1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2024 to read for the degree of Master of Science (MSc). 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 satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required; and
(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).

Applicants should possess a Bachelor’s degree with First or Second Class Honours (or GPA equivalent) in Science, Engineering or a related subject.

2. The MSc in Applied Geosciences was introduced in 1998-99. It is an inter-disciplinary programme extending over two years of part-time study or one year of full-time study.

3. The programme is intended to provide students with further training in the applied geosciences for career and personal development.

4. Students work in small classes and are expected to participate in class discussion. For part-time students in full-time employment, the programme involves a considerable commitment of time, as part-time students usually have to attend classes on 2-3 weekday evenings (7:00-9:45pm), and occasionally field trips on weekends. Written work forms an important part of the programme, and includes a project dissertation of approximately 10,000 words. (All written and oral communication is in English).

5. Applications for a taught postgraduate programme can be via our on-line application system at https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg or https://www.scifac.hku.hk/prospective/tpg/MSAG.

6. The Regulations and Syllabuses for the above programme can also be viewed at https://www.earthsciences.hku.hk/prospective-students/postgraduate-students/taught-postgraduates (subject to approval).

7. The results of the admissions exercise are expected to be announced as soon as possible but not later than August 2024. Applicants who do not receive any notification of their application results in early September are welcome to contact Department of Earth Sciences (tel. no. 2857 8247; email: esctpg@hku.hk) to enquire about their results.

8. Application period (Local and Non-local students):
   Applications are processed continuously. Early application is advantageous.
   Round 1: 12:00 noon (GMT +8), January 31, 2024
   Round 2: 12:00 noon (GMT +8), April 30, 2024
   Applicants who require a student visa should submit their applications before March 31, 2024, as it takes about 3 months to process the entry visa and late applicants may not meet the commencement date.

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