

NCUK Foundation Programmes

Progress to one of 70+
NCUK University Partners

2026-27





“We are proud to guide international students from across the globe as they pursue their ambitions. Through our International Foundation Year, you will gain the skills, confidence, and knowledge needed to excel in higher education and beyond.

You will deepen your subject understanding while developing the research and study skills essential for success at university. With the support of our dedicated Student Services team, you can feel confident that every decision you make is well informed and right for your future.

Studying with us in the heart of London means learning in one of the world’s most vibrant, diverse, and inspiring cities. Here, you will become part of a dynamic global community, enriching your academic journey with unforgettable cultural experiences and opportunities.”

Andreia Areal,
Group Academic
Director

Malvern International is proud to work in partnership with NCUK to offer an opportunity for international students to prepare for undergraduate degree study in the UK, Australia, Canada, USA, and New Zealand with guaranteed opportunity for progression to 70+ world-class universities.



“My favourite modules have been EAP (English for Academic Purposes) and Global studies because it helped with my essay writing skills and prepared me with knowledge of content I will be taught at University. After I finish my studies, I would like to become a Lawyer.”

Sarah, Nigeria



Kings Cross (Zone 1), only a few minutes' walk to the International Study Centre.

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The NCUK Guarantee

NCUK is a provider of high-quality qualifications, which offer a pathway to leading universities for international students. Upon successful completion of an NCUK qualification, students are guaranteed* entry to 70+ world-class universities in the UK, USA, Canada, Australia, and New Zealand.

Several of these universities are ranked in the world's top 100 and include a number of Russell Group universities.

Why study with NCUK?

100+

NCUK recruits students from over 100 nationalities every year.

50,000+

students have successfully progressed to top-ranked Universities.

99%

visa success rate for NCUK students.

92%

of students feel proud to be part of the NCUK alumni network.

90%

of NCUK students get into their first choice university.

80%

of NCUK students achieve a first or second class degree at university.

*Guaranteed entry is subject to the satisfaction of the minimum entry requirements presented in NCUK's University Course Finder and the criteria set out in the NCUK Guarantee terms. Please visit www.ncuk.ac.uk/guarantee or scan the QR code for full terms and conditions.

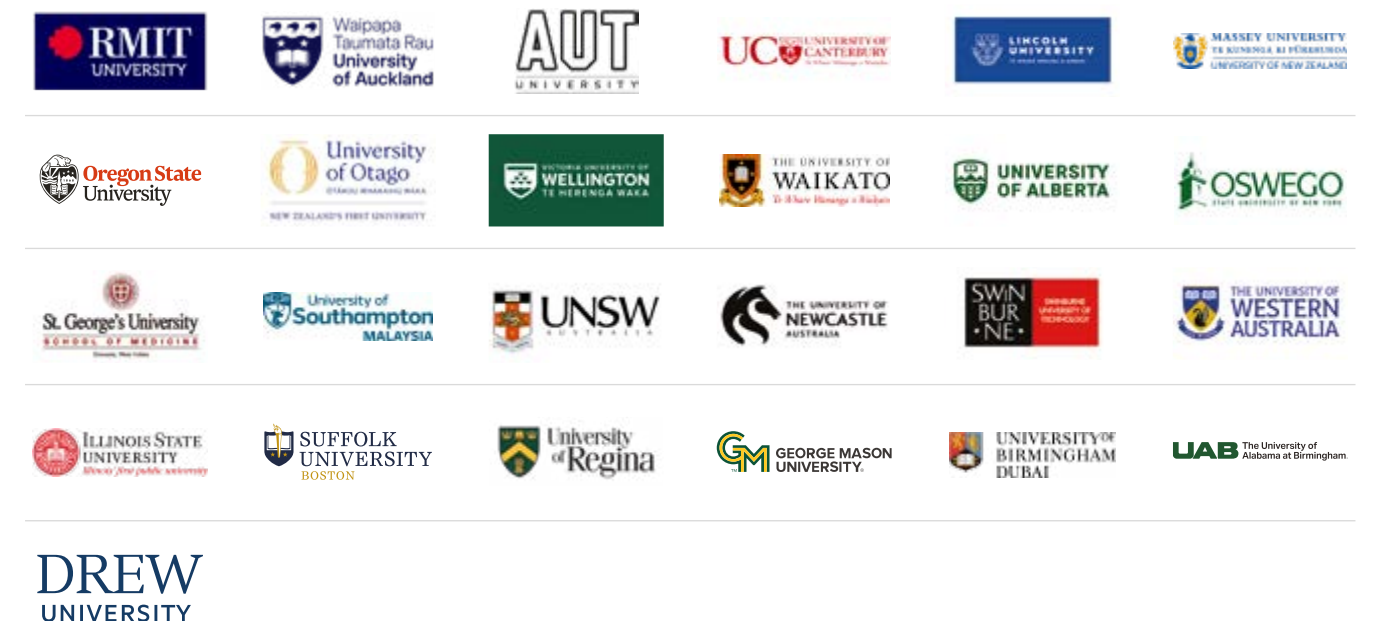


NCUK University Partners in the UK

For the most up-to-date list of NCUK University Partners, please scan the QR code:



