# THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG FACULTY OF EDUCATION

# Master of Arts in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages [MA(TESOL)]

Applications are invited for admission in <u>September 2024</u> to the MA(TESOL) programme. The curriculum shall normally be completed in one academic year, and no more than two consecutive academic years of full-time study.

# **Admissions Requirements**

To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate shall satisfy both the University Admissions 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 in English, Linguistics, English Language Education or English Language and Literature of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution;
- 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 obtain the following:
  - a) a score of 580 or above in the paper-based Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL)<sup>#</sup> with a score of 4.0 or above in the Test of Written English or a score of 94 or above in the internet-based TOEFL<sup>#</sup> with a score of 25 or above in the Writing section; or
  - b) a minimum overall band of 7.0 with no sub-test lower than 6.5 in the International English Language Testing System (IELTS)#;
- 4. 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.

#### **Admissions Schedule**

#### Round 1

Online application opens at 12:00 noon (GMT+8) on December 1, 2023 (Friday).

Closing date: 12:00 noon (GMT+8) on December 28, 2023 (Thursday)

# Round 2\*

Online application opens in late January 2024.

Closing date: 12:00 noon (GMT+8) on February 20, 2024 (Tuesday)

\* If all places are filled in Round 1, there may not be a  $2^{nd}$  round of applications. Interested parties are thus strongly encouraged to submit applications in Round 1 for a greater chance of securing a place.

# **Application**

Applications should be submitted online at <a href="https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/">https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/</a>. After submission of an online application, you are required to <a href="https://www.hku.hk/tpg/login.html">upload the supporting documents</a> by logging on to <a href="https://www.hku.hk/tpg/login.html">https://www.hku.hk/tpg/login.html</a> by the application deadline or within four weeks from the date of creation of your account, whichever is earlier. Applicants are advised to prepare the required supporting documents in advance and to upload them onto the system as soon as possible. Late submission of supporting documents will result in a delay in the consideration of your application.

<sup>#</sup> For admission, only TOEFL/IELTS scores recorded within two years before the submission date of application will be considered.

Posting of documents is NOT required at the application stage. Please refer to the "Instructions for Submitting Supporting Documents" for details. Should an applicant be considered for admission, he/she will receive an email notification from the MA(TESOL) Programme Office to submit the original/officially certified copy of documents. Please note that our request to submit documents does <u>not</u> necessarily mean that you will receive an offer of admission.

Shortlisted applicants may be invited to attend an interview. Successful applicants will be informed of their admission results by email, and will receive an Offer of Admission letter enclosing a Notice of Admission statement after verification of academic qualifications.

# **Admission Results**

Applications will be considered once the application period is open and this is expected to continue until the quota is full. Admission results will be released on a rolling basis.

# **Composition Fee**

The fee for the MA(TESOL) programme for 2024-25 is HK\$219,000\* and is payable in 2 instalments. Candidates are required to pay a deposit and caution money of HK\$109,850\* on acceptance of offer of admission.

For details of the programme, please refer to the programme website: https://web.edu.hku.hk/programme/matesol

\*Subject to University's approval

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