



A BRIEF GUIDE TO STUDY IN THE UK 簡易英國升學指南

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為何要到英國升學？

英國擁有全球認可的一流學府，採用創新教學模式，師資優良，提供讓學生盡展潛能的理想環境。

通向世界級科研天地

英國也是全球首屈一指的科研之鄉。

我們是位居第二的科研大國，54%科研成果領先全球，領域加權引用影響指數高於美國、加拿大、德國、日本及巴西。留學英國，既可接觸尖端人才，也能受惠於全球最先進的科學技術。

英國教育 受用一生

QS全球僱主調查的結果持續顯示，英國的大學學位深得僱主重視，英國的大學亦高踞QS僱主眼中名校排行榜的前列位置。

產學合作方面，英國是全球最成功的5個國家之一。校方會安排學生實習，為投身社會作好準備。無論是擔任義工、實習以至參與大學的學會，留學英國，肯定會增強學生的競爭力。

教育水平卓越

英國的學術水平馳譽世界，毋庸置疑。

英國的大學長期穩佔多個世界排名榜高位。2018年泰晤士高等教育世界排名榜中，英國有3家大學晉身全球十大，其中2家更分佔首席及次席。在全球50大及200大學府中，分別有7及32所英國院校入圍，足證英國整體教育質素超群。

英國162所高等院校均需達到政府的嚴格標準，確保同學獲得優良的學習與生活支援/資源。

英國每年都會公佈「有資格頒授學位的認可大學及學院」名單。認可資歷名冊(register.ofqual.gov.uk)載有英格蘭、威爾斯及北愛爾蘭的認可頒授機構及資歷詳情。如需查閱蘇格蘭地區的認可資歷，請瀏覽蘇格蘭學分及資歷架構網站(scqf.org.uk)。

靈活的短期課程

英國教育制度的精髓在於幫助學生靈活思考，跳出框框，不局限於鑽研選修的學科。老師應用新穎的高科技教學模式，結合實習、上課和討論，鼓勵學生學問，甚至與自己和同窗辯論，進而培養獨特見解。

相較美國及澳洲，英國的深造課程較短，不少工商管理碩士學位只需一年便可完成，除了物超所值，亦可更快學以致用。

選擇學科

英國提供的課程林林總總，選擇繁多，甚少國家可以比擬。

了解最受國際學生歡迎的學科：
study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/subject-highlights

課程繁多 任君選擇

無論你計劃修讀學士、深造、英語或其他課程，英國都有合適的選擇。

學士(本科)課程

英國的學士(本科)課程分為：

- 文學士(BA)、理學士(BSc)、教育學士(BEd)及工學士(Beng)課程

全日制學士課程一般需時3年(部分需時4年)。一大學及學院會提供兼讀模式。

- 短期課程：基礎學位、高級教育文憑、國家高級文憑、高級教育證書

尋找詳細課程資料及英國其他升學途徑(如基礎課程、寄宿學校及英語課程)，請瀏覽

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/find-course



深造(研究院)課程

英國的深造課程分為：

- 碩士課程：文學碩士(MA)、理學碩士(MSc)及各類專科資歷，如工程學碩士(MEng)、藝術碩士(MFA)、法律碩士(LLM)、建築學碩士(MArch)等；哲學(MPhil)則以研究為主，適合計劃修讀博士學位的學生。

全日制碩士課程一般需時一年(授課式)至兩年(研究)。部分大學會提供兼讀模式。

- 工商管理碩士課程(MBA)
- 哲學博士(PhD)或博士課程
- 深造文憑及相關資歷：修課期較碩士課程短，無需撰寫論文
- 專業及職業資歷：一般包含實習

你是否知道無需遠赴海外，也可以在香港取得英國的高等教育資歷？

英國提供多類跨國進修機會，如網上課程、升學階梯上的各類選擇，以及本科生聯合培養項目(joint degrees)。

歡迎聯絡就近的英國文化協會辦事處查詢詳情。



申請程序

學士(本科)課程

申請入讀英國大學的學士課程非常簡單，無需逐一「拍門」。使用英國大學及院校招生事務處(UCAS, www.ucas.com) 的聯招系統，只需繳付小額行政費，便可一次過申請最多5項課程，省卻不少麻煩。如你獲有關大學或學院錄取，UCAS會直接跟你聯絡。

