ADMISSION INFORMATION FOR APPLICANTS HOLDING HONG KONG SUB-DEGREE QUALIFICATIONS

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1 General Admission Requirements

For students **currently studying Year 1 of an Associate Degree or Higher Diploma** at a recognized Hong Kong post-secondary institution:

- Year 1 or Year 2 Entry: Satisfactory completion of at least one year of study leading to an Associate Degree, Higher Diploma, or equivalent qualification at a recognised Hong Kong post-secondary institution.

For students **currently studying Year 2 or graduates of an Associate Degree or Higher Diploma** at a recognised Hong Kong post-secondary institution:

- Senior Year Entry (Year 3): Satisfactory completion of a recognised full-time sub-degree programme (Associate Degree, Higher Diploma, or equivalent) of at least two years' duration offered by a recognised Hong Kong post-secondary institution.

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2 English Language Requirements

In addition to the General Admission Requirements, applicants are also required to fulfil one of the following English language requirements:

Qualification	**Minimum English Language Requirement**
HKDSE	Level 3 in English Language
HKALE	Grade E in AS Level Use of English
GCE System	One of the following: • Grade E in GCE AL / IAL or AS / IAS Level English; OR • Grade C in GCE O-Level / GCSE / IGCSE English / English Language / English Literature; OR • Grade 4 in reformed GCSE English Language / English Literature; OR • Grade 4 in reformed IGCSE English / English Language / English Literature
International Baccalaureate (IB)	One of the following: • Grade 4 in English A: Language and Literature (HL or SL); OR • Grade 4 in English A: Literature (HL or SL); OR • Grade 4 in English Literature and Performance (SL); OR • Grade 4 in English B (HL); OR • Grade 5 in English B (SL)
TOEFL	For exams taken before 21 January 2026: A score of 79 (internet-based test / iBT Home Edition) (Achieved in one sitting; MyBestTM score is not accepted); or For exams taken on or after 21 January 2026: A score of 4.0
IELTS	Overall band score of 6.0 in Academic Module *(IELTS One Skill Retake is accepted)*
SAT Reasoning Test	Redesigned SAT: Score 590 in Evidence-Based Reading and Writing

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Qualification	Minimum English Language Requirement
ACT	Score 23 in both English and Reading
AP	One of the following: • Grade 4 in English Language and Composition; OR • Grade 4 in English Literature and Composition
Cambridge English	One of the following: • Grade C/180 or above in C1 Advanced / Cambridge English: Advanced (CAE); OR • Grade C/180 or above in C2 Proficiency / Cambridge English: Proficiency (CPE)
PTE Academic	Overall score of 62 or above in the Pearson Test of English Assessment (Academic) *(The PTE Academic Online is not accepted)*
Password Test	Overall grade of 6.0

The following qualifications are also accepted as meeting the English language requirements:

Curricula	Minimum English Language Requirements
Australia	Australian State or Territory High School Certificate Grade 12 English: 80% or equivalent
Canada	70% in Grade 12 English Course
Chinese Mainland	A score of 110 (out of 150) in the English subject of National Joint College Entrance Examination (JEE) or equivalent
Denmark	Score of 7 or above in Level A English in Studentereksamen, Hojere Forberedelseseksamen (HF), Hojere Handelseksamen (HHX) OR Hojere Teknisk Eksamen (HTX)

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Curricula	Minimum English Language Requirements
Finland	One of the following: • Upper secondary school certificate (lukion paastotodistus / gymnasiets avgansbetyg): minimum grade 8 in English; OR • Matriculation exam (ylioppilastutkinto / studentexamen): minimum grade 4 (Cum Laude Approbatur) in English
France	Score 12 in English subject in French Baccalaureat (OIB-Bristish, American Options)
Germany	Abitur: Grade 10 in English
India	SSC / HSC / ISC Standard XII: 70% in English
Malaysia	One of the following: • Grade C in Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (SPM) English Language 1119; OR • Grade C in Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan Malaysian (STPM) English Language; OR • Band 4 (Aggregate Score: 180-219) in Malaysian University English Test (MUET); OR • Grade B4 in UEC Senior English Language
Netherlands	Voorbereidend Wetenschappelijk Onderwijs (VWO): Grade 8 in English
New Zealand	NCEA Literacy: 10 credits at Level 2 in subjects on English, with 5 credits in Reading and 5 credits in Writing (Literacy credits of subjects on English are available on the New Zealand Qualifications Authority (NZQA) website)
Norway	Vitnemal: Grade 4 in English
Russia	A score of 80 in English in Russian Unified State Exam (Единыйгосударственный экзамен, ЕГЭ, Yediniy gosudarstvenniy ekzamen, EGE)
Singapore	Grade C in H1 General Paper in Singapore-Cambridge GCE Advanced Level

