BSSc in Global Communication

**Admissions for JUPAS Applicants for 2021 Entry**

**JUPAS Code:** JS4858

**Important Dates:**

- 9 Dec 2020: Deadline for submission of applications for admission via the JUPAS Online Application System
- 31 May 2021: Deadline for updating of programme choices via the JUPAS accounts
- 21 Jul 2021: Announcement of the 2021 HKDSE results by HKEAA
- 22-24 Jul 2021: Modifications of programme choices during applicants' own allotted timeslot via the JUPAS accounts
- 12 Aug 2021: Announcement of JUPAS main round offer results

**Programme Specific Requirements:**

Applicants shall have obtained in the Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education Examination (HKDSE)

1. Level 3 in Chinese Language* and **Level 4** in English Language; and
2. Level 2 in Mathematics (Compulsory Part) and Liberal Studies; and
3. Level 3 in TWO elective subjects**.

*JUPAS applicants with very special circumstances may, at the discretion of the faculty deans concerned and on a case-by-case basis, be granted waivers of this requirement. For details, please visit: [http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/jupas/requirements.html](http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/jupas/requirements.html).

**The two subjects may include:
(i) 2 New Senior Secondary elective subjects; or
(ii) 1 New Senior Secondary elective subject and Mathematics (Extended Part) Module I or Module II.

**Programme Selection Principles:**

The admission scores will be calculated based on the **Best 5 principle** with heavier weighting on English by a factor of 1.3.
Note:
1. Either Category C Other Language or Maths M1/M2 of HKDSE but not both will be considered as an elective subject in Best 5.

2. Performance in extra HKDSE subjects will be considered in the selection process, and bonus points will be awarded to up to the 7th subject.

3. There is no penalty for applicants with more than one sitting of HKDSE.

**Admission Scores:**

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**Interview Arrangement:**

There will be no selection interview for JUPAS applicants for Global Communication Programme in 2021. However, students who are nominated by their school principals or have outstanding achievements in terms of OEA (Other Experiences and Achievements in Competitions / Activities) may be shortlisted for interview before release of HKDSE results. Conditional offers may be granted to outstanding applicants.

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**Admissions for Non-JUPAS Applicants for 2021 Entry**

**Important Dates**

18 Nov 2020   Deadline for submission of advance offer applications
13 Jan 2021   Deadline for submission of regular applications
Mid-Jan 2021  Notifications to successful applicants with advance offers
Feb-Jul 2021  Notifications to successful applicants in regular round
Aug 2021      Notifications to successful applicants in clearing round
General Entrance Requirements

You are eligible to apply for admission, if by 1 September 2021, you possess any of the following qualifications:

- GCE AL/International AL: 3AL/ 2AL+2AS in one sitting (All grades must be obtained from examinations taken within a twelve-month period.)

- International Baccalaureate Diploma

- A recognised non-local qualification which qualifies them for admission to a university in the country/region where such qualification is originated (e.g. high school diploma plus SAT/ ACT/ AP in USA, OSSD/ BC diploma in Canada, ATAR in Australia, GSAT/AST in Taiwan, UEC/ STPM in Malaysia, AISSCE (CBSE)/ ISC in India, SMA in Indonesia, etc.)

- More information can be found at http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/non-jupas-yr-1/requirements.html.

- Language requirements: http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/non-jupas-yr-1/requirements.html

Selection:

Applicants will be considered on the basis of their education background and academic achievements. If they are invited to attend an interview, their performance at the interview will also be taken into consideration. Applicants will be notified of the interview arrangement (if any) individually by phone or email in due course.

Senior Year Admissions:

Since the structure of the Programme requires one-year resident study in University of Sussex, Senior Year Entry students who are generally expected to complete their undergraduate studies in two years are not encouraged to apply.

Waiver of the Chinese Language Admission Requirement:

Waiver of the Chinese language admission requirement may be granted, at the discretion of the Faculty Deans concerned, on the condition that the non-JUPAS applicant concerned should have pursued a curriculum leading to a recognised non-local qualification at secondary or above level prior to admission.
**About the Programme**

**Admission Quota:**

The overall admission quota is 20. There is no fixed ratio between JUPAS and Non-JUPAS.

**Tuition Fee:**

The tuition fees for local students and non-local students are different as set out by CUHK. For details, please refer to: [http://www.res.cuhk.edu.hk/en-gb/general-information/tuition-and-other-fees](http://www.res.cuhk.edu.hk/en-gb/general-information/tuition-and-other-fees).

