

Entrance Scholarship for Local Non-Chinese Speaking Students

(“本地非華語學生入學獎學金”)

(Applicable to new local Non-Chinese Speaking (NCS) students of year 1 entry only)

HKSYU will be offering an one-off entrance scholarship for new local Non-Chinese Speaking Year 1 students. This scholarship supports outstanding local non-Chinese speaking students to advance their studies.

Eligibility and Criteria

New full-time local Non-Chinese Speaking[#] students (Year 1 entry only) who fulfil the following criteria are eligible to receive the captioned scholarship.

Criteria 1	Students must have attained a minimum of Level 4 for English Language; AND Level 2 for Mathematics (Compulsory part) and at least one elective subject*; AND “Attained” level for “Citizenship and Social Development” ^{**} in the HKDSE examination. In addition, students must have a minimum total score of 14 points in their best 5 subjects.
Criteria 2	Students should meet the Chinese Language requirement by achieving either of the following results:
	i) grade D in GCE A/AS Level in Chinese; or
	ii) grade E/grade 3 or above in GCSE/IGCSE in Chinese; or
	iii) “Attained” or above in HKDSE Applied Learning Chinese

[#] According to EDB website for JUPAS admission (<https://www.edb.gov.hk/en/student-parents/ncs-students/about-ncs-students/jupas-admission.html>), a Non-Chinese Speaking student should be a student who have either:

- learned Chinese Language for less than 6 years while receiving primary and secondary education; or
- learned Chinese Language for 6 years or more in schools, but have been taught an adapted and simpler Chinese Language curriculum not normally applicable to the majority of students in our local schools.

Provision of the Scholarship

No. of awards for each year is varied and is distributed on a competitive basis. Students nominated by his/her secondary school principal will be given priority. In addition, the amount of an one-off scholarship offered is determined by the score of the applicant in his/her HKDSE examination result as follows:

Total DSE score (Best 5 subjects[^])	Amount
14 or 15 points	1/4 first-year tuition fee
16 points or above	half first-year tuition fee

[^] We count at most FIVE subjects with best score

Application Procedure

No separate application for entrance scholarship is required. The University will automatically identify qualified students and inform the scholarship recipients.

Disbursement of the Scholarship

The scholarship will be disbursed in two installments via the Student Finance Section of the Office of Student Affairs. (The first installment will be disbursed in late October and the second installment will be disbursed in late February). Students must have regular attendance at HKSYU to remain eligible. Students who are withdrawn from / deregistered with HKSYU will be considered as ineligible.

Rights and Responsibilities

Recipients of the scholarship shall comply with the conditions drawn up by HKSYU. The University reserves the final right in making Entrance Scholarship awards in case of disputes.

* The following subjects will also be recognized as elective subjects

- All elective subjects in Category A (include M1/M2);
- 'Attained with Distinction (II)' and 'Attained with Distinction (I)' in Category B Applied Learning subject (ApL) is comparable to level 4 and level 3 respectively. Maximum of one relevant ApL can be recognized. 'Attained' in ApL will not be considered. ApL Chinese cannot be used as an elective subject;
- All subjects in Category C (Other languages)

From 2025-26 entry onward:

The following level can be counted as Level 2 and included in the score calculation of the best five subjects:

Subjects	Reported levels
Japanese	N2 or above pass
Korean	Grade 4 or above pass
French/German/Spanish	Grade B or above pass

** The “Attained” level in the subject “Citizenship and Social Development” can be counted as Level 2 and included in the score calculation of the best five subjects.