

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

**HERIOT-WATT UNIVERSITY**

<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><b>Degree Programmes in the School of Management and Languages</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 or above in at least three subjects including English Language</p> <p>Year 2 entry - Level 5 or above in at least three subjects to include Economics and Business, Accounting and Financial Studies, with English Language at Level 4 or above</p> <p><b>Biological Sciences</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 or above in at least three subjects including Maths, English Language and a science subject</p> <p>Year 2 entry - Level 5 or above in at least three subjects, including Maths, English Language and Biology</p> <p><b>Psychology</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 or above in at least three subjects including Maths and English Language</p> <p>Year 2 entry - Level 5 or above in at least three subjects, including Maths and English Language</p> <p><b>Mechanical Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Physics and Combined Studies</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry: Level 4 or above in four subjects to include English Language, Physics, Maths plus Extended Module in Algebra and Calculus or Calculus and Statistics.</p> <p><b>Chemical Engineering</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry: Level 4 or above in four subjects to include English Language, Physics, Maths plus Extended Module in Algebra and Calculus or Calculus and Statistics and Chemistry.</p>	N/A	

	<p><b>Chemistry</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry:</p> <p>Level 4 or above in at least three subjects including, Maths, English Language and Chemistry.</p> <p><b>Degree Programmes in Urban Studies, Construction Project Management and Surveying</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 or above in at least three subjects including English Language</p> <p>Year 2 entry - Level 5 or above in at least three subjects to include English Language at Level 4 or above</p> <p><b>Civil Engineering and Architectural Engineering</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 or above in at least three subjects including English Language, Maths, Algebra and Calculus</p> <p>Year 2 entry - Level 5 or above in at least three subjects to include Maths, Algebra and Calculus, Calculus and Statistics, and English Language at Level 4 or above</p> <p><b>Actuarial Mathematics and Statistics</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 in two core subjects + Compulsory Mathematics &amp; Algebra and Calculus elective at Level 5*</p> <p><b>Mathematics, Computer Science</b></p> <p>Year 1 entry - Level 4 in two core subjects + Compulsory Mathematics &amp; Algebra and Calculus elective at Level 4</p>	
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>	<p>Applicants should contact the Admissions Tutor for the degree programme they are interested in studying: www.hw.ac.uk</p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p><b>B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE</b></p>		
<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>We require IELTS 6.0 – 6.5 or equivalent with a minimum of 5.5 in each of the four components of the test.</p>	<p>N/A</p>

\* For example, Higher National Certificate (HNC), Higher National Diploma (HND), Foundation Degrees, National Certificate (Scotland)

<b>C. Information needed <u>before</u> release of HKDSE results:</b>	
1. What information, apart from SLP, needs to be provided by the applicant to support his/her application?	The applicant is required to submit an application through UCAS (the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service) at <a href="http://www.ucas.com">www.ucas.com</a>
2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?	Achievements to date – academic and non-academic. Work ethic/character. Interest in chosen area of study. Readiness for University-level study.
<b>D. Other Information</b>	
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.	<a href="http://www.hw.ac.uk/student-life/international-students.htm">http://www.hw.ac.uk/student-life/international-students.htm</a> <a href="http://www.undergraduate.hw.ac.uk/">http://www.undergraduate.hw.ac.uk/</a> <a href="http://www.hw.ac.uk/student-life/how-to-apply/undergraduate.htm">http://www.hw.ac.uk/student-life/how-to-apply/undergraduate.htm</a> <a href="http://www.hw.ac.uk/student-life/scholarships/undergraduate.htm?section=scholarships&amp;page=">http://www.hw.ac.uk/student-life/scholarships/undergraduate.htm?section=scholarships&amp;page=</a>

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

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