



UNIVERSITY OF
BIRMINGHAM

INTERNATIONAL PROSPECTUS

2018 ADMISSIONS



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ONLINE CHATS

We regularly host live, online chats on a variety of topics. You will have the opportunity to chat with our staff, students and alumni about programmes available and what it's like to live and study in the city of Birmingham.

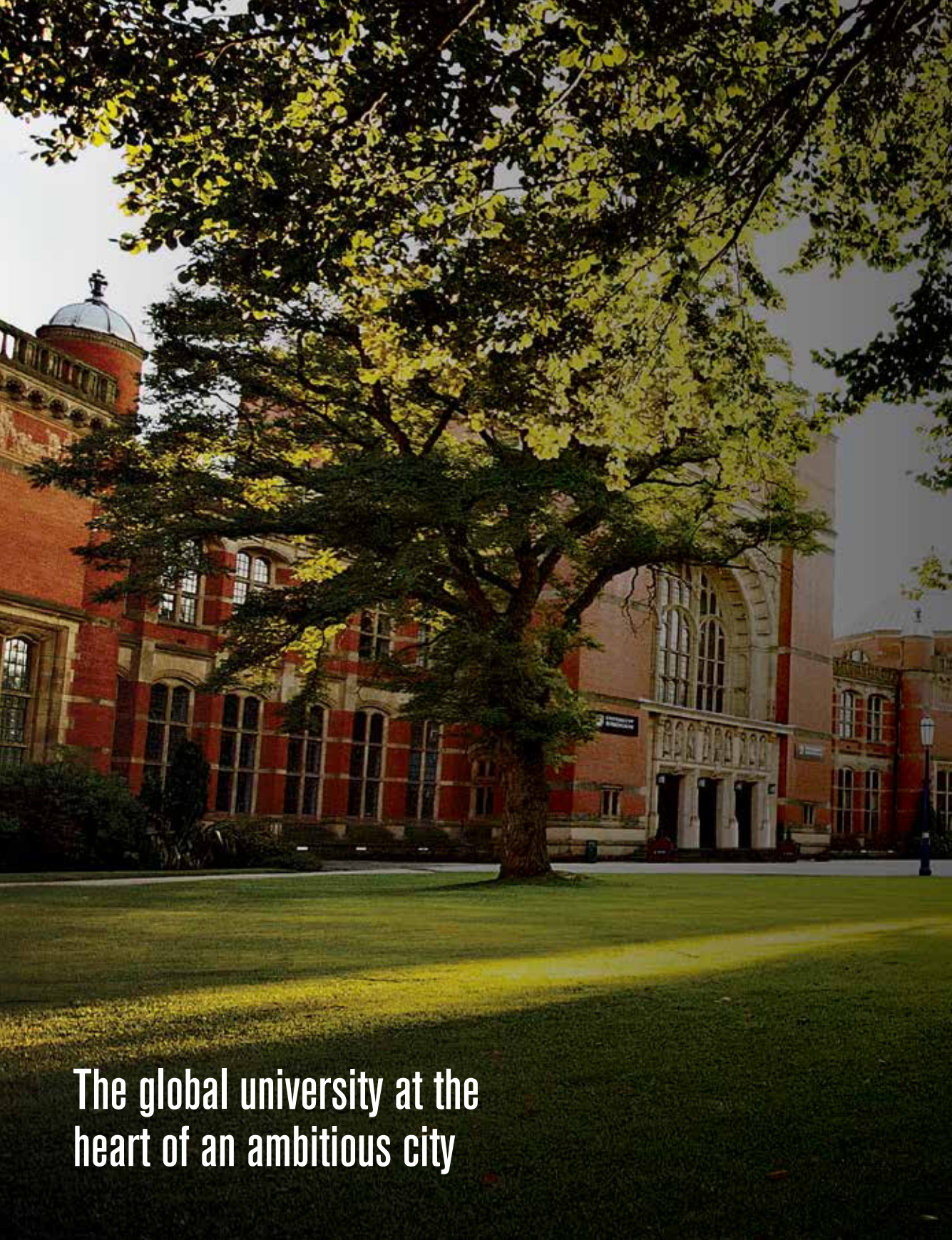
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The global university at the
heart of an ambitious city

Welcome

We are proud to have been welcoming international students to our beautiful Edgbaston campus for over 100 years. We are an outward-looking, international institution, which has always and will continue to open its arms to staff and students from all nationalities and backgrounds. You are a central part of our community, bringing global experience, new ideas and an international outlook, which contribute to the academic and social richness of our global university.

At Birmingham we encourage bold, independent thinking and provide exceptional academic programmes that will stretch and challenge you. One of our strengths lies in understanding that every student is an individual with a unique learning style. For this reason you will benefit from enhanced personal tutoring alongside the latest learning facilities and new technologies, such as our virtual learning environment. Following the University's recent outstanding performance in the Quality Assurance Association's (QAA) Higher Education Review, our distinctive approach to research-led teaching and learning has been recognised again with a Gold rating in the UK's new Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF).

The reputation of a great university depends not only upon the quality of education, but on the quality of research. The results of the last Research Excellence Framework (REF) in 2014 confirmed our position amongst a handful of institutions that can demonstrate world-leading or internationally renowned research across such a broad range of subjects.

We are committed to investing in our success and the University's historic campus is undergoing one of the most exciting and transformational redevelopments since its original



buildings were completed in 1900. As a student here you will benefit from a new library incorporating the latest IT learning technology, a new sports centre with 50-metre pool, and exceptional new student accommodation.

The University of Birmingham has a history of firsts, and in 2018 the University will open a campus in Dubai, demonstrating our ambition as an outward looking, world-class institution. The University of Birmingham Dubai will encompass our heritage, prestige and global renown, giving its pioneering first students the opportunity to benefit from a British education, that is recognised and valued by employers and academic institutions around the world. Birmingham is already recognised in the top one per cent of the world's universities. This landmark development builds on our international teaching activities in Singapore and China and our extensive international research collaborations.

By choosing to study at Birmingham, you choose to join a forward-thinking, leading global university in a lively, multicultural city, set on a beautiful leafy estate, widely acknowledged as one of the world's greatest university campuses. You will build lifelong friendships, and become part of a powerful global network of Birmingham alumni.

We look forward to welcoming you to campus, and to playing our part in your future success.

Professor Sir David Eastwood
Vice-Chancellor

Please note: journey times are for guidance only and are based on the average time taken for off-peak trains travelling between mainland UK city centre stations.



FACT

- Birmingham is the youngest city in Europe, with under-25s accounting for nearly 40% of its population
- We are the only university in mainland Britain with our own railway station on campus, aptly named 'University'
- With over 8,000 acres of parks and open space, Birmingham is one of the greenest cities in the UK

The city on your doorstep

STUDYING AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM MEANS THAT YOU BENEFIT FROM BOTH AN EXCITING AND BUSY CITY, AS WELL AS A BEAUTIFUL, HISTORIC CAMPUS. IF YOU LIKE THE BUZZ OF A VIBRANT CITY, THERE ARE PLENTY OF WAYS TO TRANSPORT YOURSELF INTO THE HEART OF BIRMINGHAM.



A FULL TAXI OF FRIENDS CAN COST AS LITTLE AS £3 EACH FROM THE CITY TO CAMPUS, PERFECT AFTER A FUN NIGHT OUT



CATCH THE TRAIN FROM UNIVERSITY STATION STRAIGHT TO BIRMINGHAM NEW STREET IN EIGHT MINUTES

WITH BIRMINGHAM AIRPORT ON YOUR DOORSTEP, TRAVELLING TO MAINLAND EUROPE COULDN'T BE EASIER. EXPLORE THE STREETS OF AMSTERDAM LIKE A LOCAL OR BE IN PARIS IN TIME FOR DINNER



TAKE THE SCENIC ROUTE AND WALK ALONG THE CANALS THAT RUN FROM CAMPUS INTO THE HEART OF BIRMINGHAM

Exploring the UK

AT BIRMINGHAM, YOU BENEFIT FROM LIVING IN THE HEART OF THE COUNTRY. THERE IS A MAJOR RAILWAY STATION IN BIRMINGHAM CITY CENTRE, AN INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT AND LINKS TO THE COUNTRY'S BIG MOTORWAYS. YOU WILL FIND IT EASY TO TAKE A TRIP AND EXPLORE ALL CORNERS OF THE UK. HERE ARE JUST A FEW OF THE FANTASTIC PLACES YOU CAN VISIT.



Stonehenge



Snowdonia National Park



Giant's Causeway



Land's End

Tourist attractions

- 1 John O'Groats
- 2 Giant's Causeway
- 3 Lake District
- 4 Snowdonia National Park
- 5 Cheddar Gorge
- 6 Stonehenge
- 7 Land's End



Why Birmingham?

WHEN YOU CHOOSE BIRMINGHAM, YOU ARE CHOOSING TO STUDY AT AN **OUTSTANDING UNIVERSITY, RENOWNED FOR CHANGING LIVES AND TRANSFORMING SOCIETY.**

By studying here, you will be emulating some of the most prominent thinkers this country has produced. Birmingham offers the best of both worlds, a stunning green campus just a few minutes from the exciting, vibrant city centre. When you choose Birmingham, you will benefit from high-quality teaching in a world-class research institution that nurtures talent and will support you throughout your life and career.

Over 6,500 STUDENTS FROM 150 COUNTRIES: BIRMINGHAM HAS ONE OF THE LARGEST INTERNATIONAL STUDENT COMMUNITIES IN THE UK.



2017 FINALIST FOR THE GLOBAL TEACHING EXCELLENCE AWARDS (HIGHER EDUCATION ACADEMY).



THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM WAS *THE TIMES* AND *THE SUNDAY TIMES* UNIVERSITY OF THE YEAR FOR GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT 2016.

THE UNIVERSITY WAS AWARDED A GOLD RATING IN THE NEW TEACHING EXCELLENCE FRAMEWORK (TEF).



THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM IS ONE OF THE TOP RESEARCH UNIVERSITIES IN THE COUNTRY AND A MEMBER OF THE RUSSELL GROUP.



11 NOBEL PRIZE LAUREATES

BIRMINGHAM.AC.UK/NOBEL

RANKED IN THE TOP 1% OF UNIVERSITIES GLOBALLY

15th IN *THE COMPLETE UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2017*

13th IN *THE GUARDIAN UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2018*

16th IN *THE TIMES AND THE SUNDAY TIMES
GOOD UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2017*

RICH IN HERITAGE
AND CULTURE,
THE UNIVERSITY
WAS ESTABLISHED
IN 1900.



OUR EDGBASTON
CAMPUS IS IN THE
TOP TEN
MOST
BEAUTIFUL
CAMPUSES
IN BRITAIN.
(THE TELEGRAPH)



The city of Birmingham



BIRMINGHAM IS A GLOBAL AND MODERN CITY, FAMOUS FOR ITS HISTORIC, INDUSTRIAL PAST. IT IS NOW A CENTRE OF ARTS AND CULTURE, COMMERCE AND ENTERTAINMENT. BIRMINGHAM IS HOME TO THE LARGEST FINANCIAL SERVICES AND CREATIVE SECTORS OUTSIDE LONDON. IT OFFERS EVERYTHING YOU COULD DESIRE FROM A CAPITAL CITY, WITHIN EASY REACH OF THE BEAUTIFUL ENGLISH COUNTRYSIDE.



LOCATION

Birmingham city centre, just three miles away from our Edgbaston campus, is a lively and exciting destination. With our very own railway station on campus, trains take just eight minutes to travel into the city centre making your journey easy and cheap!

Birmingham is ideally placed for trips throughout the UK and Europe via our

international airport. We are within easy reach of famous towns such as Stratford-upon-Avon, the historic city of Oxford and the breathtaking mountains of Wales.

PLACES OF WORSHIP

All faiths are well represented in Birmingham, with more than 650 churches, mosques, synagogues and temples across the city.

GREEN PARKS AND OUTDOOR SPACES

For a breath of fresh air, there are nearly 600 parks and public spaces in Birmingham – Cannon Hill Park is just a short walk from campus. A little further you can explore the Lickey Hills Woods or Sutton Park, which is the largest urban park in Europe outside of a capital city.

A home away from home

AS A THRIVING CITY FOR STUDENTS AND YOUNG PROFESSIONALS, CHOOSE BIRMINGHAM FOR A WARM WELCOME IN ONE OF THE MOST COSMOPOLITAN CITIES IN BRITAIN.

MUSIC AND THEATRE

Birmingham doesn't just have one sound; the vibrant city is full of different beats to suit all tastes, from large arenas and big names in music at the NEC and ICC to The Rainbow and O2 Academy. Over 50,000 people watch the inspirational and world-famous City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra (CBSO) every year. The Birmingham Hippodrome is one of the busiest and most popular theatres in the UK with over 520,000 visitors each year. The city also boasts a wide and impressive collection of traditional and contemporary art galleries to explore, including Birmingham Museum and Art Gallery with its beautiful collection of Raphaelite artwork and the IKON gallery for fascinating exhibitions.

FOOD

With a city packed full of different cultures and nationalities, Birmingham caters for all tastes. In the city centre, more than 200 restaurants serve food from 27 different countries. You can put your taste buds to the test and take a trip around our famous 'Balti Triangle' or explore Chinatown for authentic tasty cuisine from across Asia. There are also plenty of pubs serving traditional British dishes.





SPORT

Stay active during your time at Birmingham by getting involved in the huge variety of opportunities on offer. The University has 53 sport clubs, recreational leagues and is the home to the new Sport & Fitness centre. There are also numerous park runs and local teams playing all sports including hockey, cricket, tennis and rugby. Immerse yourself in sport in one of the iconic venues in Birmingham including Edgbaston Cricket Ground, Edgbaston Priory Club or Villa Park Stadium.



RETAIL THERAPY

The city centre offers a first-class retail experience; from famous brands to independent stores. Birmingham has every shop you could ever need. You'll find a wealth of choices, including the Bullring and Grand Central for your big brands, vintage clothing stores in vibrant Digbeth and charming independent boutiques in the Great Western Arcade. Make sure you venture further and explore the hidden gems of Birmingham.



Life in Birmingham



LOCAL BOROUGHES

After your first year, you may choose to live in accommodation off campus. Birmingham benefits from two fantastic boroughs just a few minutes' walk away from campus.

Many students choose to live in Selly Oak, which has plenty of amenities including Chinese, Halal and Japanese supermarkets. You will also find laundrettes, hairdressers and a number of pharmacies all within a few minutes of each other. It's a vibrant village with a variety of delicious restaurants and cafes on the high street including

Noodle bars, Indian and Chinese restaurants, and traditional English pubs, plus many more.

Just the other side of our beautiful campus, you'll find the leafy village of Harborne. Here you'll benefit from a big supermarket and a variety of popular high street restaurants and pubs to choose from. A popular location for many of our students, Harborne provides a pretty and peaceful setting if you prefer somewhere quieter to spend your time.