截止申請日期	
10月	牛津大學、劍橋大學及大部分醫學、獸醫學和牙醫課程截止申請
1月 15日	大部分學士課程截止申請(常規申請)
3月	部分藝術及設計課程截止申請
6月30日	大部分學士課程截止申請(逾期申請)。於6月30日後收到的入學申請將自動撥入補招(Clearing)程序，同學不保證可入讀首選課程。

雖然你仍可於 1月限期過後至6月30日期間提交申請，盡早申請始終較為穩當。



深造課程

英國很多大學會自行處理深造課程的入學事宜。你可直接查閱大學網站上的課程資料、入學條件及申請辦法，並在網上提交申請。深造課程一般不設固定的截止申請期限，但越早申請，獲錄取的機會越大。

英國有超過160 家大學及學院，各式課程及進修途徑俱備，留學英國，可以是一生忘的獨特體驗！

使用University Finder 搜尋你需要的學校詳情！

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find-university



報讀學士學位課程

英國與很多國家不同，學生只需使用英國大學及院校招生事務處(UCAS)的網上系統，便能以一份申請表格報讀多所院校的學士學位課程(申請入讀劍橋大學須另行提交申請表)。英國大部分學士學位課程的入學申請均由UCAS集中管理，收生與否則由大學的收生主任決定。

UCAS網站提供的服務包括：

- 搜尋課程
- 網上申請
- 查閱申請進度
- 接納取錄
- 連結其他相關網站

英國9所音樂學院的學士課程入學申請，是由英國音樂學院招生事務處(Conservatoire UK Admissions Service)的網站 www.cukas.ac.uk 統一處理。如有意報讀皇家音樂學院或倫敦市政廳音樂戲劇學院(Guildhall School of Music & Drama)，不妨瀏覽這兩所院校的網站，深入了解詳情。

香港中學文憑畢業生如何升讀英國大學及學院

香港學生可通過多種途徑在英國接受高等教育。如香港中學文憑試成績符合大學的收生要求，便可直接升讀首年學士學位課程。你亦可以從國際基礎課程，英國高級程度證書(A-levels)或其他專上課程起步，為日後修讀學士學位打好基礎。

大部分英國大學及學院已定出對香港中學文憑畢業生的收生要求，香港中學文憑亦已納入UCAS的分數對照制度，可以與GCE A-levels成績比較。在香港中學文憑試取得3至5**級成績，大致等同GCE A-level的E至A*級。查閱分數對照制度詳情，可登入 www.ucas.com。

英國的大學和學院會參考UCAS的分數對照制度，再結合個別課程特點和收生情況來決定收生標準。因此，我們建議你瀏覽心儀院校或香港考試及評核局的網頁 www.hkeaa.edu.hk，了解詳情。

即使你未取得等同GCE A-levels 3科合格的成績，無需擔心！英國的學制非常靈活，機會處處，銜接大學學位課程的途徑甚多。你可以先修讀1年制的國際基礎課程、1年制國際文憑、2年制高級國家文憑，或是2年制的基礎學位課程。

英國大學會全面審視你的香港中學文憑成績；因此，你無需考取GCE A-levels等額外學歷。然而，你的英語水平必須達標，一般需在香港中學文憑考試考獲英語科第4級成績或於IELTS取得最少6.0分。

大學會根據你向UCAS系統提交的申請決定是否有條件取錄。你須告知校方自己將要應考的科目，並在放榜前收到大學的「有條件取錄」通知。如成績符合要求，大學便會確認你的學位。立即登入 www.ucas.com 了解詳情，並著手申請入學，包括撰寫「個人陳述書」(personal statement)。

一般收生要求	
香港中學文憑試	英國課程選擇
3 科分別取得2,2,2至4,3,3級成績	完成1年制國際基礎課程，然後升讀學士學位首年課程
3 科分別取得3,3,3至4,4,4級成績	完成1年制國際文憑課程，然後級成績升讀第2年的學士學位課程 或 完成2年制高級國家文憑(HND)基礎學位課程，然後銜接最後一年的學士學位課程
3 科分別取得5級成績	直接升讀學士學位首年課程

