## Accounting and Finance

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### MSc Accounting and Finance

This taught postgraduate programme is research-led and will draw heavily on academic literature. It will develop your ability to critically analyse technical aspects of accounting and finance practice and governance.

In the first term you will explore contemporary issues in accounting and finance research literature. You will also build key skills in both quantitative and qualitative research methods. This will prepare you for the more specialist elective units taught in the second term. The final part of the MSc is a research-based dissertation, which involves identifying and analysing a research question in finance under the guidance of a member of staff. The dissertation gives you an opportunity to explore an original problem, source and process the relevant financial data, analyse that data and learn to draw appropriate conclusions. The results are presented in a final report of up to 15,000 words.

For those planning on undertaking a PhD, either at Bristol or elsewhere, this dissertation represents an important bridge between taught and advanced research studies.

This programme develops skills for critical analysis of accounting and finance topics, which will be valuable in your future career. The strong conceptual foundation it offers will support students who want to pursue an academic or professional career in accounting or finance.

**Entry requirements:** This specialist programme is for students who have an upper second-class degree in accounting and/or finance. Students with a finance degree are required to have studied accounting to an appropriate level.

### MSc Accounting, Finance and Management

This highly successful MSc programme is designed for students who want to put greater emphasis on finance, accounting and management topics in their graduate studies. The programme is academically rigorous and tailored to the needs of the current business environment.

In the first term you will develop key skills and a grounding in accounting, finance and management. This will prepare you for the more advanced units taught in the second term. The final part of the MSc is a project-based dissertation of between 10,000 and 15,000 words. Options for dissertation subject areas are provided and you will be able to choose from a set of dissertation topics in these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you are expected to acquire and use literature search skills for a range of electronic and traditional sources.

Throughout your studies you will learn and develop academic skills that will be relevant for future employment, such as analysis, synthesis and critical thinking. Some graduates of this programme have gone on to more specialised studies, while others have progressed to employment, with the banking and accounting/consulting sectors being particular favourites.

**Entry requirements:** A first or very good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) that demonstrates mathematical ability.

### MSc Economics, Accounting and Finance

This programme aims to take graduate students with only a limited knowledge of economics, management and/or finance and provide them with an understanding of the key concepts and contemporary issues in the field.
You will read and assess the current literature in the main areas of economics, management and finance and form independent, informed judgements about it. You will then plan and embark on a programme of independent research (under appropriate supervision), undertaking a thorough literature review in a prescribed topic area or analysing economic, management or financial data and relating the results to theory.

You will complete four compulsory units, before choosing four from a list of optional units in economics, accounting and finance. The final part of the MSc is a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. A choice of dissertation subject areas is provided and you choose your specific topic from one of these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you will be expected to acquire and use literature search skills for a range of electronic and traditional sources.

The programme will provide you with a sound basis for a future career in a wide range of fields, including economics, accounting, finance, public service and teaching. You will also develop a range of transferable skills that will be valuable for employment in any sector.

**Entry requirements:** A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) that demonstrates mathematical ability.

**MSc Finance and Investment**
This programme is designed to provide you with a thorough grounding in the theoretical and practical sides of finance. It is suitable for individuals with good undergraduate degrees in economics or accounting and finance, but also for those with more scientific backgrounds (eg an undergraduate education in mathematics, engineering or natural sciences). It contains compulsory elements in asset pricing, corporate finance, financial reporting and analysis, and quantitative methods and offers optional units in areas including derivatives, investment management and financial modelling.

The final part of the MSc is a research-based dissertation. This involves identifying and analysing a research question in finance under the guidance of a member of staff. The dissertation gives you an opportunity to explore an original problem, source and process the relevant financial data, analyse that data and learn to draw appropriate conclusions. The results are presented in a final report of up to 15,000 words.

This programme provides excellent preparation for careers in investment management, financial research, trading, consulting and corporate finance, and for further academic study in finance.

**Entry requirements:** A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in finance, accounting, economics, business, mathematics or another quantitative subject, such as engineering, physics or computing.
Biomedical Sciences

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Biomedical Sciences Research | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £10,300 FT Overseas £19,300 FT Bench fee £2,000 (compulsory) | fbs-pg-admissions@bristol.ac.uk

Biophysics and Molecular Life Sciences | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £10,300 FT Overseas £19,300 FT Bench fee £2,000 (compulsory) | fbs-pg-admissions@bristol.ac.uk

Transfusion and Transplantation Sciences | MSc, PG Diploma, PG Certificate | 1yr FT; 2-3yrs PT | UK/EU £10,300 FT (MSc) UK/EU £3,434 3yr PT (MSc) Overseas £19,300 FT (MSc) | fbs-pg-admissions@bristol.ac.uk

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Life Sciences pages (pp50-51). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.

MSc Biomedical Sciences Research

This programme brings together expertise from across the many subject areas in the biomedical sciences to provide you with training in several key areas of current research interest. The programme focuses on experimental science and it is research-informed. It will provide you with practical laboratory-based experience with access to specialist techniques in state-of-the-art facilities.

It is a flexible programme: you will select three lecture-based units and a literature project of your choice during your studies, giving you the opportunity to investigate a range of different topics within the biomedical sciences. For your final research project, you again have the flexibility to choose your research area from a wide range of suggested projects or you can design your own research project, working with academic staff. You can also choose a project offered at an off-campus site, such as Southmead Hospital, Bristol Dental School or the Bristol Heart Institute.

You will learn in small teaching and tutorial groups. The taught and research elements of this MSc are carefully balanced: your research project, for example, runs over a 12-week period free of lectures, allowing you to focus solely on your project.

The skills you can develop during this programme include presentation, report-writing and work-planning. Several students have contributed to published papers and many go on to study at PhD level. Others have taken a wide range of career pathways that include research in industry, teaching and medical training.

**Entry requirements:** Preferably a first or upper second-class honours degree in biochemistry, biophysics, life sciences, chemistry, physics or an equivalent subject, plus a minimum grade B in A-level Chemistry (or equivalent qualification). Applications from students with a lower second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) and practical experience will also be considered.

MSc Biophysics and Molecular Life Sciences

Biophysics provides structural and mechanistic insights into the biological world and uses this knowledge to create solutions for major global problems, such as food production, environmental damage and drug production. It spans the distance between the vast complexity of biological systems and the relative simplicity of the physical laws that govern the universe.

Our Biophysics and Molecular Life Sciences MSc provides interdisciplinary training by bringing together concepts from chemistry, physics and the life sciences. It is taught by staff actively pursuing research in these areas and members of BrisSynBio, a flagship centre for synthetic biology research in the UK.

The programme gives you an opportunity to gain knowledge and practical experience by studying molecular interactions and mechanisms from the level of the cell to that of the single molecule.

Topics for study include molecular structure determination, dynamic molecular mechanisms, molecular simulation, molecular design and single-molecule technologies. You can also choose an additional unit that reflects your personal interests, allowing you to broaden your knowledge of biomedical subjects while focusing on biophysics. You will learn about the commercialisation of research outcomes, including intellectual property, setting up a business, getting investment, marketing and legal issues.

There are three mandatory units plus a literary project: an extended essay on a subject chosen from an extensive list of options. You will also study one further lecture-based unit of your choice. Finally, you will work independently under the guidance of a member of staff to produce a written project proposal. This is followed by a 12-week research project investigating your chosen topic. The research project forms the basis for a dissertation.

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Graduates from this programme will be well-prepared for a PhD programme in biophysics or related fields. Additionally, the numerical, problem-solving, research and communication skills gained on this programme are highly desired by employers in a variety of industries.

Robust evidence is the cornerstone of science and on this programme you will gain research experience in laboratories equipped with state-of-the-art equipment, including facilities for atomic force and electron microscopy, biological and chemical NMR, x-ray crystallography and mass spectrometry.

Your learning will be supported throughout the programme by regular, small-group tutorials.

**Entry requirements:** Preferably a first or upper second-class honours degree in biochemistry, biophysics, life sciences, chemistry, physics or an equivalent subject, plus a minimum grade B in A-level Chemistry (or equivalent qualification). Applications from students with a lower second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) and practical experience will also be considered.

**MSc Transfusion and Transplantation Sciences**

This programme covers a fascinating range of subjects, including molecular biology, genetics, biochemistry, microbiology, immunology, tissue engineering, clinical medicine, laboratory management and statistics.

It is accredited by the Institute of Biomedical Science and is based at NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) in Filton, one of the largest transfusion centres in the world, enabling visits to manufacturing, testing and tissue typing sections. You will learn from specialist lecturers from the University, NHSBT and NHS hospitals, and have an opportunity to become fully embedded in an NHS environment while you develop your knowledge.

The programme will give you extensive practical experience of transfusion and transplantation, allowing you to gain skills that directly relate to your future career. As well as being of academic interest, this continually developing area of healthcare science has a major impact on patients’ quality of life.

The programme comprises eight taught units that run from September to March and a research project that begins in May and runs until August. As an example, project topics have included:

- A study on red cell antibody formation in trauma patients
- Optimisation of platelet antigen detection using recombinant proteins
- Expression of red cell membrane proteins during large-scale red cell culture
- A comparison of stem cell mobilisation drugs for stem cell transplantation.

Assessments are designed to teach skills such as comprehension, scientific writing in different formats and conference skills, and to further knowledge in subject areas not covered in the lectures. Students must pass the taught component to be able to progress to the project.

Part-time students complete the Postgraduate Certificate components in their first year and the Postgraduate Diploma in the second. The project is usually taken during year three to complete the MSc.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in medicine, biomedical science/clinical laboratory science or related subjects. A lower second-class honours degree or non-degree qualifications may be considered with evidence of laboratory experience and other academic achievement.
Civil Engineering

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**MSc Earthquake Engineering and Infrastructure Resilience**

Our aim is to produce the next generation of leaders in earthquake engineering and natural disaster risk management, who want to make an impact on the design of the built environment, the mitigation of seismic loss and the protection of human life. This specialist MSc combines earthquake, structural and geotechnical engineering with infrastructure design, assessment and management. This discipline demands world-class facilities and at Bristol you will have access to the state-of-the-art BLADE/EQUALS laboratory, including one of the most advanced earthquake shaking tables in Europe.

One of the many highlights of the year is a field trip to an earthquake affected area in south-east Europe. You will have the opportunity to visit structures designed with innovative methods to resist earthquake forces or inspect the damage of a recent aftermath by using modern tools for non-destructive material testing and remote imaging.

Throughout the programme you will work together with expert staff and international partners, exposing you to real-world challenges that engineers face. Industry links are integral to the programme and our graduates are highly sought after by major UK and international employers. You could find yourself working for engineering design and construction firms, in the UK or worldwide, that operate in earthquake-prone regions such as south Europe, the US, Asia, the Middle East, New Zealand and Latin America. Alternatively, you could go on to work for a government body responsible for civil protection, finance and decision making. Graduates may also decide to pursue academia and further study in this exciting field.

Whatever you choose, you will develop a range of transferable skills, such as problem solving, critical thinking and teamwork, as well as having a number of professional contacts to draw on.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in an engineering discipline or closely related field. A lower second-class honours degree or above (or international equivalent) will also be considered from applicants who can demonstrate three years of work experience in a related field.

**MSc Water and Environmental Management**

This programme provides the skills and knowledge required for a career in water and environmental management. You will acquire academic and practical skills, as well as developing a detailed knowledge of fundamental environmental processes and the ways in which these need to be managed sustainably. The programme is taught by leading practitioners, which may include personnel from the Environment Agency and the Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs. The MSc addresses the complex issue of water and environmental security in a changing world.

Core units provide a common platform of underpinning skills and knowledge at master’s level in the basics of water and environmental management. These units provide you with mathematics, computing and research skills, together with a firm understanding of fundamental processes that govern water movement through the atmosphere, atmosphere – biosphere interactions and water flows through river catchments. These units also explore how this fundamental understanding leads to environmental management, policy and legislation at local, national and international levels. You will also select two optional units and complete a research-based dissertation.

The programme will help you become a high-level practitioner in water and environmental management and gain advanced skills and knowledge in the fundamental engineering principles that underpin this field. Students who have completed this programme have gone on to work for government agencies both in the UK and overseas, for water companies and for environmental consultancies.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in engineering or science. Other disciplines will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

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Comparative Literatures and Cultures

The MA in Comparative Literatures and Cultures gives you the opportunity to study the encounters and exchanges between literatures and cultures across Europe and beyond. We welcome graduates of all arts and humanities disciplines.

You will become acquainted with the theory and practice of comparative cultural study, and consider how concepts of national cultures cross borders and interact with ideas of the global and transnational. You will gain a thorough grounding in cultural theory, critical reading and research skills, and put this theoretical knowledge into practice by studying topics and themes that span the disciplines, national contexts and time periods taught by experts in the School of Modern Languages.

You’ll learn how cultures develop, how they become part of a nation’s character, and how different cultures flex and change as they come into contact with each other and are translated and appropriated across borders.

While knowledge of a foreign language is not a requirement for this programme, you will have the opportunity to learn a language at a variety of levels, from beginner to advanced, and to engage with material in foreign languages throughout the MA. The programme culminates in a dissertation, an extended piece of original academic research.

As a postgraduate, you will be considered a full member of the academic community, with the opportunity to participate in the many research seminars and conferences taking place within the Faculty of Arts.

The MA is based in Bristol’s School of Modern Languages, which is home to specialists working on a wide variety of cultural contexts – from the medieval period to the modern day; from Europe to Latin America and Africa.

Studying comparative literatures and cultures allows you to develop a range of analytical skills and a multi-cultural and interdisciplinary awareness that will allow you to excel in many different professions. Graduates of this programme will be well prepared for doctoral studies in the humanities and arts, as well as careers in business, publishing, law, the civil service, teaching and journalism.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in an arts or humanities discipline, such as modern languages, English or comparative literature, linguistics, history, visual art, theatre or film. Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

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Computer Science

This MSc is for students who already have a first degree in computer science or a related subject. It allows you to gain expertise with more advanced material in a range of specialist areas and covers both theory and practical application. It is suitable preparation for either a career in industry or a PhD.

The Department of Computer Science is very active in research; for example, it has the largest cryptography group in the world and one of the largest intelligent systems groups in the UK. Staff have good links with leading researchers and industrial partners internationally.

Skilled professionals and researchers, who are able to apply these technologies to current problems and thereby push the limits of what computers can effectively do, are in high demand in today’s job market.

You will have a wide choice of taught units, which are based around specialised themes such as intelligent systems, robotics, high-performance computing or creative technologies. These units are studied between September and mid-June.

The flexible structure allows you to shape the programme to suit your interests and career aspirations. You will decide which units to take in consultation with the programme director, informed by your previous experience. Please note that unit combinations will be subject to timetabling constraints.

After completing the taught units, you will work on a project between mid-June and late September. The project consists of researching, planning and implementing a major piece of work. The project must contain a significant scientific or technical component and will usually involve software development.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree with a final average of 65 per cent or above (or international equivalent) in computer science or a related discipline.

Good programming skills are also required.

This programme is designed to give you a significant advantage in the fast-paced world of emerging creative technologies industries. The programme will also give you the knowledge and experience to continue studying for a PhD, or to enter a career in research.

With strong links to industry through the faculty’s academic staff and the University’s Careers Service, we are well placed to support you in your career aspirations in industry or in furthering your academic career.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree with a final average of 65 per cent or above (or international equivalent) in computer science or a related discipline. Good programming skills are also required.

**MSc Advanced Computing – Creative Technology**

Games consoles and mobile devices are now ubiquitous, and computer graphics production has developed so rapidly that the best visual effects are those that you don’t realise are there.

Our Creative Technology programme is designed to introduce you to the rapidly emerging areas of computer science, where technology impacts the creative design process. With a focus on the production of industry-relevant content, this programme introduces the theory behind animation and special effects production, interaction design and robotics.

You will explore a wide range of topics, experience the entire creative design process and develop key skills in independent research.

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**MSc Advanced Computing – Machine Learning, Data Mining and High-Performance Computing**

Machine learning, data mining and high-performance computing are concerned with the automated analysis of large-scale data by computer, in order to extract the useful knowledge hidden in it. Using state-of-the-art artificial intelligence methods, this technology builds computer systems capable of learning from past experience, allowing them to adapt to new tasks, predict future developments and provide intelligent decision support.
This programme is aimed at giving you a solid grounding in machine learning, data mining and high-performance computing technology, and will equip you with the skills necessary to apply these tools and techniques to solving complex scientific and business problems. Skilled professionals and researchers who are able to apply these technologies to current issues are in high demand in today’s job market.

There are four core units and a choice of optional units, which you can select depending on your previous experience or preference.