Selly Oak

FIVE THINGS YOU MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT BIRMINGHAM

- Birmingham is set in the middle of miles of green parkland. Make sure you explore the city's stunning green spaces including Nature Reserves, Botanical Gardens or choose one of our many parks.
- Birmingham is a diverse, student-friendly city, welcoming students from all walks of life. You will find lots of choices for things to do across the city including restaurants and entertainment, many of which have student discounts.
- The city is a centre for global business, which means there are more internship and work experience opportunities for students.
- Based in the heart of England, Birmingham is the perfect place to explore the country, and Europe. You can get to many European cities in less than two hours from Birmingham Airport.
- Our students love Birmingham so much, 48% decide to stay in the region after they graduate.



Lapworth Museum of Geology



City park



Bullring shopping centre



Business district

FIVE THINGS TO DO WHEN YOU CHOOSE BIRMINGHAM

- Indulge yourself and spend the day at the iconic chocolate factory; Cadbury World.
- Ride along our miles of canals on one of the city's barges. Or enjoy a delicious dinner at one of the many canal-side restaurants in the city.
- Watch a classic theatre production at The Hippodrome, where Birmingham's Royal Ballet also regularly performs, if you prefer dance pieces.
- Explore the University of Birmingham! On campus we have many hidden gems, including Winterbourne botanical garden, a stunning art gallery; Barber Institute of Fine Arts and the Lapworth Museum where you will find a real dinosaur skeleton. We also hold many events including comedy nights and a variety of concerts and shows in the Bramall.
- Explore Birmingham's culinary experience. Birmingham is famous for its fantastic cuisine. Make sure you try as much different food as you can. There are regular street food festivals in the city and you will also find a variety of delicious dishes from across the world to suit all tastes.

Learn with the best



WHEN YOU CHOOSE BIRMINGHAM, YOU ARE CHOOSING AN OUTSTANDING UNIVERSITY WITH A WORLD-CLASS ACADEMIC PORTFOLIO AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL AND CAREER DEVELOPMENT, TO ENSURE YOU GET THE MOST FROM STUDYING IN THE UK.

The University of Birmingham has welcomed international students for over 100 years and we have one of the largest international communities in the UK. With research and institutional partners across the globe, we have strengthened our connections with permanent presences in India, China, Nigeria, Belgium and Brazil.

We also have increasingly strong ties with North America, Europe and the Middle East. Birmingham is a traditional red-brick university and part of the Russell Group,

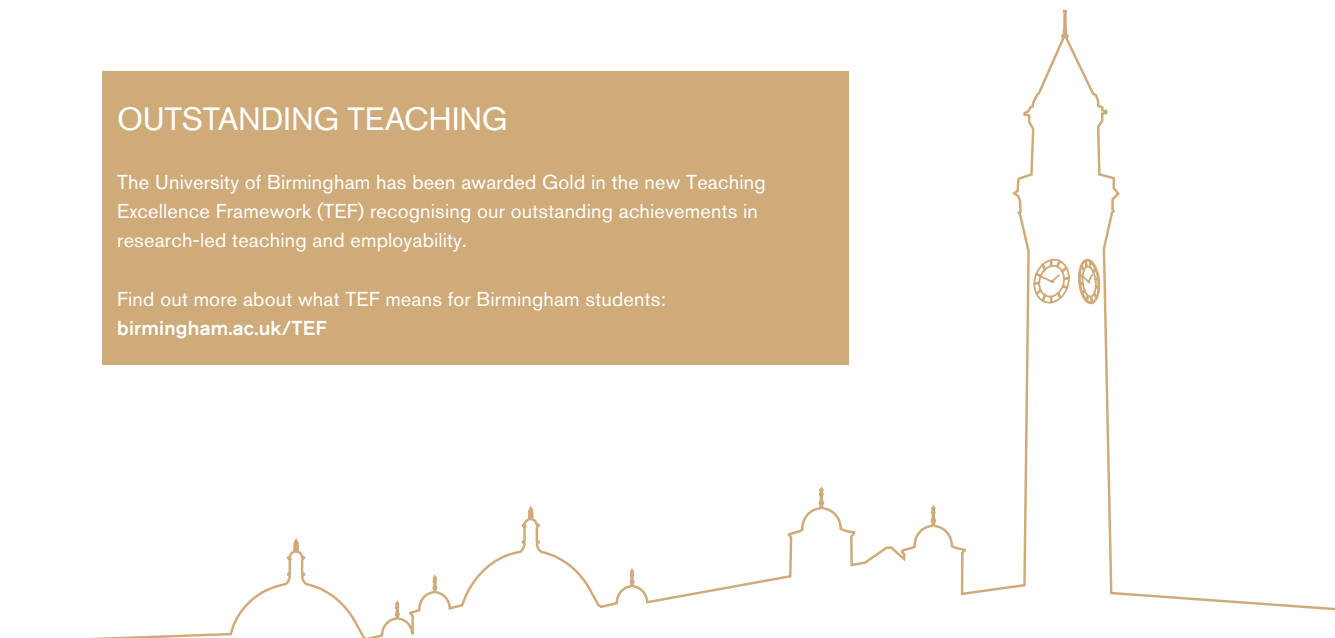
an association of 24 major research-led universities. Consistently listed as a top 20 university in UK University league tables, Birmingham provides high-quality teaching in a world-class research institution. We are proud of our excellent teaching at Birmingham, and following the University's recent outstanding performance in the Quality Assurance Association's (QAA) Higher Education Review, our commitment to teaching has been recognised again, and we have been awarded a Gold rating in the 2016/17 Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF).

We are also a founding member of Universitas 21; the leading global network of research-intensive universities. In 2015 the University was awarded *The Times* and *The Sunday Times* University of the Year Award for Graduate Employment. You will receive a world-class education at Birmingham, taught and mentored by outstanding academics who are experts in their fields, which will set you up with all of the knowledge and skills you will need for employment or further study after university.

OUTSTANDING TEACHING

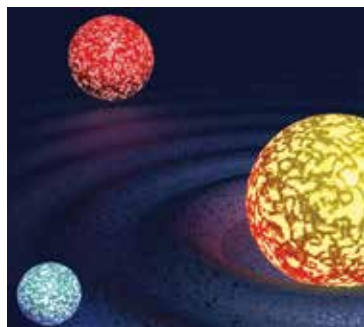
The University of Birmingham has been awarded Gold in the new Teaching Excellence Framework (TEF) recognising our outstanding achievements in research-led teaching and employability.

Find out more about what TEF means for Birmingham students:
birmingham.ac.uk/TEF



Making important things happen

Being taught by academic staff who are also world-leading researchers is a huge advantage for you as a student at Birmingham. The University has a consistent focus on, and investment in global academic excellence.



GRAVITATIONAL WAVES

These waves are tiny distortions of space-time caused by some of the most violent cosmic events such as colliding black holes. The observation of these 'ripples of space-time' requires exquisitely sophisticated new technology. Birmingham physicists have designed and built components for the most sensitive instruments in the world called Advanced LIGO, and developed the techniques essential to tease out the signatures of gravitational waves from the data. The four-kilometre LIGO detectors have just started observing, and the hunt for gravitational waves is on.

Our Birmingham Heroes campaign highlights academic figures whose work at Birmingham impacts on the lives of people in the UK and beyond.

www.birmingham.ac.uk/heroes



ANTIBIOTIC RESISTANCE

This is one of the greatest challenges to human health in the 21st century with global reliance on the use of antibiotics to treat bacterial infections threatened by the emergence of new resistant strains. With one of the largest groupings of microbiologists in the world, the University of Birmingham is pioneering innovative research into combating antimicrobial and antibiotic resistance. We do this with a three-pronged approach: diagnosis, treatment and prevention.

WORLD'S OLDEST QUR'AN

Radiocarbon analysis has shown a Qur'an manuscript, held by the University, to be among the oldest in the world. The parchment on which the text is written has been dated to the period between AD568 and 645. Cadbury Research Library researchers concluded that this places the leaves close to the time of the Prophet Muhammad, and that the Qur'an manuscript is among the earliest written textual evidence of the Islamic holy book known to survive.



FACT

Birmingham boasts 11 Nobel Prize winners, including three in 2016 for prizes in Physics and Chemistry. Award-winning research has included developing new treatments for heart disease and cancer, synthesising Vitamin C and revealing the structure of DNA.

Supporting you

TO ENABLE YOU TO GROW AS A LEARNER, DEVELOP YOUR IDEAS, EXPAND YOUR OPINIONS AND ACHIEVE YOUR POTENTIAL, **WE WILL BE ENCOURAGING YOU TO CONTINUE YOUR JOURNEY TO BECOME THE MOST INDEPENDENT AND SELF-MOTIVATED LEARNER YOU CAN BE.**

WHAT STUDY SUPPORT WILL I RECEIVE?

To help you settle in as quickly as possible, you will have access to a comprehensive support system to assist, encourage and inspire you.

- In addition to your personal tutor you have welfare tutors based in your school and department who can assist with both academic and welfare concerns
- You will receive individual feedback on your assignments to enable you to understand how you are doing and what you might need to do to improve further
- The Academic Skills Centre is available to provide you with the academic writing, mathematical and general academic skills support you need to succeed in your studies. Its services include a workshop programme, online self-help tutorials and individual appointments with specialist advisers



The Main Library

Our learning facilities

Studying at university will be different from anything you have done before. With the latest classroom technologies, Birmingham offers an outstanding learning experience.

Lectures and seminars provide opportunities for you to develop your ideas through dialogue and debate with fellow students and tutors. During your study you may find you spend a large portion of your time at the library.

At Birmingham we understand that there are many different learning styles and techniques. To help you tailor your learning experience to you, we offer a wide range of services and facilities to make our support as personalised as possible. Our new library incorporates an array of facilities to suit different working styles, from group study spaces to silent study rooms.



Moving forward with mentoring

To enhance your learning experience at Birmingham we have designed a range of mentoring schemes so that you can connect and grow into an independent and self-motivated individual.

ASK OUR STUDENTS AND ALUMNI

If you have queries or concerns about any aspects of life as a postgraduate student at Birmingham, you can get first-hand information and advice from current students and alumni. Our students and alumni will answer your questions based on their own experience of campus life, their University school or department, the city, the transition to postgraduate study and the support services offered by the University.

For more information on this service, please visit: www.pg.bham.ac.uk/mentors



CAREERS MENTORING

Mentoring is a unique opportunity that allows students to receive one-to-one advice from a professional working in an area they are interested in. This can be a great way to understand how to succeed in this area and be better prepared for the workplace as well as receive practical advice on employability.

For more information about the Careers Network Mentoring Scheme visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/careersmentoring

STUDENT MENTORS

The Student Mentor Scheme provides support and advice to students living in University accommodation. Student Mentors are available during term time to support you with any financial, academic, shared living or personal challenges you may be facing.

For more information, please visit: www.guildofstudents.com/studentmentors



We are here to support you

We provide a wide range of student services to meet the needs of our diverse international student community. The Student Hub brings together many services in one place in the Aston Webb Building at the heart of the campus. The Hub is also online with a range of advice resources for you to interact with. Whether you are looking for information, guidance, emotional support or a specific specialist student service, it is a great starting point.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS ADVISORY SERVICE (ISAS)

Our International Students Advisory Service provides you with a network of support, starting before you arrive and continuing throughout your studies. Information will be available to help guide you through important things to do such as finding and registering with a doctor or opening a bank account.

Advice and guidance is available on a wide range of areas including:

- ☐ Applying for your visa/visa support to come to the UK or to continue your studies in the UK
- ☐ Bringing your family to the UK
- ☐ Living and working in the UK during your studies
- ☐ Working after your studies
- ☐ Information about social activities
- ☐ Information on studying in the UK
- ☐ Support in adjusting to life and study in the UK

International Students Advisory Service
t: +44 (0)121 414 8464

Online queries:

www.studenthelp.bham.ac.uk
or visit www.as.bham.ac.uk/studentlife/international



Student Hub

INTERNATIONAL WELCOME WEEK

To welcome you and help you settle into university life at Birmingham, we run a dedicated, five-day programme in September called International Welcome Week. This begins with an airport collection service and includes tours of the campus and the city, help with, if necessary, administrative tasks such as registering with a doctor, and social events where you can meet other international students from around the globe.



RISE ABOVE THE COMPETITION

Global challenge is a unique scheme to give ambitious students once-in-a-lifetime opportunities, funded as interns in top global companies. There are opportunities whatever your subject or career interest.

Previous placements have included internships at the British Consulate in Chicago; Museum Victoria in Melbourne, Australia and at GlaxoSmithKline in Morocco, Argentina and Singapore.

Learn more
www.birmingham.ac.uk/globalchallenge

ENABLING DISABLED STUDENTS

We aim to create an inclusive learning community. If you have a disability (including long-term health conditions, specific learning disabilities such as dyslexia or a mental health difficulty) our Disability Learning Support and Mental Health Service can help you to have the best possible experience at Birmingham. We positively encourage you to tell us if you have a disability so that we can support you. Disclosing a disability will not affect your academic course admission but will ensure that you receive any supports or adjustments you require. Our professional team is available to provide you with specialist advice and support to access your academic student life in general, including any disability funding support you are entitled to.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE SUPPORT

If you have not yet met the English language requirements attached to your offer, or wish to improve your English language and academic skills before your academic course starts, you can attend a full-time pre-sessional course.

These courses are held in April, June, July and August (offering 20-, 15-, 10-, and 6-week programmes). Longer pre-sessional courses of 42 and 31 weeks are also available.

If you meet the English language requirements but want to refresh your academic English before your studies

commence, we also offer a four-week preparation course for unconditional offer holders.

We also provide:

- Free English language support while you are studying here
- English classes for your partner
- Day trips to places of cultural and historical interest
- An opportunity to stay with a British family through HOST

Learn more
www.birmingham.ac.uk/bia

SUPPORTING YOUR FAITH

The University's Multi-Faith Chaplaincy is for students of all faiths and none. Meet for worship, relax in the Oasis Lounge or see a chaplain for spiritual or religious advice and pastoral counselling. We have Christian, Jewish, Muslim, Hindu and Buddhist chaplains and there are well-established societies and groups. In addition to the facilities on campus, the city of Birmingham has places of worship and prayer rooms for many faiths and religions.

Learn more
www.chaplaincy.bham.ac.uk

SUPPORTING YOUR WELLBEING

The Wellbeing Centre aims to enable students to get the most out of their time at university. Should you ever need it, we have a dedicated team of professional counsellors providing individual, group or online support.

The Guild of Students' Advice and Representation Centre (ARC) is also a source of free professional independent student advice. It is a service dedicated to helping you on a wide range of issues from money to academic issues, employment, housing and immigration questions.

