

# Admission Requirements for Holders of Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)

## University of Sussex

A. General Entrance Requirements for Holders of HKDSE			
	Bachelor Degree/ Undergraduate Programme	International Foundation/ Diploma/ UG Diploma Programme (if applicable)	Other Higher Education Programmes
<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***) in (number) subjects, including (names of subjects) or UCAS points required (if applicable)</i></p>	<p><b>HKDSE with levels 5,4,4 or higher in 3 electives or 2 electives + either English, Chinese or Liberal Studies</b></p> <p>HKDSE level requirements are often adjusted during International Clearing in July each year. For further information and latest requirements please contact one of our in-country representatives (<a href="http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/international-students/information-by-country/hong-kong">http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/international-students/information-by-country/hong-kong</a>)</p> <p>Sussex is one of the top 5 most popular UK universities for HK students (HESA 2014/15) and applicants are advised to apply as early as possible. Popular courses for HK students include Law, Media, Business Management, Accounting and Finance, Psychology, Sociology, Criminology, Games &amp; Multimedia and International Relations.</p> <p>Please contact the International Officer for HK, James Minhas, if you have any further questions on entry requirements: <a href="mailto:j.i.minhas@sussex.ac.uk">j.i.minhas@sussex.ac.uk</a></p>	<p><b>Sussex International Study Centre (ISC)</b></p> <p><b>International Foundation Year:</b> Successful completion of HKDSE with minimum grades 223 in relevant subjects. IELTS 5.0 overall; TOEFL (internet-based test): Listening 15, Reading 13, Speaking 18, Writing 15; Pearson Test of English 46 (in all bands).</p> <p><b>International Year 1:</b> Successful completion of HKDSE with minimum grades of 334 in 3 relevant subjects. IELTS 5.5, TOEFL (internet-based test): Listening 17, Reading 18, Speaking 20, Writing 17; Pearson Test of English (PTE) 51 (across all skills).</p> <p>For further information and application please visit <a href="http://isc.sussex.ac.uk/">http://isc.sussex.ac.uk/</a></p>	<p>N/A</p>
<p>2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access to the specific programme-level requirements.</p>	<p>Information for HK students: <a href="http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/international-students/information-by-country/hong-kong">http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/international-students/information-by-country/hong-kong</a></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 alternative language qualifications that demonstrate the applicants' English standard for admission to your institution.</p>	<p>For <b>most undergraduate courses</b>, students with HKDSE English Language with level 4, including at least 3 in each component, will not need to present any further evidence of their English language skills.</p> <p>For the <b>BA Journalism and Social Work</b> degrees which have an IELTS requirement of 7.0 we require scores of 5 in English language with no less than 4 in each of the 4 component scores</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" (for example, impressive learning experiences, career goal setting, etc.)*

<p>1. Does your Institution consider information provided in the SLP when processing application for admission?</p>	<p>Yes, we look at all elements including a student's personal statement, School or College reference and SLP if provided.</p>
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## D. Other Information

<p>1. What is the information, apart from SLP, needed to be provided by the applicant to support his/her application?</p>	<p>Personal statement and College or School reference</p>
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<p>2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?</p>	<p>As well as academic aptitude we look for applicants who are able to demonstrate passion for their chosen subject.</p>
<p>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.</p>	<p><b>Sussex Excellence Scholarship</b></p> <p><u>Criteria</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HKDSE - 555 in three subjects, excluding English, Chinese and Core Maths</li> <li>• Put Sussex as the 'firm' choice on UCAS</li> </ul> <p><u>Scholarship worth £3,000</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £1,000 cash plus £2,000 accommodation discount</li> </ul> <p>OR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• £1,000 cash and £2,000 tuition fee reduction</li> </ul> <p><i>This scholarship is awarded automatically Available for all subjects, except BSMS</i></p> <p>For further information for HK students please see: <a href="http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/international-students/information-by-country/hong-kong">http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/international-students/information-by-country/hong-kong</a></p> <p>Information for 2017 undergraduate courses can be found at: <a href="http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/2017">http://www.sussex.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/2017</a></p> <p>For general questions please contact James Minhas <a href="mailto:j.i.minhas@sussex.ac.uk">j.i.minhas@sussex.ac.uk</a></p>

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