You will then complete a project that involves researching, planning and implementing a major piece of work. The project must contain a significant scientific or technical component and will usually involve software development. It is usually submitted in September.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree with a final average of 65 per cent or above (or international equivalent) in computer science or a related discipline. Good programming skills are also required.

**MSc Computer Science (conversion)**

This MSc conversion programme is for students from a variety of academic backgrounds who have little or no previous academic computing experience. The aims of the programme are to build:

- an understanding of the basis of computer science and its importance in software development;
- an understanding of the underlying principles of computer systems and their applications;
- an introduction to industrial-style methods of analysis, design, implementation, testing and documentation in software development;
- an appreciation of the current state and future directions of technological advances in computer science.

The course is split into two teaching blocks and a summer project that involves researching, planning and implementing a major piece of work with a significant scientific, technical or software development component. The main programming languages taught on the course are C and Java. There is a strong emphasis on individual and group projects for putting into practice what you learn about software engineering, web technologies, databases, computer architecture and research skills.

By the end of the first teaching block you will have a solid foundation in imperative programming and computer hardware. You will also have begun the literature review component of your project. By the end of the second teaching block you will be able to apply industrial-style tools and techniques for agile software development and web applications in a team working context. You will also have refined your project idea and completed a detailed specification and work plan.

Over summer you will implement and evaluate your project and you will submit a dissertation describing your work in September.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree with a final average of 65 per cent or above (or international equivalent) in any subject other than computer science. Competence in mathematics must be demonstrated, with at least a good grade in GCSE Mathematics or preferably A-level Mathematics or equivalent university-level experience.
Earth Sciences

**MSc Palaeobiology**
This programme is for students who are passionate about early life, dinosaurs, mass extinctions, macroevolution, fossil preservation and understanding the palaeobiology of extinct organisms. It examines quantitative aspects of the fossil record and the history of life. The research-oriented MSc bridges the biology – geology divide and will provide you with a strong background for independent research to PhD level or for a career in museums, libraries, management or the media. This interdisciplinary programme is taught mainly in the School of Earth Sciences, along with some archaeology and biology units. You will engage in current debates in evolutionary biology, systematics and palaeobiology.

You will learn how to analyse problems quantitatively, and design experimental approaches to resolving questions in macroevolution and in the study of ancient organisms. First-hand training in research methods in palaeobiology involves laboratory techniques. In addition, you will learn a range of advanced skills throughout the programme, such as computer software use, numeracy, planning research, problem solving and communication skills. You will learn multimedia techniques, including the presentation of palaeontological data through talks, posters and formal written reports. A key aspect of the programme is preparing your projects for publication, and we provide continuing support to ensure as many projects as possible are published in leading international journals.

The taught element of the programme comprises five core units which all students take, and a number of optional units of which students choose four. The degree is research-based, and about half of our graduates go on to academic careers, usually starting with a PhD. The MSc is focused on methods and you will learn the latest techniques in phylogenetics, biomechanics, and macroevolution training, which are highly sought after by PhD supervisors across the world.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in geology, biological sciences, environmental sciences, archaeology, anthropology, or a related discipline. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**MSc Volcanology**
This MSc examines the physical processes governing the behaviour of volcanoes. The programme is taught by leading scientists who are working at the cutting edge of research into volcanoes, and will provide you with a strong background for independent research to PhD level or for a career in industry, the public sector or a non-governmental organisation. The programme is designed to equip you with knowledge of the physical processes of volcanoes, including both sub-surface and surficial behaviour, insights into important historical eruptions, understanding of risk and risk mitigation, and instruction and experiential learning on data gathering, handling analysis and presentation to publishable standard. You will develop a wide range of skills, such as quantitative and computational skills, including the use of statistical and data handling software; proficiency in critical analysis of scientific material from a variety of sources, including primary research documents and original data; and the ability to synthesise concise and informative material produced for a variety of audiences.

The first part of the programme comprises four core units which all students take, and a number of optional units from which students may choose. These units are taught through lectures, practicals and supervised independent research. Research training through supported research activity and skills development is included. One of the optional units is a two-week field trip to Guatemala. The final part of the programme consists of a research project, which involves self-directed original research leading to a written thesis.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours BSc or MSci (or international equivalent) in earth sciences, geographical sciences, chemistry, physics, computer science, engineering, mathematics or another related subject. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
Economics

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Economics | MRes | 1yr FT | UK/EU £7,100 | efim-pgadmissions@bristol.ac.uk
Graduate Diploma in Economics | Graduate Diploma | 9 months FT | UK/EU £8,800 | efim-pgadmissions@bristol.ac.uk
Economics, Accounting and Finance (for full description, see pp56-57) | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £12,100 | efim-pgadmissions@bristol.ac.uk
Economics and Finance | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £12,100 | efim-pgadmissions@bristol.ac.uk
Economics, Finance and Management | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £12,100 | efim-pgadmissions@bristol.ac.uk

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law pages (pp54-55). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.

**MSc Economics**

This intensive one-year programme provides a flexible and attractive set of units to those interested in applied research. Exit degrees, which are based on optional units taken, provide a distinct choice of academic route – both for students who are interested in a research career and those who want further training at postgraduate level but do not intend to become academic researchers.

The programme will provide you with a sound basis for further study or your future career – not only in economics, but also in a wide range of fields including finance, business management, public service and teaching. You will study four compulsory units in the first term and choose four from a selection of optional units in the second term. There are four available exit degrees, depending on the particular combination of units chosen:

- MSc Economics
- MSc Economics (Macroeconomics)
- MSc Economics (Microeconomics)
- MSc Economics (Economic Policy)

There will be a dissertation element for all of the above programmes. You will apply technical, methodological and intellectual skills developed over the programme to a piece of applied research devised in consultation with a supervisor.

**Entry requirements:** A first or good upper second-class honours degree in economics (or equivalent).

**MRes Economics**

The MRes in Economics is an intensive one-year taught programme that provides advanced training in economics and econometrics. It is designed for students who are interested in going on to further study at PhD level, and emphasises the knowledge and skills needed for PhD research. The programme may also be suitable for anyone planning to work as an economist outside academia, but seeking a good technical training as a foundation for their later career.

Core units cover mathematics for economics, microeconomics, macroeconomics, econometrics and research methods in economics. The final part of the MRes is a dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from the economics department.

The School of Economics, Finance and Management has an international reputation for research excellence. Faculty members in the school regularly publish in top international journals and the school is expanding following substantial recent success in research funding applications.

**Entry requirements:** A good MSc degree (or equivalent) in economics. Consideration may also be given to students with exceptional academic performance at undergraduate level.

**Graduate Diploma in Economics**

This is a fast-track, nine-month programme that provides rigorous training in core skills in analytical economics and econometrics, as well as allowing some specialisation in selected areas of the subject. It is intended for graduates whose first degree did not focus on economics. It is a free-standing qualification, enabling graduates to seek employment in economics-related fields. For graduates intending to pursue further study, the programme is designed to meet entrance requirements for postgraduate programmes at master’s level or higher.

It would be ideal for someone who wanted to do an MSc in Economics and needed some undergraduate-level study as preparation (many of our students have gone on to do master’s degrees or PhDs at Bristol or elsewhere), but can also be used as a stand-alone qualification for those who want an introduction to quantitative economics.
Three core economics units are taken from the school’s undergraduate programmes. You must also select two specialised units from a list of options that includes both second- and third-year undergraduate units, and students must choose at least one third-year unit.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class degree (or international equivalent). Entrance qualifications must include a significant mathematical/statistical component, either at degree level or a minimum of grade A at A-level Mathematics (or equivalent).

**MSc Economics and Finance**

This programme is designed particularly for students who have an appropriate degree and want to expand their career options by building their expertise in finance. You will develop your understanding of economic theory and econometrics, including recent advances in the subject, and acquire a solid understanding of finance theory and its applications to financial markets and corporate finance.

There are four core units and you must also choose four units from a list of options. The final part of the MSc is a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words.

The programme provides excellent preparation for careers in investment management, financial research, trading, consulting and corporate finance, and for further academic study in finance.

**Entry requirements:** A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in economics, finance, mathematics or similar discipline.

**MSc Economics, Finance and Management**

This programme aims to take graduate students with only a limited knowledge of economics, management and/or finance and provide them with an understanding of the key concepts and contemporary issues in the field.

You will read and assess the current literature in the main areas of economics, management and finance and form independent, informed judgements about it. You will then plan and embark on a programme of independent research (under appropriate supervision), undertaking a thorough literature review in a prescribed topic area or analysing economic, management or financial data and relating the results to theory.

After completing four core units, you will choose one optional unit from each of the key subject areas of economics, finance and management and a fourth option from the entire range on offer.

The final part of the MSc is a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. A choice of dissertation subject areas is provided and you choose your specific topic from one of these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you will be expected to acquire and use literature search skills for a range of electronic and traditional sources.

The School of Economics, Finance and Management aims to provide excellence in teaching and learning within a stimulating research environment. Previous graduates have gone on to more specialised studies, while others have progressed to employment, with the banking and accounting/consulting sectors being particular favourites.

**Entry requirements:** A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) that demonstrates mathematical ability.
## Education

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MSc Education
The MSc Education enables students to design a tailored programme of study suited to their cultural and learning needs. Students on this programme will be able to specialise and receive awards in one of the following disciplinary areas:
- Leadership and Policy
- Learning, Technology and Society
- Mathematics Education
- Neuroscience and Education
- Policy and International Development
- Psychology of Education
- Special and Inclusive Education
- Teaching and Learning.

These specialisms will be shown on your award, for example MSc Education (Leadership and Policy).

Alternatively, students can design their own pathways by opting not to specialise. Core units can be taken from across the different specialisms and from our bank of optional units to build a tailored programme of study, resulting in an award of MSc Education.

We offer academic and personal development opportunities to equip you for the intellectual, social and personal challenges you will encounter during your career. Our overarching goal is to enable our education graduates to display the following characteristics:
- equipped to demonstrate impact, excellence and distinctiveness in their chosen field;
- visionary, imaginative, innovative, reflective and creative;
- high ideals and values, including a strong sense of social justice;
- possessing highly employable throughout the world;
- adaptable, with the potential to be a leader in work and in the community.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and normally some appropriate professional experience, which may include voluntary work or internships, as well as paid employment.

MSc Education (Leadership and Policy)
The Leadership and Policy pathway will help you develop the theoretical knowledge and skills to lead quality improvement and promote social justice within organisations. You will critically engage with ideas and practices related to leading and managing organisational change and educational effectiveness. The programme is designed for professionals with, ideally, some experience in education as a teacher, administrator, university lecturer or early-years practitioner.

The programme attracts a diverse cohort of professionals, who bring their unique perspectives and experience to our highly interactive teaching and learning environment. Graduates from the programme have gone on to become education ministers, advisers, school leaders and university-based researchers, and to lead training within business organisations.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and, normally, some appropriate professional experience, which may include voluntary work as well as paid employment.

MSc Education (Learning, Technology and Society)
Socio-technical changes create a wide range of challenges and opportunities for educators and those who support learning around the world. Digital technologies (such as credit-card sized computers, digital games, artificial intelligence, massive online open courses, robots, social media, and tangible technologies) are increasingly becoming embedded in our societies and being used for a wide range of purposes in educational settings.

This pathway is designed for those who wish to take a critical perspective on the use of technology in diverse educational settings. It is suitable for people with a variety of educational backgrounds and experiences, including teachers and lecturers, creative technologists, and those who support informal learning settings such as museums and public spaces.

The pathway will provide you with a firm foundation for developing your career in teaching, education leadership, research or learning technology. You will develop an in-depth understanding of socio-technical change and the uses of digital technologies to support educational initiatives in a wide variety of settings. In addition, the pathway will prepare you to undertake further research in this rapidly developing field. This pathway is taught in an international centre of excellence in teaching, research and educational technology. The tutors on the course are world-class academics with excellent research records in the fields of education, technology and society.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent) and normally some appropriate professional experience, which may include voluntary work or internships, as well as paid employment.

MSc Education (Mathematics Education)
This programme is designed for UK and international mathematics teachers and other professionals working in mathematics education, from primary schools to post-16 education. You will be supported in integrating the theory and practice of teaching and learning mathematics by:
- being an active researcher of your own and others’ practice, including reworking your own practice;
- carrying out small-scale research projects, one of which can act as a pilot project for the major work of your dissertation;
- engaging with research literature, especially the current journals and activity of the International Group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education;
- engaging with new developments in teaching and learning mathematics;
- updating your mathematics knowledge;
• writing assignments that show the emergence of a theoretical frame, presenting a literature search and developing ideas from a seminar;
• becoming confident with presentation, argumentation, research and ICT skills.

The course has been recognised as excellent by the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and normally some appropriate professional experience. This could include professional mathematics teaching experience, working as a learning support assistant for mathematics, or visiting mathematics classrooms as a researcher.

MSc Education (Neuroscience and Education)

Neuroscience is beginning to influence education across the world. This programme, which is offered on both a full-time and part-time basis, will provide you with the skills and understanding to integrate insights from neuroscience and education.

The programme is suitable for teachers of all subjects and across all ages, including teachers of children with special needs, educational psychologists, education managers and policy makers. It is for those who want to enrich their thinking and practice with insights about learning and development from the sciences of the mind and brain.

You will be supported in exploring this exciting and developing field through:
• engaging with the most up-to-date research literature, including the latest findings arising from the sciences of mind and brain in areas relevant to education (including reading, mathematics, learning disorders, technology and creativity, along with many other areas);
• becoming an active researcher who draws on findings from neuroscience, psychology, genetics and educational research;
• carrying out your own small-scale experiments and research studies, leading to the major work of your dissertation;
• carrying out assignments that encourage written, graphical and oral communication of your ideas;
• becoming part of a broader community of study and research in the field of neuroscience and education, though lectures, seminars, tutorials and workshops;
• becoming confident with argument and discussion in the field of neuroscience and education.

The programme also provides an excellent foundation for further research studies (eg at PhD level) involving the ideas and methods of neuroscience in areas related to education.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent).

MSc Education (Policy and International Development)

The Policy and International Development pathway focuses on the relationship between education policy and practice and international development. It probes the influence of global policy agendas on education and the contribution that education makes to social justice, economic growth and sustainable development.

In line with the sustainable development agenda, development is treated as an international issue and the pathway considers case studies from countries around the world as well as from within Bristol. It examines formal and informal education through diverse institutions and organisations, including schools, universities and community organisations.

The pathway takes a critical look at ideas about social development, such as human rights, the capability approach and peace building, and their implications for education policy and practice.

There will be opportunities to explore how educational theories and practice travel between and are adapted to specific contexts. You will analyse the role of key organisations involved in the global governance of education, including civil society, international non-governmental organisations, development agencies and commercial bodies.

The pathway develops skills for using international and comparative research, both in education and in analysing education policy. You will be supported to develop your own reasoned position and distinctive critical voice for commenting on education policy and education’s role within social development at international, national and local level. You will have access to first-class library and information services, allowing you to study the specific ideas, issues, initiatives and policies that you are interested in.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or equivalent).

MSc Education (Special and Inclusive Education)

This programme focuses on inclusive practice. It is intended for teachers and other professionals working with students who are experiencing barriers to learning and participation or other special educational needs, whether in mainstream schools, special schools/units, colleges or early years settings.

The programme is designed to help you develop your knowledge, understanding and critical skills in analysing and evaluating current research, theory and practice. The programme will provide you with opportunities to explore a range of areas, such as international developments in special/inclusive education, how to work with and involve parents and children, and the school’s role in promoting inclusion. You will also look at a range of topics that arouse controversy and debate in the area of special needs.

Please note that the MSc Education (Special and Inclusive Education) is designed for professionals with some experience, either in paid employment or as a volunteer.
Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and normally some appropriate professional experience, which may include voluntary work as well as paid employment.

MSc Education (Teaching and Learning)
This pathway provides you with the opportunity to build your own flexible programme. In common with other MSc Education students, you will take the compulsory research methods unit, Introduction to Educational Inquiry, and write a dissertation. You can choose the rest of your units from across the programmes offered by the School. Your final choice of units will follow consultation with tutors in order to ensure that your choice is as coherent and useful as possible, as well as suiting your individual needs.

This programme is particularly suitable for those who already hold master’s-level credits from a teaching qualification (e.g. PGCE) and who want to build on this foundation for their professional development.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and normally one year’s appropriate professional experience, such as a PGCE or teaching experience.

MSc Education Management (Bristol)
MSc Education Management (Hong Kong)
Our MSc in Education Management is intended for high-achieving participants who are interested both in a variety of aspects of management and policy and in how a greater knowledge and understanding of leadership and management can enhance learning.

The programme is designed for individuals from diverse educational backgrounds and establishments, and from other professions, united by a commitment to developing their understanding of the theory, research, policy and practice of management and leadership in education.