There is no extra tuition to University of Sussex though students pursue their Year 2 studies in the United Kingdom.

**About University of Sussex:**

The University of Sussex is a leading higher education and research institution near Brighton, in the south of England. Sussex has an international perspective and attracts staff and students from over 120 different countries across the world. Nearly a third of staff come from outside the UK.

Sussex has over 15,000 students. Creative thinking, intellectual challenge and interdisciplinarity have always been fundamental to a Sussex education. The 12 schools of studies, Doctoral School and research groups form the academic heart of Sussex. It has an interdisciplinary approach to study and drive forward development in research and teaching.

Further information: [www.sussex.ac.uk](http://www.sussex.ac.uk)

**About School of Media, Arts and Humanities:**

Combining Schools of Media, Film and Music; English; History, Art History and Philosophy; and Sussex Centre for Language Studies, the new School of Media, Arts and Humanities was launched in September 2020. It is home to an amazing array of subject areas including; American Studies, Art History, Creative and Critical Media Practice, Drama and Performance, English Language and Linguistics, English Literature, Film, History, Media, Cultural Studies, Journalism, Modern Languages including European languages, Mandarin Chinese, Arabic and British Sign Language, Music, Music Technology and Philosophy.

The new School is an exciting opportunity to combine the collective strengths in teaching, research and knowledge exchange, enabling Sussex to deliver the very best student experience and to enhance both the reach and interdisciplinarity of research.

Further information: [https://www.sussex.ac.uk/schools/media-arts-humanities](https://www.sussex.ac.uk/schools/media-arts-humanities)
Scholarships and Awards:

There are over 8,800 scholarships and awards available for CUHK students, granted based on academic merits or non-academic achievements. In addition, the CUHK Admission Scholarships are granted every year to outstanding JUPAS students who are admitted to CUHK. For details, please refer to the OAFA website at http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/finance.html.

CUHK also offers need-based financial aid and scholarships for study abroad and exchange in particular. More information can be found at http://www.oal.cuhk.edu.hk/scholarshipsandfinancialaid/.

Financial Aid:

Students can apply for financial aid. Please visit the website of OAFA http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/finance.html for details.

Internship:

Internship Programme offered by the School is available for students to participate during summer months of their third year of studies. It is a credit-bearing elective course, not compulsory, with a duration of two to three months.

Proficiency in Chinese:

Understanding of Chinese (Cantonese or Mandarin) is not essential.

All required courses and majority of elective courses in Global Communication Programme are taught in English. Some elective courses in Journalism and Communication Programme which are open to Global Communication students are taught in Cantonese or Mandarin.

About the Exchange

U.K. Study Abroad Requirements:

- English language qualifications
  - IELTS: 6.5 and not less than 6.0 in each of the four components (still valid by the time of entry to the U.K.); or
  - TOEFL: 88 overall, with at least 20 in Listening, 19 in Reading, 21 in Speaking and 23 in Writing (still valid by the time of entry to the U.K.); or
  - HKDSE: Level 4 (overall), with at least 3 in each component.
- **Finances**
  
  - Estimated living costs per week: £187 - £292 including on/off- campus housing etc., excluding tuition fee paid to CUHK
  - Financial proof for visa application: £9,135 (by the time you apply for UK visa in June)

- Other eligibility requirements as set out by the UK Government.

**Estimated Costs for Overseas Exposure:**

- **Living expenses in Brighton/Falmer (per week)**
  
  - Housing on/off- campus\(^a\)  £95-167
  - Food and household goods  £45
  - Miscellaneous (e.g. books, mobile phone, laundry, transport, etc.) £32-40
  - Social activities/entertainment  £15-40

  - Other one-off costs: visa and round-trip airfare

- Student also need to budget for the credit-bearing overseas field study tied to one of the core courses. The cost may vary depending on that year’s destination. The field study will be partially subsidized by the School.

Note: Because of the ongoing global pandemic, there might be changes in the timing and destination of overseas studies if necessary.

\(^a\) Following the new routes for international students to apply for visas available starting from 5 Oct 2020, the aforementioned requirements are subject to change by the U.K. Home Office.

\(^\) Students are guaranteed University-managed (on/off-campus) accommodation if they apply before the deadline set out by Sussex Abroad Team.

The estimation is for reference only. Depending on the lifestyle, students may need more for clothing, socialising, entertainment, travelling, etc.