LOOKING AFTER YOUR CHILDREN

If you choose to bring your family to the UK, the University has two nurseries on campus offering a high standard of care and education. The nurseries are very popular, so we recommend you check that places are available as early as possible. Find out more about childcare options: www.birminghamdaynursery.co.uk

Build your future at Birmingham

WE ARE RECOGNISED FOR OUR COMMITMENT TO SUPPORTING YOU THROUGHOUT YOUR STUDIES AND BEYOND. THIS HAS BEEN POSSIBLE WITH A MULTI-MILLION-POUND INVESTMENT INTO OUR STUDENT EMPLOYABILITY SERVICES AND NATIONAL AWARD-WINNING INTERNSHIPS AND PLACEMENTS BOTH IN THE UK AND OVERSEAS. **WE WERE PROUD TO BE UNIVERSITY OF THE YEAR FOR GRADUATE EMPLOYMENT IN 2016.**

Your academic programme is only part of your University experience. In addition to offering world-class education, there are numerous opportunities to shine in the competitive world of graduate recruitment which will enable you to leave Birmingham as a professional, skilled individual. By making the most of our services, you will stand out as an impressive applicant as you enter a highly competitive job market, or continue with your academic career, whether at home or in the UK.

Careers Network at Birmingham offers a wide range of services, including a dedicated International Careers Consultant, working exclusively on your behalf, with assistance from a team of international student ambassadors.

Our dedicated support will help you to identify and achieve your ambitious career aspirations including:

- ❑ One-to-one advice on your career options
- ❑ Workshops to help you understand the expectations of global recruiters
- ❑ Job seeking and assessment centre workshops designed specifically for international students
- ❑ Events on campus including job fairs and employer networking events, as well as virtual job fairs online
- ❑ Skills development through our award-winning Personal Skills Award
- ❑ Support in developing enterprise, innovation and entrepreneurship skills through the Entrepreneurship and Innovation Centre
- ❑ Careers advice for alumni, as we support you even after you have graduated

Learn more

www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/careers



WORK EXPERIENCE AND PLACEMENTS

We have developed a range of internships and funded work experience placements that will enhance both your professional and personal skills while giving you the practical experience that is required by almost all graduate employers.

In addition to funding and support, we offer unique opportunities to help you to rise above the competition, with global internships and placements available.

'Develop your global career from the moment you arrive with dedicated support for international students.'

*Ellen O'Brien,
International Careers Consultant*



**WE ARE AMONG THE TOP
10 UNIVERSITIES TO
PRODUCE MILLIONAIRES.**
(Research by investment firm Skandia)



OUR STUDENTS
HAVE UNDERTAKEN
INTERNSHIPS
WITH MANY
ORGANISATIONS,
INCLUDING:

Santander
GlaxoSmithKline
PwC
KPMG
Jaguar Land Rover
BP
IBM

THE GUILD OF STUDENTS

You will have access to hundreds of part-time vacancies locally and within the Guild of Students, as well as vacation work all over the UK and overseas. They also promote employment information and advice, including drop-ins, workshops and jobs fair.

Learn more
www.guildofstudents.com/jsv

The University's International Students Advisory Service can also provide advice on working during your studies.

WORKING ALONGSIDE YOUR DEGREE

Working part time while at university demonstrates to employers that you are flexible, committed and skilled at managing your time. The variety of jobs available here means that you can build up valuable work experience before you enter the graduate job market.

Whether you prefer fixed or flexible working hours, you can apply for a wide range of jobs, both on campus and with external companies, all of which have been carefully checked by our advisors.

**ONE OF
THE TOP 10**
**MOST TARGETED
UNIVERSITIES
BY LEADING
EMPLOYERS.**

The Complete University Guide 2017

**Our Careers Network
Service are winners of
the National Union of
Students and UKCISA
Internationalisation
Award for Best Career
Support for International
Students 2016.**

Alumni – a relationship for life

WHEN YOU GRADUATE FROM BIRMINGHAM, YOU'LL BECOME PART OF AN INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY OF **MORE THAN 300,000 ALUMNI LIVING IN MORE THAN 150 COUNTRIES.**



Join your global alumni community

Our former students have become Nobel Prize winners, Olympic medalists, stars of stage and screen and award-winning authors. All alumni receive regular communications, and access to a varied events programme.

There are many ways current students can interact and engage with alumni, on campus and globally. Our graduates help enhance current students' skills and career prospects by sharing their

knowledge and experience in a variety of ways. Examples include hosting networking events, giving guest lectures, work experience placements, and mentoring.

You'll discover that your time as a student is the start of a lifelong relationship with the University, wherever you are in the world. To find out more, visit **www.birmingham.ac.uk/alumni/currentstudents**



WHY OUR ALUMNI CHOSE TO STUDY AT BIRMINGHAM

'I think the University of Birmingham is among the best universities in the world.'

*Bazrina Ramly, Malaysia,
MA Applied Linguistics*

'Birmingham is one of the Russell Group members and was top in the nation for my course.'

*Anneli Hibbert, USA, MA Teaching
English to Speakers of Other
Languages (TESOL)*

'The University allowed me to study in a large city while having the campus experience.'

*Hannah Cotillon, Hong Kong,
BA International Relations*





Campus developments

THE UNIVERSITY IS INVESTING OVER £600 MILLION ACROSS FIVE YEARS IN NEW FACILITIES FOR STUDENTS AND RESEARCHERS. IN THE PAST YEAR WE HAVE OPENED A BRAND NEW STATE-OF-THE-ART LIBRARY, £55 MILLION SPORT & FITNESS CENTRE, STUNNING NEW ACCOMMODATION, AND AN INSTITUTE OF TRANSLATIONAL MEDICINE.

We are in the midst of one of the most exciting and transformational campus redevelopments since 1909. Investing over £600 million across a five-year period to create outstanding new facilities for our students and researchers. In the past year we have opened a state-of-the-art library, stunning student accommodation and a world-class sports club.

Library

Visit our outstanding new library today at the centre of campus, which has been designed for learning in the 21st century and beyond. The technology-rich facility caters for different styles of study enhanced by innovative features such as wireless charging, media rooms and video editing booths. With over 1,800 seats, there are group study rooms, quiet reading areas, a lounge and café, and over 300 PCs, plus 100 loanable laptops. This is the first library of its kind to be built at any UK university in a generation.

Sports centre

Our £55 million sports club is also open for you to explore. University of Birmingham Sport & Fitness boasts a 50m swimming pool, a large multi-sports arena, six glass-backed squash courts, a 10m climbing wall, five activity studios and a Performance Centre. There are also almost 200 pieces of high-end gym equipment and open training space.





Artist's impression of the Green Heart

UPCOMING DEVELOPMENTS

We have even more developments in the pipeline, some of which you will benefit from the minute you start as a University of Birmingham student. We are continually improving the availability of high-end student accommodation across campus. Already we have unveiled the new Chamberlain hall of residence,

and we are due to open Bournbrook in September 2017. With 178 rooms, the residence will boast en-suite rooms, a café, accommodation centre and sports pavilion. Whilst a student, you will see the opening of the Collaborative Teaching Laboratory which will revolutionise the way STEM subjects are taught, and give students access to a wet lab, dry lab and e-lab.

The Green Heart

In 2019, a striking new 12-acre parkland will also transform the heart of the campus; the Green Heart. It will feature and showcase some of our extensive range of cultural collections and be a place for meeting and relaxing all year round, with a range of spaces for activities; ranging from ceremonial occasions to public performances.

FIND OUT MORE ABOUT CAMPUS DEVELOPMENTS
WWW.BIRMINGHAM.AC.UK/BUILDING

Campus life

WHEN YOU CHOOSE BIRMINGHAM, YOU WILL COME TO AN OUTSTANDING LEARNING ENVIRONMENT IN A **GLOBAL CITY THAT WILL INSPIRE YOU TO ACHIEVE SO MUCH MORE THAN JUST A DEGREE.**

LIFE ON CAMPUS

When you step onto campus, you are immersed in our historic red-brick buildings and glorious green spaces. You'll find our Edgbaston campus both a peaceful and vibrant place to spend your time, whether it's studying on one of the lawns, or enjoying a hot drink in one of the many cafés.

Our beautiful campus can be enjoyed whatever the weather, in the winter

months there are plenty of cosy and quiet study spaces and in the summer, you can work with your friends outside under the trees.

When you are on campus, you are in the heart of University life; it's the perfect place to meet your friends, whether it's to have a bite to eat, discuss your seminar notes or meet up before heading off to a sports club or society.





THE GUILD

The Guild of Students represents all of the students at the University. As well as working in partnership with the University to ensure that you benefit from the best experience possible, the Guild also offers support and advice to all students, delivers fantastic student nights and entertainment and has over 150 student

groups and clubs for you to join, whether it's continuing a lifelong passion or trying something new, it's the perfect way to meet people and have fun.

Learn more

www.guildofstudents.com

TAKE A BREAK

The University is home to a rich cultural offer including museums, collections, venues and facilities, which are brought to life through a programme of cultural activity. Culture on campus is here for every student to enjoy, whether your passion is art, music, antiquities or sciences. Take a break from your

studying by wandering around the serene gardens at Winterbourne.

The University's cultural partnerships with key regional and international organisations translate into fantastic opportunities for students to enhance their employability through volunteering and paid placements.

CAMPUS GEMS

The Lapworth Museum of Geology's £2.5 million redevelopment offers new galleries and innovative exhibitions, showcasing exceptional objects to give a state-of-the-art museum experience; including dinosaurs, fossils and environment change, also containing the largest and finest geological collection in the West Midlands to date. The Barber Institute of Fine Arts houses a beautiful and varied collection of works. The galleries inspire enjoyment and learning, offering you a culture hit between lectures and a choice of fascinating exhibitions.



STUDY AND WORK

Many students choose to have a part-time job alongside their studies; this shows employers that you are flexible, committed and skilled at managing your time. Across campus there are around 1,500 students working for the University or its partners. With opportunities including student ambassadors, media monitoring assistants and swimming teachers, you can choose a job to suit your needs, interests and skills. We continue to invest in student services and our Careers Network and recruitment service, Worklink, will help you find a job on or off campus, and support you through your studies.

Learn more

www.guildofstudents.com/jobzone
or www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/work



Bramall Music Building

FACT

The Bramall music building is home to a 450-seat auditorium; the most flexible performance space at any UK university.

Green campus at the heart of a vibrant city

The Vale Village

NEW LIBRARY



New Library

University Station

Selly Oak Village

FACT

Surrounded by greenery, Birmingham has more trees than any other city in Europe!

Barber Institute
of Fine Arts

Guild of Students

The Bramall

Aston Webb Building

NEW SPORTS CENTRE



New sports centre

Student accommodation

PRITCHATTS
PARK VILLAGE

10-MIN WALK
FROM CAMPUS

SELLY OAK VILLAGE

5-MIN WALK
FROM CAMPUS

living
Guidedellings

AT BIRMINGHAM, WHEREVER YOU LIVE, OUR ACCOMMODATION ALLOWS YOU TO ENJOY YOUR INDEPENDENCE IN SUPPORTIVE FRIENDLY ENVIRONMENTS, AND PUTS YOU AT THE HEART OF STUDENT LIFE. WE WANT YOU TO FEEL AT HOME DURING YOUR STAY AT BIRMINGHAM. FOR THIS REASON WE GUARANTEE ACCOMMODATION TO INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS FOR THEIR FIRST YEAR OF ACADEMIC STUDY.*

With so many options on the type of accommodation available, we are confident that you will find a home to suit you. We have three accommodation villages, each offering a safe and friendly place to live, just a short walk from the main university campus. The Vale Village, Pritchatts Park Village and Selly Oak Village provide a choice of quality accommodation, each with its own student community and social hub. There is the option of either self-catered accommodation or Meal Plan rooms.



THE VALE VILLAGE

20-MIN WALK
FROM CAMPUS

City centre
(2.5 miles)



THE VALE VILLAGE

Set in beautiful parkland, the Vale Village is just 20 minutes' walk from the main campus and provides a wide range of accommodation to suit all needs and budgets. The Vale is centred on the Hub, offering a restaurant, café, bar and convenience store. The Hub also provides a space for you to socialise and study so that you can get to know your fellow residents.



PRITCHATTS PARK VILLAGE

Pritchatts Park Village comprises studio accommodation for postgraduate and undergraduate students within walking distance (ten minutes) of the University, close to local amenities and transport links to the city centre. Pritchatts Park is also home to our Global Community, which offers an exciting multicultural living environment, allowing you to build friendships with students around the world.



SELLY OAK VILLAGE

Selly Oak Village is the closest village to campus and is situated in the thriving student area of Selly Oak. Home to much of the student population, Selly Oak provides plenty of choices for bars, cafes, dining and supermarket shopping. Over 900 students live at Selly Oak Village, which now includes 178 bedrooms in our newest accommodation, Bournbrook. Adjoined to this building is a sports pavilion, as well as a bar and a café.

living

PRIVATE ACCOMMODATION

If you prefer not to live in University accommodation, our Living Team will help you find something suitable in the private sector. There is a wide range of accommodation available in the local area, including single flats, shared flats, houses for groups of various sizes, properties for families and lodgings with a residential landlord. Our accommodation search engine can also put you in touch with other prospective students before arriving in Birmingham, enabling you to rent accommodation as part of a group: www.birminghamstudentpad.co.uk



FACT

All University accommodation is equipped with CCTV and operates a 24-hour reception.



OUR GUARANTEE SCHEME

The University of Birmingham guarantees all first-year undergraduate students and postgraduate international students a room in University-owned or partner accommodation in the first year, provided that you:

- Apply through UCAS and make Birmingham your firm choice of university (applicable to undergraduate students only)
- Firmly accept the offer of a place from the University and ensure your application for accommodation is received by our Accommodation Services department by 31 May 2018 for UK/EU and 31 July 2018 for international students
- Confirm you are coming to Birmingham by 1 September 2018

FACT

Your accommodation fee includes Wi-Fi, insurance, 24-hour service and all your utilities.

EXPLORE OUR ACCOMMODATION

Be sure to visit explore our accommodation options available through our 360-degree virtual tours. Visit our website for more information about the student living experience at Birmingham: www.birmingham.ac.uk/accommodation

VIRTUAL TOUR

FACT

The annual 'Vale Fest' held on the Vale Village is the largest student-run charity festival in Europe, right on your doorstep!

GET IN TOUCH

If you have any queries about accommodation, please do not hesitate to email us at: living@contacts.bham.ac.uk



Vale Village

Funding your studies

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST TO ATTEND UNIVERSITY? **FIND OUT MORE ABOUT INTERNATIONAL FEES AND LIVING COSTS.**

When you are planning your finances for studying in the UK, you will need to consider two main costs:

- Tuition fees, which are your contribution to the cost of learning at Birmingham
- Living costs, which will include travel, accommodation, food and day-to-day expenses

TUITION FEES

The University charges an annual tuition fee to international students that is paid at the start of your programme. This covers the cost of your tuition, examination and graduation, and includes membership of the Guild of Students and access to library and IT facilities. Your tuition fee depends on the programme you choose to study and the level at which you study. If you are made an offer to study by the University your tuition fees will be confirmed in your offer letter. We strongly advise you check the latest fees information with the University before applying: www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance/fees.aspx

LIVING COSTS

The cost of living varies throughout Britain. Students in Birmingham enjoy lower living costs than many other cities, though this of course depends on your lifestyle. As a rough guide, a single student in University accommodation over a 42-week academic session will spend at least £163 per week. If you are bringing dependants you will need to allow extra.

Visit www.birmingham.ac.uk/livingcosts for more information.