This programme will help develop your knowledge and understanding, prepare you for further research and provide a foundation for developing your career in education and associated disciplines. It is an opportunity for critical reflection on what you already know and for discussion of new ideas and opportunities.

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and a minimum of one year’s appropriate professional experience in education.

MSc Educational Research
The aim of the MSc in Educational Research is to provide the methodological, analytical and practical expertise required to become a competent educational researcher. This is an Economic and Social Research Council-recognised programme, and one of the research training pathways that make up the South West Doctoral Training Partnership.

This MSc will appeal to applicants who are interested in developing a career in educational research, as well as professionals working in education institutions or organisations that require research knowledge and skills. You will work towards a master’s qualification, through six taught units (120 credit points) and a dissertation (60 credit points), to cover the required preparatory training for a PhD application. It also provides research training for PhD candidates, who are required to take four core units (80 credit points).

Entry requirements: A UK undergraduate honours degree (upper-second-class honours or international equivalent) and relevant professional experience, supported by a referee.

PGCE Education (Secondary)
The School of Education is an Ofsted ‘Outstanding Provider’ and offers a one-year programme for graduates leading to the award of the Postgraduate Certificate in Education (PGCE). Each year, we cater for approximately 200 students who are training to teach in secondary schools. We partner with about 60 local schools and colleges; student teachers spend two-thirds of their PGCE year on placement in at least two schools. The School of Education also works with four local school alliances supporting ‘School Direct non-salaried (with PGCE)’.

We welcome applications from graduates with a wide range of experience and backgrounds. Usually, two-thirds of our students are graduates of universities other than Bristol. The programme is approved by the National College for Teaching and Leadership and leads to recommendation for Qualified Teacher Status (QTS).

In its February 2011 report, Ofsted stated that Bristol recruited high-quality trainees with ‘suitable attributes to develop into very effective teachers, who are easily employed both locally and further afield’. Successful completion of the PGCE will give students 60 credit points at master’s level.

Entry requirements: All students are required by the Department for Education to have at least GCSE or ‘O’ level at grade C or 4 (if taken after summer 2017) or an equivalent overseas qualification in English and Mathematics; and a degree (with a 2:2 or above) or an equivalent qualification, in a subject relevant to the proposed main teaching subject.
MSc Psychology of Education BPS
The MSc Psychology of Education (BPS) provides a master's-level grounding in psychology, paying particular attention to its implications for education and other professional practice. It is available on a full-time or a part-time basis. After successfully completing the programme, you will be eligible to apply to the British Psychological Society (BPS) for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership, and for the further professional training accredited by the BPS.

Many students go on to careers in educational psychology, clinical psychology or neuropsychology, or engage in doctoral-level research. Entry to all of these is very competitive, but our MSc graduates have historically been very successful applying for EdD, DEdPsych, PhD and DClinPsy courses.

After completing the MSc programme, you will typically spend at least a year building up relevant experience, for example working with pupils with special needs or vulnerable clients, before making a successful application to a professional training programme.

**Entry requirements:** An upper-second class undergraduate honours degree in psychology or a related discipline (or international equivalent); and a minimum of one year’s appropriate professional experience in settings relevant to psychology and education such as schools, support services for vulnerable young people or special education.

Applicants for this programme are required to demonstrate either a substantial academic background (normally, at least 60 credits at undergraduate level) in psychology, or that they have obtained significant work experience in an area relevant to psychology.

MSc Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
This flexible programme has been developed for teachers and other TESOL professionals, such as educational administrators, inspectors, materials or curriculum developers, assessment specialists and policy makers, as well as those planning to undertake doctoral study in TESOL or applied linguistics.

The programme particularly values the professional experience that participants bring to the course. It provides a learning context in which you can reflect on your professional practice, the policies and diverse contextual factors that frame it, the theoretical frameworks that inform it, and the research that exists or could be conducted to substantiate or refute intuitive judgments.

**Entry requirements:** A UK undergraduate honours degree (or international equivalent) and a minimum of one year’s classroom teaching or other relevant experience (e.g., as an education director or curriculum developer, or a combination of teaching and research experience).
### Electrical and Electronic Engineering

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**MSc Advanced Microelectronic Systems Engineering**

Bristol and the surrounding area host a thriving and world-renowned semiconductor design industry. The microelectronics group at the University of Bristol has many collaborative links with multinational companies in the microelectronics industry. These organisations have identified a shortfall in graduates with the necessary qualifications and professional skills to work in the sector, so this programme has been designed to meet this need.

A range of taught subjects cover core topics, such as advanced architectures and system design using FPGA and DSP platforms, before progressing to more specialised areas, such as digital and analogue ASIC design, integrated sensors and actuators, and mixed-signal design. Changes are made periodically to reflect important emerging disciplines, such as electronics for the Internet of things, biomedical applications and neuromorphic computing.

The programme offers you the opportunity to learn from experts in microelectronics, nanoelectronics and computer science. This allows you to start working straight after your degree or continue your studies via a PhD. Special emphasis is put on providing you with a range of contemporary design skills to supplement theoretical knowledge. Lectures are accompanied by lab exercises in state-of-the-art industrial EDA software to give you valuable experience of a professional environment.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in electrical and electronic engineering, computer systems engineering, or a related discipline in engineering or the physical sciences, with foundational knowledge in digital logic, computer architecture, digital and analogue transistor-level circuits, programming, and signals and systems.

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**MSc Biomedical Engineering**

Biomedical engineering is an emerging field in the UK that involves applying physical, chemical, mathematical, computer science and engineering principles to the analysis of biological, medical, behavioural and health-related problems. Biomedical engineers develop innovative devices and procedures to help prevent, diagnose and treat diseases. It relies on an in-depth understanding of science and engineering fundamentals, combined with a broad knowledge of physiological and anatomical systems.

This programme allows you to gain expertise in this exciting field and covers both theory and practical applications. You will acquire analytical tools and a broad physical knowledge of modern engineering and science. This is combined with a fundamental understanding of anatomical and physiological systems, and familiarity with recent technological breakthroughs.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in engineering (preferably electrical, mechanical or computer science) or a subject related to biomedical engineering.

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**MSc Communication Networks and Signal Processing**

This is a challenging one-year taught master’s degree focusing on advanced topics around communication networks (fixed and wireless) and related signal processing, including associated enabling technologies. It provides an excellent opportunity to develop the skills needed for careers in some of the most dynamic fields in communication networks.

This programme builds on the internationally recognised research strengths of the Communications Systems and Networks, High

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Performance Networks and Photonics research groups within the Smart Internet Lab. The groups conduct pioneering research in a number of key areas, including network architectures, cross-layer interaction, high-speed optical communications and advanced wireless access. The programme is accredited by the Institution of Engineering and Technology, one of only a handful of accredited programmes in this field in the UK.

You will carry out a substantial research project, starting during the second semester and completed during the summer. This may be based at the University or with industrial partners.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class degree (or an international equivalent) in a numerate physical science or engineering discipline. Candidates with a lower class of degree, equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience may be admitted if they can demonstrate their potential for higher degree work.

MSc Image and Video Communications and Signal Processing

Audiovisual experiences are key drivers, not just for entertainment but also for business, security and technology development. Video accounts for about 80 per cent of all internet traffic and some mobile network operators have predicted that wireless traffic will double every year for the next 10 years. Visual information processing also plays a major role in other industries, such as healthcare, security, robotics and autonomous systems.

This challenging, one-year taught master’s degree covers a range of advanced topics in multimedia signal processing and communications. These include the properties and limitations of modern communication channels and networks, alongside the coding and compression methods required for efficient and reliable wired and wireless audiovisual transmission. It provides students with an excellent opportunity to acquire the necessary skills to enter careers in one of the most dynamic and exciting fields in ICT.

The programme builds on the research strengths of the Visual Information Laboratory and the Communication Systems and Networks Group at Bristol. Both groups are highly regarded for combining fundamental research with strong industrial collaboration and their innovative research has resulted in ground-breaking technology in the areas of image and video analysis, coding and communications.

This MSc provides in-depth training in design, analysis and management skills relevant to the theory and practice of the communication networks industry. The programme is accredited by the Institution of Engineering and Technology, one of only a handful of accredited programmes in this field in the UK.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class degree (or international equivalent) in a numerate physical science or engineering discipline. Candidates with a lower class of degree, equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience may be admitted if they can demonstrate their potential for higher degree work.

MSc Optical Communications and Signal Processing

This programme provides students with a challenging range of advanced topics related to optical communications systems and devices, and optics-related signal processing, including associated enabling technologies.

It builds on the internationally recognised research strengths of the Photonics and High Performance Networks research groups within the Smart Internet Lab. Optical fibre communications form the backbone of all land-based communications and are the only viable means to support today’s global information systems. Research at Bristol is contributing to the ever-increasing requirement for bandwidth and flexibility through research into optical switching technology, wavelength conversion, high-speed modulation, data regeneration and novel semiconductor lasers.

The Photonics group at Bristol is a world leader in the new field of quantum photonics, with key successes in developing photonic crystal fibre light sources, quantum secured optical communications and novel quantum gate technologies. The programme is accredited by the Institute of Engineering and Technology, one of only a handful of accredited programmes in the UK.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in a numerate physical science or engineering discipline. Candidates with a lower class of degree, equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience may be admitted if they can demonstrate their potential for higher degree work.

MSc Wireless Communications and Signal Processing

This MSc covers a range of advanced topics related to wireless communications and communications-related signal processing, including associated enabling technologies.

It builds on the internationally recognised research strengths of the Communications Systems and Networks group within the Smart Internet Lab. This group conducts pioneering research in a number of key fundamental and experimental work areas, including spatial channel measurements and predictions, information theory, advanced wireless access (cellular and WLAN) and RF technologies.

The MSc provides in-depth training in design, analysis and management skills relevant to the theory and practice of the wireless communications industry.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or an international equivalent) in a numerate physical science or engineering discipline. Candidates with a lower class of degree, equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience may be admitted if they can demonstrate their potential for higher degree work.
Chiara Watanabe  
(MA Film and Television)

‘I was looking for a programme that covers both film practice and studies in the UK, and Bristol does both. Last month, I finished an internship at Cannes Film Festival, and now my dream is to return there as a producer whose film is chosen in the competition section.’
Engineering

Programme | Awards | Duration | Fees (per year)* | Contact
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Engineering Mathematics | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £10,700 FT Overseas £21,100 FT | choosebristol-pg@bristol.ac.uk
Nuclear Science and Engineering (for full description, see p101) | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £10,700 FT Overseas £22,100 FT | nuclear-msc@bristol.ac.uk
Robotics | MSc | 1yr FT; 2yrs PT | UK/EU £10,700 FT UK/EU £5,350 PT Overseas £21,100 FT | choosebristol-pg@bristol.ac.uk

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Engineering pages (pp46-47) or the Faculty of Science pages (pp52-53). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.

**MSc Advanced Composites**
Composite materials are increasingly replacing traditional metallic components in several industrial applications, such as aerospace engineering, wind turbine blade manufacture and the automotive industry. This MSc provides you with an in-depth theoretical understanding and practical knowledge of advanced composite materials. It is based in the Advanced Composites Centre for Innovation and Science (ACCIS), one of the world’s leading centres in composite materials, which houses a number of state-of-the-art composites manufacturing facilities. ACCIS has strong industrial and research links with companies like Rolls-Royce, Airbus, BAE Systems and GE Aviation as well as government research labs such as the UK’s Defence Science and Technology Laboratory, the European Space Agency and the US Army International Technology Centre.

Graduates from this programme could enter a career in one of the rapidly growing composites-related industries, such as aerospace, marine, automotive and wind turbine engineering, materials testing/manufacturing or engineering consultancy, or continue on to PhD study.

**Entry requirements:** A strong upper second-class honours degree with a final average of 65 per cent or above (or international equivalent) in an engineering discipline or in a closely related field.

**MSc Engineering Mathematics**
Engineering mathematics is the art of applying mathematical and engineering principles to complex, real-world problems across areas as wide-ranging as artificial intelligence, ecology, medicine, physics, social media and sustainability.

With this MSc, students are fully embedded within an engineering faculty, benefiting from unrivalled access to a broad range of industrial collaborations and pioneering research. Spanning engineering, mathematics and computer science, this programme would suit graduates from any related discipline who would like to become versatile at solving multi-disciplinary challenges.

Graduates will be well placed to meet the increasing demand from the industrial, government and service sectors for maths-savvy graduates who can work across traditional boundaries and drive high-tech innovation. From designing Formula One cars, to biomedicine, to the development of renewable energy technologies, our engineering graduates go on to a wide range of exciting careers.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in an engineering discipline, computer science, mathematics or a closely related field.

**MSc Robotics**
This MSc will provide you with the ability to understand, design and implement modern robotic systems. Robotics is increasingly prominent in a variety of sectors, from manufacturing and health to remote exploration of hostile environments, and in autonomous and semi-autonomous systems that interact with people physically and socially.

This programme exposes you to a wide range of advanced engineering and computer science concepts, with the opportunity to carry out a practical robot project at the Bristol Robotics Laboratory, one of the UK’s most comprehensive robotics innovation facilities.

The programme is awarded and delivered jointly by the University of Bristol and the University of the West of England and therefore draws on the combined expertise, facilities and resources of the two universities. The Bristol Robotics Laboratory is a collaborative research partnership with a vision to transform robotics by pioneering advances in autonomous robot systems that can behave intelligently with minimal human supervision. Teaching for this programme is delivered at both the University of Bristol and the University of the West of England campuses. Students attending the programme will be given free transport passes to travel between the two universities.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in engineering, physics, mathematics or a related subject. Other disciplines will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
English Literature

**MA English Literature**

The MA in English Literature allows you to deepen your passion for literature while developing the rigorous specialist skills essential to postgraduate-level research. With the help and support of a distinguished English department, we aim to provide a stimulating and challenging intellectual experience in a friendly, supportive environment.

The programme offers three pathways, which build on the core research strengths of the department:

- Shakespeare and Renaissance Literature
- Romantic and Victorian Literature
- 20th-century and Contemporary Literature.

If you wish to focus on a particular period you may follow a single pathway. Alternatively, if you want to broaden your engagement with English literature, you may choose a combination of pathways and optional units. All students are taught the specialist skills required for postgraduate-level research and the practical skills that academic life demands. Everyone is expected to enter fully into the wider academic community of the department and the University.

You will have the opportunity to develop your interest in and knowledge of a range of English literary texts, periods, genres, and conceptual, theoretical and critical issues. You will be introduced to the research techniques involved in the scholarly study of English literature, including textual editing, bibliography and the study of the history of the book. You will also develop expertise in and understanding of various critical and theoretical approaches influential in contemporary research in literature. As well as selecting from a range of more specialised units, you will be given advice and training on researching and writing a 15,000-word dissertation.

Students who have completed the MA programme in English Literature have been successful in obtaining employment in the media, journalism, publishing, the theatre, arts administration and various kinds of teaching, as well as in industry, commerce, law, computing, accountancy, human resources and social work. Many English MA graduates continue their studies by taking up MPhil/PhD programmes.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in English literature or a related subject. Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

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For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Arts pages (pp44-45). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.

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Film and Television

MA Film and Television

This distinctive and exciting programme integrates film-making practice with textual and historical approaches to the study of film and television. As a student on this innovative course, you will have the opportunity to learn the skills of film production, working intensively in small groups to explore aesthetic possibilities and gain insights into the craft and industry of screen media. You will also engage with critical perspectives and develop high level analysis skills. You will encounter a range of different research methods and be supported as you progress to independent learning.

The University of Bristol has more than 40 years’ experience in this field and the programme draws on the expertise of world-leading scholars, expert practitioners and industry professionals. The Department of Film and Television hosts a series of research seminars and industry masterclasses designed to enrich your studies. Facilities include a 200-seat cinema, a production studio, animation and edit suites, seminar rooms and sound rooms.

Bristol is an excellent city in which to study film and television, with its varied cinema, television and digital media spaces, such as the Arnolfini, BBC Bristol, The Cube and Watershed Media Centre. Bristol’s Harbourside is home to an array of film festivals, including the Encounters Short Film and Animation Festival, the Slapstick Festival and the Afrika Eye Festival.

The programme has been designed to develop skills and knowledge cumulatively, while allowing you the opportunity to tailor your learning to your specific areas of interest. In the first semester, you will be taught the skills and techniques of written formal analysis. You will have the option to learn the core skills of practical film making. These units will provide the foundation for optional units across the year, many of which will incorporate elements of intensive practice alongside more traditional critical and theoretical learning. In the second semester, you will gain knowledge of research methods relevant to the field of film and television studies. This will provide you with the necessary foundation to progress to the dissertation stage.

