

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	Data Science and Policy Studies
(c)	JUPAS programme code	JS4893
(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 Mathematics (Compulsory Part) of HKDSE Examination	
(c)	Outstanding academic results in English and Chinese	Preferred
(d)	Predicted grade of Level 5 or above in Chinese Language of HKDSE Examination	
(e)	Received awards / prizes in academic or non-academic areas in international / regional competitions	
(f)	Received scholarships due to outstanding academic performance	
(g)	Nominees should possess good communication and analytical skills.	Optional
(h)	Achieved outstanding results in tertiary-level courses / summer courses at post-secondary institutions	
(i)	Engagement in community services	

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)	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	

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>)