備註：

- 學生修讀英國的學士學位，一般會以「榮譽」級別畢業。
- 如在應用學習科目「達標並表現優異」，可視作等同香港中學文憑第3級。

學費

到英國升學的費用較美國和澳洲為低，堪稱物有所值。匯豐銀行的研究結果顯示，國際學生每年的平均開銷，包括學費、住宿及其他費用約為：

- 英國-\$30,325 (£ 23,533)
- 美國-\$35,705 (£ 27,708)
- 澳洲-\$38,516 (£ 29,890)

使用 UKCISA英國國際學生事務處的預算機 (international.studentcalculator.org)，幫助自己計算升學開銷。

獎學金及助學金

英國有數以百計的獎學金、助學金及資助計劃，幫助有需要的學生應付學費支出。

另外，不少院校也設有資助計劃。你可以瀏覽院校的網頁，了解詳情。

環球獎學金

你也可以申請下述獎學金，但須留意是否適用於你選修的課程/科目：

- 志奮領留英獎學金：
英國政府設立的深造獎學金，旨在培養未來的領導人才。 www.chevening.org
- 英聯邦獎學金及補助金計劃：
由英國政府設立，歡迎英聯邦國家國民申請的深造獎學金，旨在支持有志為原居國發展作出貢獻的英才。 cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply

專門為個別國家而設的獎學金及資助

部分獎學金是專為指定國家的學生而設，你可自行搜尋資料。

了解詳情，請瀏覽：
study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/scholarships-financial-support

學生簽證

如年滿16歲和計劃修讀專上課程，就需要申請第4類(普通)學生簽證。

申請學生簽證的程序

所需文件/證明

- 大學或學院發出的錄取確認書(CAS)參考編號
- 能支付學費及生活費的經濟能力證明
- 學歷證書正本

申請程序

- 上網預約時間及付款
- 於簽證申請中心(VAC)遞交申請及所需文件
- 於簽證申請中心打指紋，部分申請者需接受視像面試

申請簽證需時多久？

英國簽證及移民署一般需要15個工作日處理學生簽證申請。

預留充足時間非常重要。提醒你，你最早可於出發前3個月遞交申請。

如急需取得簽證，可使用「快證服務」(Priority Service)。

查閱第4類學生簽證或其他簽證類別的資料，請瀏覽 www.gov.uk/visas-immigration。

實用網站

一般資訊：

留學英國網站：study-uk.britishcouncil.org

留學英國Facebook：www.facebook.com/StudyUK.BritishCouncil

留學英國Instagram：www.instagram.com/StudyUK_BritishCouncil

搜尋大學：study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find-university

搜尋學科：study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/subject-highlights

訂閱《留學英國》通訊：study-uk.britishcouncil.org/newsletter

獎學金：

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/scholarships-financial-support

升學建議及支援：

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/planning/advice-support

學生簽證：

查詢資料：www.gov.uk/visas-immigration

簽證申請中心 (VAC) 資訊：www.vfsglobal.co.uk/en

入學試

學士學位課程

www.admissionstestingservice.org (Admissions Testing Service)

www.lnat.ac.uk (National Admissions Test for Law)

www.ukcat.ac.uk (UK Clinical Aptitude Test)

研究院課程

www.ets.org/gre (Graduate Record Examinations)

www.mba.com/gmat (Graduate Management Admission Test)

www.gamsatuk.org (Graduate Medical School Admissions Test)

Association of Colleges:

英國學院協會 (AoC) 網站，內有成員學院的全國分佈圖、連結及重要資訊

www.aoc.co.uk/about-colleges/map

Independent schools 私立學校

- www.boarding.org.uk (The Boarding Schools' Association)
- www.goodschoolsguide.co.uk (The Good Schools Guide)
- www.guidetoindependentschools.com (Guide to Independent Schools)
- www.isbj.com (Independent School Search)
- www.isc.co.uk (Independent Schools Council)
- www.scis.org.uk (Scottish Council of Independent Schools)
- www.ukboardingschools.com (UK Boarding Schools)

