THE UNIVERSITY OF HONG KONG
FACULTY OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Master of Social Sciences in the field of Social Data Analytics

1. Applications are invited for admission in September 2024 to programme leading to the Degree of Master of Social Sciences in the field of Social Data Analytics. To be eligible for admission to the programme, a candidate:

    (a)   shall comply with the General Regulations and the Regulations for Taught Postgraduate Curricula;

    (b)   shall hold a Bachelor's degree preferably in one of the fields of social sciences: Anthropology, Cognitive Science, Communication, Economics, Education Studies, Ethnic Studies, Linguistics, Political Science, Psychology, Sociology, Urban Studies and Planning, or a closely related field; or a Bachelor's degree in Mathematics, Computer Science, or a related field with an additional major/minor or substantial advanced coursework in one or more social sciences domains of this University or a qualification of equivalent standard from this University or another comparable institution accepted for this purpose; and

    (c)   shall preferably have pre-existing training in statistics and/or formal logic or prior experience with one or more technical domains, including programming, statistics, formal logic, calculus, linear algebra, etc.

    (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 higher degrees as prescribed under General Regulation G2(b); and

    (e)   shall satisfy the examiners in a qualifying examination if required.

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

2. The curriculum shall normally extend over not less than one and not more than two academic years of full-time study; or not less than two and not more than three academic years of part-time study.

3. Applications for this taught postgraduate programme and payment of application fee (HK$300 per application) should be made through the HKU on-line application system at https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/.

4. The closing dates for applications are **12:00 noon, February 28, 2024 (Round 1) and 12:00 noon, April 30, 2024 (Round 2)**.

5. The Regulations and Syllabuses for this programme can also be viewed at https://admissions.hku.hk/tpg/.

6. Applicants may contact the Programme Office at (852) 3917 7416 or msda@hku.hk if they do not receive their application results by July 31, 2024.

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