FACT

A survey carried out by online payment provider UKash found Birmingham to be the sixth cheapest of the top UK universities in terms of living costs.



PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT

The Guild of Students gives you access to hundreds of part-time vacancies should you need to support your living costs. They also provide employment information and advice.

Learn more
www.guildofstudents.com/jsv

For more advice and information please visit:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance/index.aspx

Scholarships and funding opportunities

CHOOSING TO STUDY IN THE UK IS A REWARDING DECISION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS BUT DOES INVOLVE SIGNIFICANT INVESTMENT. THAT IS WHY WE OFFER A RANGE OF SCHOLARSHIPS FOR UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS TO ENSURE YOU HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY HERE.

Financial support for undergraduate EU students

Until such time that a new financial statement is released by the government, students from the European Union (EU) can apply for financial help towards tuition fees.

For the most up to date information please visit: www.gov.uk/student-finance/eu-students

Joint University of Birmingham and Santander Scholarship

In partnership with Banco Santander, the University of Birmingham is delighted to offer postgraduate scholarships worth between £5,000–10,000 to outstanding candidates from Latin America and the USA. See: www.birmingham.ac.uk/santander

Subject-specific scholarships

We also have various subject-based scholarships on offer. To search for undergraduate funding opportunities go to: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/funding/index.aspx

To search for postgraduate taught and research funding opportunities go to: www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgfunding

Chevening/Birmingham Partnership Scholarships

Aside from welcome Chevening funded scholars every year, the University is proud to co-fund 16 partner awards covering tuition, stipend and allowances packages in partnership with this UK government scholarship organisation.

Birmingham USA Scholarship Programme, USA Federal Aid and private loans

In partnership with the US Alumni Foundation the University is pleased to offer a joint scholarship scheme for 2017 entry. One scholarship worth £15,000 for postgraduate study and two scholarships worth £7,500 for undergraduate study are available. The University is also approved to offer the Federal Direct Loan Programme and also certifies US loans via private lenders.

Other scholarship awards

We work in partnership with a number of organisations and scholarship bodies to offer scholarships to talented applicants who meet specific criteria.

Other sources of funding

For other sources of funding, we would advise that you contact the following:

- The British Council, Embassy or High Commission in your home country
- The Ministry or Department of Education in your home country
- Your current academic institution
- Students from Canada and the United States can visit:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance/loans/index.aspx for information on loans

For further information and to apply for all scholarships visit:

www.birmingham.ac.uk/internationalscholarships



Flexible learning at Birmingham

AT BIRMINGHAM, WE ARE COMMITTED TO DELIVERING PROGRAMMES THAT OFFER YOU FLEXIBILITY IN YOUR LEARNING. FROM PART-TIME AND ONLINE LEARNING OPTIONS THROUGH TO DEGREES TAUGHT BY OUR FACULTY OVERSEAS, WE OFFER A RANGE OF OPPORTUNITIES TO SUIT YOUR LIFESTYLE.

We recognise that in an increasingly fast-paced world you need to be given as much flexibility as possible in what you are studying and where. Huge advances in technology are making this a possibility, providing our students with a campus-quality experience from the convenience of their own home in countries across the world. Our online programmes offer highly interactive and innovative ways of studying and engaging with your peers. Our online resources also work on mobile and tablet devices, so you can access your learning content wherever you are.

In addition to online learning, the University offers many different kinds of flexible learning programmes at all levels of study. These range from the post-qualification teacher training programmes offered in our School of Education, to the part-time MBA and MSc programmes taught by faculty in Singapore and Hong Kong, and the bespoke leadership development programme for the NHS, to name but a few.

The University of Birmingham also offers a portfolio of MOOCs (Massive Online Open Courses), which are delivered through FutureLearn. These are short, open-access courses which need no

previous qualifications and cover a diverse range of topics, from Shakespeare to Dental Photography. Many of our MOOCs are run in partnership with other organisations such as the Royal Shakespeare Company and the NHS. These partnerships are testament to the quality of online learning you can expect from Birmingham.

Learn more about MOOCs at:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/moocs



FULLY ONLINE MASTERS

Our fully online degrees present a modern solution for today's international postgraduate students, connecting you with an international network of peers and course leaders who are experts in their fields. We offer students the opportunity to learn in an interactive online environment for inquisitive minds and busy professionals alike, ideal for postgraduate students who require a level of freedom that goes beyond that of a traditional campus setting.

A selection of our postgraduate online learning courses include:

- ☐ Masters of Business Administration (MBA)
- ☐ Masters of Science in International Business (MSc IB)
- ☐ Masters of Public Administration (MPA)

Learn more

t: 0800 032 7101

e: onlinecourses@contacts.bham.ac.uk

www.birmingham.ac.uk/online



The Alan Walters Building

Postgraduate Teaching Centre

Foundation Pathways

WE OFFER AN INTEGRATED FOUNDATION PATHWAY FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS, **PROVIDING ON-CAMPUS TEACHING AND SUPPORT** TO PREPARE YOU FOR AN UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE AT BIRMINGHAM.

Designed for international students who require an additional year, the Foundation Pathway will ensure you are fully prepared for your undergraduate programme, immersing you in the University environment and giving you dedicated support in your first year in the UK.

A unique, on-campus experience

Studying a Foundation Pathway at Birmingham offers you a fully integrated student experience with bespoke teaching from our respected academics. You will receive dedicated support in this important first year and will be immersed in the University environment to prepare you for undergraduate student life.

Your pathway

You can enrol on to a **one-year** or a **four-year integrated programme** at Birmingham, depending on your offer. You will pursue one of four innovative, broad and academically challenging pathways, offering a robust set of modules to develop your subject knowledge and academic English skills in preparation for your degree.

The four pathways lead to an extensive range of our undergraduate programmes. Your choice of undergraduate degree will dictate which of the pathways you will study:



Priorsfield, home to the Birmingham International Academy Hub and English Language Centre

- Arts, Social Sciences, Business and Law – September start
- Engineering and Physical Sciences – September start
- Medical, Life and Geo Sciences – September start
- Social Sciences, Business and Law – January start

Each pathway consists of a core or high-level (near-native) English route, based on your current English proficiency and your academic skills requirements.

Tailored support

We understand the support you will need in your first year of study in the UK. Our dedicated Birmingham International Academy (BIA) team will support you in your social and academic adjustment to University life to help you make the most of your time and excel in your studies.

The BIA team is based at Priorsfield, a beautiful manor house on the Edgbaston campus, where the student Hub and English Language Centre are located and most of your English and Study Skills modules will be taught.

If you do not meet the English language requirements for the Foundation programme, we offer high-quality pre-sessional English programmes before the start of your programme.

www.birmingham.ac.uk/englishprogrammes

A condensed January–September programme is also available for students on the Social Sciences, Business and Law pathway, with compulsory modules and a core English route only.



Tuition fees and funding

Details of fees and funding can be found at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/internationalfinance

Accommodation fees are not part of the package and are charged separately.



Progression to your undergraduate degree

When you apply, you will choose the degree that you intend to progress to, which dictates the pathway you will follow in your first year.

Upon successful completion of the appropriate pathway, you will be guaranteed progression to your chosen undergraduate programme.

For a small number of programmes, you may need to pass additional conditions to progress, which will be detailed in your offer. Information about pathways and progression requirements are available online: www.birmingham.ac.uk/foundation

Entry requirements

We welcome applications from students who will be aged 16 or above by the start of the September term.

If you have completed your high school education to a high standard and would not normally be eligible for entry to our undergraduate programmes, then our Foundation may be suitable for you. If you have completed AS levels, A levels or International Baccalaureate (Certificate or Diploma) you can also be considered for entry onto the Foundation Pathway.

You can check your English language requirements and individual qualifications by country on our website: www.birmingham.ac.uk/foundation

Accommodation

On-campus accommodation is guaranteed for foundation students. If you are under 18 at the start of your course you will live in dedicated under-18 accommodation. A customer service manager will provide support and will be the first point of contact for all your welfare concerns.

If you are over the age of 18 at the start of the course, you can also choose to live off-campus in private accommodation.

Learn more

For all enquiries please contact:

t: +44 (0)121 414 9292

e: foundation@contacts.bham.ac.uk

www.birmingham.ac.uk/foundation

Apply online at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/foundation/apply

Postgraduate Pathways

WE OFFER A SELECTION OF **PRE-MASTERS AND PRE-DOCTORAL PROGRAMMES**, PREPARING YOU FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDY AT BIRMINGHAM.



Our International Pre-Masters programmes are designed to bridge the gap between your current qualifications and postgraduate programmes at Birmingham.

For more information about what courses are available in the International Pre-Masters programme, please visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/apply-ipm

The two-year programme consists of the Masters degree you wish to study, with an integrated pre-Masters year. You must successfully complete the pre-Masters year before you progress to the one-year Masters degree.

Entry requirements

The International pre-Masters programme is suitable for you if you do not meet the entry requirements for one-year Masters programmes at Birmingham. For Pre-Masters entry requirements please visit; www.birmingham.ac.uk/International/pre-masters

Tuition fees

Details of fees and funding can be found at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance

How to apply

You can apply for the International pre-Masters via our online course finder. Choose your programme and apply via our postgraduate portal: www.birmingham.ac.uk/apply-ipm





Our Postgraduate Certificate in Pre-Doctoral studies is designed to prepare you for PhD study at the University of Birmingham.

If your academic qualifications are suitable for doctoral research but you lack the appropriate academic English language and study skills, the pre-doctoral programme provides you with an entry route to a PhD, beginning in either September or April.

You will be able to study English and Academic Skills modules created specifically for preparation for a research degree and begin your research proposal immediately with the help of your intended PhD supervisor, all based on our inspiring Edgbaston campus in Birmingham.

Programme structure

The programme is a 60-credit course consisting of:

- 40 credits of Academic English and Study Skills

- 20-credit Extended Research Proposal, supervised by the intended PhD supervisor

Entry requirements

To be eligible, your current English qualification will need to be no less than 0.5 IELTS band (or equivalent) below the standard English language entry requirements for the PhD programme.

Tuition fees

Details of fees and funding can be found at www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/finance

How to apply

To apply for the Postgraduate Certificate in Pre-Doctoral Studies you will require a conditional offer for PhD study at the University of Birmingham, with a named supervisor.

Apply online at:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/apply/pre-doc

View the postgraduate programmes available at the University of Birmingham in full in our Course Listings, see pages 49–61.

You can also build your own prospectus online. To receive a personalised digital copy, visit:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgprospectuspre-doc



Learn more

For all enquiries please contact:
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e: premasters@contacts.bham.ac.uk
prephd@contacts.bham.ac.uk

www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgpathways

A world of opportunities



DUBAI CAMPUS

The University has recently announced the launch of its new campus in Dubai, becoming the first global top 100 and Russell Group university to establish a campus in Dubai and its rapidly developing international educational hub.

Our new campus will commence teaching in September 2018 and will be located within Dubai International Academic City (DIAC). Studying at our Dubai campus, you will have access to a world-class British education, graduating with a University of Birmingham degree and taught by outstanding academics who

are experts in their fields. This will set you up with all of the knowledge and skills you need for employment or further study. You will also have the opportunity to work with talented students from your own and other disciplines, exploring new ideas and considering solutions to some of the world's greatest challenges, all underpinned by the latest technologies.

Students can choose from a range of three- and four-year undergraduate programmes, and postgraduate programmes. We expect to attract the brightest students from around

the world to study with us in Dubai, as we do to our UK campus.

This development marks the latest phase in our global expansion and builds on our extensive international research collaborations, and our existing teaching activities in Singapore and China.

To find out more, please visit **www.birmingham.ac.uk/dubai** where you can download our Dubai brochure and register your interest.



PROGRAMMES AVAILABLE IN DUBAI

Undergraduate

Business School

Business Management BSc
Economics BSc

Engineering and Physical Sciences

Computer Science BSc
Mechanical Engineering BEng

Postgraduate

Business School

International Business MSc

Engineering and Physical Sciences

Computer Science MSc

School of Education

Secondary English Education PGCert
Secondary Science Education PGCert
Secondary Maths Education PGCert
Primary Education PGCert

SINGAPORE INSTITUTE OF MANAGEMENT

A number of Birmingham Business School programmes are available in Singapore, delivered in conjunction with our partners, the Singapore Institute of Management (SIM). We have been delivering business education in Singapore since 1994, when our MBA programme was originally launched, and further extended these activities in Singapore with undergraduate and postgraduate degrees. The programmes use fundamentally the same syllabus as taught on the UK equivalent, and our world-leading academic staff travel to Singapore in order to deliver the content.
www.birmingham.ac.uk/SIM



BIRMINGHAM-JINAN DUAL DEGREE UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES IN MATHEMATICS

A partnership between Birmingham and Jinan University provides the opportunity for students to study in China and receive a dual degree. Degrees are offered in Economics, Information Computer Science, Pure Mathematics, and Statistics, each with a strong core of Applied Mathematics. Students will be based on the Jinan University campus, with University of Birmingham staff from the School of Mathematics delivering teaching on site. Admissions are managed by Jinan University. For further information, visit:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/jinan



A global outlook

IN AN INCREASINGLY GLOBAL ECONOMY **YOU NEED THE SKILLS AND CONFIDENCE TO BE ABLE TO WORK ACROSS THE WORLD.** YOUR EDUCATION AT BIRMINGHAM WILL PREPARE YOU FOR A CAREER THAT HAS NO GEOGRAPHICAL BOUNDARIES.

Study abroad

Spending time abroad as part of your studies is one of the most inspirational opportunities that may be available to you during your studies. Experience overseas demonstrates ambition, confidence and a willingness to embrace new ideas, all of which are attributes valued by employers. It also broadens your outlook, which improves your personal and academic development.

Each year, over 600 Birmingham students spend time studying at a partner institution travelling to countries across Europe, Asia, Africa, the Americas and Oceania. We also welcome more than 700 students to Birmingham each year as part of our exchange programmes.

Learn more
www.birmingham.ac.uk/studyabroad

A global vision

Birmingham has extensive and long-established links with universities and other partners throughout the world. We have a permanent presence in China (Guangzhou and Shanghai), India (Delhi), Nigeria and Brazil, and we are the first UK university to have a dedicated presence in the political centre of the European Union, Brussels.

Learn more
www.birmingham.ac.uk/international

Birmingham International Summer School
Our Birmingham International Summer School is ideal for students based overseas who would like to experience studying abroad for a short period, while gaining a valuable insight into the fascinating culture of Britain. International students who are currently studying in UK universities are also welcome to apply.

Learn more: www.birmingham.ac.uk/biss

BIRMINGHAM INTERNATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOL

Universitas 21

As a Birmingham student you can also apply to attend summer schools, organised through Universitas 21, a prestigious consortium of global research-led universities of which we are a founder member. These attract the best students from across the world to engage and exchange in culture, experience and intellectual ideas.

FACT

Universitas 21 is the prestigious consortium of global research-led universities, of which we are a founding member. Membership of the network allows opportunities for our students to spend time at some of the most prestigious universities worldwide, including institutions such as the University of Melbourne, McGill University in Montreal, UBC (the University of British Columbia), Korea University and Lund University in Sweden.