Optional units may vary but will draw on departmental expertise in integrated practice research, writing, directing and production skills such as cinematography and editing, as well as specialisms including animation, aesthetics, particular film or television genres and histories, national cinemas, and documentary. You will also be able to choose from a wider range of units available within the Faculty of Arts.

You will choose from three options for your dissertation: taking up an industrial placement (for which you will also produce a written element); writing an extended essay on a film and/or television topic of your choice (perhaps about a particular film/television programme or a study of the film/TV industries); or producing a piece of practice either individually or in a team (usually a short film or a film essay) to be accompanied by individual written reflection. All dissertation options will be supervised by one or more academic advisers.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent). Evidence of commitment to the academic study of film and television through methods including criticism, theory, practice and research.

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Arts pages (pp44-45). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.
Concern about global environmental change has never been greater. The University of Bristol's MSc in Climate Change Science and Policy trains highly skilled graduates for professional employment in the public and private sectors, academia, consultancies and non-governmental organisations.

The programme is provided by the School of Geographical Sciences, ranked top in the country in terms of world-class research (REF 2014) and one of only two UK geography departments in the top category in every national research assessment. You will join our research groups in analysing four key areas of the science:

- climate change science and its links to policy and policy-makers;
- modelling of the Earth system, from simple box models to complex climate models;
- remote sensing of the environment and GIS;
- understanding past climate change and making predictions of future change.

You will study a number of core units and, between January and September, you will complete a research project. During phase one of the project, you will research background material and develop basic practical skills, in preparation for the main phase of the project starting in May. Feedback is given throughout this phase to develop your research skills.

In phase two you will conduct an independent investigation into a chosen topic, supervised by one of the academic team. The project is submitted as a paper and the main findings are presented in a research colloquium.

This innovative programme also allows you to develop a range of professional skills – including presentation, project work, teamwork and communication – which will be invaluable in your future career. The programme is closely linked to the renowned Cabot Institute, which brings together all of the University's research into the changing global environment across the sciences, social sciences and engineering.

Previous graduates have gone on to work at a wide range of employers after completing this MSc, including environmental consultancy, the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology and the UK Met Office, as well as numerous PhD positions.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in a scientific discipline, such as chemistry, physics, engineering, mathematics, biology, earth sciences, geography, or environmental sciences. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**MSc Environmental Policy and Management**

This programme is aimed at talented graduates seeking to develop or enhance their expertise in the fields of environmental policy, management, protection and advocacy.

Through a demanding academic curriculum and practice-based learning opportunities, students develop the skills and knowledge needed for professional employment in the public, private and non-profit sectors.

The programme is provided by the School of Geographical Sciences, the top-ranked geography department in the UK (REF 2014) and a highly regarded centre for research and teaching in environmental processes, systems and the social sciences. Staff in the school have been directly involved in advising the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change and regularly engage with policymakers, industry and non-profit organisations at local, national and international levels.

The programme is closely affiliated with the University's Cabot Institute, which promotes multidisciplinary research around global environmental change, and benefits from our location in the city of Bristol, the 2015 European Green Capital and a vibrant hub of environmental activism and technological innovation.

The programme consists of six compulsory taught units and a dissertation project. Natural scientists introduce students to fundamentals...
of climate science and the analysis of remotely sensed data. Taught units delivered by social scientists provide training in areas such as corporate governance, policy analysis and statistical methods. In the module on consultancy, students have the opportunity to develop a range of practical skills through an extended team-based project of interest to an external partner organisation.

Students then complete a research dissertation of 15,000 words on an environmental topic of their choice, either independently or in partnership with an external organisation in the public, private or non-profit sector.

Each year, the School of Geographical Sciences also provides financial support for an optional, self-organised field trip to a destination chosen by students. Recent destinations have included Berlin, Copenhagen, Riga and Amsterdam.

Our graduates have gone on to work in environmental consulting, the civil service, environmental management, conservation, marketing and communications, and a range of private companies in areas such as sustainable housing and energy.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent).

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MSc Human Geography: Society and Space

Human geography is a dynamic discipline with profound influence on current debates in the social sciences and humanities. Human geographers focus on the relationships between space and society, particularly the interconnection between environment, place and identity; knowledge; globalisation processes; social justice; and a variety of other vital themes relevant to the contemporary world.

This programme provides you with a rigorous grounding in social theory and mainstream debates and techniques in human geography. It also offers a thorough training in qualitative and quantitative methods. Options allow for the development of specialisms in historical – cultural themes, postcolonial and decolonial geographies, spatial modelling, and debates surrounding affect and biopolitics. The programme is closely linked to the University’s Cabot Institute, which brings together multidisciplinary research into all aspects of global environmental change.

The MSc equips you for a career in high-level public research, business or the creative industries, and provides an outstanding academic training for prospective PhD students and for those seeking a master’s-level qualification.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in an appropriate subject.
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**MRes Health Sciences Research**

This programme aims to provide you with a firm foundation in biomedical research by enhancing your knowledge, understanding and critical awareness of the scientific method and practical experience in an area related to your interests. Taught units provide intensive training in research methodology, experimental design, statistical analyses and data interpretation. Skills training in verbal and written communication is also emphasised.

The core of the programme is an eight-month research project, conducted within one of the University of Bristol’s internationally recognised research groups in either the Faculty of Health Sciences or the Faculty of Life Sciences. Opportunities will be available in laboratory or clinical-based investigations.

The programme is suitable for medical, dental and veterinary students interested in pursuing a research-intensive intercalation option after three years of study.
years of study. It is also suitable for graduates in medicine, dentistry, veterinary science and bioscience subjects who wish to develop their research skills.

**Entry requirements:** Applicants intercalating from the professional programmes of medicine, dentistry and veterinary sciences will need to have successfully completed year three before they will be considered for this programme. Graduates of these professional programmes are eligible to apply. Graduates in a biological or related science or medical subject will normally be expected to hold an upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent).

**MRes Health Sciences Research (Translational Cardiovascular Medicine)**
This programme aims to provide you with a firm foundation in biomedical research methodology, focused on translational cardiovascular medicine, by enhancing your knowledge, understanding, critical awareness and practical research experience in this area. The programme provides a theoretical grounding in the scientific principles and clinical applications of translational cardiovascular medicine, as well as intensive training in research methodology, experimental design, statistical analyses, data interpretation and science communication.

The core of the programme is a six-month research project, conducted within one of the University of Bristol’s internationally recognised translational cardiovascular medicine research groups. Opportunities will be available in laboratory or clinical-based investigations.

The programme is suitable for clinical and bioscience graduates who wish to develop their research skills within this exciting field. It is also suitable for clinical students interested in pursuing a research-intensive intercalation option after three years of study.

**Entry requirements:** Applicants intercalating from the professional programmes of medicine, dentistry and veterinary sciences will need to have successfully completed year three before they can be considered for this programme. Graduates of these professional clinical programmes are also eligible to apply. Graduates in a biological or related science or medical subject will normally be expected to hold an upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent).

**MSc Molecular Neuroscience**
The programme provides intensive training in the neurosciences as they relate to the physiologic function and behaviour of the organism. It builds on the broad research strengths of recognised scientists, particularly in basic and clinical neuroscience, molecular and cell biology, neuroendocrinology, behaviour, neurodegeneration and psychopharmacology. Guest lecturers from other universities bring their specialist and advanced knowledge to the programme.

Throughout the programme, basic principles will be taught and illustrated in the context of various brain diseases, including psychiatric and neurodegenerative disorders. A practical and a research project will give you valuable experience in experimental neuroscience. Importantly, tutorials and presentations will also help to develop your communication skills.

The MSc will be of interest to those with a medical training who want to diversify into research, and to science graduates who wish to develop their knowledge and skills before embarking on a doctoral research programme. While part-time study is available, this needs to be discussed with the programme director.

**MSc Perfusion Science**
This programme addresses both academic and professional requirements: it integrates academic knowledge and understanding with both the needs of the working professional clinical perfusion scientist and the demands of professional registration with the Society of Clinical Perfusion Scientists of Great Britain and Ireland (SCPS).

It will develop your interest in and knowledge and understanding of perfusion science. Successful completion of the programme will lead to accreditation as a clinical perfusion scientist by the SCPS.

The programme provides a firm theoretical grounding in the basic scientific principles and clinical applications of perfusion science. In conjunction with work-based practical training, this will provide you with the essential skills for employment or a further degree in this field. In addition, you will also be introduced to key practical techniques that you will require as a perfusion scientist.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or, exceptionally, a lower second-class honours degree) in a science or medicine-related subject. Applicants must have secured a clinical perfusion scientist trainee position in Great Britain or Ireland.

**MSc Reproduction and Development**
This innovative distance-learning programme provides a comprehensive theoretical foundation in the areas of human reproduction and development. The programme is designed to appeal to a wide range of postgraduate students, including scientists, nurses and clinicians. Residential workshops will be held in Bristol, comprising lectures and seminars, as well as case-based group work, practical sessions and assessments. Each distance-learning unit comprises online tutorials and lectures, which are assessed by essays and online questions.
Students on the programme come from a variety of countries and backgrounds; all have an interest in reproduction, infertility and development or wish to pursue careers in these areas. The vast majority of our clinical students on the master’s degree follow the programme for training purposes – for progression and promotion in their chosen discipline, or as a foundation qualification allowing them to specialise in IVF and infertility or obstetrics and gynaecology.

Our clinical graduates use their knowledge and skills to gain research skills to aid publication, develop their medical practices and enhance their expertise in reproductive medicine. Our science graduates have used this master’s degree as a springboard to non-clinical or clinical research, including PhD studentships, or to clinical/diagnostic positions, such as clinical embryology.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in medicine, a biological or related science, nursing or midwifery.

**MSc Stem Cells and Regeneration**
This innovative distance-learning programme is taught online and will provide you with knowledge and understanding in the highly topical and exciting field of stem cell biology and regeneration. You will be guided from the origins of this field through to its application (and potential applications) in treating human disease, covering the latest tools and technologies available for study in this area. Programme content is delivered by researchers active in the field, ensuring that the latest breakthroughs are communicated.

Lectures, online discussions and assessments are delivered over the internet. This offers you more flexibility than traditional campus-based courses as you can study in your own environment. You will only be required to visit Bristol for your formal examinations at the end of the academic year. This distance-learning model, together with a part-time study option, makes the programme particularly appealing if you want to combine full-time employment with study.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class (or, exceptionally, a lower second-class) honours degree in a relevant subject (science or medicine).

**MSc Teaching and Learning for Health Professionals**
This programme will help health professionals to develop their teaching skills, with a modular unit structure that builds up to a postgraduate certificate, postgraduate diploma or MSc. The programme emphasises practical application of educational methods and theory and the development of reflective, evidence-based practice.

There is a positive, student-centred approach to teaching and learning. Interactive, small-group teaching and the flexible, friendly support received by learners are among the many strengths of the programme, as well as the networking and contacts enjoyed by students in their future careers.

The certificate or diploma can be completed in one year part-time, or spread over three years. The Essentials route allows you to gain 30 master’s-level credits, from which point you can progress to the certificate if you wish. Teaching takes place in Bristol and at other convenient venues in the Severn Deanery area.

A qualification in medical education prepares the holder for roles educating the public in the UK or abroad, and supporting students in the health professions or those in training grades.

**Entry requirements:** Relevant first degree (or international equivalent) from a recognised institution with good final grades; or a relevant professional qualification with at least three years’ full-time (or equivalent part-time) professional experience.

**MSc Translational Cardiovascular Medicine**
This programme aims to develop your interest in translational cardiovascular research and medicine and equip you with an enhanced knowledge, understanding and critical awareness of the current approaches and emerging research in this area. The programme, which is delivered by clinicians and scientists, provides a firm theoretical grounding in the basic scientific principles and clinical applications of translational cardiovascular medicine, and will help you to develop essential skills and prepare for employment or a further higher degree in this field. In addition, you will be introduced to key practical techniques employed in this area.

Students have the option to study by distance learning or on campus. For distance learning students, two-week residential workshops will be held in Bristol, comprising lectures and seminars as well as journal clubs, practical sessions, visits to clinical sessions and assessments. Campus-based students will attend lectures, seminars, journal clubs, visits to clinical sessions, tutorials and practicals in Bristol.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class (or, exceptionally, a lower second-class) honours degree in a science or medicine-related subject.
The MA in History offers you the opportunity to explore a variety of approaches – intellectual, political, cultural, social and economic – across a broad chronological and geographical range. The programme provides a high degree of choice across the department’s key areas of expertise, with particular strengths in:
- medieval and early modern history;
- contemporary British and European history;
- imperial, global and transnational history;
- public history.

Given the wide range of research and teaching in the department, we are confident you will find units that reflect your own interests. Alternatively, you may prefer not to specialise, and instead obtain a broad sense of historical subjects, themes, debates and methodologies.

The MA comprises six taught units and a research dissertation. Teaching on the programme moves from lectures, through seminars, to one-on-one supervision. Likewise, the focus develops from broader units, through more specialised ones, to your chosen dissertation topic.

You begin with a series of core and optional units. All students take Academic Research and Writing and Approaches to History – core MA units that enable you to develop critical research skills and approaches that underlie the later assessments.

You also choose a further unit from a wide range of Lecture Response Units (interactive units that combine seminar and lecture elements) on subjects that span the period from 1000 to the present. In the second teaching block, you will select three primary source-based seminar units from a wide range of options.

In the third semester, you will write a primary source-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, supervised one-on-one by an academic in the department. You will identify the subject for your dissertation in the spring, but most of the research is conducted over the summer. The dissertation is submitted in mid-September.

Students who completed the MA in History have taken up careers as history teachers, as researchers in a number of different fields, as journalists, as image and data capture assistants and in the heritage industry. A number of MA graduates have gone on to take an MPhil/PhD in History and develop careers as research academics.

Another popular choice is to develop successful careers in fields such as public relations, accountancy, fund management and the law by building on the transferable skills acquired through master’s study. As a graduate of the MA in History you can use Bristol’s Careers Service for free for up to three years after you graduate.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in an arts, humanities or social sciences discipline. Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.
History of Art

The Department of History of Art offers a broad-based master’s programme, which allows you to study a range of periods and approaches before specialising for your dissertation. The MA draws on the research strengths of all members of the department, which includes specialists in medieval, Renaissance and modern art.

We aim to help you develop an informed understanding of the main strands of art history, as practised in Europe and North America. We also offer curatorial units in collaboration with external museum partners, through which you will learn to research and catalogue museum collections and to mount exhibitions.

Our students are drawn from a variety of backgrounds. Some have undergraduate degrees in art history, others do not, and some are working artists. Studying for this MA is a chance to become part of a thriving academic community, with a sizeable and close-knit student body and a lively programme of research and social events.

You will study two core units and then select four optional units. Part-time students study the core units in the first year and stagger their optional units across the two years of the degree. The research component of the programme is written over the summer and is submitted in September.

Students who have completed the MA programme in History of Art have gone on to careers as journalists, art consultants, buying and marketing executives, and gallery assistants.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent). Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see [bristol.ac.uk/pg-study](http://bristol.ac.uk/pg-study). Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Arts pages (pp44-45). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.

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Innovation

MSc Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Do you want to change the world? Our innovation programmes will set you on your way.

The innovators of the 21st century will bring together arts, science, engineering, humanities and enterprise to deliver innovative products, services and ways of living. They will be team players, with a breadth of skills enabling them to work across specialisms and cultures. They will be designers and entrepreneurs, and have a passion for style, efficiency and sustainability. Bristol’s innovation programmes are for people who want to pursue their subject specialism in a way that enables them to apply it.

We want to educate a new generation to create and grow innovative companies and social enterprises. The MSc in Innovation and Entrepreneurship aims to develop the high-level skills and critical competencies you will need for successful innovation and entrepreneurship.

You will start by learning to work in teams and finding out about both design thinking and systems thinking. This combination can deliver a holistic understanding of a genuine problem or need and generate ideas that will transform both the system and the lives of users, while ensuring the new system is sustainable.

You will work in multidisciplinary teams to take on a series of innovation and entrepreneurial challenges. You will also learn to create innovations to meet real human needs, understanding your target audience and the issues facing them and developing ideas for possible solutions. You will gain insight into the technological, social and political influences on design and innovation, drawing on case studies of success and failure to help you think about future opportunities.

In the second teaching block you will explore solutions for a real-world client, iterating to develop an unexpected range of possibilities and creating prototypes to test with real customers or users. You will learn about different kinds of enterprise, how to explore your ideas from a business or social perspective, and how to place them in the appropriate context. You will find out how to assess the feasibility, sustainability and desirability of a proposed venture, how to create business plans and how to assess whether your ideas will work, whether they are viable, or whether anyone will want them.

