

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	Architectural Studies
(c)	JUPAS programme code	JS4812
(d)	Programme duration	4 years

II. Programme admission requirements

Admission requirements		
(a)	Top 10% in class ranking in Secondary 5 and Secondary 6 (1st term)	Mandatory
(b)	Predicted grade of Level 5 or above in English Language and Chinese Language of HKDSE Examination	
(c)	Predicted grade of Level 3 or above in 2 Elective subjects	
(d)	Predicted grade of Level 2 or above in Mathematics (Compulsory Part) of HKDSE Examination	
(e)	Predicted grade of “Attained” in Citizenship and Social Development of HKDSE Examination	
(f)	Outstanding academic results in English and Chinese	Preferred
(g)	Nominees should attain the following English language proficiency test result equal or equivalent to - HKDSE Grade 5 or above; or - TOEFL-iBT Home Edition Overall 80 or above (Remark: TOEFL MyBest™ Score is not accepted); or - IELTS Indicator: Overall Band 6.5 or above; or - GMAT Online Examination: Band 21 or above (Verbal)	
(h)	Award(s) or participation in international / regional / local competitions related to art, design, or any creative practice	
(i)	Participation in international / regional / local exhibition(s) related to art, design, or any creative practice	
(j)	Outstanding performance in STEM-related fields (e.g. competition, programmes etc.)	
(k)	Participated in Design and Technology related Courses	
(l)	Participated in Art or Design related Activities	
(m)	Demonstration of strong talent or interest in art, design or design thinking	

III. Application requirements

Application requirements		
(a) JUPAS application		
(i)	Band A choice in nominee’s JUPAS application	Mandatory
(ii)	Submission of Other Experiences and Achievements in Competition / Activities (OEA)	
(iii)	Submission of Student Learning Profile (SLP)	
(b) Other application materials		
(i)	Submission of Design Portfolio	Mandatory
(ii)	Submission of Art / Design / Technology / STEM-related Training or Learning Experience	
(iii)	Nominees may demonstrate in a personal statement in no more than 300 words why they are interested in the programme.	
(iv)	Recommendation Letter (s) written by Art or Design-related Teachers, Instructors or Professionals	
(v)	School reports showing the nominees’ academic performance and class ranking in Secondary 5 and Secondary 6 (1st term)	
(vi)	School’s assessment on the nominees’ predicted grades in the 2026 HKDSE examination	

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: <https://admission.cuhk.edu.hk/jupas/sndas.html>)