

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 Hong Kong University of Science and Technology
(b)	Programme	International Research Enrichment
(c)	JUPAS programme code	JS5101
(d)	Programme duration	4 years

II. Programme admission requirements

Admission requirements		
(a)	<p>Member of Hong Kong team of the following Olympiad competitions in the past 3 years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - International Mathematical Olympiad / Asian Mathematical Olympiad - International Physics Olympiad / Asian Physics Olympiad - International Biology Olympiad / Asian Biology Olympiad <p>OR</p> <p>Winners of the Hang Lung Mathematics Awards (HLMA) in the past 3 years:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Gold Award / Silver Award / Bronze Award / Honorable Mention Award 	Mandatory
(b)	Top 10% class ranking in Secondary 5 and Secondary 6	Preferred
(c)	Nominees should have received awards / prizes in international / regional competitions in STEM-related fields (OEA)	
(d)	Nominees should have other learning experiences (OLE)	

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 (in English) on why they are interested in the programme	Mandatory
(ii)	School reports showing the nominees’ academic performance and class ranking in Secondary 5 and Secondary 6	
(iii)	School’s assessment of the nominees’ predicted grades in the 2026 HKDSE examination	Mandatory

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: Undergraduate Recruitment & Admissions Office

Telephone: 2623 1118

Email: ugenquiry@ust.hk

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

Online system (URL link: <https://join.hkust.edu.hk/sndas>)