Applications are invited for admission to the September 2020 intake of the Master of Science in Library and Information Management programme. The programme can be completed over one academic year of full-time study or two to four consecutive years of part-time study.

Admission Requirements

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:

1. comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;
2. hold a Bachelor’s degree of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose;
3. for a candidate who is seeking admission on the basis of a qualification from a university or comparable institution outside Hong Kong where the language of teaching and/or examination is not English, shall satisfy the University English language requirement applicable to higher degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b) having:
   a) a score of 550 or above (paper-based test) or 80 or above (internet-based test) in the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)*; or
   b) a minimum overall band of 6 with no sub-test lower than 5.5 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)*; or
   c) grade C or above in the Overseas General Certificate of Education, the International General Certificate of Secondary Education, or the Cambridge Test of Proficiency in English Language.
4. shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination, if required.

* For admission, only TOEFL/ IELTS scores recorded within two years before the submission date of application are considered.

Application and Submission of Supporting Documents

Applications must be submitted via the online application system at https://hku.hk/tpg/ by 12:00 noon, January 31, 2020 (GMT+8).

Each online application is for one specialist strand only. A full set of the supporting documents should be submitted separately for applications for more than one specialist strand of the same programme, or for other programme(s) of the Faculty or HKU. Please quote your application number(s) in all future correspondences.

Posting of supporting documents is NOT required at the application stage.

Please upload the following supporting documents with the completed checklist by logging on to http://www.aal.hku.hk/tpg/login.html within two weeks after submission of the online application and in any case no later than the application deadline, whichever is earlier. For each application, you are allowed to upload a maximum of 20 files of 3MB each. Your application number and name should be marked on each document.

1. official transcript of your undergraduate and postgraduate studies (please do not omit the back side of the transcript if it contains information on the grading system)
2. official Bachelor’s Degree Certificate (學士學位證書) and Graduate Certificate (畢業證書) (applicable to candidates from Mainland institutions only)
3. English proficiency test report e.g. TOEFL®, IELTS (applicable to candidates from universities or comparable institutions outside Hong Kong where the language of teaching and/or examination is not English)

4. A completed calculation sheet of the academic results of your undergraduate studies (template downloadable here) (applicable to candidates from Mainland institutions only)

^ Documents not in English should be accompanied by an officially certified translation into English, normally by the Registry of the awarding institution.

^ Reference letter is not required. You may submit one if you wish. There is no designated format for a reference letter.

^ Please do not submit non-academically related documents.

^ Please download the “Instructions for Submitting Supporting Documents” for more details.

^ All documents once submitted will not be returned and will be destroyed if your application is not successful.

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Should an applicant be considered for admission, he/she will receive an email notification from the Programme Office to submit the original/officially certified copy of documents* within one week of notification. Please note that our request to submit documents does not necessarily mean that you will receive an offer of admission.

* Officially certified document is a photocopy of the original document that has been duly declared as a true copy before a notary public (e.g. the District Offices in Hong Kong) (Please click here for details on making declarations of your documents at the District Offices) or certified by the appropriate official of your home institution (e.g. the Registry).

If you need to submit a hard copy of your transcript upon receiving our notification, you may complete the Transcript Request Form and send it to the institution from which the transcript is requested.

Due to the large number of applications received during the admissions period, we seek your understanding that we are unable to check/confirm whether all of your supporting documents uploaded are received. However, you will be informed if any additional documents are required for your application.

The Faculty reserves the right at all times to suspend the offering of any specialist strands if the number of applications makes it insufficient to form a class. In the event that a specialist strand is suspended, applicants may have their deposit refunded.

Programme Fees

The fee for the MSc(LIM) programme for 2020-21 is HK$168,000*. The fee is payable in 2 instalments for the full-time programme, and in 4 instalments for the part-time programme, irrespective of the number of courses taken in each term. The programme fee must be settled in the first two years of study though the study period of part-time programme can be extended to four years. Candidates are required to pay a deposit and caution money of HK$84,350* for full-time study or HK$42,350* for part-time study on acceptance of offer of admission. Please refer to the programme website https://web.edu.hku.hk/programme/mlim for more details.

* Subject to the University’s approval

Enquiry

For enquiries, please refer to the website https://web.edu.hku.hk/programme/mlim or contact the Faculty of Education by tel: 3917-5856 or by email: mlim@hku.hk.

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