State schools 政府學校

- www.sbsa.org.uk (State Boarding Schools Association)
- www.schoolsnet.com (Schoolsnet)

Post-16 colleges 預科學院

- www.aoc.co.uk (The Association of Colleges)
- www.the-bac.org (The British Accreditation Council for Independent Further and Higher Education)
- <http://www.cife.org.uk/> (The Council for Independent Further Education)
- www.collegesscotland.ac.uk (Colleges Scotland)

UK school and college performance 查閱英國學校及學院的表現

- www.best-schools.co.uk (Best Schools)
- www.education.gov.uk/schools/performance (Performance tables, Department for Education)
- www.guardian.co.uk/education/schooltables (School tables, The Guardian)
- www.telegraph.co.uk/education/leaguetables (Education league tables, The Telegraph)
- www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/education (Education, The Times)

學士學位課程

- 英國大學及院校招生事務處 (UCAS): www.ucas.com
- Unistats: 比較英國高等教育課程數據的官方網站 unistats.ac.uk

研究院課程

- www.mbaworld.com (Association of MBAs)
- www.postgrad.com (Postgraduate course search)
- www.prospects.ac.uk (The UK's official graduate careers website)
- www.ukpass.ac.uk (UK Postgraduate Application and Statistical Service)
- www.unistats.com (Unistats)

留港修讀英國課程

www.edb.gov.hk/ncr (Non-local higher and professional education courses, The Education Bureau, HKSAR Government)

www.britishcouncil.hk/en/study-uk/qualification-hong-kong (Studying for a UK qualification in Hong Kong)

科研表現

www.ref.ac.uk (Research Excellence Framework)

學術質素監管

www.gov.uk/check-a-university-is-officiallyrecognised (Check if a university or college is officially recognised)

www.qaa.ac.uk (The Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education)

大學排名榜 (非官方)

www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk (The Complete University Guide)

www.guardian.co.uk/education/universityguide (Guardian University Guide)

www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/public/gug/ (The times Good University Guide)

rankings.ft.com/businessschoolrankings/global-mba-ranking-2018 (Financial Times Business School Ranking)



WHY STUDY IN THE UK?

From our world-recognised institutions to our innovative approach to teaching and the leading minds who deliver it, we have what you need to reach your potential.

Access world-leading research

The UK is a global powerhouse of science and research.

We are ranked second in the world for science and research and 54 per cent of our output is world-leading. Our field-weighted citation impact is higher than the US, Canada, Germany, Japan and Brazil, so when you study here you can be sure you'll be working alongside some of the best minds - and using some of the best technology - in the world.

UK education opens doors

The QS global survey of graduate employers consistently shows that UK degrees are highly valued worldwide, with UK universities topping the QS employer reputation ranking.

As one of the world's top five countries for industry-university collaboration, you can also access practical work-placements designed to help you hit the ground running in the real-world. From volunteering opportunities to internships and university societies, you are guaranteed to leave with a competitive edge.

A higher standard of education

The UK's academic reputation is world-renowned.

UK universities have featured strongly in world rankings ever since they began. In 2018 the Times Higher Education World Rankings honoured us with three of the world's top ten universities, including the top two. This high quality can be found right across the country, with seven of the top 50, and 32 of the top 200 universities found here in the UK.

The UK's 162 higher education institutions are all held to strict standards by the government, so you know you are getting the best teaching, support and resources available.

A full list of 'recognised bodies' - universities and colleges that can award degrees - is published every year. The Register of Regulated Qualifications (register.ofqual.gov.uk) contains details of Recognised Awarding Organisations and Regulated Qualifications in England, Wales and Northern Ireland. For Scottish qualifications, please visit the Scottish Credit and Qualifications Framework website (scqf.org.uk).

Short, flexible courses

Our educational system doesn't just immerse you in your chosen subject - it's designed to help you to think differently. Throughout your studies you will be encouraged to ask questions, debate your teachers and fellow students, and come up with your own ideas through a blend of practical learning, lectures and seminars and innovative, high-tech teaching.

Postgraduate courses in the UK are shorter than both the US and Australia, with many MBA courses taking just one year, so you get better value for money and can begin applying your knowledge in the real world a lot sooner.