Course listings

ARTS AND LAW

Home to outstanding teachers, researchers and professionals who will support you during your time with us and beyond, the College of Arts and Law offers challenging and inspiring educational experiences that will equip you with the skills needed for your future career.

The College offers programmes in:

- ☐ African Studies
- ☐ American and Canadian Studies
- ☐ Archaeology and Ancient History

- ☐ Classical Literature and Civilisation
- ☐ Classics
- ☐ Creative Writing
- ☐ Drama and Theatre Arts
- ☐ English
- ☐ English Language
- ☐ Film
- ☐ History
- ☐ History of Art
- ☐ Law
- ☐ Modern Languages
- ☐ Music
- ☐ Philosophy
- ☐ Theology and Religion

ENGINEERING AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

The College of Engineering and Physical Sciences is one of the largest groupings in Europe, bringing together physical sciences and engineering into one coherent college. Our academics are delivering cutting-edge research to shape the world we live in now, and in the future, and you can be part of it.

The College offers a variety of programmes in the following disciplines:

- ☐ Chemical Engineering
- ☐ Chemistry
- ☐ Civil Engineering
- ☐ Computer Science
- ☐ Electronic, Electrical and Systems Engineering
- ☐ Mathematics
- ☐ Mechanical Engineering
- ☐ Metallurgy and Materials
- ☐ Nuclear Science and Engineering
- ☐ Physics and Astronomy
- ☐ Railway Engineering

MEDICAL AND DENTAL SCIENCES

The College of Medical and Dental Sciences is a major international centre for research and education. Our history of medical education, practice and scientific discovery dates back to 1825. Almost two centuries later we are still committed to developing outstanding scientists and healthcare professionals of the future. Our community enjoys a unique learning experience, taught by academics who lead the way in research in their fields.

The College offers programmes in the following areas:

- ☐ Biomedical Science
- ☐ Dentistry
- ☐ Health Science
- ☐ Medicine
- ☐ Nursing
- ☐ Pharmacy

Build your personalised postgraduate prospectus online:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgprospectus

LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

Dedicated to exploring and learning about the diversity and evolutionary challenges of life in all its forms, the College of Life and Environmental Sciences uses training, fieldwork and extensive facilities to equip students with transferable and discipline-specific skills which prepare them for successful and fulfilling careers.

The College offers a diverse range of programmes across:

- ☐ Biosciences
- ☐ Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences
- ☐ Psychology
- ☐ Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation Sciences

SOCIAL SCIENCES

The College of Social Sciences provides access to high-quality research across the social sciences with world-leading academics in a plethora of different areas. Research in the College is built around making a real difference to society and our teaching ensures the next generation of social scientists will continue to transform their knowledge into policies and practices for individuals, organisations and governments alike in the UK and internationally.

The College offers programmes in areas related to:

- ☐ Business
- ☐ Education
- ☐ Government and Society
- ☐ Social Policy

Course listings

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND LAW

www.birmingham.ac.uk/cal

Undergraduate Arts and Law degrees are Taught Bachelor courses (BA, BMus and LLB). Single Honours degrees study one subject while Joint Honours degrees study two subjects (the one listed and another). Visit our website to find out about Joint Honours combinations. You can also explore our Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Natural Sciences, or the Birmingham Foundation pathway in Arts, Social Sciences, Business and Law.

Postgraduate Arts and Law degrees are Taught Masters, Diploma or Certificate programmes (MA, MSc, LLM, PGDip and PGCert) or Research and Doctoral Research programmes (MRes, MA by Research, MPhil, MJur, PhD and DPT). Many programmes are offered by Distance Learning (DL).

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

English, Drama and American & Canadian Studies

American and Canadian Studies **BA**

American and Canadian Studies
with Year Abroad **BA**

Drama and Theatre Arts **BA**

Drama **Joint Honours BA**

English **BA**

English **Joint Honours BA**

English and Film **BA**

English Language **BA**

English Language **Joint Honours BA**

English Language and Literature **BA**

English Language and Linguistics **BA**

English and Creative Writing **BA**

History and Cultures

African Studies **BA**

African Studies **Joint Honours BA**

African Studies with Development **BA**

Ancient History **BA**

Ancient and Medieval History **BA**

Anthropology **Joint Honours BA**

Archaeology and Ancient History **BA**

Archaeology and Ancient History
Joint Honours BA

Archaeology and Anthropology **BA**

Classical Literature and Civilisation **BA**

Classical Literature and Civilisation
Joint Honours BA

Classics **BA**

History **BA**

History **Joint Honours BA**

Languages, Cultures, Art History and Music

French Studies **Joint Honours BA**

German Studies **Joint Honours BA**

Hispanic Studies **Joint Honours BA**

History of Art **BA**

History of Art **Joint Honours BA**

Modern Languages **BA**

Modern Languages **BA**

(University of Birmingham with

The Open University pathway)

Modern Languages **Joint Honours BA**

Modern Languages with Business

Management **BA**

Music **BMus**

Music **Joint Honours BA**

Russian Studies **Joint Honours BA**

Law

Certificate in English Law

International Law and Globalisation **LLB**

Law **LLB**

Law for Graduates **LLB**

Law with Business Studies **LLB**

Law with Criminology **LLB**

Law with French Law **LLB**

Law with German Law **LLB**

Philosophy, Theology and Religion

Philosophy **BA**

Philosophy **Joint Honours BA**

Philosophy, Religion and Ethics **BA**

Politics, Religion and Philosophy **BA**

Theology **Joint Honours BA**

Theology and Religion **BA**

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

English, Drama and American & Canadian Studies

Applied Linguistics MA/MA by DL/PGCert by DL
 Applied Linguistics with TESOL MA
 Creative Writing PhD/PhD by DL/MA
 Drama and Theatre Studies PhD/PhD by DL/
 MA by Research/MA by Research by DL
 Drama and Theatre Studies
 Practice-Based PhD/MA by Research
 English Language and Applied Linguistics
 PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research
 English Literature PhD/PhD by DL/MA by
 Research/MA by Research by DL
 Film and Television: Research and
 Production MA
 Film Studies PhD/PhD by DL/Audio-Visual PhD/
 MA by Research/MA by Research by DL/MRes
 Language, Culture and Communication MA
 Literature and Culture MA
 Medieval Literature MRes
 Shakespeare and Creativity MA
 Shakespeare and Education MA/MA by DL
 Shakespeare and Theatre MA/MA by DL/PGDip/
 PGDip by DL
 Shakespeare Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by
 Research/MA by Research by DL/MA
 Teaching English to Speakers
 of Other Languages (TESOL)
 MA/MA by DL/PGCert by DL

History and Cultures

Africa and Development MA
 African Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL/MRes/MA/PGDip
 Ancient History MRes
 Antiquity MA
 Archaeology PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL/MRes/MA/PGDip/PGCert
 Byzantine, Ottoman and Modern Greek
 Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL
 Byzantine Studies MRes

Classics and Ancient History PhD/PhD by DL/
 MA by Research/MA by Research by DL
 Classics MRes
 Contemporary History MA
 Cultural Heritage PhD/PhD by DL/MA by
 Research/MA by Research by DL
 Early Modern History MRes/MA
 Egyptology MRes
 Global History MA
 Greek Archaeology MRes
 History PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/MA by
 Research by DL/MA by DL
 History of Warfare MA
 Holocaust and Genocide MA/PGDip/PGCert
 International Heritage Management
 MA/MA by DL
 Late Antiquity MRes
 Medieval History MRes
 Medieval Studies MA
 Military History MA by DL
 Modern British Studies MA
 Modern East Mediterranean History MRes
 Modern Greek Studies MRes
 Social Research (African Studies) MA
 Social Research (Economic and
 Social History) MA
 Twentieth Century British History MRes
 West Midlands History MA
 World Heritage Studies MA

Languages, Cultures, Art History and Music

Art History and Curating MA
 Colonial and Postcolonial Studies MA
 French Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL
 German Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL
 Hispanic Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by
 Research/MA by Research by DL
 History of Art PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL/MRes/MA
 Holocaust and Genocide MA/PGDip/PGCert
 Italian Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL

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pgprospectus](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgprospectus)

Modern Languages Audio-Visual PhD
 Music MA
 Music Performance Practice PhD/PhD by DL/
 MA by Research/MA by Research by DL
 Musical Composition PhD/PhD by DL/MA by
 Research/MA by Research by DL
 Musicology PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL
 Russian Studies PhD/PhD by DL/MA by Research/
 MA by Research by DL
 Sexuality and Gender Studies PhD/PhD by DL/
 MA by Research/MA by Research by DL/MRes
 Translation Studies MA/MA by DL

Law

Commercial Law LLM
 Criminal Law and Criminal Justice LLM
 International Commercial Law LLM
 International Law, Ethics and Politics MA
 International Law: Crime, Justice and
 Human Rights LLM
 Law for Graduates LLB
 Law PhD/PhD by DL/MPhil/MJur
 LLM (General)

Philosophy, Theology and Religion

Global Ethics PhD/PhD by DL/MSc
 Holocaust and Genocide MA/PGDip/PGCert
 International Law, Ethics and Politics MA
 Islamic Studies MRes
 Pentecostal and Charismatic Studies
 MA by DL/PGDip by DL/PGCert by DL
 Philosophy PhD/PhD by DL/MRes/MA
 Philosophy of Health and Happiness
 MA/MA by DL
 Philosophy of Mind and Cognitive
 Science MA
 Philosophy of Religion and Ethics
 MA/MA by DL/PGDip
 Practical Theology Doctorate DPT
 Religion, Politics and Society MA
 Sikh Studies MRes
 Theology and Religion PhD/PhD by DL/MA by
 Research/MA by Research by DL/MRes/MA

Course listings

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

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Undergraduate Engineering and Physical Sciences degrees

are Taught Bachelor courses (BSc and BEng). Some offer an upgraded Masters-level option for high achieving students (MSci and MEng). Many courses include a year in industry or international study. You can also explore our Bachelor of Liberal Arts and Sciences and Natural Sciences programme and the Birmingham Foundation pathway in Engineering and Physical Sciences.

Postgraduate Engineering and Physical Sciences degrees

are Taught Masters, Diploma or Certificate programmes (MSc, PGDip and PGCert) or Research and Doctoral Research programmes (MSc by Research, MRes, MPhil, PhD, PhD with Integrated Study, and EngD). You may also explore our pre-Masters and pre-doctoral programmes, preparing you for higher study at Birmingham.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Chemical Engineering

Chemical Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Chemical Engineering (International Study) **MEng**
 Chemical Engineering with Industrial Study **BEng/MEng**
 Chemical Engineering with International and Industrial Study **MEng**
 Chemical Engineering Foundation Year **BEng/MEng**

Chemistry

Chemistry **BSc/MSci**
 Chemistry with a Modern Language **BSc/MSci**
 Chemistry with Business Management **BSc/MSci**
 Chemistry with Industrial Experience **MSci**
 Chemistry with Pharmacology **BSc/MSci**
 Chemistry with Study Abroad **MSci**
 Chemistry Foundation Year **BSc/MSci**

Civil Engineering

Civil and Railway Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Civil Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Civil Engineering with Industrial Experience **MEng**
 Civil Engineering with International Study **MEng**
 Civil Engineering (Engineering Foundation Year) **BEng**
 Engineering **BEng/MEng**

Computer Science

Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science **BSc**
 Artificial Intelligence and Computer Science with a Year in Industry **BSc**
 Computer Science **BSc/MSci**
 Computer Science with a Year in Industry **BSc/MSci**
 Computer Science with Study Abroad **BSc/MSci**
 Computer Science/Software Engineering **MEng**
 Computer Science/Software Engineering with a Year in Industry **MEng**
 Computer Science (Physical Sciences Foundation Year) **BSc**

Electronic, Electrical and Systems Engineering

Electrical and Railway Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Electronic and Electrical Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Electronic and Electrical Engineering with Industrial Year **BEng/MEng**
 Electronic, Electrical and Systems Engineering (Engineering Foundation Year) **BEng**
 Engineering **BEng/MEng**

Materials Science and Engineering

Materials Science and Engineering **BEng/MEng**

Materials Science and Engineering with Industrial Experience **MEng**
 Mechanical and Materials Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Metallurgy **BEng**
 Materials Science and Engineering (Foundation Year) **BEng**

Mathematics

Mathematics and Computer Science **BSc/MSci**
 Mathematics and Computer Science with Industrial Year **BSc/MSci**
 Mathematics **BSc/MSci**
 Mathematics with Business Management **BSc/MSci**
 Mathematics with Study in Continental Europe **BSc**
 Mathematics with an International Year **BSc**
 Mathematics with Year in Industry **BSc**
 Mathematics (Physical Sciences Foundation Year) **BSc**

Mechanical Engineering

Mechanical Engineering (Automotive) **BEng/MEng**
 Mechanical Engineering **BEng/MEng**
 Mechanical Engineering with Industrial Year **MEng**
 Mechanical Engineering (Engineering Foundation Year) **BEng**
 Engineering **BEng/MEng**

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Nuclear Engineering

Nuclear Engineering *MEng*
 Nuclear Science and Materials *BSc*

Physics and Astronomy

Physics (International Study) *BSc/MSci*
 Physics and Astrophysics
 (International Study) *BSc*
 Physics and Astrophysics *BSc/MSci*
 Physics *BSc/MSci*
 Physics with Particle Physics
 and Cosmology *BSc/MSci*
 Theoretical Physics and Applied
 Mathematics *BSc/MSci*
 Theoretical Physics *BSc/MSci*
 Physics and Astronomy (Physical
 Sciences Foundation Year) *BSc*

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Chemical Engineering

Advanced Chemical Engineering *MSc/PGDip*
 Biochemical Engineering *MSc/PGDip*
 Chemical Engineering *PhD/PhD with
 Integrated Study*
 Chemical Engineering Science *MRes*
 Efficient Fossil Energy Technologies *MSc*
 Food Safety, Hygiene and Management
MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Formulation Engineering *EngD*
 Hydrogen Fuel Cells and their
 Applications *MRes/PhD with Integrated Study*
 Industrial Project Management
MSc/PGDip/PGCert

Chemistry

Chemistry *PhD/MSc by Research*
 Physical Sciences for Health *PhD with
 Integrated Study*

Civil Engineering

Advanced Engineering Management
 (Construction Management
 pathway) *MSc*
 Civil Engineering *PhD/MSc by Research/MPhil/
 MSc/PGDip*
 Civil Engineering and Management
MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Geotechnical Engineering *MSc/PGDip/PGCert*
 Geotechnical Engineering and
 Management *MSc/PGDip/PGCert*
 Railway Risk and Safety Management
*MSc/MSc by DL/PGDip/PGDip by DL/PGCert/
 PGCert by DL*
 Railway Systems Engineering and
 Integration *MSc/MSc by DL/PGDip/PGDip by DL/
 PGCert/PGCert by DL*
 Railway Systems Integration *MRes*
 Road Management and Engineering
MSc/PGDip
 Structural Engineering and Practice
MSc/PGDip

Computer Science

Advanced Computer Science *MSc*
 Computer Science *PhD/MSc*
 Cyber Security *MSc*
 Human Computer Interaction *MSc*
 Natural Computation *MRes*
 Physical Sciences for Health *PhD with
 Integrated Study*
 Robotics *MSc*

Electronic, Electrical and Systems Engineering

Communications Engineering *MSc*
 Electrical Power Systems *MSc*
 Electrical Power Systems with
 Advanced Research *MSc*
 Electronic and Computer Engineering *MSc*
 Electronic, Electrical and Computer
 Engineering *PhD/MRes/MSc by Research*

Mathematics

Applied Mathematics *PhD/MRes*
 Financial Engineering *MSc*
 Management Mathematics *PhD/MRes*
 Mathematical Modelling *MSc*
 Mathematics, Operational Research,
 Statistics and Econometrics
 (MORSE) *MSc*
 Pre-Masters Certificate in
 Mathematics *CerTHE*
 Pure Mathematics *PhD/MRes*

Mechanical Engineering

Advanced Engineering Management
 (Operations Management pathway) *MSc*
 Advanced Engineering Management
 (Project Management pathway) *MSc*
 Advanced Engineering Management
 (Systems Management pathway) *MSc*
 Advanced Mechanical Engineering *MSc*
 Mechanical Engineering *PhD/MSc by Research*

Metallurgy and Materials

Materials Science and Engineering *MSc*
 Metallurgy and Materials *PhD/PhD with
 Integrated Study/MPhil/MSc by Research*
 Physical Sciences for Health *PhD with
 Integrated Study*
 Science and Engineering of Materials *MRes*

Physics and Astronomy

Nuclear Decommissioning and Waste
 Management *MSc/PGDip*
 Physical Sciences for Health *PhD with
 Integrated Study*
 Physics and Astronomy *PhD*
 Physics and Technology of Nuclear
 Reactors *MSc*
 Translational Quantum Technologies
PhD/MRes

Course listings

COLLEGE OF LIFE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCES

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Undergraduate Life and Environmental Sciences degrees

are Taught Bachelor courses (BSc and BA). Some BSc degrees offer an upgraded Masters-level MSci option for high achieving students. Many programmes offer study abroad or professional placements. You can also explore our Birmingham Foundation pathway in Medical, Life and Geo Sciences.

