

2026 HKUST SCHOOL OF SCIENCE

JUPAS ADMISSIONS

Expected Scores and Flexible Admissions Arrangement

JUPAS Score Calculator

<https://join.hkust.edu.hk/admissions/jupas#calculator>

1. The Expected Scores below provide **JUPAS applicants** with additional reference to adjust their choices after the HKDSE results are released. Please note that the public examination results for applicants applying to each program vary from year to year. HKUST evaluates students' performance holistically, considering their HKDSE results, interview performance, and other non-academic achievements. These factors will influence applicants' ranking on their competitiveness to secure a place in the program.
2. JUPAS applicants who meet the Expected Score are considered competitive and will be considered by respective programs under Band A for the 2026 Entry via JUPAS.

JUPAS Code	JUPAS Choice	Best 5 Subjects Score Formulae^	Best 5 subjects + 6th subject bonus^			
			Highest Attainable Score	2025 Admissions Score		2026 Expected Score
				Median	Lower Quartile	
JS5101	International Research Enrichment	English + Math + Best 2 from Biology/Chemistry/Physics/M1/M2 + Best 1 other subject	44.63	38.25	37.88	33
JS5102	Science (Group A)	English x 1.5 + Math + Best from Biology/Chemistry/Physics/M1/M2* + Best 2 other subjects* *Weighting: Physics/M1/M2 (x 2), Biology/Chemistry (x 1.5) Remarks: The highest score of at most TWO weighted electives will be taken in the Best 5 score calculation.	66.94	33.13	32.63	29
JS5103	Science (Group B)	English x 1.5 + Math + Best from Biology/Chemistry/Physics/M1/M2* + Best 2 other subjects* *Weighting: Biology/Chemistry (x 2), Physics/M1/M2 (x 1.5)	66.94	33.38	32.75	29
JS5118	BSc in Biomedical and Health Sciences	Remarks: The highest score of at most TWO weighted electives will be taken in the Best 5 score calculation.	66.94	43.13	40.50	41
JS5181	Science (Group A) with Extended Major in Artificial Intelligence	English x 1.5 + Math + Best from Biology/Chemistry/Physics/M1/M2* + Best 2 other subjects* *Weighting: Physics/M1/M2 (x 2), Biology / Chemistry (x 1.5) Remarks: The highest score of at most TWO weighted electives will be taken in the Best 5 score calculation	66.94	37.50	36.00	33
JS5811	BSc in Biotechnology and Business	English x 2 + Math x 2 + Best of Biology/Chemistry x 1.5 + Best 2 other subjects	66.94	38.63	36.56	34
JS5813	BSc in Mathematics and Economics	English x 2 + Math x 2 + Best from Biology/Chemistry/Physics/Economics/M1/M2* + Best 2 other subjects *Weighting: M1/M2 (x 2), Biology/Chemistry/Physics/Economics (x 1.5)	71.40	44.10	39.20	38

^Students can obtain an extra bonus for their best 6th subject. Please refer to the last page for details.

The elective subjects for Best 5 Subject Score calculations refer to HKDSE Category A subjects, excluding Citizenship & Social Development and Liberal Studies. Mathematics Extended Module (M1/ M2) can be used once in score calculation.

The Program Score above refers to the sum of the Best 5 Subject score plus the extra bonus for the best 6th subject.

About 2026 Flexible Admissions Arrangement

Flexible admissions arrangement applies to ALL HKUST programs. HKUST will continue to adopt flexible admissions arrangement for the 2026 intake.

The University will consider JUPAS applicants who:

- 1) Perform well overall but **miss the entrance requirement of 3-3-2 by one level in one HKDSE core subject (Chinese Language, English Language, Mathematics);**
- 2) Possess an HKDSE program score that is **higher than the 2025 admissions median score** of the selected program(s) stated in the table above; and
- 3) Put the selected HKUST program(s) in **Band A** JUPAS choice

Conversion of HKDSE Levels / Grades to Scores

Conversion Table for Category A and Category B Subjects

Category	Level/Grade					
Category A: Senior Secondary Subjects (Cat. A Subjects)	5**	5*	5	4	3	2
Category B: Applied Learning Subjects (Cat. B Subjects)	-	-	-	Attained with Distinction (II)	Attained with Distinction (I)	-
Score	8.5	7	5.5	4	3	2

Conversion Table for Category C: Other Language Subjects

Category	Level/Grade							
Category C, Other Language (2012-2024)	-	A	B	C	-	D	-	E
French	C2	C1	B2	B1	A2	-	-	-
German	C2	C1	B2	B1	A2	-	-	-
Japanese	N1	-	N2	-	N3	-	-	-
Korean	Level 6	-	Level 5	Level 4	Level 3	-	-	-
Spanish	C2	C1	B2	B1	A2	-	-	-
Urdu	A++	A+, A	B++	B+	B, C	-	D	E
Score	8.5	7	5.5	4	3	2.5	2	1

Extra Bonus for the Best 6th Subject

HKUST will award extra scores for applicants' best sixth subject, including Cat. A and Cat. C subjects. Programs from the School of Science and the School of Humanities and Social Science, and selected joint programs will also consider Cat. B subjects, with a maximum of 5% extra scores. Please refer to the table below for the bonus percentage applied to the Highest Attainable Score for the Best 5 Subjects of the chosen program. The extra bonus is calculated by multiplying the given percentage by the Highest Attainable Score. The final program score is the sum of the scores of the Best 5 subjects plus the bonus from the 6th subject.

Subject Category	2026 Converted Score	Extra Bonus (%)*
Category A subjects	8.5	5.00%
	7	4.12%
	5.5	3.24%
	4	2.35%
	3	1.76%
Category B subjects	4	2.35%
	3	1.76%
Category C subjects	8.5	5.00%
	7	4.12%
	5.5	3.24%
	4	2.35%
	3	1.76%

*The bonus % shown here is rounded to 2 decimal place. For a more precise admissions score, please refer to the result from the JUPAS Score Calculator