SUBJECT HIGHLIGHTS

The UK has one of the most diverse subject offerings available anywhere in the world.

Explore some of the subjects most popular with our international students:

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/subject-highlights

UK STUDY OPTIONS

Whether you are looking for undergraduate, postgraduate, English courses or other study options, we can help you find the right course for you.

Undergraduate study

UK undergraduate course types include:

- Bachelor's or undergraduate degree: BA (Bachelor of Arts), BSc (Bachelor of Science), BEd (Bachelor of Education), and BEng (Bachelor of Engineering).

A full-time bachelor's degree normally takes three years to complete (four in some cases). Part-time options are also available at some universities and colleges.

- Shorter courses: Foundation degree, Diploma of Higher Education, Higher National Diploma, Certificate of Higher Education



To find out more course information and other UK study options, such as foundation pathway courses, boarding schools, and English language learning courses, visit:

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/find-course



Did you know you can gain a UK higher education qualification in your own country?

There are various transnational education (TNE) options for your consideration, including online courses, articulation pathways, and joint degrees.

Contact your local British Council office for more information.

Postgraduate study

UK postgraduate course types include:

- Master's degrees: MA (Master of Arts), MSc (Master of Science), a range of subject-specific qualifications including MEng (Master of Engineering), MFA (Master of Fine Arts), LL.M (Master of Laws), MArch (Master of Architecture), and more, and MPhil (Master of Philosophy) which is research-led and usually designed for students to progress to a PhD.

A full-time master's degree normally takes one year (taught master's) or two years (research master's) to complete.

Part-time options are also available at some universities.

- MBA courses
- PhDs or doctorates
- Postgraduate diplomas and qualifications: Usually shorter than a master's and you won't have to do a thesis or dissertation
- Professional and vocational qualifications: Most awards involve practical training.



While you will be able to apply after the January deadline right up until 30 June, it is better to apply early.

Postgraduate study

Many UK universities handle their own postgraduate applications and you can often apply directly through their websites. You can check the course information for instructions on entry requirements and how to apply.

Many postgraduate courses do not have a fixed application deadline. However, it is always best to apply early to make sure you have the best chance of being accepted.

HOW TO APPLY?

Undergraduate study

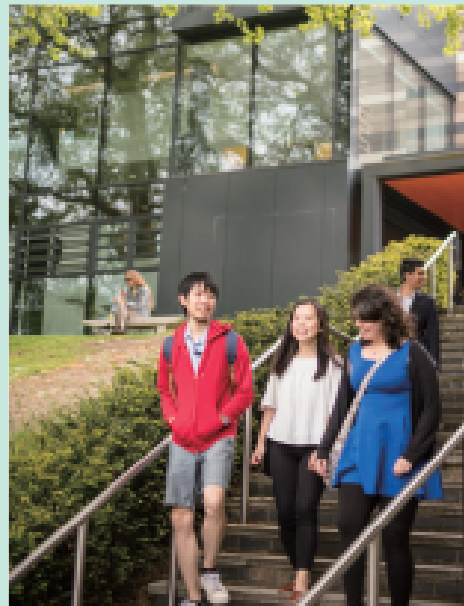
Applying for an undergraduate degree in the UK is very simple. You don't need to get in touch with lots of universities - you can apply for up to five courses at once through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS, www.ucas.com) for a small administration fee and UCAS handles everything else. You will be contacted by UCAS with any offers from your chosen universities or colleges.

With over 160 universities and colleges and limitless courses and study options on offer, you can make your UK education experience as unique as you are!

Use University Finder to find out detailed institution information that you need!

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find-university

Application deadlines	
October	For courses at the Universities of Oxford and Cambridge, or for most courses in medicine, veterinary medicine/science and dentistry
15 January	"On time" deadline for most undergraduate courses
March	For some art and design courses
30 June	Late deadline for most undergraduate courses. Applications received after this deadline will automatically go into "clearing", so you will not be guaranteed your first choice.



Apply for undergraduate courses

Unlike many other countries, application to UK undergraduate courses should be made online through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS). Students only need to fill in one application form (except if they are applying to the University of Cambridge, which requires a separate application). While university admissions tutors make the selection decisions, UCAS manages applications for most undergraduate study at UK universities and colleges. On the UCAS website, students can:

- search for courses apply online
- track the progress of their application accept
- offers
- and link to other related websites.

