

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SCIENCE**

Master of Statistics

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2019 to read for the degree of Master of Statistics. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admission Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements as listed below:
 - (a) shall comply with the [General Regulations](#);
 - (b) shall hold a Bachelor's degree with honours of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
 - (c) shall have knowledge of matrices and calculus, and shall also have knowledge of introductory statistics and linear modelling (for full-time applicant only).
 - (d) for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong of which the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to high degrees as prescribed under [General Regulation G2\(b\)](#).
 - (e) shall pass a qualifying examination if so required.

An application for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case by case basis.

2. The programme emphasizes applications and aims to train knowledgeable statisticians, preparing candidates for consulting work or research in the field.
3. The following new courses are added into the curriculum for the academic year 2019-20:

STAT8021 Big data analytics (6 credits)
STAT8307 Text analytics (3 credits)
4. The curriculum shall extend over not less than two academic years for part-time study and not less than one academic year for full-time study, with a minimum of 340 hours of prescribed work.
5. There are Lifelong Learning Prizes in Statistics, each with a value from HK\$5,000 to HK\$10,000, for students in this programme based on their first semester examination results for full-time students and their first year examination results for part-time students.
6. There is a Master of Statistics Outstanding Performance Scholarship of HK\$50,000 for a student in this programme who obtains the first in ranking of the overall examination results.
7. Applications for a taught postgraduate programme can be made via our on-line application system at

<https://www.hku.hk/tpg/>
or <https://www.saasweb.hku.hk/programme/mstat.php> .

8. The Regulations and Syllabuses for the above programme can also be viewed at <https://saasweb.hku.hk/programme/mstat-structure.php> (subject to approval).
9. Application deadlines:
Main Round: 12:00nn (HKT) December 14, 2018. Candidates who apply in Main Round will have priority.
Clearing Round: 12:00nn (HKT) January 31, 2019.
Candidates may be invited for admission interviews and tests. For enquiries, please contact the Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science, HKU (tel: 3917-2467; email: mstat@saas.hku.hk).

Note: For applicants who are interested in applying as occasional students, please contact the Department of Statistics & Actuarial Science for details (tel: 3917-2467; email: mstat@saas.hku.hk). The provisional tuition fee for occasional students is HK\$2,670 per credit.

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