

Master of Arts in Mathematics and Pedagogy (MAMP)
(One Year Full-time or Two Year Part-time)

Application for admission in 2019-20

Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) and Answers

Question 1: What are the entrance requirements for admission to this programme?

Answer. The minimum entrance requirements for this programme are as follows:

1. A recognized Bachelor degree, preferably in subject areas other than Mathematics;
2. Prospective or In-service Mathematics teacher;
3. Possessing at least Grade E in Hong Kong AS-level for any Mathematics-related subjects or Level 4 for HKDSE Core Mathematics, or an equivalent qualification in Mathematics*;
4. Applicant whose Bachelor's degree is obtained from a non-English speaking institution should normally fulfill one of the following *minimum* English proficiency requirements:
 - a) IELTS 6.0; or
 - b) Grade C or above in GCSE / GCE OL English; or
 - c) TOFEL score of 550 (paper-based test) or 80 (internet-based test); or
 - d) Band 6 score of 430 in the Chinese Mainland's College English Test (CET) taken after June 2005; or
 - e) Equivalent qualifications.

**Applicant who had studied some Mathematics (or Mathematics-related) courses in the undergraduates or former Colleges of Education in Hong Kong may also be considered.*

Question 2: What is the medium of instructions of this programme?

Answer. The medium of instructions is English.

Question 3: Can I apply for credit transfer if I have studied some equivalent mathematics or pedagogy courses before?

Answer. You can apply for credit transfer if you have studied some equivalent courses before. However, you have to apply formally to the registry with relevant transcripts and course outlines as the supporting evidence. The application will be considered seriously on a case-by-case basis. Normally, no more than three subjects will be granted for credit transfer.

Question 4: Is there any scholarship available for this programme?

Answer. There is a scholarship called *Scholarship for Teachers (Pursuit of Master's degree programme)*, which is offered by the Hong Kong's Education Bureau (EDB). Full-time local school teachers who will study this programme (Code: C2M007) in the following school year are eligible to apply for this scholarship. For more details or enquiries, please contact EDB directly or visit the website http://www.edb.gov.hk/scholarship_teacher.
(*subject to EDB announcement*)

Question 5: What is the main difference between the MAMP programme and the Master of Education (MEd) programme offered by the Education University of Hong Kong?

Answer. The MAMP Programme is primarily designed for in-service or prospective school teachers who are involved in teaching mathematics at the primary or secondary school level. The programme consists of 4 mathematics subject courses and 4 mathematics pedagogy courses, which is aimed to enhance the participants' mathematics subject knowledge and pedagogical knowledge for effective teaching of mathematics in schools. The main difference between MEd and MAMP is that the former consists of 3 mathematics pedagogy courses only and the other are non-mathematics related courses that are offered by the other departments. On the other hand, all the MAMP courses are mathematics related and offered by the Department of Mathematics and Information Technology at the Education University of Hong Kong.

Question 6: How many courses are required to study in each semester?

Answer. Normally, a full-time student is expected to study 4 courses in each semester while a part-time student is expected to study 2 courses in each semester. If you want to study fewer or more courses in each semester, you should seek advice from the programme leader or the academic adviser concerned.

Question 7: Is there any teaching practice component in the programme?

Answer. Unlike the Bachelor of Education (BEd) or Postgraduate Diploma of Education (PGDE) programmes, there is no teaching practice component in the MAMP programme. If you are not a holder of BEd or PGDE and you want to become a qualified teacher in Hong Kong, you have to study for a BEd or PGDE after completing the MAMP programme.

Question 8: Is there any opportunity for further studies for a doctoral degree at EdUHK after completing the MAMP programme?

Answer. After completing the MAMP programme, you can apply to study for a Doctor of Education (EdD) or Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) degree at EdUHK. For further information, you can visit the following websites:

<https://www.eduhk.hk/gradsch/index.php/prospective-students/programmes/research-postgraduate-programmes-rpg.html>

<https://www.eduhk.hk/gradsch/index.php/for-him.html>