For undergraduate music courses at the nine UK music conservatoires, admissions are handled by the Conservatoires UK Admissions Service, www.cukas.ac.uk. To apply to the Royal Academy of Music or the Guildhall School of Music & Drama, visit their websites for more information.

HKDSE and UK universities and colleges

There are several pathways to UK higher education. If you meet the academic requirements in your HKDSE results, you can move straight to Year 1 of a bachelor's degree. Alternatively, you can start with an international foundation programme, complete UK A-levels, or a range of other qualifications that can lead to a UK bachelor's degree.

Most UK universities and colleges have confirmed their admissions requirements for HKDSE students. The HKDSE is included in the UCAS Tariff, which is benchmarked against GCE A-levels, with HKDSE Levels 3 to 5** broadly equivalent to GCE A-level Grades E to A*. Information about the Tariff can be found at www.ucas.com.

UK universities and colleges determine their own admissions requirements based on the course needs and competition for places. They will use the UCAS Tariff as a reference. You can also check details on the individual institution's website or the HKEAA website www.hkeaa.edu.hk.

The UK offers flexible pathways so if you have not achieved the equivalent of three GCE A-levels, don't worry! You can still achieve your ambition of completing a bachelor's degree by first studying a one-year international foundation programme, a one-year international diploma, a two-year Higher National Diploma, or a two-year foundation degree.

UK universities value all elements of the HKDSE so you do not need to take parallel qualifications such as GCE A-levels. You do need to meet English language requirements, normally a minimum Level 4 of the HKDSE or IELTS 6.0 or above are sufficient.

Universities make conditional offers based on your application through the UCAS system. You need to let them know the subjects in which you will be examined. Conditional offers are made before your results are known and they will be confirmed as soon as universities receive your results, if you have achieved the required grades. Visit www.ucas.com to start preparing your application, including your personal statement.

General admissions requirements	
HKDSE	UK courses available
Levels 2,2,2 to 4,3,3	1-year international foundation programme leading to first year of a bachelor's degree
Levels 3,3,3 to 4,4,4	1-year international diploma leading to second year of a bachelor's degree or 2-year Higher National Diploma (HND) or foundation degree leading to 1-year top-up for a bachelor's degree
Levels 4,3,3 to 5**,5,5	Year 1 of a bachelor's degree

Notes:

Bachelor's degrees in the UK are normally completed to Honours level.

Applied Learning subjects that are 'Attained with Distinction' may be accepted as equivalent to Level 3 in HKDSE

COSTS

Studying in the UK is good value for money – costs here are lower than in both the USA and Australia. According to research by HSBC, the average annual costs for international students, including course fees, accommodation and all other costs, are approximately:

- o \$30,325 (£23,533) in the UK
- o \$35,705 (£27,708) in the USA
- o \$38,516 (£29,890) in Australia

Use the UKCISA international student budget calculator (international.studentcalculator.org) to help you plan your budget.

SCHOLARSHIPS AND FINANCIAL SUPPORT

There are hundreds of scholarships, bursaries and grant schemes on offer for students who need extra support to pay for their UK course.

Many institutions offer their own financial assistance, and you should check their websites for more details.

Global scholarships

You can apply for any of the following scholarships, provided they are appropriate for your course.

- Chevening Award: Postgraduate scholarships from the UK government aimed at students with potential as future leaders www.chevening.org
- Commonwealth Scholarship and Fellowship Plan : Postgraduate scholarships for nationals of Commonwealth countries, funded by the UK government and intended to support individuals who will subsequently make a contribution to the development of their home country cscuk.dfid.gov.uk/apply

Country-specific scholarships and funding

There are many different scholarships available, and some depend on where you are from.

For more information, please visit: study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/scholarships-financial-support

STUDENT VISAS

If you are 16 or over and want to study at higher education level, you'll need to apply for a Tier 4 (General) student visa.

How to apply for a student visa?

Check

You will need:

- A confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) reference number from your university or college.
- Evidence you can pay for your course and living costs.
- Original education certificates.