In your final project over the summer, you will work in teams to pull together all you have learned to create and trial a prototype for an innovative product or service, or a social innovation. Your team may contain staff and external partners, as well as students. You will put together a detailed enterprise plan to accompany your prototype, including market analysis, intellectual property searches, resource profiles, financial plans, user testing and clear opportunities for investment.

You may graduate as a member of a new venture that you and your fellow students have created. Or you may decide to create your own enterprise or join an existing one. Whatever you choose, you will be able to hit the ground running, building on your entrepreneurial and innovation experience. You will soon have the satisfaction of seeing your work starting to make an impact – and ultimately changing the world.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent), references, a suitable personal statement and an innovation pitch. Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

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Lauren Cole (MA History)

‘Studying for a master’s at Bristol has normalised the notion of postgraduate research study for me. I have found the academics at Bristol to be hugely encouraging and supportive of moving on to postgraduate research, always willing to discuss ideas and the practicalities of it. I now feel confident that I can make postgraduate research study my next step.’
International Development

**Programme**

**Development and Security**

**Awards**: MSc

**Duration**: 1yr FT; 2yrs PT

**Fees (per year)**:
- UK/EU £7,700 FT
- UK/EU £3,850 PT
- Overseas £16,400 FT

**Contact**: spais-mscenquiries@bristol.ac.uk

**East Asian Development and the Global Economy**

**Awards**: MSc

**Duration**: 1yr FT; 2yrs PT

**Fees (per year)**:
- UK/EU £7,700 FT
- UK/EU £3,850 PT
- Overseas £16,400 FT

**Contact**: spais-mscenquiries@bristol.ac.uk

**International Development**

**Awards**: MSc

**Duration**: 1yr FT; 2yrs PT

**Fees (per year)**:
- UK/EU £7,700 FT
- UK/EU £3,850 PT
- Overseas £16,400 FT

**Contact**: spais-mscenquiries@bristol.ac.uk

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law pages (pp54-55). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.

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**MSc Development and Security**

This innovative programme explores the link and tensions between development and security concerns in theory and practice. Specifically, it builds on the unique combination of expertise and experience in the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies to:

- examine the nature of violent conflict in the world today and the international community’s response to it;
- locate this analysis in a comprehensive theoretical understanding of wider development and security studies, debates and controversies, particularly in relation to evolving patterns of global governance;
- explore these issues and dilemmas through contemporary, empirical case studies.

Bristol graduates are in high demand and have an excellent record of employment following graduation. Students of the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies’ MSc programmes go on to pursue varied and interesting careers. Many sectors – such as the civil service, NGOs and charities – require an MSc and some volunteer/internship experience. Graduates from our programmes have gone on to work for Refugee UK, Shelter, Barnardos, Oxfam, Amnesty International, government departments and the European Parliament, among others.

**Entry requirements**: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any subject.

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**MSc East Asian Development and the Global Economy**

This programme allows students to explore the development of East Asia within the wider context of global economy and development. You will examine the opportunities, challenges and strategic issues created for international business by the further growth and regional economic integration in East Asia. You will also investigate the developing patterns of trade within East Asia and between East Asian nations and other regions of the world. In addition, you will gain core theoretical knowledge and understanding of development and international political economy.

Students on this programme will take a combination of mandatory and optional taught units within the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies. Each is delivered within one of two 12-week teaching blocks and assessed by an essay (or equivalent form of written submission). This is followed in the summer term by a dissertation.

**Entry requirements**: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any subject.

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**MSc International Development**

This programme is designed for anyone involved in conceptualising or administering policies for a sustainable and substantial level of development in the world’s poorer countries. It is especially suitable for those already involved in planning development strategies, currently working for non-governmental organisations in the development field or planning for a career in development.

The programme combines an intellectual and academic approach with policy-oriented and empirical studies of development. It addresses three separate, but related, facets of the development process:

- analysing what development means;
- studying the processes of planning (external aid, regional disparities, environmental factors, poverty and industrialisation);
- examining how development policies may be delivered and administered, analysing the importance of effective political and bureaucratic structures, and evaluating the contributions of NGOs and other external bodies.

**Entry requirements**: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.
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For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see [bristol.ac.uk/pg-study](bristol.ac.uk/pg-study). Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law pages (pp54-55). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.*
The University of Bristol LLM offers a variety of possibilities to study law at an advanced level and the opportunity to specialise in particular areas. There are a number of specialist programmes enabling you to study a set of related units that, together, provide a more in-depth knowledge and understanding of those themes. Alternatively, you can opt for a broader and more general set of unit choices. In all cases, you are encouraged to explore at a deeper level your chosen areas of law and to see how those legal fields operate in different contexts, considering the relevant issues theoretically and practically and from a range of perspectives. The main style of learning will be through lectures and seminars.

**LLM Commercial Law**

The Commercial Law programme offers you an opportunity to engage in intensive study of specialist commercial and industrial topics. You may wish to concentrate on European commercial issues, international trade or aspects of domestic commerce. It provides a solid foundation for anyone wishing to enter the legal professions, aspiring to a career in business and finance or planning to become an in-house lawyer.

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of commercial law topics, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes. These units will be assessed by examinations and/or essays. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of European legal studies for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

**LLM European Legal Studies**

The European Union has never been more topical; as the UK prepares to leave the EU, we offer units that explore the hotly contested legal issues surrounding the free movement of goods and people within Europe, and the creation and enforcement of standards (for example, in competition and environmental law).

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of European legal studies options, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes, or two units from the list and two from the LLM in International Law. Assessment is by examination and/or essay. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of European legal studies for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

**LLM General Legal Studies**

This programme offers one of the widest choices of units available in any UK postgraduate law programme. You may choose four units from any that are offered within our specialist LLM programmes. The programme gives you a chance to explore a broad range of legal areas and opens doors to a variety of legal and other careers, both within the UK and further afield.

In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic within the field of your LLM programme for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

**LLM Health, Law and Society**

This distinctive LLM programme examines how to approach some of the greatest challenges and opportunities for law and policy as mechanisms to address health and wellbeing. It looks at questions including reproductive justice, social and mental health and wellbeing, health inequalities, and the diverse roles of social and political institutions in shaping health, law and society.

It therefore goes beyond traditional courses on healthcare law to look at the relationships between law, governance and health across society and governmental sectors. Students will enjoy the opportunity to study wide-ranging questions concerning the impacts of law, regulation, policy and practice on health and wellbeing.

The attraction and utility of this LLM lies in both its subject coverage and the range of transferable skills it promotes. It would be of benefit in many different practical settings and careers. It is suitable for students working or planning a career in policy, healthcare management, health regulation (including at local authority level), healthcare and social care provision, legal practice, public health, advocacy, NGOs, special interest groups or legal/policy research.

You will be taught by leading academics who combine internationally recognised research profiles with wide experience within organisations responsible for policy development, professional regulation and social advocacy. The programme includes core teaching in health law and governance, along with specialist units.
Entry requirements: Applicants are expected to hold an upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent professional experience) in disciplines associated with the focus of the programme. A degree in law is not a prerequisite.

LLM Human Rights Law
This programme offers a range of units suitable both for those with some previous knowledge of human rights law and for those seeking an introduction to specific human rights law issues. Units cover the traditional fields of human rights law (eg International Law and Human Rights) and more specialist areas (eg Employment Rights, International Law of Labour and Welfare Rights, and Migration Law).

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of human rights law options, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes. These units will be assessed by examinations and/or essays. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of human rights law for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

LLM International Commercial Law
The International Commercial Law programme will enable you to engage in intensive study of specialist international and commercial topics. The international law units can be chosen from topics within the field of private international law and the content of commercial law units includes an international element, such as international trade. The programme will appeal both to students from outside the UK and to students who wish to combine their areas of specialism.

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of international commercial law options, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes. These units will be assessed by examinations and/or essays. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of international commercial law for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

LLM International Law and International Relations
The LLM in International Law and International Relations is an exciting programme for students looking to pursue a career in international non-governmental organisations, government departments and international firms, or as international consultants.

It is a specialist programme that enables you to combine units provided by both the Law School and the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies to create an exceptional programme of study. The LLM in International Law and International Relations encourages an integrated theoretical and interdisciplinary approach to issues of international regulation and governance, so you can build a deep understanding of how one discipline informs the other. The programme covers the general methods, scope and theories of international law and international relations and allows for further specialisation within these broad fields.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in law or politics, or another relevant discipline. Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

LLM Labour Law and Corporate Governance
The Labour Law and Corporate Governance LLM offers a range of units for students planning to specialise in employment and company law matters. It examines labour law and corporate
governance from both an economic and socio-political perspective. The units cover the international legal framework, trade, employment and human rights, taking both a practical and a theoretical view. The programme opens doors to a wide variety of future careers in law, finance and global governance.

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of labour law and corporate governance options, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes. These units will be assessed by examinations and/or essays. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of labour law for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

**LLM Law and Globalisation**

The Law and Globalisation LLM programme examines the international legal framework, trade, employment and human rights, from both a practical and a theoretical perspective. It is suitable for those who want to explore these issues from a broad economic and socio-political perspective.

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of law and globalisation options, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes. These units will be assessed by examinations and/or essays. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of law and globalisation for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

**LLM Public Law**

The Public Law LLM programme explores issues in public policy and the law. It focuses particularly on the relationship between the pressures that operate within particular areas of public policy, and the role of law in setting the framework for decision-making and as a tool for achieving policy goals.

In the first part of the programme, you will choose four units from a list of public law options, or three units from the list and a further unit from any of our other specialist LLM programmes. These units will be assessed by examinations and/or essays. In the spring term, you will choose a dissertation topic from the field of public law for approval by the Law School. After passing part one of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to part two until you have passed part one.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in law or a degree with an adequate law component (or international equivalent). Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.

**MA Law**

This programme is an accelerated, fast-track, senior status postgraduate degree in law. The curriculum builds on the fact that you will have already benefited from a university-level education by enabling you to acquire a qualifying law degree in only 21 months, rather than the three years it would normally take to obtain an LLB. The programme is structured to cover the foundation areas of legal knowledge and to develop your core legal skills, while providing an opportunity for further specialist study. The MA in Law is recognised by the Law Society and the Bar Council as a qualifying law degree for practice in England and Wales, and is recognised in other jurisdictions.

There are four core units in year one, which are assessed by examination and/or essay. There are also Introduction to Law lectures and seminars at the beginning of the degree. Year two includes three core units plus a further optional unit of your choice.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in any discipline.

**MSc Socio-Legal Studies**

This programme develops your knowledge and understanding of interdisciplinary approaches to the study of law and legal phenomena. It provides sound research training for students planning for a PhD or a career in socio-legal research through the study of different research methodologies across the social sciences and law. You will pursue independent, in-depth study of socio-legal topics, and engage in lively debates in a thriving research culture across social sciences and law. A range of units is offered, suitable for graduates from any discipline who have an interest in the way law works (or fails to work) in society. Methods of assessment may include essays, presentations and/or written examinations, depending on the optional subjects chosen, along with the dissertation.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second class honours degree (or international equivalent) in law, social sciences or another relevant discipline. A background in law is not essential as training will be given during the programme. Recognised Prior Learning is not currently accepted. Previous or professional experience is not required.
Management

This is an intensive, one-year, master's-level conversion programme for graduates from a wide range of subject backgrounds; it is not necessary to have any prior academic or practical experience in business or management. It will appeal to students who want to complement their first degrees with wider business knowledge and who aspire to management-level roles within their chosen industry and profession.

The programme is designed to give students a good grounding in management theory and practice across a range of subjects, with the opportunity to tailor subjects to your career goals. You will start by studying core theories and concepts that are central to a career in management, including finance and accounting, organisational behaviour and strategic management. In term two you will gain a deeper insight into management through a range of choices from quantitative approaches to management to more philosophical and innovative approaches to the subject. Finally, in the summer term, the dissertation provides an opportunity for independent research and in-depth investigation into a topic area that you can adapt to reflect your interests and career choices.

We aim to guide, teach and develop analytical and confident critical thinkers, who can apply management techniques from a range of disciplines. You will gain insight into the nature of management and the complexity of organisations from a variety of viewpoints, and will be armed with the relevant knowledge to apply management theory to practice.

You will be part of a dynamic and diverse body of staff and students and will be taught by experienced academics. Many staff are actively engaged in conducting pioneering research at international level, and our school was ranked sixth in the UK for its research impact (REF 2014), reflecting the quality of our research and its role in shaping policy and practice in the UK, Europe and globally.

**Entry requirements:** A first or very good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification).

**MSc Management (Entrepreneurship)**

Our MSc in Management (with specialism in Entrepreneurship) is an intensive one-year programme that offers you a unique opportunity to develop your knowledge and understanding of small business enterprise and entrepreneurship, while gaining a thorough grounding in the core theories and concepts that are central to a career in management. It will be of particular interest to graduates looking to start their own enterprise.

You will start by studying management theory across a range of core disciplines, including finance and accounting, organisational behaviour and strategic management. In term two you will
gain a deeper insight into entrepreneurship, then
in the summer term the dissertation provides
an opportunity for independent research into a
particular aspect of entrepreneurship.

Our programme is designed for graduates
of any discipline who aspire to a career in
management. It is not necessary to have any
prior academic or practical experience in
business or management. However, you would
benefit from having an inquisitive mindset and
a genuine interest in interrogating research
in the field to develop your knowledge and
understanding for use in later practice.

**Entry requirements:** A first or very good
upper second-class honours degree
(or equivalent qualification).

**MSc Management (International Business)**

Our MSc in Management (with specialism in
International Business) is an intensive one-year
programme that offers you a unique opportunity to explore
your interest in marketing while gaining a thorough
grounding in the core theories and concepts that are
central to a career in management.

You will start by studying management theory
across a range of core disciplines, including
finance and accounting, organisational behaviour
and strategic management. In term two you
will gain a deeper knowledge and insight into marketing then,
in the summer term, the dissertation provides an opportunity for
independent research and links your studies to a
genuine investigation around a marketing theme.

Our programme is designed for graduates of any
discipline who aspire to a career in management
and/or marketing. You do not need any prior
academic or practical experience in business or
management but you should have a curious and
creative mind and a genuine interest in marketing.

**Entry requirements:** A first or very good
upper second-class honours degree
(or equivalent qualification).

**MSc Management (Marketing)**

Our MSc in Management (with specialism in
Marketing) is an intensive one-year programme
that offers you a unique opportunity to explore
your interest in marketing while gaining a thorough
grounding in the core theories and concepts that are
central to a career in management.

You will start by studying management theory
across a range of core disciplines, including
finance and accounting, organisational behaviour
and strategic management. In term two you
will gain a deeper knowledge and insight into marketing then,
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discipline who aspire to a career in management
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academic or practical experience in business or
management but you should have a curious and
creative mind and a genuine interest in marketing.

**Entry requirements:** A first or very good
upper second-class honours degree
(or equivalent qualification).

**MSc Social Science Research Methods
(Management)**

This programme provides comprehensive training in
the process of research conceptualisation,
design and operationalisation. It has been carefully
formulated to reflect the training recommended by the Economic and Social Research Council
(ESRC). It is particularly suited for those seeking a
career as a social science researcher or proceeding to a PhD in Management.

The programme delivers a theoretical and
practical grounding in the variety of qualitative and
quantitative data collection methods available and
in the principal methods of analysing data. It also
covers the philosophies underpinning the research
process, ethical considerations and social theory.
You will be encouraged to apply your methods
training to your substantive research interests.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class
honours degree (or equivalent). Degrees from
any social science discipline are considered.
Work experience is not required.

**MSc Strategy, Change and Leadership**

This practical master’s degree will give you a
grounding in leading high-performing teams,
managing change and developing robust strategic
direction. The programme has been designed so
you can apply your knowledge from day one.
You will gain a broader perspective on the
complexities within organisations and the issues
affecting success and failure. It will help you to
understand how to enhance your own impact as
a leader, develop a deep understanding of how
to deal with change and uncertainty, and increase
your ability to think about organisational issues
and opportunities in different ways.

The MSc enables you to build a strong network
of like-minded professionals across a wide range
of sectors and can provide a foundation for
faster career progression. It is delivered through
intensive three-day teaching blocks, which have
been designed to make a difference to your
professional practice month by month. There are
no examinations and students are supported with
one-to-one supervision. The MSc can be gained
in two years, and this is the most common route.
It is also possible to work towards it in stages,
across three or four years.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class
honours degree or equivalent qualification, and
at least five years’ relevant work experience,
which should include significant managerial
responsibility. In exceptional circumstances,
candidates with a lower class of degree, equivalent
qualifications or relevant work experience may be
admitted if they can demonstrate their potential
for master’s-level work.
Mathematics

MSc Mathematical Sciences
Our MSc in Mathematical Sciences is a flexible and challenging programme, taught by leading experts in the field. It allows you to develop a wide range of mathematical techniques and gives you a solid foundation for further research or employment at the highest levels.

