-uk/isli-ifp.aspx	

B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE

1. Please indicate the requirement in English Language in terms of level attained under the HKDSE, and/or alternative language qualifications that demonstrate the applicants' English standard for admission to your institution.	<p>5** in HKDSE English Language can be accepted in lieu of IELTS 7.5</p> <p>5* in HKDSE English Language can be accepted in lieu of IELTS 7.0</p> <p>4 in HKDSE English Language can be accepted in lieu of IELTS 6.5</p> <p>Details can be found at : http://www.reading.ac.uk/ready-to-study/international-and-eu/english-language-requirements.aspx</p>	<p>For students starting the International Foundation Programme in January we require IELTS 6.0 with no skill below 5.0.</p> <p>For students starting the International Foundation Programme in July and September, depending on your intended degree programme will require different IELTS levels, please visit http://www.reading.ac.uk/ifp/Entryrequirements/ifp-englishqualifications.aspx for detail.</p>	
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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".

1. Does your Institution consider information provided in the student learning profile (SLP) when processing application for admission?	Yes, we consider each application on an individual basis and take all factors in to consideration. It is useful to find out more about the applicant generally.
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D. Other Information

1. What is the information, apart from SLP, needed to be provided by the applicant to support his/her application?	We need information on the subjects to be taken in the HKDSE and the predicted grade for each subject, together with an academic reference and a personal statement.
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2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?	We look for suitability for the intended programme as well as a commitment and motivation to the subject. We would seek evidence of transferrable skills from current studies such as analytical skills and independent thinking. More generally, we need an indication of preparedness for study at university level and information regarding initiatives and extra curricula activities applicants have been involved in.
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3. Please provide further information (if any) regarding undergraduate studies at your Institution	Information on studying at Reading can be found at : http://www.reading.ac.uk/ready-to-study
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**Normally, students who have completed secondary education in Hong Kong holding the HKDSE should have reached the age of 18.*

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