NCUK University Partners Worldwide




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UNIVERSITY

NCUK University Partner Highlights

NCUK offers progression to 70+ world-class universities, here is a selection of NCUK UK University Partners you can progress to:

For a full list
of partners
scan here:



Based in one of the most dynamic, global student cities, The University of Manchester offers a world-class learning experience rooted in a rich educational heritage. The university, which is a member of the prestigious Russell Group, is regularly ranked amongst some of the best universities in the UK and internationally.

Ranked 7th in the UK and 35th in the world
QS World University Rankings 2026

The second most targeted university by the UK's
top 100 recruiters
The Graduate Market in 2024



The University of Leeds, a leading university established in 1904, is one of the largest universities in the UK. Students will be part of a diverse and vibrant community in a thriving city known for its cultural and economic significance.

The university's extensive range of courses, state-of-the-art facilities, and strong employability focus will equip students with the skills needed to excel in the global job market.

Ranked 13th in the UK and 86th in the world
QS World University Rankings 2026

Top 100 university in the world
QS World Rankings 2026



The University of Sheffield, located in the vibrant city of Sheffield, is a member of the Russell Group and is a research-intensive university with a global reputation for excellence and outstanding student experience.

Their impactful research addresses global challenges, from pioneering treatments for diseases to advancing sustainable technologies, collaborating with industry, government, and international academic partners.

Ranked 15th in the UK and 92nd in the world
QS World University Rankings 2026

Ranked 18th in the UK
Complete University Guide 2025



Queen Mary University of London is the third largest college of the University of London, with the main based in the east of the city. It is a member of the Russell Group of research universities and has roots dating back to 1785. Queen Mary has a strong international reputation, with 32,000 students made up of over 170 nationalities.

Queen Mary has the world's largest academic health science centre and is well known for medical teaching and research at Barts and the London School of Medicine and Dentistry.

Ranked 18th in the UK and 110th in the world
QS World University Rankings 2026

7th in the world for international outlook
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2024



NCUK University Partner Highlights



The University of Huddersfield is a modern university with world-class facilities in a thriving town. Located in the heart of West Yorkshire, the university offers international students a vibrant and diverse campus experience.

On campus, there are over 110 clubs and societies catering to a wide range of interests, from sports to arts, allowing students to connect and make lifelong friends while enjoying the vibrant atmosphere of Huddersfield.

Guaranteed pathway progression to study BSc Adult Nursing, for students who successfully complete the International Foundation Year (Nursing pathway).

These students will not be required to submit an application via UCAS; they will automatically receive a progression offer upon successful completion of their foundation programme.



Kingston University London is a dynamic institution that combines academic excellence with a prime location in one of the world's most iconic cities. Recognised for its commitment to teaching quality, innovation, and inclusivity, Kingston ranks highly among UK universities and offers international students an opportunity to thrive.

Kingston University London is passionate about enhancing their students' life chances by helping them make the most of their learning opportunities and equipping them with the future skills and knowledge needed in the 21st Century's demanding workplace.

Top 10 in the UK in seven subject areas
Guardian University Guide 2024

In the top 50 in the UK for student satisfaction
Complete University Guide 2024



Aston University is renowned for its impact and award-winning teaching, offering international students a world-class study abroad experience in the vibrant second largest UK city, Birmingham. Aston boasts top rankings in health professions, engineering and international relations.

It has a comprehensive campus providing academic, social, and accommodation facilities, as well as a strong reputation and commitment to student success in one of the friendliest, most diverse and multicultural communities in the UK.

Triple-accredited business school

Ranked 21st in the UK
Guardian University Guide 2025



With three out of four campuses located in the centre of London, students will be given the opportunity to gain practical skills and professional expertise for their future career, while being part of a supportive and vibrant community.

The university's close relationships with employers and leading businesses will help students build a lasting global network and boost their career prospects. And, as a student in one of the world's best student cities, they can enjoy social and cultural activities from theatres and music to restaurants and sport.

Top 250 young university in the world
Times Higher Education Young University Rankings 2024

Top 20 in the UK and in the top 30 globally for international students
THE World University Rankings 2024



Our International Study Centre

Your classes will take place within Malvern House London, an established international education centre, and you will study in one of the most vibrant, and diverse cities in the world.



95%
pass rate
for English for
Academic Purposes
(October cohort
2024-25)

You will benefit from:

Central location

We are based in the heart of London, only a few minutes' walk from Kings Cross station in zone 1, so you'll be right in the heart of the city and well connected to explore.