Apply

- Apply, pay and book your visa appointment online.
- Submit your application at the Visa Application Centre (VAC) along with your supporting documents
- Your fingerprints will be taken at the VAC and you may need to sit a video interview.

How long will it take to get my visa?

UK Visas & Immigration aims to process student visas within 15 working days.

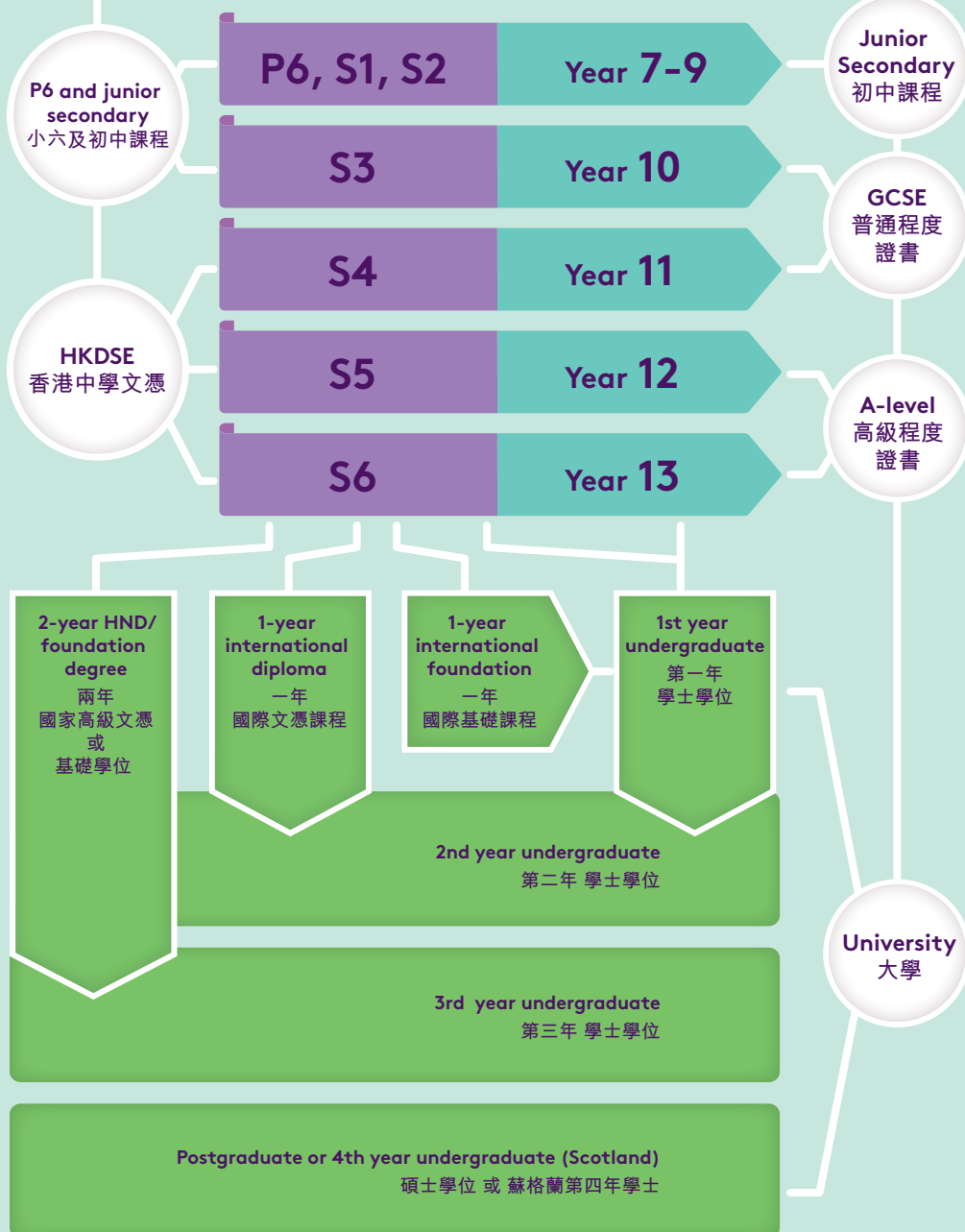
You are recommended to prepare and apply for your visa well in advance. You can make an application up to 3 months before you intend to travel.

