

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

## University of Essex

<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)</b>
1. Please state the general entrance requirements for holders of HKDSE applying for admission to your Institution.	<p>Most courses require HKDSE Level 544</p> <p>Integrated Masters and some undergraduate courses require higher (555-554)</p> <p>* Note that subject specific requirements may apply</p> <p>Where GCSE Maths is needed, level 3 in Compulsory Maths is required.</p> <p>For full details of levels and subject specific requirements please see our Course Finder : <a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/courses/">http://www.essex.ac.uk/courses/</a></p> <p>The requirement levels are often adjusted during the clearing period (July -September)</p>	<p>IFY/ Year 0: Level 333</p> <p>International Year One in Business: Level 433</p> <p>* Note that subject specific requirements may apply</p> <p>Where GCSE Maths is needed, level 3 in Compulsory Maths is required</p>	N/A
2. Please provide the website address where applicants can access to the specific programme-level requirements.	<a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/international/courses.aspx">http://www.essex.ac.uk/international/courses.aspx</a>		
<b>B. Language Requirements for Holders of HKDSE</b>			
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>We accept the HKDSE English subject at level 4 or above</p> <p>For other acceptable English language tests please refer to the following webpages: <a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/international/language.aspx">http://www.essex.ac.uk/international/language.aspx</a></p> <p>Applicants not achieving these levels may be eligible to study our Pre-sessional English course: <a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/pathways/study/pre-sessional/">http://www.essex.ac.uk/pathways/study/pre-sessional/</a></p>	<p>Year 0 – HKDSE English 4 or above</p> <p>IFP or IYO</p> <p>All applicants must have UKVI IELTS</p> <p>IFP – 5.0 overall with 4 in each component.</p> <p>IYO – 5.5 overall with 5 in writing and 4 in other components.</p>	N/A

### 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?	No, but we do ask for personal statements and an academic reference which may include this information.
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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?	Qualification transcripts and certificates of previous qualifications Personal statement Academic reference from the school
2. What are the qualities of the applicant your Institution is looking for in schools' recommendation other than academic performance?	N/A
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.	Essex website <a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/">http://www.essex.ac.uk/</a> Specific information for students from Hong Kong <a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/international/courses.aspx">http://www.essex.ac.uk/international/courses.aspx</a> Scholarship <a href="http://www.essex.ac.uk/fees-and-funding/scholarship-finder/">http://www.essex.ac.uk/fees-and-funding/scholarship-finder/</a>

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