Small class sizes

You will study a range of subject modules in small interactive and supportive classes with a focus on your personal development to help you achieve, succeed and grow. We make sure we can spend time with every student and give them the support they need to reach their full potential.

University-style teaching

Through every step of your journey with us, you will be supported by highly qualified teachers. You will get used to university style teaching whilst building your abilities to study effectively through 24 hours of class teaching per week and regular personal tutorial sessions.

Dedicated support team

Your personal tutor will meet with you regularly to ensure you are on track to pass the programme and progress to your chosen degree and any issues you might have inside or outside the classroom. During your programme you'll be able to visit universities to see which one is the best fit for you. Our Placements team will advise you on how, when and what degree programme to apply for.

"My favourite module has been English Language because it helped me improve my communication skills, as English is not our first language where I'm from in Nigeria. I want to further my education by pursuing a Master's degree and learning more about Nursing, as I aspire to become a Nurse Researcher."

Emeka, Nigeria



2024-25 University Offers

Our students have achieved outstanding success in the 2025 university application cycle. They have secured offers from leading Russell Group universities, as well as several globally-recognised institutions ranked within the top 200 of the QS World University Rankings.

85% of students have received three or more offers
(UCAS, March 2025)

82% of university offers are from NCUK partner universities
(UCAS, March 2025)

Offers have been received from:

23 NCUK University Partners

9 of the top QS 200 World Universities
(QS World University Rankings 2025)

8 Russell Group Universities

Highlight of 2024-25 University Offers

Nationality	Subject	University	Grades
Tunisia	Aerospace Engineering	University of Manchester	A*AA
Uzbekistan	Economics and Finance	University of Manchester	AAA
Israel	Computer Science & AI with Industrial Experience	Queen Mary University of London	AAA
Jordan	Law	University of Reading	AAB
Nigeria	Law	University of Kent	AAB
Jordan	Mechanical Engineering	University of Liverpool	AAB
Uzbekistan	Game Design	University of Liverpool	ABB
China	Electrical Engineering	Queen Mary University of London	ABB
Nigeria	Cyber Security	Manchester Metropolitan University	BBB
Nigeria	Adult Nursing	Kingston University	BBB
Thailand	Computer Science	Brunel University of London	BBB
Pakistan	Computer Science	University of Westminster	CCC

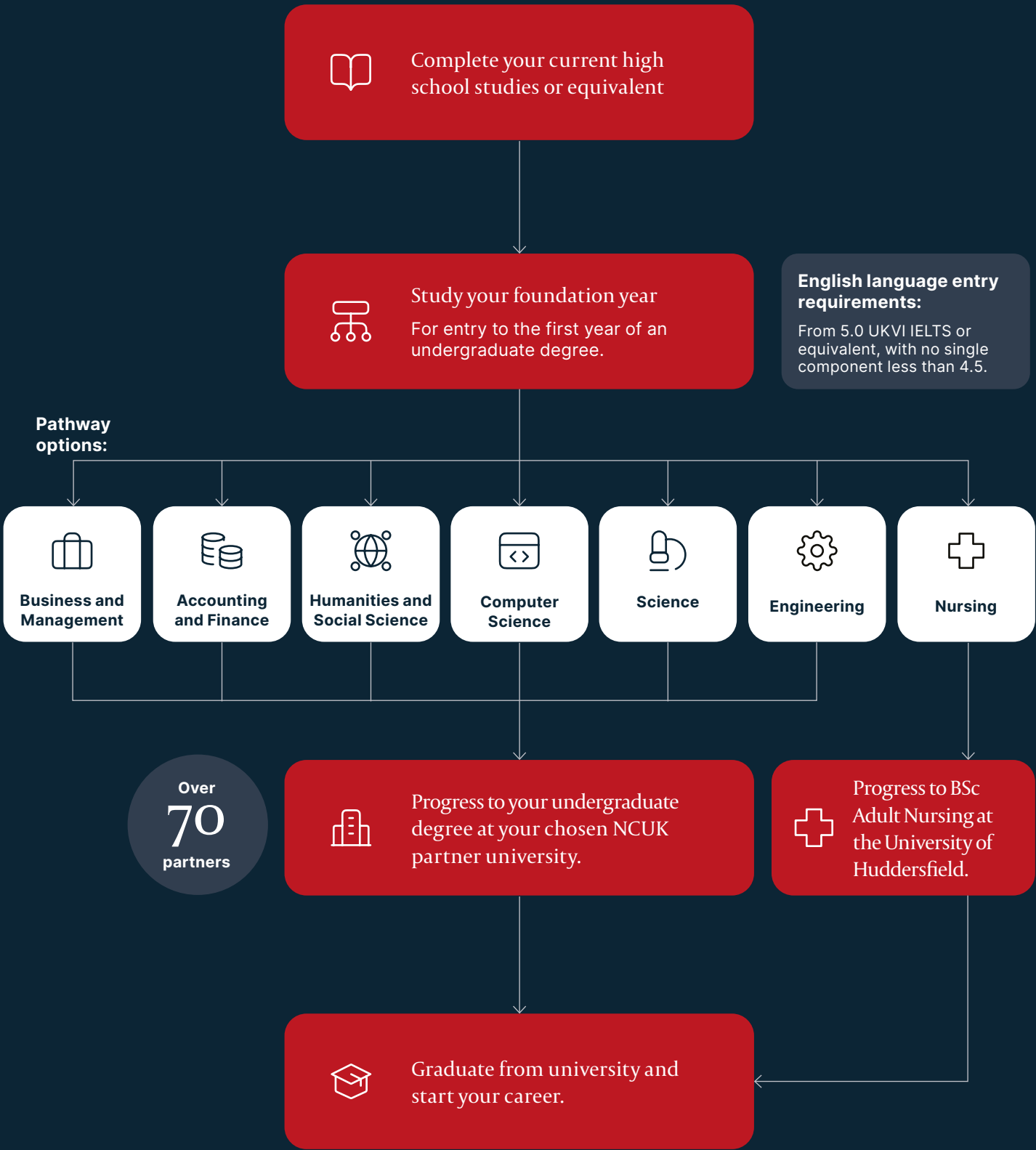
"The staff at NCUK ISC have supported me throughout the course by guiding me through accommodation, helping me settle into life in London, and encouraging me to explore and experience the city. Thanks to my teachers guidance when choosing where to apply, I have received offers from top UK universities such as Queen Mary University of London and the University of Surrey."