Under the guidance of an academic mentor, you will be offered a choice of units spanning the breadth of mathematics. There is a wide variety of combinations of units and themes, allowing you to add units from other schools to create an MSc that closely matches your interests. The taught element is followed by your chosen research project, which is supervised by an experienced research academic. You are also encouraged to participate in the wider academic life of the school, including research seminars, reading clubs and social events.

The programme gives you the opportunity to increase your understanding of mathematical theory and equips you with fundamental skills in the modelling and analysis of problems. Our graduates are highly sought after by employers for their strong analytical, communication and organisational skills.

Entry requirements: Applicants should possess a first-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in mathematics or a very closely related subject (eg statistics, mathematical physics). Professional experience or other qualifications are very unlikely to be relevant.

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Science pages (pp52-53). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.
**MA Composition of Music for Film and Television**

This programme provides professional training in composition for screen media. Taught by staff and guest composers from the professional world, you will develop a strong technological foundation in the subject, along with specialist understanding of television and screen scoring.

The MA is taught within our high-specification composition and recording studios, which have full-time technical support. Students are actively encouraged to build opportunities and networks, both within and beyond the University, for projects in film, animation, documentary and more.

In the first semester, you will study units introducing you to working and recording in studios, and focusing on TV and documentary work. You will also take one elective unit. In the second semester, the programme moves on to critical analysis of media music and film scoring, with an emphasis on longer-term projects for film and TV. This work feeds into original collaborations that you may choose to include in your final portfolio.

You will complete a media composition portfolio/dissertation:

- either a substantial portfolio of original music for new collaborative films and/or extracts (music totalling 15-25 minutes);
- or music to one new collaborative film of 10-12 minutes and a critical dissertation of 10,000 words on an agreed film or topic.

The vibrant musical life of the Department of Music provides opportunities for student and professional performance, and we are located at the heart of one of the UK’s leading cities for broadcast, commercial and creative screen media.

Students who completed the MA in Composition of Music for Film and Television have taken up careers as music composers, recording managers and compositing supervisors within animation studios.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in music, plus experience as a composer, demonstrated by a portfolio of your music.

For further information on the required portfolio please visit [bristol.ac.uk/music/study/postgraduate/ma-cftv-portfolio](https://bristol.ac.uk/music/study/postgraduate/ma-cftv-portfolio). Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

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**MA Music**

There are five pathways in this flexible MA programme:

- Composition
- Medieval Music
- Musicology
- Performance
- Russian Music.

The units you take will vary according to your chosen pathway, but all include basic music training units, such as Research Skills for Musicians, specialised units specific to the pathway, and a large menu of optional units. These are followed by a major project: a musicological dissertation or edition for musicologists (including those on the Russian Music and Medieval Music pathways), a minor and a major recital for performers, or a portfolio of compositions for composers.

The content of this MA programme relates closely to the research interests of the academic staff.

Students who completed the MA in Music have gone on to careers as musicians, senior music assistants, organ scholars and self-employed composers. A number of MA graduates have also become music teachers.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) with suitable skills and experience in music. All applicants will be asked a series of subject-specific questions as part of the application.

Applicants for the Composition and Performance pathways are required to submit a portfolio of work; visit [bristol.ac.uk/music/study/postgraduate/ma-music-portfolio](https://bristol.ac.uk/music/study/postgraduate/ma-music-portfolio). Non-traditional qualifications may also be considered.
Oral and Dental Sciences

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For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see bristol.ac.uk/pg-study. Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Health Sciences pages (pp48-49). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees. †MSc: up to two years part-time after completion of the certificate; PG Certificate: one to two years part-time; occasional route: maximum one academic year.

PG Certificate Clinical Conscious Sedation and Anxiety Management

This programme is intended for dental practitioners who want to develop competence in providing conscious sedation. The programme has been designed to allow you to gain experience of using inhalation sedation with nitrous oxide and oxygen, and midazolam. You will build your knowledge through distance learning modules and study days, while clinical skills will be developed during supervised clinical practice in Bristol. We aim to produce caring, knowledgeable and skilful practitioners who are competent in the provision of conscious sedation within the limits of the individual clinician.

Students who complete both this programme and the Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Oral Surgery will be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Oral Surgery, Clinical Conscious Sedation and Anxiety Management.

**Entry requirements:** BDS, or equivalent United Kingdom General Dental Council-registerable dental qualification. At least one year’s demonstrable postgraduate clinical experience.

PG Certificate Clinical Oral Surgery

This programme develops students’ knowledge and enhances clinical skills through hands-on clinical experience in oral surgery. In addition to study days and clinical skills teaching, students will undertake a clinical attachment at the University of Bristol Dental Hospital where they will treat oral surgery patients under the supervision of hospital specialists.

Students will attend outpatient clinics and operate under close supervision in the oral surgery department of the School of Oral and Dental Sciences, University of Bristol Dental Hospital. Our programme has been specifically designed for experienced dental practitioners who want to develop their skills in providing clinical oral surgery for their patients in practice. There will be a mixed delivery approach, including direct clinical supervision, small group teaching, clinical skills sessions (e.g. suture simulation), and self-directed learning using virtual learning environment material. Assessment will be by written assignment, online MCQ, e-assessment, clinical competency work-based assessments and portfolio.

Students who complete both this Certificate and the Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Conscious Sedation and Anxiety Management will be awarded a Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Oral Surgery, Clinical Conscious Sedation and Anxiety Management.

**Entry requirements:** BDS (or equivalent United Kingdom General Dental Council-registerable dental qualification). At least one year’s demonstrable postgraduate clinical experience.

MSc Dental Implantology

This part-time programme is intended for dental practitioners wishing to develop their theoretical knowledge and practical clinical experience of treatment planning, surgical placement, restoration and maintenance of dental implants. The programme has been designed to allow you to gain experience of the use of dental implants in prosthodontic treatment within a supervised environment. Knowledge is developed using distance learning modules and study days. You will also have the opportunity to carry out a research project or literature review and prepare a dissertation.

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We aim to produce caring, knowledgeable and skilful practitioners who are competent in the provision of the surgical and restorative dental aspects of dental implant treatment, within the limits of the individual clinician.

It is a modular programme, which is divided into three sections – certificate, diploma and MSc. All students are admitted to the MSc in the first instance but can choose to exit the programme after completing the certificate or diploma.

**Entry requirements**: BDS or equivalent United Kingdom General Dental Council registerable dental qualification.

**MSc Oral Medicine**

This is a one-year, full-time degree programme aimed at qualified dental clinicians looking to develop competency predominately in clinical oral medicine. It focuses on the recognition, investigation, diagnosis and management of patients presenting with common oral and maxillofacial diseases and will provide a sound grounding in the fundamental principles of UK specialist practice. It also considers and incorporates the basic principles of research that are relevant to clinical and modern translational practice.

Contemporary educational methods will be used to determine and monitor knowledge base, as well as using workplace-based assessments for clinical competency. Students will be supervised by clinical, laboratory and academic staff within an established and integrated specialist clinical training and educational environment. There will be continuous verbal feedback and support to help develop skills for individual reflection and self-assessment. Students will undertake one of the following: a relevant laboratory-based research project, a clinical service review or a literature or data analysis project, leading to the submission of a dissertation.

**Entry requirements**: Bachelor of Dental Surgery or international equivalent. Applicants should provide evidence of recent clinical activity within dentistry.

**Postgraduate Dental Studies**

Bristol University Open Learning for Dentists is a very popular modular distance learning programme for students aiming to achieve the Postgraduate Certificate or Diploma in Postgraduate Dental Studies. It provides a unique form of dental postgraduate education, designed for busy dental practitioners.

Students must complete three units (60 credits) from a choice of units to achieve the certificate or six units (120 credits) to achieve the diploma. Each unit provides a structured programme that involves reading, study days and assessments. This method of study is not led by teachers in a classroom but is supported by tutors and administration at a distance, offering the flexibility to suit your personal needs. The units are specially written for the programme and are designed to be interactive, giving you the opportunity to think and learn for yourself. Following successful completion of the diploma, you may carry out a research project and prepare a dissertation to achieve an MSc.

All students applying for Postgraduate Dental Studies will initially be enrolled on to the certificate, and on satisfactory completion will be transferred to the diploma. The occasional route of study is an option for students who do not want a formal postgraduate qualification but still want to register for individual units. Students who have completed a unit via the occasional route may transfer to the certificate programme, subject to availability of places.

**Entry requirements**: Applicants must hold a registerable dental qualification and have been qualified for at least one year. Students must be eligible for, or registered with, the General Dental Council or other recognised registration.

Registered dental hygienists and therapists will be accepted on to units that cover areas within their scope of practice.

For the Postgraduate Diploma: applicants must hold the Postgraduate Certificate in Postgraduate Dental Studies and be eligible for, or registered with, the General Dental Council or other recognised registration. Recognition of Prior (certified/experiential) Learning would be considered.

For the MSc: applicants must hold the Postgraduate Diploma in Postgraduate Dental Studies and be eligible for, or registered with, the General Dental Council or other recognised registration. Recognition of Prior (certified/experiential) Learning would be considered.
MA Logic and Philosophy of Mathematics

The Department of Philosophy has exceptional research strength in the fields of logic and the philosophy of mathematics, and very strong links with the School of Mathematics, including a joint position in both departments. It is ranked by the Philosophical Gourmet Report as the strongest department in the UK for mathematical logic, and the second strongest for philosophical logic.

Our MA draws on these strengths and is open to students with first degrees in philosophy (subject to a suitable background in logic) or mathematics. It consists of six taught units, examined by essay, and a 15,000-word dissertation.

As a postgraduate student, you will be an active member of the department’s flourishing research culture. You will be encouraged to attend and participate in both the weekly departmental research seminar and in the Philosophy and History of Science seminar, which often features well-known scholars in the field. There is also a weekly postgraduate seminar, where you may present your own work before your peers and learn to develop your argumentative strategies in a supportive environment.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in philosophy or mathematics.

**MA Philosophy**

The MA in Philosophy will give you a thorough grounding in the core knowledge and skills required for philosophical research, while allowing you to pursue your own philosophical interests in depth. You will be taught and supervised by members of a friendly and informal department with an outstanding reputation. The MA is designed to give you the most benefit from the research expertise of individual members of staff. You will have one-to-one tutorials with a member of the department and you will be guided throughout by a personal tutor who will help you structure your course of study and choose the topics you wish to research.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in philosophy or in a combination of subjects that include philosophy.

**MA Philosophy and History of Science**

The University of Bristol ranks among the top European institutions for philosophy and history of science. Our expertise is in a broad range of areas related to the philosophy and history of the specific sciences, including physics, biology, mathematics, logic, medicine and psychology.

Our MA draws on these strengths. It is intended both for students who have a first degree in philosophy who wish to specialise in philosophy...
and history of science at a higher level, and for individuals with a background in pure science who wish to make a transition to philosophy and history of science or to explore foundational issues within the sciences. Emphasis is on philosophical issues arising from specific scientific disciplines, with a particular focus on physics, biology and mathematics. The history of science is studied in terms of the philosophical debate about the nature of scientific method and knowledge.

You will be an active member of the department’s flourishing research culture. All students are encouraged to participate in both the weekly departmental research seminar and the weekly Philosophy and History of Science research seminar, which often features well-known scholars in the field. There is also a weekly postgraduate seminar, where you are encouraged to present your own work and you will learn to develop argumentative strategies in a supportive environment.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in a science subject or philosophy (or a subject with a major philosophical component).

### MA Philosophy of Biological and Cognitive Sciences

The Department of Philosophy has outstanding research strength in the fields of philosophy of biology, psychology and cognitive sciences. We are ranked by the Philosophical Gourmet Report as the strongest department in the UK for the philosophy of biology. The department was recently home to a European Research Council project on Darwinism and the Theory of Rational Choice that explored connections between biological and cognitive science research.

This MA builds on these outstanding research strengths. It is intended for graduates of philosophy, psychology or biology who wish to study philosophy of science with an emphasis on the biological and cognitive sciences. The programme focuses on philosophical issues arising from these scientific disciplines. The history of science is studied in terms of the philosophical debate about the nature of scientific method and knowledge.

You will be an active member of the department’s flourishing research culture. All students are encouraged to participate in both the weekly departmental research seminar and in the weekly Philosophy and History of Science seminar, which often features well-known scholars in the field. The department has strong links with the Schools of Experimental Psychology and Biological Sciences, with whom joint workshops and reading groups are organised.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in either a science subject, typically biological science or psychology, or philosophy (or a degree with a major philosophical component).

### MA Philosophy of Physics

The Department of Philosophy has exceptional research strengths in philosophy of physics, and very strong links with the University’s School of Physics. Our MA draws on these strengths. It is intended both for students who wish to specialise in philosophy of physics at a higher level, and for individuals with a background in physics or mathematics who wish to make a transition to philosophy and foundations of physics. The course consists of five taught units in philosophy, two taught master’s units in physics, and a 15,000-word dissertation.

As a postgraduate student, you will be an active member of the department’s flourishing research culture. You will be encouraged to attend and participate in both the weekly departmental research seminar and in the Philosophy and History of Science seminar, which often features well-known scholars in the field. There is also a weekly postgraduate seminar, where you may present your own work before your peers, helping you to develop your argumentative strategies in a supportive environment.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent international qualification) in physics, mathematics or a programme with a major component in physics or mathematics (for example, natural sciences or joint honours physics/mathematics and philosophy).

### Postgraduate Diploma in Philosophy

This diploma is for graduates in any subject who would like to obtain a qualification in philosophy or acquire an informed understanding of the subject. The diploma aims to bring students to a postgraduate level in philosophy in one year.

The Department of Philosophy has a reputation for high-quality research in all aspects of the subject. You will be taught and supervised by members of a friendly and informal department with one-to-one tutorials, seminars and lectures. You will also be assigned a personal tutor who will help you structure your course of study and choose the topics you wish to research.

You will join our flourishing research culture, getting involved in the three weekly research seminars on a wide range of philosophical issues. There is also a weekly postgraduate seminar, where you may present your own work before your peers, helping you to develop your argumentative strategies in a supportive environment.

Conversion to an MA within the period of registration for the diploma may be considered if you consistently achieve high marks in the programme.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent). Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.
Lien Reolizo  
(MSc Translational Cardiovascular Medicine)  
‘I was inspired to study at Bristol because of the innovative ‘beating heart’ surgery technique that was first pioneered here and is now used worldwide. I have been fortunate to work collaboratively with clinicians and scientists who are recognised as world leaders in cardiovascular research.’
Physics

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**MSc Nanoscience and Functional Nanomaterials**
This interdisciplinary MSc programme will provide you with the skills, knowledge and expertise to become a practitioner in nanoscience, whether in industry or academia. The programme provides innovative and novel training, and will support you in the next phase of your career. To date, all of our graduates have been successful in obtaining either a PhD place or full-time employment. Just over fifty per cent have taken up PhD places in Bristol, other leading UK universities or in top universities around the world.

The Bristol Centre for Functional Nanomaterials (BCFN) represents more than 100 academics from 15 departments in the faculties of science, engineering and biomedical sciences. This rich and diverse support network ensures your training and research is at the cutting edge and is truly interdisciplinary.

The structure of the programme, with two short training projects and one research project, means that you will have direct contact with many different academics and areas of research. You will choose your extended research project after having explored BCFN’s network of research.

The programme has been designed to provide feedback on both technical and professional skills, including research, presenting, writing, teamwork, creativity and entrepreneurship.

In the autumn and spring terms, there are lecture courses on key concepts and topics in nanoscience, a Communication and Management Skills unit, training in advanced tools for nanoscience and two training projects. In the summer term you will carry out a research project, choosing from a large number of project proposals across the whole spectrum of BCFN research.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a science or engineering discipline (e.g., chemistry, physics, biology, biochemistry, materials science or chemical engineering).

**MSc Nuclear Science and Engineering**
This MSc delivers a solid grounding in the science and engineering principles that underpin the global nuclear industry. Throughout the programme you will benefit from a connection, via the South West Nuclear Hub, to the University of Bristol’s UK-leading industrial research. This environment of collaboration with key industrial partners enriches your learning experience and exposes you to the scientific and engineering challenges facing nuclear energy today.

The programme offers you the opportunity to gain skills and experience that are highly sought after by the nuclear industry. As you learn about five key themes of nuclear science and engineering from experts in the field, you will develop skills in problem solving, team building, communication and scientific writing.

During the challenge project element of the programme you will join a multi-disciplinary team in approaching a genuine industry problem. The challenge is set by industry partners, who will act as your industrial supervisors, provide guidance on your work and attend your final presentation. Previous industry partners include Sellafield, EDF Energy and the Culham Centre for Fusion Energy.

