

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

Gower College Swansea

<b>A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE</b>			
	<b>Bachelor Degree/ Undergraduate Programme</b>	<b>International Foundation/ Diploma/ UG Diploma Programme (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: <i>Level _____ in _____ (number) subjects, including _____ (names of subjects) or _____ UCAS points required including (names of subjects)</i></p>	<p>We do not offer full bachelor degree programmes, however successful students from HND and Foundation degrees are guaranteed progression to years 2 or 3 or a relevant degree programme at either University of South Wales, University of Wales Trinity St David or Swansea University</p>	<p>(International Foundation Programme and Access Programme)</p> <p>Level 1-2 in 5 subjects or level 3 in 3 subjects in general</p> <p>Level 3 in Math (compulsory) for Engineering Courses</p>	<p>(Foundation Degrees and HNDS)</p> <p>Level 1-2 in 5 subjects or level 3 in 3 subjects in general</p> <p>Level 3 in Math (compulsory) for Engineering Courses</p>
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access specific programme-level requirements.</p>		<p><a href="http://www.gowercollegeswansea.ac.uk/international">www.gowercollegeswansea.ac.uk/international</a></p>	<p><a href="http://www.gowercollegeswansea.ac.uk/international">www.gowercollegeswansea.ac.uk/international</a></p>
<b>B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE</b>			
<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>(International Foundation Programme)</p> <p>IELTS 4.5 or equivalent</p> <p>(Access Programmes)</p> <p>IELTS 5.0 or 5.5 or equivalent, depending on subject</p>	<p>(Foundation Degrees and HNDS)</p> <p>IELTS 6.0 or equivalent</p>

### 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, the College is keen to get a full picture of each applicant's achievement and would be particularly interested in the applicant's career aspirations and how they have identified that the course they are applying for will assist them in their career goals. Any examples of work experience / placement will be of particular interest.

### D. Other Information

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

Applicants will be required to produce a personal statement as part of their application. The aim is to give the College a rounded picture of each applicant such as their non – academic interests and their aspirations.

For creative subjects the College would also require a portfolio of work to demonstrate their skills level and creative flair.

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

A history of good attendance.

Good levels of commitment and motivation for previous study.

Ability to work independently, be organised and meet deadlines.

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.

Currently the fees for our Higher National Diplomas (HND) and Foundation Degrees (FD) for international students are the same as home students. For the September 2014 intake the College is offering a £1,000 bursary per year to both home and international students for all full time HNDs and FDs. This will be paid in two installments, one in January and one at the end of each year. Payment of the bursary is subject to successful progression during the course and achievement at the end of the course.

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

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