Yichen, China, A*AB



Your route to a top university

You can qualify for entry to an undergraduate degree at one of 70+ NCUK partner universities. A foundation programme can help you meet the academic and English requirements to enter the first year of your chosen degree.



“My teachers showed me all my university options and guided me through the entire application process with support every step of the way. Thanks to their help, I’m now studying Law LLB at the University of Leeds.”

Baariq, Trinidad & Tobago

NCUK International Foundation Year

This programme prepares you for studying at some of the world's most prestigious universities. In this course you are eased into university study with classroom teaching that is interactive and supportive.

You will study three academic modules plus English for Academic Purposes to give you the knowledge you need to progress to your chosen university.

The International Foundation Year allows you to study core modules and tailor your learning by taking related streams for your chosen progression degree.

Key facts

Start date:


September 2026
January 2027

Tuition fee:

£17,600

Entry criteria	
English level:	From 5.0 UKVI IELTS or equivalent, with no single component less than 4.5.
Academic requirements:	Please scan QR code below to see details for your country.
Guideline minimum age:	September: 16 years of age. Students must turn 17 years of age by 31 December of the year of course commencement. January: 17 years of age.

For more information including academic entry requirements and fees, scan here:

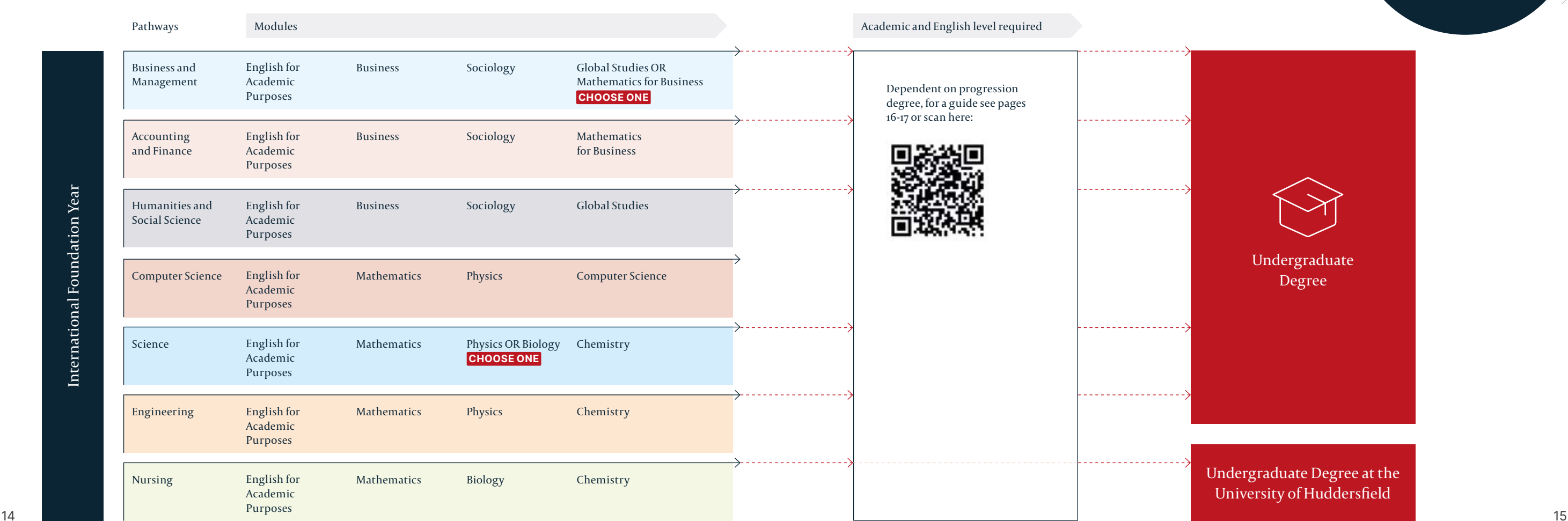




Scholarships available

Contact us or your Education Counsellor for more details.

