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<u>Special Admissions Arrangement for Applicants with International Qualifications</u> <u>Affected by Coronavirus (COVID-19) – 2020 Entry</u>

Given the unprecedented situation caused by the Coronavirus (COVID-19), we fully understand the mounting concerns from applicants, parents, and teachers about the impact of public exam disruption/cancellation on the applications and admissions.

The University cares about your well-being. In facing the challenges together, the University is prepared to extend flexibility in considering the applicants with international qualifications affected by exam disruption/cancellation owing to COVID-19.

Holistic Approach in Assessing Applications

With the University's emphasis on educating whole persons, it is always our practice that we take a holistic approach in assessing applications.

Recognition of official results based on adjusted assessment methods

In view of cancellations of examinations, the University will accept the GCE AL/IAL grades and IB DP scores issued by the relevant examination boards based on adjusted assessment methods for setting and fulfilling admissions offer conditions. These official results will also be taken into consideration for admissions scholarship offers.

Alternative Arrangement for English Language Examination Disruptions

For students impacted by English language test cancellations owing to COVID-19, we will accept 'TOEFL iBT Special Home Edition' and 'IELTS Indicator' for fulfilling the admissions offer conditions.

Case-by-case consideration for applicants studying regional/national curricula

We will extend flexibility to cater for the individual circumstances impacted by the COVID-19. To facilitate this process, please be sure to upload the latest school report / transcript to the online application system: <u>https://iss.hkbu.edu.hk/amsappl_nj/</u>

Extension of application deadline for 2020 entry

Application deadline for September 2020 intake will be extended to **10 July 2020 (HKT)**. Please apply via the online application system. You may wish to note that applications will be considered on a rolling basis.

Enquiries

Our admissions officers are more than happy to answer enquiries specific to your circumstances, please get in touch with us via email at <u>ardirect@hkbu.edu.hk</u>

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