Postgraduate Life and Environmental Sciences degrees

are Taught Masters, Diploma or Certificate programmes (MA, MSc, PGDip and PGCert) or Research and Doctoral Research programmes (MSc by Research, MRes, MPhil, PhD and PhD with Integrated Study). There are also specialist doctorates (ClinPsyD and ForenPsyD). Some programmes are offered by Distance Learning (DL).

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Biosciences

Biochemistry **BSc**
 Biochemistry **MSci**
 Biochemistry (Genetics) **BSc**
 Biochemistry with International Year **BSc**
 Biochemistry with Professional Placement **MSci**
 Biochemistry with Study in Continental Europe **BSc**
 Biological Sciences **BSc**
 Biological Sciences **MSci**
 Biological Sciences (Genetics) **BSc**
 Biological Sciences (Zoology) **BSc**
 Biological Sciences with International Year **BSc**
 Biological Sciences with Professional Placement **MSci**
 Biological Sciences with Study in Continental Europe **BSc**
 Human Biology **BSc**
 Human Biology **MSci**
 Human Biology with International Year **BSc**
 Human Biology with Professional Placement **MSci**
 Medical Biochemistry **BSc**

Earth Sciences (Geology)

Geology **BSc**
 Geology **MSci**
 Geology and Physical Geography **BSc**
 Geology and Physical Geography **MSci**
 Geology and Physical Geography with an International Year **MSci**
 Geology with an International Year **MSci**
 Palaeobiology and Palaeoenvironments **BSc**
 Palaeobiology and Palaeoenvironments **MSci**
 Palaeobiology and Palaeoenvironments with an International Year **MSci**

Environmental Science

Environmental Science **BSc**
 Environmental Science **MSci**
 Environmental Science with a Professional Placement Abroad (Australasia) **BSc**
 Environmental Science with a Year Abroad **BSc**

Geography

Geography **BA**
 Geography **BSc**
 Geography **MSci**
 Geography with a Year Abroad **BA**
 Geography with a Year Abroad **BSc**
 Geography with an International Year **MSci**
 Geography and Urban and Regional Planning **BSc**

Psychology

Human Neuroscience **BSc**
 Psychology **BSc**
 Psychology and Psychological Practice **MSci**
 Psychology and Psychological Research **MSci**

Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation Sciences

Applied Golf Management Studies **BSc**
 Physiotherapy **BSc**
 Sport and Exercise Sciences **BSc**
 Sport, Physical Education and Coaching Science **BSc**

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Biosciences

Bioinformatics **MSc**
 Microbiology and Infection **MSc**
 Molecular Biotechnology **MSc**
 Molecular and Cellular Biology **MRes**
 Molecular Mechanistic Toxicology **MRes**
 Toxicology **MSc**
 Biosciences **PhD**

Earth Sciences

Hydrogeology **MSc**
 Applied and Petroleum
 Micropalaeontology **MSc**

Environmental Health and Atmospheric Science

Air Pollution Management and Control **MSc**
 Applied Meteorology and Climatology **MSc**
 Environmental Health **MSc**
 Public and Environmental Health
 Sciences **MSc**
 Science of Occupational Health,
 Safety and the Environment **MSc**
 Environmental and Biological
 Nanoscience **MRes**

Geography

River Environments and their
 Management **MSc**
 Research in Human Geography **MSc**
 Research in Human Geography **MRes**

Urban and Regional Studies

Urban and Regional Planning
 (MSc with RTPI accreditation)

Psychology

Brain Imaging and Cognitive
 Neuroscience **MSc**
 Computational Neuroscience and
 Cognitive Robotics **MSc**
 Psychology **MA**
 Psychology **MSc**
 Psychology **MSc by Research**
 Psychology **PhD**
 Clinical Psychology Doctorate (ClinPsyD)
 Clinical Psychology **MRes**
 Forensic Psychology Practice
 Doctorate (ForenPsyD)
 Forensic Clinical Psychology
 Doctorate (ForenClinPsyD)

Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation Sciences

Advanced Manipulative Physiotherapy
MSc/PGDip
 Clinical Health Research **MRes**
 Exercise and Sport Sciences **MRes**
 Exercise and Sports Medicine
 (Football) **MSc/PGDip**
 Physical Education and Sport
 Pedagogy **MSc**
 Physiotherapy (pre-registration) **MSc**
 Sport Coaching **MSc/PGDip**
 Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation
 Sciences **PhD/MSc by Research**

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COLLEGE OF MEDICAL AND DENTAL SCIENCES

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Undergraduate Medical and Dental Sciences degrees

are Taught Bachelor or undergraduate Masters-level courses (MNurs and MPharm). Visit our website for more detailed information about these specialist programmes.

Postgraduate Medical and Dental Sciences degrees

are Taught Masters, Diploma or Certificate programmes (MSc, MPH, PGDip and PGCert) or Research and Doctoral Research programmes (MSc by Research, MRes, MD, PhD and DPharm). Advanced General Dental Practice and Restorative Dentistry are currently the only programmes that can be taken as Distance Learning. Visit our website for further information.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Biomedical Materials Science **BMedSc**
 Biomedical Science **BSc**
 Dental Hygiene and Therapy* **BSc**
 Dental Surgery **BDS**
 Medicine and Surgery **MBChB**
 Nursing* **BNurs/MNurs**
 Pharmacy **MPharm**
 Public Health **BSc** – subject to final approval

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Advanced Clinical Practice**
MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Advanced Critical Care Practitioner**
 (ACCP) **PGDip**
 Advanced General Dental Practice
 (Distance Learning) **MSc**
 Advanced Practice in Healthcare
 (Global) **MSc/PGDip/PGCert**
 Applied Health Research **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Bioinformatics **MSc/PGDip/PGCert**
 Biomedical Research: Integrative
 and Translational **MRes**
 Biomedical Sciences **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Cancer Sciences **MRes**
 Cancer and Genomic Sciences **PhD/MSc**
 by Research
 Cardiovascular Science **MRes**
 Cardiovascular Sciences **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Clinical Health Research **MRes**
 Clinical Sciences **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Clinical Neuropsychiatry **MSc/PGDip**
 Clinical Oncology **MSc/PGDip**
 Clinical Primary and Community
 Care **MSc/PGDip**
 Dentistry **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Functional and Clinical Anatomy** **MSc**
 Genomic Medicine **MSc/PGDip/PGCert**
 Health Economics and
 Econometrics **MSc/PGDip**
 Health Economics and
 Health Policy **MSc/PGDip**

Health Research Methods **MSc/PGDip/PGCert**
 Immunology and Immunotherapy **MSc**
 Immunology and Immunotherapy
PhD/MSc by Research
 Inflammation and Ageing **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Medicine and Surgery **MBChB Graduate**
 Entry Course
 Metabolism and Systems Research
PhD/MSc by Research
 Microbiology and Infection **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Multidisciplinary Healthcare
 Simulation **PGCert**
 Musculoskeletal Ageing and Health
MSc/PGDip
 Nursing **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Occupational Health **MSc/PGDip/PGCert**
 Pharmaceutical Enterprise **MSc/PGDip**
 Pharmacy **PhD/MSc by Research**
 Physician Associate Studies **MSc/PGDip**
 Physicians Assistant (Anaesthesia)** **PGDip**
 Practice Certificate in Independent
 Prescribing**
 Professional Doctorate in Pharmacy **DPharm**
 Public Health Statement of Extra Accredited
 Learning (SEAL) **MPH**
 Public Health (Health Technology
 Assessment) **MPH/PGDip/PGCert**
 Public Health (International) **MPH/PGDip/PGCert**
 Public Health **MPH/PGDip/PGCert**
 Restorative Dentistry Part-Time (Distance
 Learning) **MSc/PGDip/PGCert**
 Trauma Science **MSc**

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COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

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UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Business School

Accounting and Finance BSc
 Business Management BSc
 Business Management with Year in Industry BSc
 Business Management with Communications BSc
 Business Management with Communications and Year in Industry BSc
 Business Management with Marketing BSc
 Business Management with Marketing and Year in Industry BSc
 Economics BSc
 Economics with German BSc
 Economics with Spanish BSc
 International Business BSc
 International Business with Communications BSc
 International Business with Language BSc
 Money, Banking and Finance BSc

Education

Education BA (Hons)
 Education and History BA (Hons)
 Education and Sociology BA (Hons)
 Autism Spectrum (Webautism) University Certificate

Government and Society

International Relations BA
 International Relations with Economics BA

International Relations with Economics with Year Abroad BA
 International Relations with French BA
 International Relations with German BA
 International Relations with Spanish BA
 International Relations with Year Abroad BA
 Political Economy BA
 Political Economy with Year Abroad BA
 Political Science and International Relations BA
 Political Science and International Relations with Year Abroad BA
 Political Science BA
 Political Science with Year Abroad BA

Social Policy

Social Policy BA
 Social Policy with Year Abroad BA
 Policy, Politics and Economics BA
 Policy, Politics and Economics with Year Abroad BA
 Social Policy and Criminology BA
 Social Policy and Sociology BA
 Sociology BA
 Social Work BA
 Health Management and Leadership BMedSc – Intercolated degree

Joint Honours programmes

Economics and Political Science BSc
 Education and Sociology BA
 Philosophy and Sociology BA
 Political Science BA
 Political Science and Sociology BA
 Political Science and Social Policy BA

POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Business School

Accounting and Finance Taught programmes
 Financial Management MSc
 International Accounting and Finance MSc
 Investments MSc
 Advanced Engineering Management Taught programmes
 Advanced Engineering Management MSc: Generalist Pathway
 Advanced Engineering Management MSc: Construction Management
 Advanced Engineering Management MSc: Operations Management
 Advanced Engineering Management MSc: Project Management
 Advanced Engineering Management MSc: Systems Management
 Economics, Finance and Statistical Taught programmes
 Development Economics MSc
 Economics MSc
 Environmental and Natural Resource Economics MSc
 Financial Economics MSc
 International Economics MSc
 International Money and Banking MSc
 Mathematical Finance MSc
 Money, Banking and Finance MSc
 Management Taught programmes
 Human Resource Management MSc
 Human Resource Management MSc with CIPD Pathway

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Postgraduate Social Sciences degrees are Taught Masters, Bachelor, Diploma, Certificate and Advanced Certificate programmes (MA, MBA, MEd, MSc, BPhil, PGDip PGCert and AdCert) or Research and Doctoral Research programmes (MSc by Research, MRes, MPhil, PhD, PhD with Integrated Study). There are also specialist doctorates (EdD). Many programmes are offered by Distance Learning (DL). You may also explore our pre-Masters and pre-doctoral programmes, preparing you for higher study at Birmingham.

International Business **MSc**
 International Business **MSc** (Singapore)
 International Business Online **MSc**
 International Business **MSc** (Singapore)
 Management **MSc**
 Management: Entrepreneurship and Innovation Pathway **MSc**
 Management: Operations Pathway **MSc**
 Management: Organisational Leadership and Change Pathway **MSc**
 Management: Strategy Pathway **MSc**
Marketing Taught programmes
 International Marketing **MSc**
 Marketing Communications **MSc**
 Marketing **MSc**
 Strategic Marketing and Consulting **MSc**
Graduate Diploma
 Graduate Diploma in Business Administration
MBA
 International Business **MBA**
 Global Banking and Finance **MBA**
 Executive **MBA**
 Online **MBA**
 Singapore **MBA**
Research degree programmes
 Accounting **PhD/MPhil/MSc** (Research)
 Business Management **PhD** with Integrated Study
 Economics **PhD**
 Finance **PhD/MPhil/MSc** (Research)
 Management **PhD/MPhil/MSc** (Research)
 Marketing **PhD/MPhil/MSc** (Research)
MSc by Research (Taxation)
 Social Research (Business) **MA**

Education

Autism (Adults) **MEd/BPhil/PGDip/PGCert/Advanced Certificate**
 Autism (Children) **MEd/BPhil/PGDip/PGCert/Advanced Certificate**
 Bilingualism in Education **MEd/PGDip/PGCert**
 Character Education **MA**
 Education **MA**
 Education for Health Professionals **MEd/PGDip/PGCert**
 Education of Learners with Multisensory Impairment (Deafblindness) **MEd/BPhil/PGDip/PGCert/Advanced Certificate**
 Inclusion and Special Educational Needs **MEd/PGDip/PGCert/BPhil/Advanced Certificate**
 International Studies in Education **MA**
 International Studies in Education (Education and Development) **MA**
 Language, Literacies and Dyslexia **MEd/Postgraduate Diploma/Postgraduate Certificate**
 Management of Special Education in Developing Countries **MA**
 Mandatory and Non-Mandatory Qualifications for Teachers of Children and Young People with Vision Impairments **MEd/PGDip**
 School Improvement and Educational Leadership **MA/PGDip/PGCert**
 Severe, Profound and Multiple Learning Difficulties **MEd/PGDip/PGCert/Advanced Certificate/BPhil**
 Social Research (Education) **MA**
 Social, Emotional and Behavioural Difficulties **MEd/BPhil/PGDip/PGCert/Advanced Certificate**