Progression route



Progress to a prestigious undergraduate degree

On successful completion of the International Foundation Year, you could progress to one of thousands of degrees offered by NCUK’s University Partners.

A selection of the most popular degrees from Russell Group and Top UK universities and the grades you require from your International Foundation Year to progress are outlined below:

A

B

C

English for Academic Purposes requirements

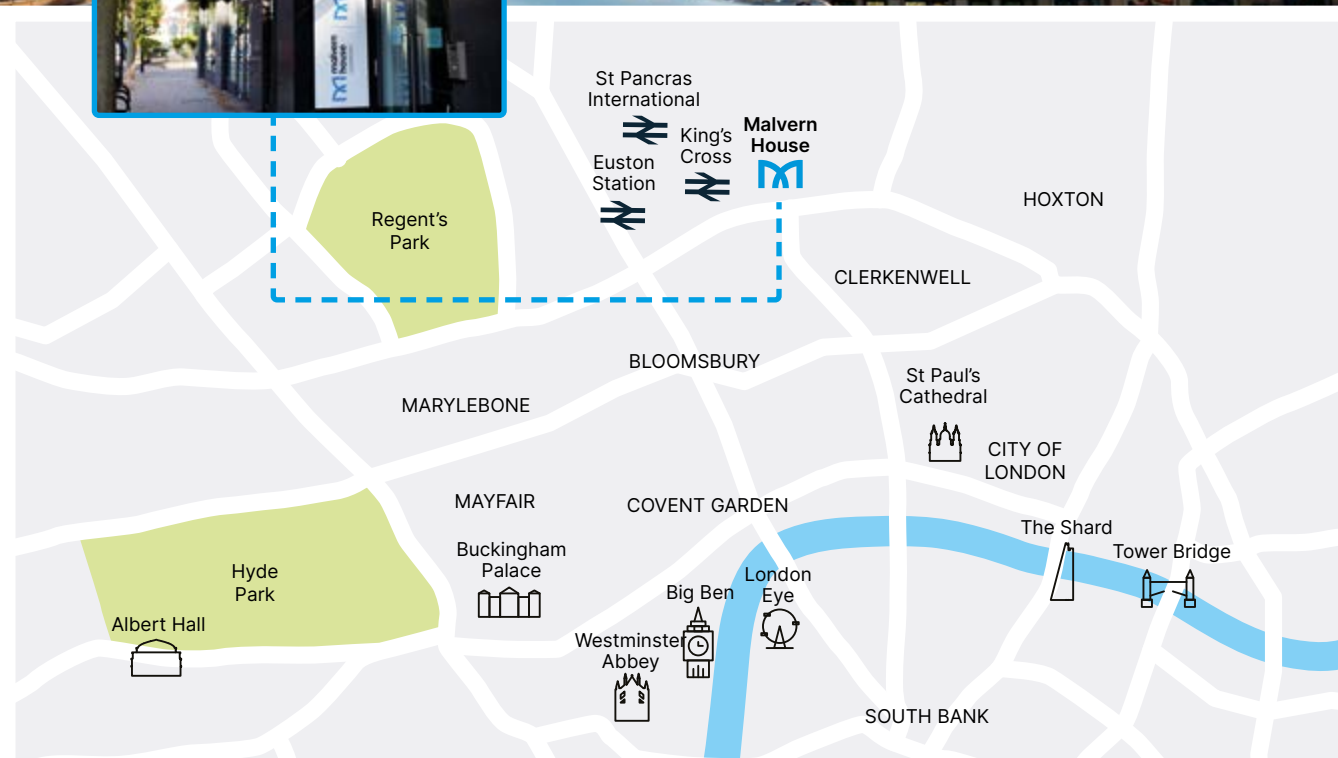
AAAInternational Foundation Year requirements