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Curricula	Minimum English Language Requirements
Sri Lanka	Credit in English Language in Sri Lankan Ordinary Level examination
Sweden	Slutbetyg / Examensbevis från Gymnasieskolan: Grade C or Grade VG (in old grading system) in English
Taiwan, China	One of the following: • General Scholastic Ability Test (GSAT 學科能力測驗) English result within the top percentile (頂標); OR • Advanced Subjects Test (指定科目考試) English result within the top percentile (頂標)

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3 Admission Procedures

Step 1: Create and submit online application account

You can create and submit ONE application account and submit up to 6 preferred choices of undergraduate programmes via the Online Admission System.

- You will be required to indicate your preference of study programmes, if you wish to submit more than one programme choice.
- You are advised to make thorough consideration accordingly before submission of your applications. Any request on change or re-prioritisation of the programme choices after submission of application for admission will be handled on a case-by-case basis.
- You are advised to submit your application as early as you can.
- As the University values both academic and extracurricular achievements, you are strongly encouraged to upload any information that showcases your abilities in these areas for the University's consideration. This may include awards, certificates, and records of extracurricular activities.

Step 2: Complete application information and pay the application fee

Please check all the information provided in your application, as applicants are responsible to ensure the information given in support of the application is accurate and complete. The University reserves the right not to process any incomplete applications.

You should support all information provided by uploading the relevant documents (in English or Chinese, or together with officially certified English/Chinese translations if the documents are not in English/Chinese) via the Online Admission System, including:

- identity document(s) (e.g. HKID Card / Other National Identity Card / Passport)
- transcript
- certificate
- testimonial
- public examination results, etc.

You will be asked to present the original documents for verification if you are admitted.

The application fee is HK$200 per programme choice during the whole online application period. You may settle the application fee by using a VISA/MasterCard credit card or UnionPay credit/debit card. All application fees paid are non-refundable and/or non-transferable.

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Step 3: Acknowledgement of application for admission

You will receive an acknowledgement email with an assigned application number once the payment is made and application submission is successful. You are advised to print/save a copy of completed application form submitted for retention. Submitted application(s) will also be shown in the "Submitted Application" section of the Application Menu in the Online Admission System.

If you have submitted application(s) successfully but do not receive any acknowledgement email(s), please contact us at UGadm@LN.edu.hk.

Step 4: Check application status and update information

You can login to the Online Admission System at any time to:

- view application information
- check application status
- upload additional supporting documents

If you would like to change your application information after submission of application, you should inform us by email (UGadm@LN.edu.hk) with proof of amendment/update immediately. Please quote the application number and full name in all your email correspondences with the University.

Step 5: Application result

Applications will be processed on a rolling basis. Admission criteria for different programmes vary and applicants may either be admitted directly if deemed qualified and suitable, or shortlisted for interview to determine their eligibility for admission. For some programmes, applicants may also be required to take an oral and/or written test. If an interview is required, the University will inform applicants by phone, email or by post. For non-local applicants, interviews may be conducted by phone or through tele-conferencing.

Successful applicants who are given an admission offer and/or scholarship will normally be informed via email. Please note that only one programme offer will be made to successful applicants.

To accept an admission/scholarship offer, successful applicants must pay a down payment before a designated deadline. Information on visa application (for non-local students) and reporting procedures shall be announced at a later stage.

Applicants shall assume their applications unsuccessful if they do not receive our notification before the start of the admit term.

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3.1 Falsification of Documents/Information (Provided by Applicants)

Falsification of documents/information by applicants or any related person is a very serious offence and WILL NOT BE tolerated by the University.

Any false, unclear or misleading information and/or document(s) provided in the application, or any dishonest conduct observed during the application process will lead to disqualification of the application, revocation of admission offer or termination of studies at the University if admitted, and any fees paid including down payment or deposit will be forfeited. According to the laws of Hong Kong SAR, forgery is a serious criminal offence that a convicted offender may be liable to imprisonment for fourteen years.

3.2 Bribery Offence

Applicants or their family members and agents must not offer advantages to any staff or members of the University in relation to their admission applications or while having dealings of any kind with the University. These offers may constitute an offence under the Prevention of Bribery Ordinance (Cap. 201) in Hong Kong, China. The University also prohibits its staff and members from soliciting or accepting such advantages.

