

ADMISSION OF STUDENTS

Undergraduate Admission

General University Admission Requirements (3-year)

A. Recognized local and overseas qualifications

An applicant must—

1. a) obtain Hong Kong Certificate of Education Examination (HKCEE) results or equivalent qualifications that satisfy requirements of the Hong Kong Examinations and Assessment Authority (HKEAA) for entry to the Hong Kong Advanced Level Examination (HKALE); and
- b) obtain Level 2/Grade E or above in at least six subjects* in HKCEE including Chinese Language or an alternative language (other than Chinese and English) and English Language** with at least five subjects in a single sitting; and
- c) obtain Grade E or above in any two sittings in Hong Kong Advanced Level Examination (HKALE) in:
 - (1) AS Chinese Language and Culture#; and
 - (2) AS Use of English##; and
 - (3) either two AL subjects or one AL subject plus two AS subjects.

OR—

2. obtain passes in at least 6 subjects (including English and Chinese/an alternative language other than Chinese and English) in the General Certificate of Education at Ordinary Level/General Certificate of Secondary Education/International General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCEOL/GCSE/IGCSE) Examination in two consecutive years, and passes in at least 2 Advanced Level (AL) subjects (or 1 AL plus 2 Advanced Supplementary (AS) subjects);

OR—

3. obtain an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma;

OR—

4. obtain an Associate Degree or Higher Diploma/Diploma of a higher education institution recognized by the University;

OR—

5. obtain overseas qualifications recognized by the University (<http://www.hkbu.edu.hk/~ar/admissions/international>).

OR—

6. obtain an acceptable equivalent qualification.

* 5 subjects are acceptable if the total of these 5 grades is not less than 8 points ("Levels 5* to 2" or "Grade A to E" shall be given the values of 5 to 1 respectively for the purpose of calculating the points).

** For English Language attempted before 2007, Grade C in English Language (Syllabus A) is considered equivalent to Grade E in English Language (Syllabus B).

Those without a Chinese Language qualification at HKCEE level may substitute this with an additional AL/AS subject.

Equivalences to Grade D and Grade E in AS Use of English are listed on page 35 (reference notes 1 and 2 of the Full-time Undergraduate Programme Admission Requirements table).

B. Students who do not possess formal background in Chinese

On an exceptional basis, students who have pursued a school curriculum (locally or overseas) that does not include formal Chinese language studies may be admitted to certain programmes of study in which written Chinese is not an essential element. For such students, the language requirement for Chinese is substituted by an alternative language (other than Chinese or English).

C. Exchange/International visiting students who are non-native speakers of Chinese

Students who are enrolled in other universities may apply for admission to the University for study in English-medium courses as visiting students normally for one or two semesters with agreement from their "home" university regarding transfer of credit.

D. Special part-time students

An applicant who does not intend to study for a degree but who plans to take only certain courses for credit (not more than 11 units for local applicants) may be considered on an individual basis. In all cases, the general university admission requirements (A) is applicable.

E. Applicants with a Disability

The University views applications from students with a disability on an equal basis with other students. There are certain programmes of study with inherent requirements which mitigate against students with particular physical limitations being admitted. Applicants with a disability are requested to indicate the nature of their disability on the application forms. It will not affect the chances of their admission, provided that the programmes applied for are those which the applicants are physically able to cope with.

Students with a disability may apply under the JUPAS Sub-system for Applicants with a Disability.

Programme Admission Requirements

In addition to the general university admission requirements, applicants must also satisfy the programme admission requirements of the respective programmes they apply. (Please see the table on pages 33-35. The grades indicated represent only the minimum acceptable standard, and higher grades are normally required for admission.)

Application for Admission through JUPAS

Applicants should apply through JUPAS if they are either:

1. Current Secondary 7 students in local schools sitting for the HKALE; or
2. Non-school applicants seeking admission on the strength of their results of the HKALE.

For details, please visit <http://www.hkbu.edu.hk/~ar/admissions/jupas.htm>.

Application for Direct (Non-JUPAS) Admission

Applicants who are not eligible to apply through JUPAS may submit their applications directly to the University. Applications will normally be invited in November of each year. For details, please visit <http://www.hkbu.edu.hk/~ar/admissions/nj.htm>.