6.5*IELTS requirements

	University of Manchester	University of Sheffield	University of Leeds	Queen Mary Uni. of London		Durham University	Aston University	University of Bristol	Lancaster University	University of York	Kingston University	University of Westminster	Brunel University
Business and Management													
BA (Hons) Business Management and Economics		B AAB									C BBB	C BBC	
BA (Hons) Business Management with Marketing			B AAA										
BA (Hons) International Business Management with Study Abroad		B AAB						B AAA					
BA Business and Management with Study Abroad						6.5* AAB		B AAA	B ABB				
BA/BSc (Hons) Business Management		B AAB	B AAA	B AAA			B BBB	B AAA	B ABB	B AAB		C BBC	B AAB
BSc (Hons) Business Economics			B AAA						B AAB		C BBB		
BSc (Hons) International Business Finance and Economics	A AAA												
BSc (Hons) Management (International Business Economics)	A AAA												
BSc (Hons) Management (Marketing)	A AAA												
BSc (Hons) Marketing and Management				B AAA		6.5* AAA							
BSc Marketing							B BBB	B AAA	B AAB				
Accounting and Finance													
BA (Hons) Accounting and Financial Management		B AAB											
BA (Hons) Banking and Finance			B AAA										B AAB
BA/BSc Accounting and Business Management												C BBC	B AAB
BA/BSc Accounting and Management				B AAA				B AAA	B AAB				
BA/BSc (Hons) Accounting and Finance	B AAA		B AAA	B AAA		6.5* AAB	B BBB	B AAA	B AAB	B AAB	C BBC		B AAB
BSc (Hons) Accounting	A AAA												
BSc (Hons) Economics and Accounting								B AAA					B AAB
BSc (Hons) Economics and Finance	A AAA	B AAA	B AAA	B AAA				B AAA	B AAB	B AAB			
BSc Accounting, Business Finance and Management										B AAB			
BAEcon/BSc (Hons) Finance	A AAA			B AAA		6.5* AAB	B BBB		B AAB			C BBC	
BSc Mathematics and Finance										B AAA			
Humanities and Social Science													
BA (Hons) Criminology and Sociology	B ABB								B BBB			C BCC	
BA/BSc (Hons) Economics	B AAA	B AAB	B AAA	B AAA		6.5* A*AA	B BBB	B A*AA	B AAB	B AAB	B BBB	C BBC	B AAB
BA/BSc (Hons) Economics and Politics	B AAA	B AAB	B AAA	A AAA		6.5* A*AA	B BBC	B AAA		B AAB			
BA (Hons) Economics, Politics and International Relations									C AAB				
BA (Hons) French and Politics				A ABB									
BA (Hons) History and Philosophy			B AAB										
BA (Hons) Mathematics and Philosophy	B A*AA		B AAA					B A*AA	B AAA	B AAB			
BA (Hons) Philosophy	B ABB		B AAB			6.5* AAA		A AAA	B ABB	B AAB			
BA (Hons) Philosophy and Theology						6.5* AAA		A AAA					
BA/BSc (Hons) Philosophy and Politics	B ABB	B AAB	B AAB			6.5* AAA		A AAA	B ABB	B AAB			
BA Arabic and International Relations												C BCC	
Science and Engineering													
BEng (Hons) Biomedical Engineering		B AAA		C AAB			C ABB			C ABB			
BEng (Hons) Chemical Engineering	B AAA	C AAA	C AAA	C AAA			C BBB		B ABB				C AAA
BEng (Hons) Civil Engineering	B AAA	B AAA	C AAB			6.5* A*AA	C BBC	B A*AA			C BBC		C AAB
BEng (Hons) Computer Systems Engineering		C AAB		C ABB									C AAB
BEng (Hons) Electrical and Electronic Engineering	A A*AA	B AAA	C AAA	C ABB			C BBC	B AAA	B AAA	C ABB	C AAB		C AAB
BNurs/BSc (Hons) Adult Nursing	A BBC										C BBC		
BSc (Hons) Biomedical Sciences		B AAB	C AAA	B AAB			B BBB	B AAA	B AAB	B AAA	C BBC	C CCC	C AAB
BSc (Hons) Computer Science (Artificial Intelligence)		B A*AA	C AAA										B AAB
BSc (Hons) Cognitive Neuroscience and Psychology	A AAA												
BSc (Hons) Material Science and Engineering	C AAB	C AAB	C AAB	C ABB									
BEng (Hons) Aerospace Engineering	B A*AA	B AAA		C AAA				B A*AA			C BBC		B AAB

Your guide to London

London is one of the most diverse and cosmopolitan cities in the world. Over 300 languages are spoken, and there are almost limitless social and cultural experiences to enjoy – from music to museums and theatres to sports events.



“Studying in London has been quite cool. I’ve gone to study groups which has been nice because we get to know each other and study. It gives me an opportunity to meet new people and learn about different cultures and religions. Once I’ve completed my degree in Diagnostic Radiography, I would like to go back to my home country and practice what I’ve learnt so far because it would be a great honour to make a great impact in my home country.”

Chioma, Nigeria



Buckingham Palace is the official London residence of the British monarch. The famous Changing of the Guard attracts visitors from around the globe.



Over **192 museums** with 11 national museums including the British Museum.