Special Educational Needs Coordination (National Award for Special Educational Needs Coordination)
 Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) **MA/PGDip/PGCert**
 Teachers of Children with Hearing Impairment **MEd/PGDip**
 Teaching English as a Foreign Language (TEFL) **MA/PGDip/PGCert** (School of Education)
 Teaching Studies **PGDip**
Initial Teacher Education
 Postgraduate Diploma Primary Education (PGCE Advanced) General Primary or Early Years
 Postgraduate Diploma Primary Education (SSPIP) Mathematics
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – English
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Geography
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – History
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Mathematics
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Modern Languages (French/Spanish/German)
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Physical Education
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Physics with Mathematics

Course listings

COLLEGE OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

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POSTGRADUATE PROGRAMMES

Initial Teacher Education (continued)

Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Religious Education
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Science: Biology
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Science: Chemistry
 Postgraduate Diploma Secondary Education (QTS) – Science: Physics
 Subject Knowledge Enhancement route for non-specialists – Mathematics

Postgraduate Research

Applied Educational and Child Psychology Doctorate (App Ed and Child Psy D)
 Education EdD
 Education MA by Research
 Education PhD
 Educational Studies MRes

Government and Society

Conflict, Cooperation and Security
 Global Cooperation and Security MSc
 Political Psychology of International Relations MSc
 Development Management
 Aid Management MSc/GDip
 Development Management (with specialist pathways) MSc/GDip
 Development Management distance learning MSc/PGDip
 Human Resources and Development Management MSc/GDip
 Public Economic Management and Finance MSc/GDip
 International Development
 Conflict, Security and Development MSc/GDip
 Conflict, Security and Development distance learning MSc/PGDip
 Environment, Sustainability and Politics MSc/GDip

Governance and Statebuilding MSc/GDip
 International Development MSc/GDip
 International Development distance learning MSc/PGDip
 International Political Economy and Development MSc/GDip
 Poverty, Inequality and Development MSc/GDip
 Poverty, Inequality and Development distance learning MSc/PGDip
 Urban Development MSc/GDip
 Public Administration
 Masters in Public Administration (MPA) – (on campus)
 Political Science
 British Politics and the State MA/PGDip
 Contemporary Asia Pacific MA/PGDip
 Diplomacy MA/PGDip
 Gender MA/PGDip
 Global Cooperation and Security MSc
 International Peacekeeping MA/PGDip
 International Political Economy MA/PGDip
 International Relations MA/PGDip
 Political Psychology of International Relations MSc

Political Science MA/PGDip
 Political Theory MA/PGDip
 Research Methods MA
 Social and Political Theory MA
 Security MA/PGDip
 Terrorism and Political Violence MA/PGDip

Local Government Studies

Masters in Public Administration (MPA) distance learning
 Public Management MSc/PGDip/GDip/PGCert
 Public Management (Health and Social Care) MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Public Management (Local Policy and Leadership) MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Public Service Commissioning MSc/PGDip/GDip/PGCert/GCert
 Social Research (Local Government and Public Policy) MA/PGDip/PGCert

Social Policy

Advanced Child Protection Studies Online MSc
 Health Care Policy and Management MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Health Care Policy and Management specialising in Quality MSc/PGDip/PGCert
 Migration, Superdiversity and Policy MA/PGDip/PGCert
 Policy into Practice MA/PGDip/PGCert
 Policy into Practice (with integrated placement) MA/PGDip
 Policy into Practice with Integrated Placement (Health) MA/PGDip
 Social Policy MA/PGDip
 Social Research (Social Policy) MA/PGDip
 Social Research (Social Work and Professional Practice) MA/PGDip
 Social Work MA
 Social Work with Children, Young People, their Families and Carers MA/PGDip/PGCert Postqualifying Award

Postgraduate Research

Doctor of Social Work (DSW)
 Health Services Management PhD/MPhil
 Social Policy PhD/MPhil
 Sociology PhD/MPhil

Build your personalised postgraduate
prospectus online:
[www.birmingham.ac.uk/
pgprospectus](http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgprospectus)



Entry requirements

IN ORDER TO BE OFFERED A PLACE OF STUDY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM, YOU WILL NEED TO MEET THE GENERAL **ENTRY REQUIREMENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY**, AND ANY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS OF YOUR PROGRAMME.

We welcome applications from international students and accept a wide number of qualifications and country-specific qualifications, which will depend on the country you have previously studied in.

Further information on the types of qualification that we would expect to see in applicants from your country can be found on your country page at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/country

Foundation programme

Successful completion of your chosen pathway of the Birmingham International Academy guarantees you a place on your chosen degree programme at Birmingham. Please see pages 42-43 for more information, including English language requirements at this level, and visit the website: www.birmingham.ac.uk/foundation



English language requirements

You will need to demonstrate a certain level of English in order to meet the demands of your programme. The level will depend on the programme that you choose. An indication of entry requirements is given in the table overleaf, and you will be required to show evidence of this when offered a place to study.

English language courses

Pre-sessional English programmes are available before the start of the academic year for students who do not have the required level of English or who wish to improve their skills before they arrive. Visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/bia for more information.





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English language requirements for students who do not have English as their first language

Academic area	IELTS	Pearson Test of English (PTE)*	TOEFL
Undergraduate requirements			
Biosciences, Biomedical Materials Science, Chemistry, Chemical Engineering, Civil Engineering, Computer Science, Electronic, Electrical and Systems Engineering, Geography, Earth and Environmental Sciences, Mathematics, Mechanical Engineering, Metallurgy and Materials, Nuclear Science/Engineering, Physics and Astronomy	6.0 overall, with no less than 5.5 in any band	PTE Academic 51 in all four skills	80 overall with no less than 19 in Reading, 19 in Listening, 21 in Speaking and 19 in Writing
Business, Economics, Education, English, Drama and American and Canadian Studies, History and Cultures, Language, Cultures, Art History and Music, Liberal Arts and Sciences, Biomedical Science, Philosophy, Theology and Religion, Political Science and International Relations, Social Policy, Sociology, Sport, Exercise and Rehabilitation Science, Urban and Regional Studies	6.5 overall, with no less than 6.0 in any band	PTE Academic 59 in all four skills	88 overall with no less than 21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing
Law, Physiotherapy, Social Work, Dental Hygiene and Therapy	7.0 overall, with no less than 6.5 in any band	PTE Academic 67 in all four skills	95 overall with no less than 22 in any band
Medicine, Dentistry, Pharmacy, Nursing	7.0 overall, with no less than 7.0 in any band	PTE Academic 67 in all four skills	95 overall with no less than 23 in any band



Alternative qualifications for undergraduate programmes	
Qualification	Minimum University requirement
University of Birmingham preessional English course	Pass (see www.birmingham.ac.uk/englishprogrammes for details)
GCSE English (or Edexcel IGCSE English)	Grade C or above
GCE O Level English	Grade C or above
Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) IGCSE English (first language)	Grade C or above
Cambridge International Examinations (CIE) IGCSE English (second language)	Grade C or above
International Baccalaureate English, Standard or Higher level, First or Second Language	5 or above
HKDSE (Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education) English	Level 3 (with a minimum of 3 in each band) or above
India Standard XII (CBSE/CISCE/West Bengal)	75% or above
India Standard XII (other Indian state boards)	80% or above
Malaysian SPM 1119 (Cambridge O Level)	Grade C or above

Postgraduate requirements	IELTS	Pearson Test of English (PTE)*	TOEFL
Engineering and Science	6.0 overall, with no less than 5.5 in any band	PTE Academic 51 in all four skills	80 overall with no less than 19 in Reading, 19 in Listening, 21 in Speaking and 19 in Writing
Arts*, Business**, Education, Health Sciences, Public Policy, Social Sciences, Medicine and Dentistry (PhD, MD and MSc by Research)	6.5 overall, with no less than 6.0 in any band	PTE Academic 59 in all four skills	88 overall with no less than 21 in Reading, 20 in Listening, 22 in Speaking and 21 in Writing
Medicine and Dentistry, taught postgraduate programmes including MRes	7.0 overall, with no less than 6.5 in any band	PTE Academic 67 in all four skills	95 overall with no less than 22 in any band
Law (LLM), Research Education	7.0 overall, with no less than 6.5 in any band	PTE Academic 67 in all four skills	95 overall with no less than 22 in any band

* Applies to all programmes in the School of English, Drama and American & Canadian Studies, the School of History and Cultures, the School of Language, Cultures, Art History and Music, and the School of Philosophy, Theology and Religion.

** Some Business programmes require higher grades. Please see the Business School website for more details www.birmingham.ac.uk/schools/business

For alternative qualifications visit:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/pg-int-requirements

How to apply

CHOOSING TO STUDY IN THE UK IS A REALLY EXCITING DECISION AND YOU PROBABLY HAVE MANY QUESTIONS ON WHAT TO DO NEXT. DEPENDING ON WHICH LEVEL YOU CHOOSE TO STUDY AT YOU CAN FOLLOW THE STEPS BELOW TO HELP GUIDE YOU THROUGH THE APPLICATION PROCESS.

Undergraduate applications

Apply through the Universities and Colleges Admissions Services (UCAS) between early September (prior to the year you wish to study) and 30 June (in the year you wish to study). European Union applicants need to apply before 15 January. If you are applying for Medicine or Dentistry, you will need to apply by 15 October.

1. Visit: **www.ucas.com** to apply online. Don't forget you can apply to a maximum of five choices.

Postgraduate taught applications

Postgraduate taught applications are made directly to the University. We recommended that you apply by the beginning of July as the most popular courses may fill up quickly and, if accepted, that you allow sufficient time to obtain a visa.

1. Apply via our course finder pages: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses**. Each programme page will take you directly to the application form. Just click 'apply to study here' to begin your application.

Postgraduate research applications

Postgraduate research applications are made directly to the University. There are no official closing dates. To ensure that the necessary facilities and supervisors are available for your study, contact the relevant postgraduate research tutor prior to submitting an application, to discuss the research proposal informally – check our online prospectus for further details: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/postgraduate/research**

1. Apply online via our course finder pages: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses**. There will be a link on the programme page which will take you directly to the application form.

Supporting documents

Whether you are applying for an undergraduate or postgraduate programme, you will need to provide supporting documents with your application. These include:

- ☐ Transcript or statement of results of your highest qualification or predicted grades (originals or certified copies are not required at the application stage)
- ☐ One or two references
- ☐ If English is not your native language, a copy of your IELTS, TOEFL or Pearson Academic English Test certificate
- ☐ A copy of your passport personal details page

Birmingham International Academy

To apply to the Foundation pathways please visit our website: www.birmingham.ac.uk/foundation/apply and follow the instructions.

Birmingham International Summer School

To apply to take part in the Birmingham International Summer School programme visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/biss

Study Abroad and exchanges

For information on how to apply to spend time at the University as part of our Study Abroad programme visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/studyabroad/incomingstudents.aspx

If you are applying for a place on an Undergraduate degree programme after 30 June you can apply through Clearing. For more information see: www.ucas.com/ucas/undergraduate/apply-and-track/results/no-offers/learn-how-clearing-works

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| 2. UCAS will notify you once a decision has been made on your application. If you are successful you will receive an offer. | 3. Once a decision has been made on all your choices UCAS will ask you to confirm which two offers (if any) you want to hold while you wait for all your results. You will need to choose your firm choice programme and an insurance, which is your back up place in case you don't get the grades required for your firm choice. | 4. If you meet the conditions of your offer, your place on the programme will be confirmed. | 5. For international (non-EEA) students a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) will be issued at this stage. |
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| 2. Your application will be considered. This normally takes four to six weeks after your application and supporting documents have been received. An application cannot be considered until all the necessary supporting documents have been received, such as references and transcripts. | 3. You can track the progress of your application and receive communications from us via the Applicant Portal. If you are made an offer, this will be either unconditional or conditional. | 4. If you accept and meet the conditions of your offer, we will confirm your place. | 5. For international (non-EEA) students a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) will be issued at this stage. |
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| 2. Your application will be considered and this normally takes four to six weeks after your application and supporting documents have been received. Please be aware that an application cannot be considered until all the necessary supporting documents, eg, references, transcript, research proposal have been received. | 3. You can track the progress of your application and receive communications from us via the Applicant Portal. If you are made an offer, this will be either unconditional or conditional. | 4. If you accept and meet the conditions of your offer, we will confirm your place. | 5. For international (non-EEA) students a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS) will be issued at this stage. |
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Your offer

An unconditional offer means that you have already met the University's entrance requirements and there are no conditions attached to your offer of a place.

A conditional offer means that you have not yet satisfied the University's entrance requirements. Your offer letter will detail the requirements still to be met before your place will be confirmed. Offer holders are advised to fulfil their conditions as soon as possible to allow sufficient time to obtain a visa.

International (non-EEA) students will need to consider and be aware of certain immigration requirements when accepting their offer and when preparing for their student visa. Visit: www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/visas

How to find out more

THERE IS SO MUCH HAPPENING AT BIRMINGHAM THAT WE WOULD LIKE TO TELL YOU ABOUT. HERE ARE A FEW WAYS THAT YOU CAN **GET IN TOUCH WITH US TO FIND OUT MORE.**

Meet us on campus

We understand that as an international student it is difficult to attend open days, or even to come to our campus. If, however, you find that you are in the UK, you are welcome to join one of our weekly campus tours. Please visit our Campus Tours website for further information:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/campustours

Overseas representatives

The University has a network of overseas representatives who can provide information on studying at the University, as well as guidance on your application. For more information visit your country page at: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/country**

Other useful websites

British Council
www.britishcouncil.org

UK Council for International Student Affairs
www.ukcisa.org.uk

UK Visas and Immigration
www.gov.uk/government/organisations/uk-visas-and-immigration

Meet us in your country

Our officers regularly travel overseas. Visit: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/meet** to find out when we are near you next.

Contact us

Undergraduate study enquiries:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/ug-faqs

Postgraduate study enquiries:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/pg-faqs

Study Abroad enquiries:
t: +44 (0)121 414 7696
e: studyabroad@bham.ac.uk

Birmingham International Academy enquiries:
e: foundation@contacts.bham.ac.uk

Birmingham International Summer School
e: biss@contacts.bham.ac.uk

Join our live chats:
www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/livechats

Write to us:
International Recruitment
University of Birmingham
Edgbaston, Birmingham, B15 2TT

Stay in touch online
Visit: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/international**
 **[@unibirmingham](https://twitter.com/unibirmingham)**
 **www.facebook.com/unibirmingham**
 **www.youtube.com/unibirmingham**

Build your postgraduate prospectus online to receive a personalised digital copy, sent to your email address: **www.birmingham.ac.uk/pgprospectus**

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Important note: If you email the address above you agree to Mingya Zong and our alumni contacting the University to discuss your application, any details contained within your application and sharing any personal information that you provide to them.

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The small print

THE FOLLOWING SECTION COVERS ESSENTIAL INFORMATION FOR ALL APPLICANTS, INCLUDING IMPORTANT TERMS, CONDITIONS AND REQUIREMENTS THAT THE UNIVERSITY WILL APPLY AND RELY UPON IN ITS FUTURE RELATIONSHIP WITH YOU. IT ESSENTIAL THAT YOU READ THEM CAREFULLY.

