

HKU Special Principal's Nomination Scheme for Young Scientist Scheme (YSS) in 6901 BSc

providing ample learning and early research opportunities to talented science students



YSS vs HKU SPN for YSS

	YSS	HKU SPN for YSS
Requirement	Total score of 35 [#] or above in best 5 HKDSE subjects (Category A subjects and M1/M2)	5* or above in at least 1 Science subject (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Combined Science, Integrated Science, Core Mathematics, M1, or M2) with a total score of 32 [#] or above in best 5 HKDSE subjects (Category A subjects and M1/M2)
Interview	No, automatic admission to the Scheme	Yes, interview to be held in May / June
Privileges	Same privileges no matter students are admitted directly or via HKU SPN for YSS	

[#]The HKDSE 'level to score' conversion table:

Category A Core & Elective Subjects and Extended Module 1 or Module 2 of Mathematics

Level	5**	5*	5	4	3	2	1
Score	8.5	7	5.5	4	3	2	1

Students in YSS are guaranteed with:



Enrolment in our flagship **Summer Research Fellowship (SRF)** Scheme to conduct research under the supervision of our professors in the first summer



Guidance from a **research mentor** individually from the start of the undergraduate study



A **further SRF or Overseas Research Fellowship (ORF)** in a foreign institution in a subsequent summer



Enrolment in our **Frontiers of Science Honours Seminar** to learn how our award-winning professors solve their research problems



International exchange, visiting or summer study



Stipends for research programmes



Attendance in **international scientific conference** on frontier research



An entrance scholarship ranging from HKD 5,000 to HKD 70,000^a



^aFor JUPAS students with a total score of 32^a or above in their best 5 HKDSE subjects (Category A subjects and M1/M2)



Entrance Scholarship (one-off)...

HKDSE Examination Results (total score in best 5 subjects in Category A or Extended Module 1 or Module 2 of Mathematics)	Scholarship Amount (HKD)
Score = 42.5	70,000
Score ≥ 41	60,000
Score ≥ 39	50,000
Score ≥ 37	40,000
Score ≥ 35	20,000
Score < 35 ^a with 5** in at least two subjects from Biology / Chemistry / Physics / Mathematics / M1 / M2	10,000
Score < 35 ^a with 5** in at least one subject from Biology / Chemistry / Physics / Mathematics / M1 / M2	5,000
Score ≥ 32*	10,000

^aSubject to approval by the University

*Only for JUPAS students admitted to 6901 BSc under the HKU SPN for YSS



Timeline...

by Mar 31, 2022

Nomination of a maximum of **5 students** from secondary school principals to HKU Faculty of Science under HKU SPN for YSS by completing the attached nomination form

More information about YSS:



May/Jun

Attendance in HKU SPN for YSS interview

Sep 2022

Briefing session for newly admitted YSS students

Late Apr

Invitation to be sent to nominees to attend interview in May/Jun 2022

Early Jul

Acceptance of the conditional offer for YSS

by the end of Jun

Release of conditional offer for admission to YSS to successful nominees