Borough Market and Camden Market are some of the most famous street food markets.



24,000 restaurants in London, from high-end dining experiences to low-cost takeaway options.



More than **22,000 music performances** a year across London’s 300+ venues including the O2 arena – the world’s most popular music venue.



Over **197 festivals** take place every year including the largest free festival the Mayor’s Thames Festival, and Europe’s biggest street festival, the Notting Hill Carnival which attracts near one million people.



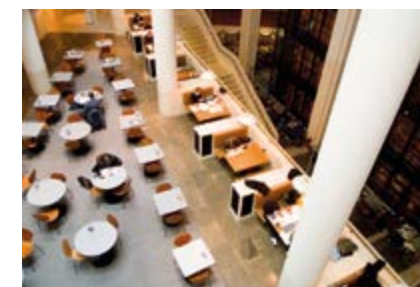
River Thames is the longest river in England and the second-longest in the United Kingdom.



One of the **fashion capitals of the world**, alongside Paris, Milan, and New York. It hosts the biannual London Fashion Week, one of the high-profile fashion events globally.



Home to some of the world’s most **iconic transport system**. The London Tube connects you to sights across the city or jump on a double decker bus to sightsee some of the world’s most iconic buildings.



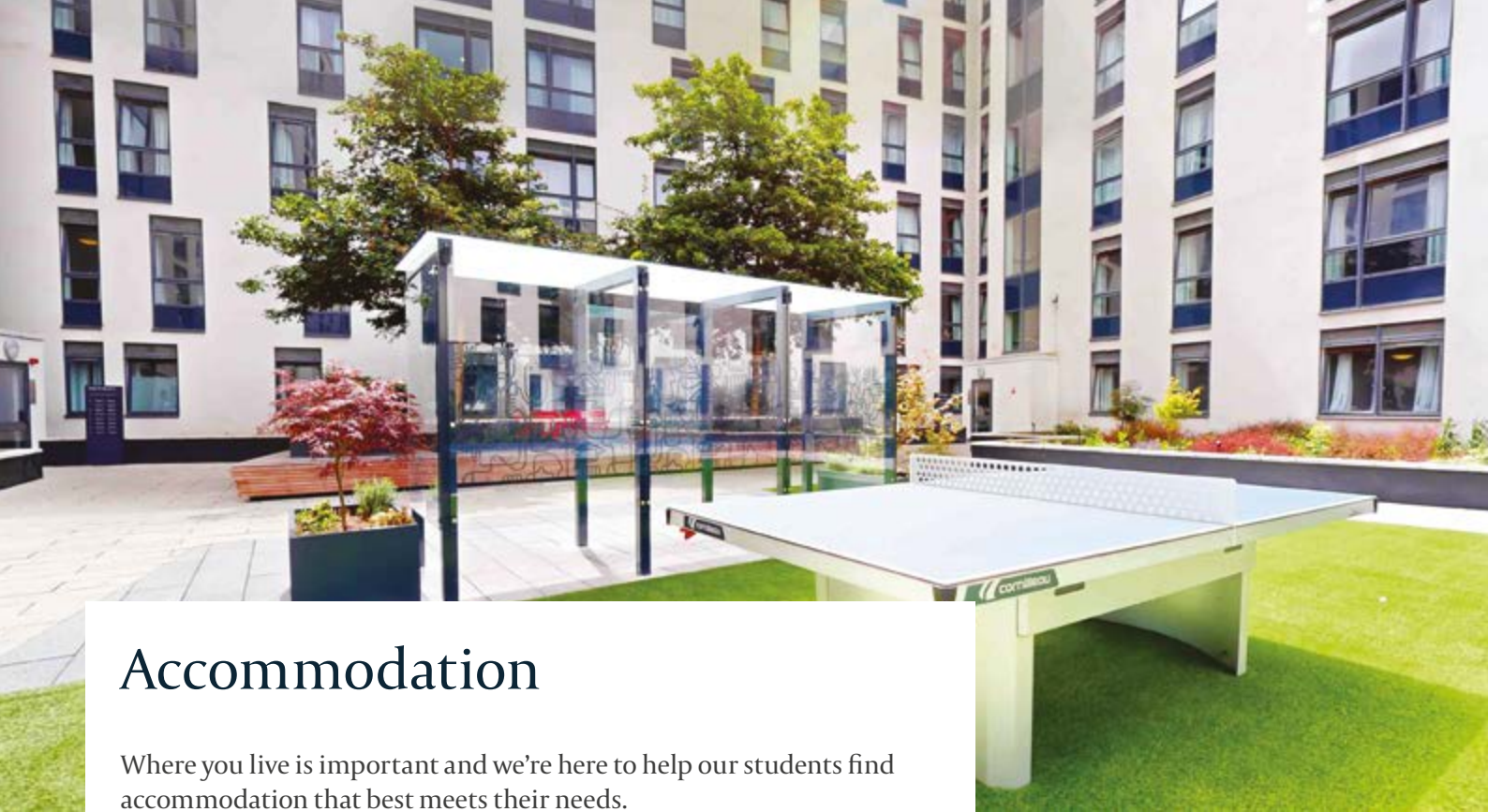
More than **800 bookshops** and over **325 public libraries** including the British Library, which holds the Magna Carta.