If you need a visa quickly, you may use the Priority Service.

For further information on Tier 4 student visas, or information about other visa categories, please visit www.gov.uk/visas-immigration.



Articulation pathways to UK education from Hong Kong's education system 香港教育制度與英國學制的銜接



USEFUL LINKS

General:

Study UK website: study-uk.britishcouncil.org

Study UK Facebook: www.facebook.com/StudyUK.BritishCouncil

Study UK Instagram: www.instagram.com/StudyUK_BritishCouncil

University finder: study-uk.britishcouncil.org/find-university

Subject highlights: study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/subject-highlights

Sign up to Study UK newsletter: study-uk.britishcouncil.org/newsletter

Scholarships:

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/options/scholarships-financial-support

Advice and support:

study-uk.britishcouncil.org/planning/advice-support

Student visas:

For information and guidance: www.gov.uk/visas-immigration

For Visa Application Centre (VAC) information: www.vfsglobal.co.uk/en

Admission tests

Undergraduate

www.admissiontestingservice.org (Admissions Testing Service)

www.lnat.ac.uk (National Admissions Test for Law)

www.ukcat.ac.uk (UK Clinical Aptitude Test)

Postgraduate

www.ets.org/gre (Graduate Record Examinations)

www.mba.com/gmat (Graduate Management Admission Test)

www.gamsatuk.org (Graduate Medical School Admissions Test)

Association of Colleges:

A map of colleges in the UK alongside links and vital information

www.aoc.co.uk/about-colleges/map

Independent schools

- www.boarding.org.uk (The Boarding Schools' Association)
- www.goodschoolsguide.co.uk (The Good Schools Guide)
- www.guideto independentschools.com (Guide to Independent Schools)
- www.isbi.com (Independent School Search)
- www.isc.co.uk (Independent Schools Council)
- www.scis.org.uk (Scottish Council of Independent Schools)
- www.ukboardingschools.com (UK Boarding Schools)

State schools

- www.sbsa.org.uk (State Boarding Schools Association)
- www.schoolsnet.com (Schoolsnet)

Post-16 colleges

- www.aoc.co.uk (The Association of Colleges)
- www.the-bac.org (The British Accreditation Council for Independent Further and Higher Education)
- <http://www.cife.org.uk/> (The Council for Independent Further Education)
- www.collegesscotland.ac.uk (Colleges Scotland)

UK school and college performance

- www.best-schools.co.uk (Best Schools)
- www.education.gov.uk/schools/performance (Performance tables, Department for Education)
- www.guardian.co.uk/education/schooltables (School tables, The Guardian)
- www.telegraph.co.uk/education/leaguetables (Education league tables, The Telegraph)
- www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/education (Education, The Times)

Undergraduate

- Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS): www.ucas.com
- Unistats: The official website for comparing UK higher education course data unistats.ac.uk

Postgraduate

- www.mbaworld.com (Association of MBAs)
- www.postgrad.com (Postgraduate course search)
- www.prospects.ac.uk (The UK's official graduate careers website)
- www.ukpass.ac.uk (UK Postgraduate Application and Statistical Service)

UK courses in Hong Kong

www.edb.gov.hk/ncr

(Non-local higher and professional education courses, The Education Bureau, HKSAR Government)

www.britishcouncil.hk/en/study-uk/qualification-hong-kong

(Studying for a UK qualification in Hong Kong)

Research performance

www.ref.ac.uk (Research Excellence Framework)

Quality assurance

www.gov.uk/check-a-university-is-officiallyrecognised

(Check if a university or college is officially recognised)

www.qaa.ac.uk (The Quality Assurance Agency for Higher Education)

University league tables (non-official)

www.thecompleteuniversityguide.co.uk (The Complete University Guide)

www.guardian.co.uk/education/universityguide (Guardian University Guide)

www.thetimes.co.uk/tto/public/gug/ (The times Good University Guide)

rankings.ft.com/businessschoolrankings/global-mba-ranking-2018

(Financial Times Business School Ranking)