School Nominations Direct Admission Scheme (SNDAS)
Programme and Admission Requirements of Designated Programmes in the 2026/27 Academic Year

I. Programme information

(a)	University	The Chinese University of Hong Kong
(b)	Programme	Public Humanities
(c)	JUPAS programme code	JS4100
(d)	Programme duration (years)	4 years

II. Programme admission requirements

	Admission requirements	
(a)	Top 10% in class ranking in Secondary 5 and Secondary 6 (1st term)	Mandatory
(b)	Outstanding academic results in English and Chinese	
(c)	Predicted grade of Level 5 or above in English Language and Chinese Language of HKDSE Examination	
(d)	Predicted grade of Level 2 or above in Mathematics (Compulsory Part) of HKDSE Examination	
(e)	Nominees should attain the score in either one of the following English tests: (i) TOEFL: Internet-based test (iBT) – score: 80 or above; or Paper-delivered test – a sum score of 550 or above (Remark: TOEFL MyBest™ Score is not accepted); or (ii) IELTS: Academic Overall Band: 6.0 or above	
(f)	Nominees should possess good communication and analytical skills	
(g)	Received awards / prizes in international / regional competitions in music/ drama/ debating / writing	Preferred
(h)	Received scholarships due to outstanding academic performance	
(i)	Engagement in community services/ cultural activities/ drama performances/ dance performances/ debate competitions	

II. Programme admission requirements (continued)

	Admission requirements	
(j)	Attained Grade 6 or above in practical grade/ performance grade at examination organised by ABRSM (or other internationally recognised music examination bodies)	
(k)	Attained Grade 5 or above in theory at examination organised by ABRSM (or other internationally recognised music examination bodies)	
(l)	Attained Grade 6 or above in classic and jazz at examination organised by Trinity College London (or other internationally recognised music examination bodies)	Optional
(m)	Attained Grade 6 or above in rock and pop at examination organised by Trinity College London (or other internationally recognised music examination bodies)	
(n)	Attained Grade 6 or above at examination organised by Royal Academy of Dance (or other internationally recognised dance examination bodies)	
(o)	Attained Grade 6 or above in drama and speech at examination organised by Trinity College London (or other internationally recognised examination bodies)	

III. Application requirements

	Application requirements	
(a)	**JUPAS application**	
(i)	Band A choice in nominee's JUPAS application.	
(ii)	Submission of Other Experiences and Achievements in Competition / Activities (OEA).	Mandatory
(iii)	Submission of Student Learning Profile (SLP).	

III. Application requirements

(b)	Other application materials	
(i)	Nominees may demonstrate in a personal statement in no more than 300 words why they are interested in the programme.	Mandatory
(ii)	Recommendation letter	
(iii)	School reports showing the nominees' academic performance and class ranking in Secondary 5 and Secondary 6 (1st term)	
(iv)	School's assessment on the nominees' predicted grades in the 2026 HKDSE examination	
(v)	Submission of Portfolio in PDF format (demonstrating the nominee's passion in Cultural Studies and listing events or activities related to Cultural Studies or Cultural Management which the nominee has participated in) / Creative writing sample(s) produced by the nominee showcasing his or her creativity. Audio, visual, software or any other format of presentation demonstrating nominees' quality in Cultural Studies or Cultural Management is welcomed.	Preferred
(vi)	Project experiences	

IV. Assessment of application

Assessment	
(a) Nominees should demonstrate outstanding performance in the interview.	Mandatory

V. Enquiry and nomination submission channel

(a) Enquiries from schools / students on the programme can be addressed to:

Name: Office of Admissions and Financial Aid, CUHK

Telephone: 3943 8947 / 3943 0387

Email: sndas@cuhk.edu.hk

(b) Nominations from school principals should be submitted via:

Online system (URL link: http://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/jupas/sndas.html)