

**THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF EDUCATION**

Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE)

Applications are invited for admission in September 2024 to the one-year full-time and the two-year part-time Postgraduate Diploma in Education (PGDE) programme.

Programme Aim

The PGDE programme prepares university graduates to teach in Hong Kong. The PGDE is a teacher training qualification recognized by the Education Bureau of the HKSAR Government.

Admissions Requirements

A candidate shall satisfy both the University Admissions Requirements and the Programme Specific Requirements as listed below.

All candidates shall:

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. normally be expected to have completed a substantial portion of their undergraduate studies in the major subject for which they wish to apply.

In addition,

4. a part-time applicant shall normally be a serving teacher in Hong Kong schools with a minimum of one year of relevant teaching experience;
5. 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 either the Overseas General Certificate of Education, the International General Certificate of Secondary Education, or the Cambridge Test of Proficiency in English Language.
6. all candidates shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination, if required.

Applications for exemption from the above requirements shall be considered on a case-by-case basis.

[#] For admission, only TOEFL/IELTS scores recorded in the two years before the date of application will be considered.

Application deadlines for September 2024 intake for the following Majors have been extended:

Deadline: January 5, 2024 (Friday) at 12:00 nn (GMT +8)

- Science Education (Major in Physics) (full-time)

Deadline: January 31, 2024 (Wednesday) at 12:00 nn (GMT +8)

- Early Childhood Education (full-time and part-time)

Please visit the [PGDE website](#) for the programme structure and course outlines.

Subject Test/Interview

Applicants who are shortlisted may be invited to attend a subject test and/or an interview and will be informed by email (at least one day before the interview). Applicants are advised to check their email for confirmed arrangements.

Composition Fee

	Local Students	Non-local Students [△]	Remarks
Full-time (2024-2025)	HK\$42,100*	HK\$182,000*	Payable in 2 instalments
Part-time (2024-2026)	HK\$42,100*	HK\$182,000*	Payable in 4 instalments

Candidates are required to pay a non-refundable deposit on acceptance of offer of admission:

- for FT candidates, HK\$21,050* for local students and HK\$91,000* for non-local students[△]
- for PT candidates, HK\$10,525* for local students and HK\$45,500* for non-local students[△]
- Successful candidates are also required to pay caution money of HK\$350 with the deposit.

[△] For the purpose of admission of non-local students, “non-local students” are defined as students holding (a) a student visa/entry permit; (b) a visa/entry permit under the Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates (IANG); or (c) a dependent visa/entry permit who were 18 years old or above when they were issued with such visa/entry permit by the Director of Immigration. For details, please visit the [HKSAR Immigration Department website](#).

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Submission of Application

Your application including a fee of HK\$300, which is non-refundable and non-transferable, should be submitted online at <https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/programme/postgraduate-diploma-education>. Early submission is highly encouraged.

* Please submit **one** application with a complete set of supporting documents for **each** Major applied for
(Note: Different study mode/study streams of the same Major are regarded as two programmes).

* Applicants are **not** allowed to transfer from the chosen Major subject, study mode or study stream of the chosen Major once an online application has been submitted.

Submission of Supporting Documents

An email notification will be sent to you within 48 hours after submitting your online application, please follow the instructions in the email and upload your supporting documents in **pdf format** for our preliminary consideration by logging in <https://tpg-admission-addon.its.hku.hk/applicant> by the application deadline or within one month starting from the date you receive the email notification, whichever is earlier. Please refer to the “**Instructions for Submitting Supporting Documents**” for details. Posting of documents is NOT required at the application stage. Should an applicant be considered for admission, he/she will receive an email notification from the PGDE Programme Office to submit the original/officially certified copy of documents. Please note that our request to submit documents does not necessarily mean that you will receive an offer of admission.

Announcement of Results

Successful applicants will be notified of the admission results by **email** and will receive an official Offer of Admission enclosing a Notice of Admission statement. Applicants who do not hear from the Faculty of Education by June 30, 2024 may assume their application unsuccessful. No individual notifications will be sent.

Enquiry - Admissions hotline: 3917 2544 / Email: pgdedu@hku.hk.

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