

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

SOAS, University of London

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 (1 – 5/ 5*/5**) in (number) subjects, including (names of subjects) or UCAS points required (if applicable)</i></p>	<p><u>Core Subjects</u> 4444 (3 in Liberal Studies and Chinese Language may be accepted)</p> <p><u>Elective Subjects</u> Three electives required at 555. No particular subject preference.</p> <p>Two electives at 5* may be considered on an individual basis</p>	Students who have scored an average of 3 across all subjects may be considered	
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access to the specific programme-level requirements.</p>	www.soas.ac.uk/hong-kong	www.soas.ac.uk/ifcels	
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 alternative language qualifications that demonstrate the applicants' English standard for admission to your institution.</p>	<p>Students achieving Level 5** or 5* will be accepted with no further proof of ability required.</p> <p>Students achieving Level 5 will be accepted but will take a short in-session English class at the beginning of Term 1</p>	Level 3	

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 application for admission?

Information provided in the SLP, along with the Personal Statement and Academic Reference provided in the UCAS application will be considered.

Our admissions process is relatively holistic and importance is placed on student motivations and experiences as they relate to the programme they apply to and their career aspirations.

D. Information needed before release of HKDSE results:

1. What is the information, apart from SLP, needed to be provided by the applicant to support his/her application?

Nothing additional to the requirements of the UCAS application process.

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

A clear understanding of the applicant's contribution to the school community as it relates to academic, personal and extra-curricular development.

If an applicant is proactive in clubs and societies, volunteering and activities that highlight their self-motivation and pursuit of goals then we like to hear about these attributes

3. 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.

SOAS offers more than 350 undergraduate degree combinations which attract students from across the world. 55% of our students come from outside the UK and across 140 countries.

Small-group teaching is an important feature of study at SOAS, and our student/staff ratio (11:3:1) is one of the best in the UK.

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

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