The HKUST Advantage

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HKUST Guangzhou Pilot Scheme Admission 2022-23

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The Guangzhou campus is targeted to open in September 2022.

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Unique Academic Structure

While capitalizing on the well-established disciplinary foundation at the Hong Kong campus, HKUST (Guangzhou) charts new territories in higher education pedagogy through a unique and non-conventional Hub structure consisting of four Academic Hubs and a wide spectrum of cutting-edge Research Thrust Areas.

Admission Requirements and Timeline

General Admission Requirements

For all applicants seeking postgraduate admission
• a bachelor’s degree from a recognized institution or an approved equivalent qualification

For PhD applicants (additional to the above)
• a proven record of outstanding performance from a recognized institution or presented evidence of satisfactory work at the postgraduate level on a full-time basis for at least one year, or on a part-time basis for at least two years

English Language Requirements

Fulfill the English language requirements with one of the following proficiency attainments1:

Proficiency Test Minimum Score
TOEFL – Internet-based Test (iBT)2 80 (in one single attempt)
TOEFL – Paper-based Test (pBT) 550
TOEFL – Revised Paper-delivered Test 60 (total scores for Reading, Listening and Writing sections)
IELTS (Academic Module)2 Overall score: 6.5 and all sub-scores: 5.5
Duolingo English Test 105 (accepted only under COVID-19)

1 You are not required to present TOEFL or IELTS score if your first language is English, or your bachelor’s degree (or equivalent qualification) was awarded by an institution where the medium of instruction was English.
2 The TOEFL-iBT Home Edition and IELTS Indicator are accepted under COVID-19. Visit pg.ust.hk/covid-19 for details.

Admission Timeline

2022/23 Fall Intake

1 September 2021 Applications Open
15 December 2021 First Round Applications Close
1 March 2022 Second Round Applications Close
Mid-August 2022 Program Registration

Selection is conducted on a rolling basis.
The admission and selection schedule of different programs may vary.

For programs offered on the Hong Kong campus, please visit pg.ust.hk/programs.