This area of scientific study demands state-of-the-art facilities, and the programme gives you access to a suite of multimillion pound, cutting-edge analytical equipment, supported by dedicated technicians. Facilities include profiling systems, x-ray microscopes, a 200-acre site focused on robotics and device sensor development, and the largest earthquake simulator in the UK.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in engineering, physics or a related subject. Relevant professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.
Policy Studies

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**MSc Disability Studies: Inclusive Theory and Research**

This programme, delivered by the Norah Fry Centre for Disability Studies, will equip you with the skills, knowledge and ability to plan and carry out academic research relevant to disability studies. You will gain the research skills to help make a positive difference to the lives of disabled people, with a special optional interest in people with learning (intellectual) disabilities and their families.

The Norah Fry Centre for Disability Studies is a leading national centre of excellence for applied social research and teaching, and the programme is led by staff who are all active researchers. Much of the programme is delivered by, or co-taught with, people with disabilities, including those with intellectual disabilities.

The programme is one of only a few in the UK where Disability Studies students receive full research methods training. You will take core units in research design, quantitative methods and qualitative methods, plus an additional core unit about inclusive research with disabled people. The core units therefore provide a good grounding for those who wish to carry on to a PhD or take up research posts. A co-learning environment with social work and policy research students also provides an opportunity to interact and share insights with other interest groups. The optional units will give you a chance to consider research about inclusion for disabled people in relation to international rights, as well as UK structures in society. You will also have the opportunity to gain a particular awareness and skill set associated with emancipatory and participatory models of research, where people with disabilities take active roles in the research process.

**Entry requirements:** A relevant upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification demonstrated through experience in the field) and a demonstrable ability to study at postgraduate level.

**MSc Nutrition, Physical Activity and Public Health**

This programme focuses on the promotion and maintenance of diet- and activity-related public health and wellbeing. There is a clear consensus that new professional and scientific needs are emerging in this field. This programme is one of the first to recognise this need and as such will contribute substantially towards higher-level qualifications in this emerging area.

There is now considerable demand for multiskilled individuals with knowledge and understanding of research, policy and practice in both nutrition and physical activity. This programme equips you with such skills, as well as providing unique insight into the fascinating interactions between physical activity, nutrition and health by blending epidemiology, psychology and policy-relevant research.

The programme is specifically designed for qualified dieticians, physical activity specialists and other health professionals (such as nurses, physiotherapists and occupational therapists) who are looking to develop in the important area of nutrition-related and physical activity-related public health. It is also suitable for newly-qualified graduates planning a career in this area.

The latest Research Excellence Framework rated the Centre for Exercise, Nutrition and Health Sciences as the leading UK centre of research excellence within the field of physical activity, nutrition and health research. In addition, 100 per cent of its research impact was judged to be of the highest level.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree in a relevant field (or equivalent), although other academic backgrounds and relevant professional experience will be considered.

[bristol.ac.uk](http://bristol.ac.uk)
MSc Policy Research
Researchers, research managers, policy advisers and service planners are all faced with a growing need for top-quality research that is timely and relevant. This programme builds on the links between research and policy in developing the particular skills and capacities needed by policy-oriented researchers, professionals and postgraduate students interested in carrying out public policy, social policy and social welfare research. We believe this is vital if researchers are to maximise the impact of their work in addressing issues of real concern to policy-makers.

The programme provides core research training in philosophy and research design in the social sciences, along with introductions to and further approaches in quantitative and qualitative methods in the social sciences. It also offers optional units in areas of the school’s particular research expertise, such as child and family welfare, gender and violence, health and social care, poverty and social exclusion, and policy-oriented evaluation, led by academics who are at the top of their field.

We recognise that students will be joining with relevant – albeit varied – experience. Therefore, there will be opportunities for you to draw on your own experiences as researchers, managers and policy advisers and to share these with other participants on the programme. Those who have recently embarked on a career in policy research, or who hope to do so, will find the programme offers a unique combination of academic rigour, up-to-date policy content and relevant skills development.

Core units are also taught in collaboration with other postgraduate programmes, providing a unique co-learning environment and allowing students an opportunity to interact and share insights with other interest groups.

The programme is delivered through a combination of intensive block teaching and weekly delivery to ensure it is as accessible as possible to postgraduate students, busy policy professionals and practitioners. The way units are delivered allows students to accumulate credits flexibly and organise their patterns of attendance to suit their needs and circumstances.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent). Other qualifications (including those awarded by professional bodies) and relevant professional experience will also be considered.

MSc Public Policy
What is public policy? Who are the key actors and which institutions are involved? Who is it shaped by and how does it have an impact on an economic, social and cultural environment that is increasingly globalised?

This programme investigates the international public policy environment in terms of global political economy and the impact of business, voluntary sector and public policy agents in the field of multilevel governance. The programme encompasses both a theoretical understanding of the policy process and models of appraisal, with a practical orientation to evaluating research evidence.

As well as considering generic policy concerns, the programme gives you an opportunity to choose from a range of substantive policy issues, such as the economics of public policy, poverty and social exclusion, penal policy, migration, asylum and sustainability. Every unit considers policy in an international and comparative context.

Graduates from our MSc in Public Policy frequently work in roles that focus on strategy, policy development and implementation, or policy research. Potential employers include local or central government departments; national or international non-governmental organisations; and international institutions, such as the European Union and the United Nations.

Entry requirements: An upper-second class honours degree or international equivalent.
Politics and International Relations

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MSc European and Global Governance
Europe is confronted by a growing number of challenges on the world stage, ranging from the rise of emerging economies to new security concerns. Drawing on theories of international relations, comparative politics and European integration, this programme allows students to engage with the study of European and global governance from a variety of perspectives – the domestic, the regional/supranational, and the global.

It aims to be empirically relevant by teaching students how to apply theoretical concepts to some of the biggest political challenges facing Europe today. It will also prepare students for a wide range of careers in European and international affairs.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

MSc Gender and International Relations
This programme examines and deploys perspectives from feminism, gender studies, cultural studies and sexuality studies, along with interdisciplinary research in international political economy, civil – military relations, international development and the study of men and masculinities.

Bristol graduates are in high demand and have an excellent record of employment following graduation. Students graduating from MSc programmes in the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies go on to pursue varied and interesting careers.

Many sectors – such as the civil service, NGO and charity work – require an MSc and some volunteer/internship experience. Graduates from our programmes have gone on to work for Refugee UK, Shelter, Barnardos, Oxfam, Amnesty International, government departments and the European Parliament, among others.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

MSc International Relations
This programme gives a broad assessment of contemporary international relations. It integrates theoretical approaches with the study of many cases and issues. It also explores the ways in which the line between the domestic and international is blurred by trade, financial, environmental, strategic, ideological, cultural and ethical issues. Students on this programme will take a combination of mandatory and optional taught units within the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies. Each unit is delivered over the course of 12 weeks and assessed by an essay (or equivalent form of written submission). The taught section of the programme is followed in the summer term by a dissertation.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.
MSc International Security

There are a growing number of new threats in international security, ranging from civil war, terrorism and transnational crime to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

This programme provides students with a theoretical and empirical understanding of the international security environment of the post-Cold War era, including the origins of conflicts and peace, the emergence of new security threats and the many different agencies involved in conflict prevention, peacekeeping and peacemaking today.

The MSc aims to be empirically relevant by teaching students how to apply theoretical concepts to contemporary conflicts and current affairs.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

MSc Social Science Research Methods (Politics)

This MSc provides Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)-approved research training in politics and international relations. We aim to provide a thorough grounding in practical methodological skills through hands-on experience and the critical exploration of relevant examples and case studies. It is particularly suited to those seeking a career as a social science researcher or continuing to PhD level, including ESRC-funded doctoral study. The School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies promotes a close-knit student community with easy access to members of staff who all give a high priority to teaching and supervision while maintaining high-quality, high-volume research.

The programme provides thorough theoretical and practical knowledge of the variety of qualitative and quantitative data collection methods available to the social scientist, and the main methods of data analysis. The programme also covers the research process, ethical considerations and social theory. You will be encouraged to apply your methods training to substantive research interests.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification.
MSc Applied Neuropsychology
This MSc is a collaboration between the School of Experimental Psychology within the University and the Department of Neuropsychology within North Bristol NHS Trust. The degree provides you with training in clinical neuropsychology and 80 per cent of the taught content is provided by clinicians working within the NHS. Teaching is identical to that of the accredited clinical programme provided to UK registered clinicians.

This MSc is suitable for students intending to become clinical psychologists, as well as those who wish to pursue a career involving contact with patients with neuropsychological deficits (eg head injury, dementia or stroke) or during rehabilitation. It also provides an excellent grounding for students wishing to move on to further academic research.

Applied neuropsychology remains an important element of clinical healthcare across the world. The programme content includes the principles of assessment within clinical and neuropsychology, coverage of a range of neuropsychological disorders and pathologies affecting the brain, techniques for studying the human brain, principles of treatment and rehabilitation following brain damage. The programme focuses on evidence-based practice within a clinical context. There is a comprehensive range of additional structured tutorials in which students can discuss clinical practice issues with several subject matter experts working within the NHS.

All lectures are broadcast live online and recorded. Students will have access to a large range of recorded clinical case reviews, which supplement the learning experience. Taught content is also supported by weekly tutorials with qualified clinical psychologists and neuropsychologists.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in psychology or a closely related discipline (eg neuroscience or clinical psychology). Some clinical experience is preferable, though not essential. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis and we welcome enquiries about the suitability of any particular degree prior to full application.

Postgraduate Diploma in Applied Neuropsychology
This programme is designed for non-clinicians, graduates in psychology or a related subject, or people working in healthcare who want to gain further continuous professional development in this field.
Bristol is one of only two UK universities offering a nationally approved, professionally accredited training programme that provides specialist training in clinical neuropsychology. A substantial portion of the taught content is provided by clinicians working within the NHS. The taught element is identical to the accredited clinical programme provided to UK-registered clinicians wanting to specialise in clinical neuropsychology, and meets the British Psychological Society requirements for the knowledge dimension of the Qualification in Clinical Neuropsychology (QiCN).

Applied neuropsychology remains an important element of clinical healthcare across the world. Conditions such brain injury, stroke, epilepsy and various forms of dementia are common and as people live longer the prevalence of neurological syndromes places greater demands on healthcare systems. This training places people in a strong position to help meet these growing needs.

There is a strong focus on patient care, diagnostics, treatment and management for a range of neurological conditions, which will deepen your knowledge and experience and prepare you for work in a wide range of neuropsychology and clinical positions.

Bristol-based option: all lectures are broadcast live online using Adobe Connect and can be viewed at a later date. Some units are provided in a block format of teaching (ie one unit over a single week) while others are delivered weekly. Students are expected to attend the week-long blocks in person.

Distance learning option: This flexible e-learning study option allows you to study at home, remain in work and maintain any family commitments while avoiding substantial costs of studying abroad. However, you would be required to come to Bristol for your examinations. All aspects of delivery are identical to the UK-based programme but with additional online sessions providing enhanced academic and pastoral support.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in psychology or a closely related discipline (eg neuroscience or clinical psychology). Some clinical experience is preferable, though not essential. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**MSc Clinical Neuropsychology**
We are one of only two UK universities offering nationally approved, accredited training programmes in clinical neuropsychology. This programme combines the academic excellence of the School of Experimental Psychology with the clinical experience, knowledge and skill of a large and well-established clinical neuropsychology department within North Bristol NHS Trust, a regional neurosciences hospital that has an international reputation for excellence in neuroscience.

The programme places a strong focus on patient care, diagnosis and management of a range of neurological conditions, and is delivered by academics and experienced clinicians. The Clinical Neuropsychology department offers neuropsychology services to a broad range of patient groups: paediatric and adult, acute inpatient and outpatient, as well as patients seen primarily for diagnostic assessment and patients seen for rehabilitation.

Services are offered to patients who are being referred from neurosurgery, neurology, neuropsychiatry and rehabilitation medicine, as well as from physicians within the stroke services. Clinical services are also offered for specialist programmes of interventional neurosurgery, principally for epilepsy and movement disorders but also more recently for mood disorders. Along with working within the acute hospital trust, the department provides input to specialist inpatient and outpatient rehabilitation services for people with acquired brain injury.

All lectures are broadcast live online using Adobe Connect and can be viewed at a later date. Some units are provided in a block format of teaching (ie one unit over a single week). The others are presented as lectures on a weekly basis.

**Entry requirements:** A clinical doctorate (DClinPsych) plus an undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification in psychology or similar. You must also be registered as a clinical psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis (and may also require consultation with and agreement from the BPS).

**Postgraduate Diploma in Clinical Neuropsychology**
This programme combines the academic excellence of the School of Experimental Psychology with the clinical experience, knowledge and skill of a large and well-established clinical neuropsychology department within North Bristol NHS Trust, a regional neurosciences hospital which has an international reputation for excellence in neuroscience.

The programme places a strong focus on patient care, and the diagnosis and management of a range of neurological conditions, and is delivered by academics and experienced clinicians. Neuropsychology services are offered to a broad range of patient groups: paediatric and adult, acute inpatient and outpatient, as well as patients seen primarily for diagnostic assessment and patients seen for rehabilitation.

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All lectures are broadcast live online using Adobe Connect and can be viewed at a later date. Some units are provided in a block format of teaching (ie one unit over a single week), while others are delivered on a weekly basis.

**Entry requirements:** A clinical doctorate (DClinPsych) plus an undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification in psychology or similar. You must also be registered as a clinical psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**Postgraduate Certificate in Clinical Neuropsychology Practice**

This certificate provides the practice dimension of the British Psychological Society Qualification in Clinical Neuropsychology (QiCN). It offers support towards submission of your QiCN case portfolio, discussion of case formats, help in managing supervisions, discussion of patient cases and tailored support to meet specific needs and requirements. The QiCN practice dimension is the final professional step towards being considered for membership of the UK Specialist Register of Clinical Neuropsychologists.

**Entry requirements:** A clinical doctorate (DClinPsych) plus an undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification in psychology or similar. You must also be registered as a clinical psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Applicants must also hold the BPS accredited QiCN knowledge dimension.

**MSc Experimental Psychology (conversion)**

This programme, accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS), aims to train graduates from a non-psychology background in the theories of cognition, behaviour and the brain, and in the experimental research methods used to develop and test these theories.

The programme covers various core areas of psychology: social psychology, cognitive psychology, developmental psychology, biological psychology, individual differences, research methods (quantitative and qualitative) and statistics. Our aim is to provide you with a good understanding of the interplay between these different areas of the field and the pivotal role of empirical evidence in theory development within these areas.

You will acquire a range of research skills for scientific investigation of psychological questions, culminating in an original empirical research project. The programme employs a variety of teaching and assessment methods, and will provide you with a range of generic, transferable skills (eg teamwork, numerical competence, and oral and written communication skills).

These skills are highly valued by employers and the programme is excellent preparation for a wide range of careers that involve some element of psychological knowledge. MSc Experimental Psychology (conversion) also prepares non-psychology graduates for further postgraduate study in psychology, such as more clinically oriented postgraduate programmes or postgraduate research degrees.

**Entry requirements:** Minimum 2.1 degree or international equivalent. Applicants need to be able demonstrate evidence of numerical/statistical competence (eg a first degree in a numerical discipline; quantitative research experience; relevant non-academic experience).

**Postgraduate Diploma in Theoretical and Practical Clinical Neuropsychology**

This programme delivers the knowledge dimension and practice dimension of the British Psychological Society Qualification in Clinical Neuropsychology (QiCN). It builds on the content of a prior DClinPsych which, in conjunction with this programme, covers the entire BPS QiCN syllabus requirements and is accredited as such. Validation of work within the DClinPsych is established via the entrance examination requirements for this programme. The diploma consists of 90 credits of taught content (the knowledge dimension) and 40 credits of the practice dimension.

**Entry requirements:** A clinical doctorate (DClinPsych) plus an undergraduate degree or equivalent qualification in psychology or similar. You must also be registered as a clinical psychologist with the Health and Care Professions Council. Previous professional experience or qualifications can also be put forward for consideration as equivalent to the academic entry requirements given above. These will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

In order to meet BPS accreditation requirements, applicants must pass an entrance examination set by the University of Bristol and must also submit a 2000-word essay (on a prescribed topic), which must also be passed. The pass mark for the examination and essay is 50 per cent. The combined mark determines whether a candidate has passed the entrance requirements, with the essay weighted 34 per cent and exam 66 per cent of the final mark.

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The MA in Religion provides advanced study of the religious traditions of both the West and Asia. The programme offers two pathways:

- Buddhist Studies
- Theology and Religious Studies

These reflect the expertise in the Department of Religion and Theology and allow you to study various religious traditions with scholars who are world-renowned experts in those fields. The taught element of the programme requires you to do some study of both Asian and western religious traditions (irrespective of the pathway you choose) but also allows you to focus more rigorously on the study of either Buddhism or religion and theology more broadly. In either pathway, the aim is to engage students in in-depth study, led by staff who teach careful, rigorous, scholarly research methods at a high level.