If you decide to accept this offer, a contract will be formed between you and the University. Your rights and obligations to the University and the University's obligations to you arising under that contract are set out in the documents listed below which will form the terms and conditions of your student contract:

- ☐ Your offer letter
- ☐ The Undergraduate or Postgraduate Prospectus, as appropriate
- ☐ The Code of Practice on Admission of Students (see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx)
- ☐ The University's Royal Charter, Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations and Codes of Practice; the current version can be viewed on www.birmingham.ac.uk/applicantinformation from which you can find a summary of any changes which have already been agreed for the start of the next academic year
- ☐ The University's health and safety policies and guidance, General Conditions of Use of Computing and Network Facilities, Data Protection Policy, Equality Scheme, Public Interest Disclosure Policy and Anti-Bribery and Corruption Policy (see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx)
- ☐ Programme requirements, which are shown for each programme on our website at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/index.aspx

Application and admission to the University: information and requirements

You must provide accurate and complete information in your application form. If you do not, the University can withdraw the offer of a place or insist that you leave.

Programme entry requirements

The programme requirements for admission are set out in the relevant section of the prospectus and our website at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/index.aspx. Please consider these carefully to ensure you are eligible for your chosen subject.

Criminal convictions

If your offer of a place is conditional on you obtaining a satisfactory Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) check, the University will decide if any convictions or information revealed are incompatible with a place on the programme. If they are, you will be notified and your offer will be withdrawn. If your situation changes after the offer of a place, please notify the admissions tutor for your programme, or if you have already registered, the programme director.

Fitness to Practise programmes

If you are applying for a Fitness to Practise programme, you may be asked to provide information about your health, undergo a health check and provide evidence of immunisation. Your offer of a place is conditional on such requirements being met. You will also be required to sign a Code of Professional Conduct and Fitness to Practise which is provided with the offer letter.

Blood-borne viruses

For some programmes, such as Medicine and Surgery (MBChB) and Dentistry, all applicants who are made an offer of a place on the course will be required to complete a screening process for Blood Borne Viruses as a condition of their offer. The screening process may be subject to change from time to time, and so you are advised to consult the relevant section of University's website at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/courses/index.aspx for up-to-date information.

Deferred entry

Applicants who wish to apply for deferred entry should enter this against the University of Birmingham choice on their UCAS form. Applicants wishing to defer entry until September 2018 must meet all the conditions of their offer by 31 August 2017.

The tuition fees stated on your offer letter are based on the start date shown in the offer letter and will apply for the duration of your programme. However, if you defer your entry, then your tuition fees may be more than is stated in your offer letter. You should contact the Admissions Office for more information.

If you defer, the programme and/or its modules, programme requirements and University services and facilities as currently described in the prospectus or on our website may change for your chosen year of entry. Please keep referring to the University's website where up-to-date information will be published as soon as it is available.

Cancelling your acceptance

After you have accepted an offer of a place, you can cancel your acceptance within the cancellation period without giving us any reason. The cancellation period runs for 14 days from the date we receive your acceptance. If you cancel your offer within the cancellation period, any deposit or administration or other fees you have paid will normally be refunded in full. If you start your programme during the cancellation period, the University will charge you a reasonable sum for the programme provided.

You can cancel your acceptance by informing the University's Admissions Office by email at admissions@bham.ac.uk or by writing to the Admissions Office, the University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TT.

Changes to programmes, courses, modules and services

Information set out in the prospectus and on the University website is accurate at the date of publication. However, changes to programmes, modules, University services and the content of the prospectus may be necessary, for example, to meet the requirements of an accrediting body or to keep courses contemporary by updating practices or areas of study. Changes to programmes or modules may also be needed because of circumstances outside the reasonable control of the University, such as a key member of staff leaving the University or being unable to teach (where the programme or module is reliant on that person's expertise) or where the minimum or maximum number of students needed to ensure a good educational or student experience has not been met or has been exceeded. Other circumstances outside the reasonable control of the University include unexpected lack of funding, industrial action, severe weather, fire, civil disorder, political unrest, government restrictions or serious concern about the transmission of serious illness making a course unsafe to deliver. If changes to your programme are made after you have accepted your offer, the University will try to give you early notification of those changes and, where necessary, minimise their impact by offering suitable alternative arrangements, helping you find an alternative programme or university or providing compensation where it believes there is a fair case to do so.

Fees and payment

The tuition fees stated in your offer letter will apply for the duration of your programme (subject to any changes in the law or government requirements).

It is your responsibility to make sure your fees and all expenses relating to your programme are paid in full and on time. The University's requirements on the payment of fees can be found in Regulation 5 (see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx). When you register online, you will be asked to indicate how your fees will be paid. If you are paying your tuition fees yourself, you must either pay the full amount at the beginning of the academic year or apply to pay by instalments using the University direct debit scheme. If you are a sponsored student, you are responsible for payment if your sponsor does not pay your tuition fees.

Additional costs

All students will incur some expense as a result of being at university (eg, stationary, photocopying etc); where specific additional costs will be incurred for a particular programme (eg, field trips), this will be indicated on the relevant web page for that programme at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/courses/index.aspx. Core recommended texts are available for borrowing in the University library, however students may wish to purchase their own personal copy. Unless your offer letter says otherwise, the tuition fee quoted in your offer letter does not include any charges for residential accommodation, examination re-sits, extensions to the designated period of study or travelling expenses.

Non-payment of fees

If you do not pay your tuition fees in full or on time, the University may impose penalties which are set out in Regulation 5 (see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx).

As a result, you may not be allowed to progress on your programme or you may be expelled from the University. The University may also take legal action against you to recover any unpaid fees.

If you do not pay any other (non-tuition) fees or other sums you owe, the University may take action to recover those sums. This may include withholding any service for which you owe money (for example, if you do not pay library fines you may not be allowed to access the library or use some or all of its facilities) or taking legal action against you.

If, as part of your programme, you spend time in another university, institution or organisation in the UK or abroad, the rules and regulations of that university, institution or organisation are likely to apply to you while you are there. Some overseas institutions might impose academic sanctions, for example, they might refuse to release your marks, if you do not pay either tuition fees or any other fees or costs (such as accommodation or meal plan fees) which you owe them. This might mean that you are not able to complete your programme as planned.

Deposits

We reserve the right to charge a deposit for some programmes. Full details will be included in our offer letter where appropriate.

Scholarships, grants and bursaries

At Birmingham we ensure that fears about finance do not constrain prospective students from considering university and that excellence is rewarded. The University offers a range of additional financial support for students studying at Birmingham in the form of bursaries, grants and scholarships. Details are on the University's website at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/fees/funding/index.aspx

Student Hardship Fund

In addition to scholarships, grants and bursaries, the University can provide financial assistance to students who suffer financial hardship during their studies. Details are on our website at: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/student-services/funding/index.aspx

Conduct and attendance

Students are required to attend such lectures, tutorials, examinations and other activities as form part of their programme. This includes the requirement to submit theses, dissertations and coursework on time. Students must also be aware of and observe the University's regulations and codes of practice relating to conduct, plagiarism, attendance and reasonable diligence – see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx. The University can impose penalties if you do not follow these requirements, and in serious cases the University can suspend or expel you from the University.

Diversity and equality

The University prides itself on being a diverse community within a diverse city. Our commitment to equality and diversity and the elimination of discrimination is

embodied in the University's Charter and our aim is to ensure that the University remains an inclusive environment where equality of opportunity and tolerance for all are fostered and promoted.

Disabilities

If you have a disability, the University will seek to support you whenever possible and reasonable to do so. If you have not yet disclosed that disability, we encourage you to do so at the earliest opportunity. As individual students' needs (even those with the same condition) can vary, it is important that you contact the Disability and Learning Support Service at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/undergraduate/support/disability/index.aspx before you accept any offer of a place to find out what type of support is likely to be available to you and what information we need to arrange it. If you choose not to tell us about your disability, provide this information with short notice before your course or examination/assessment start dates or do not provide full information about it before or during your programme, we will do our best to help you but you might not be able to have access to the full range of support which might otherwise be available to you.

Religious observance

The University is committed to the promotion of equality. However, you should be aware that:

- Sometimes we have to schedule activities, including examinations, on Fridays and Saturdays. If this is likely to conflict with the observance of religious days for some students, the University will try to make alternative arrangements where reasonably possible. Therefore students are

advised to inform the relevant School and/or the Examinations Office in writing of such issues as soon as possible.

- While the University imposes no dress code on its students and welcomes the variety of appearance brought by individual styles and choices of dress, there may be exceptions. For example, some professional regulatory bodies or placement providers may have requirements as to what can be worn in certain situations, such as clinical settings. Medical students must sign a Code of Professional Conduct in which they agree to show their faces at all times, and must be prepared to examine and touch patients of both sexes. See also: www.birmingham.ac.uk/students/support

International students

The University's International Students Advisory Service (ISAS) provides support and advice for prospective international students – see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/studentsservices/international/index.aspx

If you are an international non-European Union (non-EU) student and need a visa to enable you to be in the UK to study, you will have to attend a Right to Study Check when you first arrive at the University. If you do not attend this Right to Study Check or cannot provide conclusive proof that you have the correct visa or immigration permission, you will not be allowed to begin your programme and/or you may be withdrawn from your programme. It is essential that you regularly read our emails (in the email account you used on your application to the University) and that you follow very

carefully the instructions for arrival, collection of Biometric Residence Permits and Right to Study checks.

Intellectual property

If you, in the course of your study or research, develop intellectual property including an invention, device, discovery, material, product, process, computer software or any other potentially valuable result or innovation with material input from the University's academic staff or as part of a collective project, programme or research activity, you assign all rights in such intellectual property to the University; the procedures and arrangements for notification and exploitation will be the same as those for Staff in the University set out in Regulation 3.16, Patents and the Exploitation of Inventions. The University will not make any claim to any intellectual property developed by you in circumstances other than those set out above. Details of the University's procedures and guidance involving sharing of revenue from exploitation are available from the Director of Research and Knowledge Transfer within each of the colleges, Alta Innovations Ltd or the Registrar and Secretary, and see: www.birmingham.ac.uk/applicantinformation

Accommodation

Your right to reside in University accommodation is dependent on you continuing to study at the University. There are separate terms and conditions which apply to your occupation of University accommodation, and further details of these are available at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/accommodation

When you may be asked to leave the University

You may be asked to leave the University if:

- Your academic performance is not satisfactory
- You are expelled from the University for breach of the conduct, Fitness to Practise, attendance or reasonable diligence requirements
- You do not pay your tuition fees in accordance with the University's Regulations
- You are dismissed or expelled from any other organisation which you are required to attend or be a member of as part of your programme
- You do not have the correct visa or immigration permission to study on your programme at the University, and you are an international non-EU student needing a visa to enable you to be in the UK to study
- The University has reason to believe that you have not supplied all relevant information or have supplied false or misleading information relating to your application to the University
- As a result of your actions, the University is unable to find a suitable placement which is required to complete your programme

A decision requiring you to leave the University will be taken in accordance with the relevant procedure and subject to any right of appeal or review. If the University has good reason for expelling you and does so in accordance with the relevant procedure, the University will not compensate you for any loss or damage you may suffer as a result.

Complaints

The University is committed to providing a high-quality educational experience, supported by a range of academic and administrative services and facilities. From time to time, however, things do go wrong, and if the matter cannot be resolved informally, the University provides students with a system for raising concerns and complaints about both academic and non-academic matters.

The Code of Practice on Student Concerns and Complaints (see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx) sets out a procedure for dealing with students' complaints fairly, consistently and as quickly as possible. Students who are dissatisfied with a decision relating to a complaint they have raised may be able to complain to the Office of the Independent Adjudicator (OIA), an independent body which reviews student complaints; more information about the OIA is available on its website at www.oiahe.org.uk. The Code of Practice on Admissions (see: intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/legislation/index.aspx) sets out the procedure for asking for a review of decisions made in the application and admissions process.

Data protection and disclosure of personal information

The University will collect information about you from the application and registration procedures, as part of your academic progress and university life and from carrying out Disclosure and Barring Service (DBS) checks or health checks (if necessary). The University and the organisations we work with to deliver programmes will use this to

support you on your programme, for the administration and management of the University, including statistical analysis and to contact you about University business. Medical information disclosed to the University's Medical Officer or the Student Support and Counselling Services will be treated as confidential. Information arising from DBS checks will be used only in accordance with the DBS code of practice (see: www.gov.uk/government/publications/dbs-code-of-practice).

Some information may be disclosed outside the University, for example, at your request, with your consent or in order to meet statutory obligations. We may disclose information relating to your academic progress to your sponsor (if you have one).

We will also ask for emergency contact details, and by providing them, you confirm that these individuals have consented to the processing of their personal data by the University.

All information will be kept for a reasonable period in accordance with legal requirements and for administration purposes. Further information can be found at: www.birmingham.ac.uk/university/governance/policies-regs/data-protection.aspx

General matters

The University will not be liable to you and you will not be liable to the University for any failure or delay in performing obligations if the failure or delay is due to any significant cause beyond the University's or your reasonable control, such as fire, flood or industrial dispute.

Your contract with the University is between you and the University and only these two parties can enforce it. The Contracts (Rights of Third Parties) Act 1999 does not apply. The contract between you and the University is governed by English law and is subject to any changes in the law which affect this contract.

If you have any questions please contact the undergraduate admissions tutor for your school.

Further information

This prospectus was published in August 2017 and refers to entry from September 2018 to July 2019. If you have any complaints regarding the accuracy or fairness of this prospectus, they should be addressed to the Director of Communications and Marketing, who will investigate the matter and reply, in writing, within 21 days of receiving the letter.

The University is an exempt charity under Schedule 3 of the Charities Act 2011. An exempt charity enjoys all the tax exemptions and other benefits of a charity, but is exempt from certain requirements, including the need to register with the Charity Commission. As it is not on the Register of Charities, the University does not have a charity registration number, and although it is a corporate body, the University is not a limited company, therefore it is not registered at Companies House. It does have a tax-exempt Inland Revenue charities reference number (X7237).

What next?

Key dates for international students

1 September 2017	UCAS applications open
	Medicine or Dentistry applicants will need to apply by 15 October
	European Union applicants will need to apply by 15 January
30 June 2018	UCAS applications close
1 July 2018	UCAS Clearing opens for international students
31 July 2018	Accommodation application deadline
1 October 2018	Term begins

Please note that there are no official opening and closing dates for submitting postgraduate taught and research applications to the University, however, if you are interested in a postgraduate taught course that starts in September 2018 it is recommended that you apply by **1 July 2018** as the most popular courses fill up quickly, and you will need to allow time to apply for a visa should you be accepted.



VIRTUAL OPEN DAYS

We also run Virtual Open Days if you cannot make a visit to our campus. You will have the opportunity to ask current staff and students about Birmingham, our beautiful campus and the courses you are interested in. If you have any questions, our dedicated teams will be happy to help.

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