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4 Block Credit Transfer

For Sub-degree Students / Graduates from Local Sub-degree Programmes Accredited with Level 4 of the Qualifications Framework

Eligible sub-degree graduates who are granted a transfer of 54 credits or more will be admitted and designated as Year 3 students. With effect from the 2021-22 intake to the 2025-26 intake, these graduates will be granted 60-credit block transfer upon admission*, while eligible sub-degree graduates/students admitted to Year 2 will be granted a 30-credit block credit transfer. The block credit transfer framework is as follows:

(i)

Category		**No. of Courses**	**No. of Credits**	**Remarks**
Core Curriculum	**Common Core**	2	6	
	Cluster	5	15	
Language	**Chinese**	1	3	Additional credits can be transferred subject to evidence of satisfactory completion of equivalent course(s).
	English	1	3	
Free Electives		9*	27*	24 credits for BBA Accounting/Accounting and Corporate Governance Stream/Major and BBA-RIM programme admittees
Programme Required / Elective Courses		2	6	
Total		**20**	**60***	**57 credits for BBA Accounting/ Accounting and Corporate Governance Stream and BBA-RIM programme admittees**

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With effect from the 2026-27 intake, these graduates will be granted 60-credit block transfer upon admission*, while eligible sub-degree graduates/students admitted to Year 2 will be granted a 30-credit block credit transfer. The block credit transfer framework is as follows:

(i)

Category		No. of Courses	No. of Credits	Remarks
Core Curriculum	**Common Core**	3	9	
	Cluster	4	12	
Language	**Chinese**	1	3	Additional credits can be transferred subject to evidence of satisfactory completion of equivalent course(s).
	English	1	3	
Free Electives		9*	27*	24 credits for BBA Accounting/Accounting and Corporate Governance Stream/Major and BBA-RIM programme admittees
Programme Required / Elective Courses		2	6	
Total		**20**	**60***	**57 credits for BBA Accounting/ Accounting and Corporate Governance Stream and BBA-RIM programme admittees**

* Except for BBA Accounting/Accounting and Corporate Governance Stream/Major and BBA-Risk and Insurance Management programme admittees, as they are required to take a total of 24 credits of free electives under the programme structure, only 24 credits of free electives can be transferred. Thus, only 57 credits instead of 60 credits in total will be transferred.

For BBA Accounting/Accounting and Corporate Governance Stream/Major and BBA - Risk and Insurance Management programme admittees, as only 57 credits in total will be transferred under block credit transfer, they may apply for additional credit transfer/course exemption of up to 6 credits by submitting Application for Credit Transfer/Course Exemption form upon admission following provisions in the Academic Regulations for Undergraduate Programmes.

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(ii)

Category		No. of Courses	No. of Credits
Core Curriculum:	**Clusters**	4	12
English Language		1	3
Free Electives		5	15
Total		**10**	**30**

For more details, please refer to https://www.ln.edu.hk/reg/undergraduate-programmes/credit-transfer-and-course-exemption/applications-from-new-students-upon-admission.

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5 Notes

a. Please note that admission to the University is on a competitive basis. The University adopts a merit-based admission policy by which the best qualified candidates are admitted. Thus, satisfying the university admission requirements does not guarantee admission.

b. Sub-degree (SD) graduates/final year students (except those directly entering the final year of SD programmes) are eligible for admission to Year 3 (senior year places) or Year 2. SD Year 1 students are eligible for admission to Year 1 or Year 2.

c. The designated year of admission does not reflect the number of credits the student earned for fulfilment of curriculum requirements and the expected duration before he/she can graduate. The actual number of transfer credits to be granted for fulfilment of curriculum requirements will follow the relevant academic regulations regarding credit transfer. Under certain circumstances, students may require longer period than normative programme duration for fulfilling the curriculum requirements.

d. According to the Regulations Governing Undergraduate Studies, former students of the University whose studies had been discontinued on academic grounds in a particular academic year is not allowed to be re-admitted to any undergraduate programme in the following academic year.

e. Non-local students who are holders of the following will need to apply for a student visa for admission to any undergraduate programme at Lingnan University:
   i. Student visa / Entry permit
   ii. Visa / Entry permit under the Immigration Arrangements for Non-local Graduates (IANG)
   iii. Dependant visa / Entry permit issued by the Immigration Department of the HKSAR when they were 18 years old or above

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