From musicals and plays to opera and movie premieres, London boasts **hundreds of entertainment facilities** to keep you up-to-date on popular culture.



Tate Modern is one of the top ten most visited galleries in the world.



Accommodation

Where you live is important and we're here to help our students find accommodation that best meets their needs.

We have good options for students to suit a range of budgets either on site or within an easy commute to our centre.



Residence

Residence accommodation is recommended for students who appreciate being independent, prefer to cook for themselves, and live in a social setting with fellow international students. All accommodation has been assessed by our Student Accommodation team for its suitability and location.

iQ Sterling Court is a convenient choice for students studying at NCUK International Study Centre, based at Malvern House London. It's roughly a ten-minute walk to Wembley Park station which services the Jubilee & Metropolitan Underground lines.

World famous Wembley Stadium, home of football is right on your doorstep, with the beautiful pedestrianised Olympic Way, full of shops, cafes and restaurants a couple of minutes' walk away. For music fans, Wembley Arena concert space is also close by, hosting world-famous artists.

- Residence features:**
- Self-catering, single ensuite rooms in a flat of 6
 - Small double bed
 - En-suite bathroom
 - Bed linen provided
 - Wifi
 - Access to laundry room
 - Well-equipped shared kitchen and lounge
 - Study space

This is a sample of accommodation options available to students, other options are available upon request.



House share

Twin, double and single rooms, decorated in contemporary style. Each house has a living area with TV and a garden or outside area. Modern bathrooms are tiled, and kitchens fully equipped with a washing machine, cutlery, crockery and cooking utensils. There is weekly cleaning of common areas and bathrooms (including en-suites bathrooms).

- House share features:**
- Fully equipped kitchens
 - En-suite bathroom
 - Bedding/linen provided
 - Free Wi-Fi access
 - TV in the living area
 - All bills included
 - Cleaning of common areas
 - Cleaning of all bathrooms
 - Local Representative

Homestay

Homestay accommodation is available to all students, and is required for those under 18 years of age. It's a chance to experience local life, a home away from home, and to learn things from your host that you would probably never learn in the classroom. Our hosts are a reflection of the cities they live in: where they live, who they live with, the type of building they live in, the jobs they do, and how they spend their free time. But all of them are curious about international students and other cultures, and enthusiastic about sharing their lives and interests with others. All hosts for under-18s have completed the required local council background and police (DBS) checks.



- Homestay features:**
- Single room
 - Shared bathroom
 - Bed linen, towels
 - Wifi
 - Access to a washing machine
- Options:**
- Meal plan: self catering, breakfast (B&B), breakfast and dinner (half board)
 - Private bathroom
 - Twin (shared) room
 - Special diets
 - Homestay hosts are 25-60 minutes travel from the centre

Next steps

1. Application:

Submit your application online: www.ncuk.malverninternational.com/apply-now or scan the QR code below



Our team will contact you to submit your supporting documents:

- A copy of your passport
- A copy of your academic transcript and certificate
- Proof of your English language level (UKVI IELTS or equivalent)
- A Personal Statement

Additional documentation may be required depending on your application. If our team need more information, we will let you know.

2. Admissions assessment:

Our Admissions team will review your application and documents. Some students may be called for pre-screening so keep an eye out for a call from us.

3. Offer letter:

We will send you an offer letter. It may be conditional and we'll let you know what we will need from you, or it will be unconditional.

If we think the course is not right for you, we will suggest an alternative.

4. Accept your offer:

To hold your place on the course, you will need to meet all the remaining conditions. We can only confirm your place once all conditions have been met and the deposit paid. Please note that if you require a visa to study with us, you may need to provide additional evidence to comply with the visa regulations in the UK. You may also need to pass a credibility interview. We'll let you know more about how to prepare.

5. CAS issued:

Once you have paid your remaining fees, met all the conditions of offer and passed a credibility interview if required, we will confirm your place and send you a Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS). You will need this to obtain a visa. Please note a CAS can only be issued up to six months before the start of the course (if you apply from outside the UK) or up to three months (if you are eligible to apply from within the UK).

6. Apply for visa:

You will then need to apply for your visa. It is your responsibility to obtain a visa before you travel to join the course. If you do not have a valid visa for studies in the UK, you will not be able to join the course.


7. Arrival:

You should arrive on the weekend before the start date of the course. Please tell us when you are coming. We will send you pre-arrival information about your course and life in the UK.

We look forward to welcoming you!

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