The Buddhist Studies pathway is suitable for those who either want to deepen their knowledge of Buddhism through academic study or are interested in undertaking research in Buddhist studies but have little or no formal academic training in this area at undergraduate level. There are two core units, one of which is a language unit, and a choice of optional units possibly including those available from across the Faculty of Arts.

The Theology and Religious Studies pathway comprises two core units and four optional units.

Whichever pathway you choose, you will engage in supervised research on a topic of your choice and submit a dissertation of between 10,000 and 15,000 words.

Students who complete this MA programme have taken up many different careers, in areas such as academic research, social work, banking and industry, counselling and teaching, design, journalism, film and the arts.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent). Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

For further details, including entry requirements, programme structure, unit content and how to apply, see [bristol.ac.uk/pg-study](http://bristol.ac.uk/pg-study). Research programmes are listed on the Faculty of Arts pages (pp44-45). *See p24 for more information about tuition fees.*
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MRes Advanced Quantitative Methods
This MRes programme aims to develop a systematic understanding and critical appreciation of alternative approaches, methodologies and paradigms of social science research. It will develop fully trained and competent social science researchers, who are able to understand and use research techniques appropriate to their subject area and are conversant with approaches used by other social scientists.

The programme has a substantial theoretical and quantitative core but also delivers complementary qualitative training. This will provide an essential foundation for any working researcher, whether they are going on to do a PhD or otherwise engaged in research. The training will enable students to think through how they can use their knowledge and skills in advanced quantitative methods in different contexts and apply them to a variety of problems and, progressively, to identify their own needs for training.

The MRes forms part of a suite of interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered as part of the South West Doctoral Training Partnership (SWDTP). This pathway is a collaborative programme delivered across the Universities of Bath, Bristol and Exeter. Each core unit in semester one is taught intensively, with time spent at each location. This collaborative delivery means that the expertise of academics at each institution can be made available to students from all three universities, enhancing the training capacity of each.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class degree (or equivalent) with substantive quantitative elements. Substantive is normally considered as at least 60 credits plus a quantitative dissertation.

MRes Global Political Economy
This programme is one of five interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered as part of the South West Doctoral Training Partnership.

This pathway explores the dynamics of global transformation and policy implications, as well as their interrelations with national and regional institutional and social responses to the changing global political and economic order.

The pathway encourages you to analyse the diverse experiences and impact of economic globalisation and examine relationships between global governance and inequality. It will also help you understand that analysis and resolution of many of the key problems confronting humanity in the 21st century require new and interdisciplinary academic approaches, innovative methods and policy agendas, creative thinking and transnationally comparative datasets.

The MRes emphasises ESRC-accredited research methods training, the ability to plan, research and write a sophisticated dissertation, and the ability to think in broad theoretical and interdisciplinary terms about challenging issues. These provide an ideal introduction to academic research and to working for NGOs.

It will be of interest to anyone pursuing a career path in politics, economics, geography, sociology, law, history, international relations, policy studies, development studies or area studies.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a related field.

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MRes Health and Wellbeing
This collaborative, interdisciplinary pathway brings together key academics within the South West Doctoral Training Partnership whose research and teaching strengths are in the broad area of health and wellbeing – in particular, lifestyle behaviours and public health.

Students on this pathway acquire a range of skills to develop and evaluate interventions and strategies to improve health behaviour. Your work will make a major impact on our understanding of the social science that underpins avoidable health problems, and will build research capacity at the interface of biomedical and social sciences, both within and beyond academia.

There are four core units and a choice of optional units, which can be taken at Bristol, UWE, Bath or Exeter. Self-funded students will be required to pay for any required travel to other institutions for optional units, while ESRC-funded students may choose to use their research training support grant fund. Over the summer you will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from one of the centres in the school.

After achieving the MRes, many of our students go on to employment in a range of careers that touch on areas of government policy and health promotion at local, national and international levels. Other students have continued their academic careers, taking up doctoral positions and research associate positions in UK and international universities.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree in a related field or equivalent qualification.

MRes Sustainable Futures
This programme is one of five South West Doctoral Training Partnership interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered in partnership with the University of Bath, University of the West of England and University of Exeter.

Sustainability research asks how human wellbeing can be maintained and enhanced in the long term, given rising populations, limited natural resources and a fragile environment. This field, with its clear applied focus and strong strategic future-directed policy implications, has social sciences at its heart. It also requires a broad interdisciplinary approach and an understanding of the economics, law, politics and psychology of sustainability, as well as the geography and demographics of those affected.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree in a relevant social sciences or law discipline (or international equivalent), and/or a master’s qualification. Previous or professional experience is not required.

MRes Security, Conflict and Human Rights
This programme is one of five interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered as part of the South West Doctoral Training Partnership.

The programme recognises social scientific research on security, conflict and human rights from different disciplines, and how different approaches treat these issues. The programme moves beyond traditional approaches to security studies to complement these with wider perspectives, such as human (in)security, including domestic insecurity and violence, to develop better strategies for resolving conflicts and securing social justice.

Students on this programme will take a combination of mandatory and optional taught units across the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law (including the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies and School for Policy Studies). Each is delivered within a 12-week teaching block and assessed by an essay (or equivalent form of written submission). This is followed in the summer term by a dissertation.

We equip researchers with the interdisciplinary skills to impact research, policy and practice to avoid and mitigate security risks.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree in a related field or equivalent qualification.

There are four core units and a selection of optional units, which can be taken at Bristol, Bath, UWE or Exeter. Please be aware that you will be required to travel to partner institutions for some collaborative teaching. Over the summer you will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a tutor with relevant experience.

The MRes emphasises ESRC-accredited research methods training, the ability to plan, research and write a sophisticated dissertation, and the ability to think in broad theoretical and interdisciplinary terms about challenging environmental issues. These provide an ideal introduction to academic research and to working for environmental ministries, agencies, consultancies or NGOs, or other organisations working for environmental change. The skills of research and writing, which are central to the programme, are invaluable for work of this kind.

Another possibility is working within government agencies, again through the development of rigorous research training skills and the ability to engage in broader social and environmental understanding.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree in a relevant social sciences or law discipline (or international equivalent), and/or a master’s qualification. Previous or professional experience is not required.
MSc Advanced Social Work with Children and Families

This is a part-time modular programme providing continuing professional education for registered social workers who are currently working with children and young people, their families and carers in the UK. The programme leads to one of three awards; you can enter at MSc, Postgraduate Certificate or Postgraduate Diploma level. Alternatively, you are welcome simply to take any of our units on a credit-only basis.

Postgraduate Certificate students must take three units, normally including at least two of the four core units (a total of 60 credit points). Postgraduate Diploma students must take all four core units and two of the optional units (a total of 120 credit points). Master’s students must take all four core units and two of the optional units. Successful completion of the dissertation leads to the full master’s award (a total of 180 credit points).

Credit-only students can undertake any of the units available on the programme. This will give you the opportunity to gain academic credits towards your continuing professional development. However, if you want to build up academic credits to work towards a Postgraduate Certificate or Diploma or MSc, you will need to take careful note of the requirements for these programmes in terms of core and optional units.

There is also a Graduate Certificate in Social Work with Children and Families for prospective students without an undergraduate qualification.

The programme is normally accessed by qualified social workers as part of their employment with local authorities or voluntary/independent sector organisations in the south west of England. However, we also welcome applications from appropriately qualified and experienced practitioners/managers working elsewhere in the UK. It is managed in partnership with local employers.

The programme is aligned with the British Association of Social Workers’ Professional Capabilities Framework and the Department for Education chief social worker’s knowledge and skills statement.

It has been designed to provide high-quality continuing professional development for social work practitioners and managers. Successful completion of the programme will support professional registration and enhance opportunities for career progression.

Entry requirements: Professional social work qualification (or equivalent) and current registration with the Health and Care Professions Council (or equivalent elsewhere in the UK). An honours degree (or equivalent qualification demonstrated through experience in the field), and a demonstrable ability to study at postgraduate level. As this is a practice-focused programme, students are required to be in professional social work practice in the UK in some capacity throughout their time on the programme.

MSc Social Work

This two-year programme is designed for people who want to qualify and practise as a professional social worker.

Social work is a demanding but highly rewarding profession, which is often in the public spotlight. As a qualified social worker you will be able to work with both children and adults, helping them to be safe so that they can cope and take control of their lives again. You will work with them to assess their needs, find out what will help them, build their self-confidence and link them to other services. This requires an ability to appraise complex and difficult situations, drawing on social science research, social work theories and methods of intervention. You will need a thorough understanding of social policies and a firm grasp of the legal powers and duties that underpin your practice.

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The MSc in Social Work combines university-based learning with two extended periods of supervised practice as a student social worker in a social work agency. By completing this degree, you will be eligible to register with the Health and Care Professions Council and practise as a qualified professional social worker in a range of settings, including statutory, voluntary, private and independent sectors. You will develop an understanding of the structural and personal factors that lead to disadvantage, oppression and discrimination, and learn how to apply this understanding to your practice. You will develop skills as a reflective practitioner, appraising relevant evidence – including research – to evaluate your own and other people’s work and to contribute to the development of policy and practice.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any discipline. Relevant social work/social care-related experience. GCSEs in English and Mathematics at grade A-C (or equivalent) are required.

**MSc Social Work Research**

This programme is designed to build on the links between social work research and practice in a range of settings to develop the skills required by practice-based professionals and postgraduate students interested in carrying out social work and social care research.

You will learn the skills researchers need in order to maximise the impact of their work in addressing real issues of concern with policy makers, managers, practitioners and service users in social work and care.

The programme offers a unique combination of academic rigour, up-to-date practice content and relevant and transferable research skills development. Core units will draw on theories and research methods from across the social sciences – including economics, law and philosophy – providing you with a strong foundation with which to carry out your own research.

Optional units build on the school’s particular research expertise and will focus on the skills you will require as a social work researcher engaged with a variety of disciplines. For example, you may choose to study community development programmes in the context of poverty, interventions to tackle domestic violence, or programmes for young offenders. Other optional units focus on the wellbeing of particular groups such as children with disabilities, people with severe and long-term mental illness, or asylum seekers and migrants.

We recognise that students will be joining with relevant, albeit varied, experience and there will be opportunities for you to draw on your own experiences as researchers, managers and policy advisers and to share these with other participants on the programme. A unique co-learning environment also allows students an opportunity to interact and share insights with other interest groups across postgraduate programmes.

This programme does not include practical training or lead to a professional qualification in social work. If you want to study for a qualification in social work practice, please see the MSc in Social Work.

The programme is delivered through a combination of intensive block teaching and weekly delivery so that it is as accessible as possible to postgraduate students, busy policy professionals and practitioners. The way units are designed allows students to accumulate credits flexibly and organise their patterns of attendance to suit their needs and circumstances. The MSc and Postgraduate Diploma consist of four core and two optional units. A dissertation of 10,000-15,000 words is required for the MSc.

The programme emphasises the development of social work and social research and analysis methods, as well as substantive knowledge. Graduates from our MSc in Social Work Research often go on to careers as social work and care researchers or analysts, or research commissioners/managers in public or private agencies, both in the UK and internationally.

Potential employers include local or central government departments, voluntary or charitable organisations, national or international non-governmental organisations, or international institutions such as the European Union.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a social science or other relevant discipline; or an upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any subject and a master’s degree in social work; or a professional qualification in social work, substantial relevant experience and evidence of ability to benefit from the programme demonstrated through a personal statement.
Sociology

The study of identity is a burgeoning area of sociological and cultural studies. Over a range of units, this programme provides an introduction to key themes in this field, with identity explored in both theoretical and substantive ways.

On the one hand, there has been an exciting and innovative strand of work to explore and re-theorise the ideas of subjectivity and selfhood in the context of changes brought about by late modern and postmodern society. On the other, the question of identity has come under scrutiny within substantive areas of sociology, such as the sociology of race and ethnicity, the sociology of religion and the sociology of gender relations. There are also important discussions concerning the ways in which identities are recorded and observed, including debates over new narrative and other qualitative methodologies.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a relevant subject.

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**MSc Contemporary Identities**
This programme is principally concerned with explaining the importance of ethnicity and multiculturalism, race, racism, diaspora and communalism in contemporary societies. It has a particular focus on the nature of multicultural and multi-ethnic societies, the issues surrounding culture in a modern and postmodern world, and the growing public policy implications of addressing ethnic, cultural, linguistic and religious diversity within modern nation states.

It also examines the discrimination, exclusion, marginality and unfair treatment of minority groups, and the violation of their civil rights in different societies.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in an appropriate subject.

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**MSc Ethnicity and Multiculturalism**
This programme provides an introduction to a range of debates within the so-called ‘cultural turn’ in sociological studies. Increasingly, sociologists are looking to the concept of culture as a source of explanation – and questioning – in their studies of contemporary social formations.

The MSc in Social and Cultural Theory addresses both theoretical and substantive elements of this cultural turn. The works of key thinkers within social and cultural theory (Pierre Bourdieu, Michel Foucault and others) are explored, while the role of cultural explanations within theories of race and ethnicity, gender relations and the sociology of religion (among others) is also given both theoretical and empirical consideration.

These issues are situated within the framework of analyses and critiques of wider debates and discourses in social and cultural theory on questions such as postmodernism, postfeminism and postcolonialism.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification.
MSc Social Science Research Methods (Sociology)
This programme reflects the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies' expertise in research methods training. It provides comprehensive training in the whole process of research conceptualisation, design and operationalisation.

It is particularly suitable for those seeking a career as a social science researcher or going on to a PhD, including Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) funded doctoral study. It has been carefully formulated to reflect the training recommended by the ESRC and has been accredited as a research training programme.

The programme delivers a thorough theoretical and practical grounding in the variety of qualitative and quantitative data collection methods available to the social scientist and in the principal methods of analysing data. The programme also covers the philosophies underpinning the research process, ethical considerations and social theory. You will be encouraged to apply your methods training to your substantive research interests.

Students on this programme will take a combination of mandatory and optional taught units within the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies. Each unit is delivered over the course of 12 weeks and assessed by an essay (or equivalent form of written submission). The taught section of the programme is followed in the summer term by a dissertation.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification.

MSc Sociology
This programme gives you the opportunity to extend your core sociological knowledge and understanding. It will also strengthen familiarity with the discipline for students whose background is in a related subject, but do not have specialist knowledge of sociology.

The key learning goals are to develop critical use and comprehension of social theory, gain a grounding in methodologies and techniques of enquiry, and focus on distinctive, substantive sociological topics, such as ethnicity, multiculturalism, gender, sexuality, religion and culture.

The dissertation gives you the opportunity to pursue a sociological project of your choice in greater depth, while still providing close academic supervision.

Bristol graduates are in high demand and have an excellent record of employment following graduation. Students of our MSc programmes go on to pursue varied and interesting careers. Many sectors — such as the civil service, NGOs and charity work — require an MSc and some volunteer/internship experience. Graduates from our programmes have gone on to work for Refugee UK, Shelter, Barnardos, Oxfam, Amnesty International, government departments and the European Parliament, among others. Further details can be found on the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies' careers and alumni website.

Entry requirements: An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in a relevant subject.
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**MA Chinese-English Translation**

This exciting Chinese-English Translation MA programme will increase your understanding of the field of translation and interpreting. You will explore how practical translation is informed by theory, develop your verbal and written communication skills and build your IT literacy to help you produce translation of the highest quality. Students graduate from the programme equipped with specialist skills in interpreting and localisation, as well as transferable skills such as analytical thinking, research and collaboration that are essential to today's increasingly global market.

Students coming to the UK from overseas not only learn advanced translation skills from and into Chinese, but also develop their English language competency and their knowledge of UK and international culture. The programme is also open to students for whom English is a native language with a high level of Chinese, typically undergraduate level or higher.

The School of Modern Languages has an established record in translator training and excellent industry links. Its translation staff include practising professional translators, interpreters and researchers. We are a corporate member of the Institute of Translation and Interpreting (ITI) and institutional membership of the American Translators’ Association (ATA). We are on the ATA's list of approved providers of translator training.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in Chinese Studies or equivalent. Applicants may be required to do a translation test as part of the application process. Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

**MA Translation**

This is a distance-learning master's programme for aspiring or practising translators. It is suitable for graduates in any discipline offering one or two of the following languages in addition to English: Czech, French, German, Italian, Mandarin Chinese, Portuguese, Russian or Spanish. The MA combines intensive language-specific practice with training in translation theory and translation technologies.

You will study interactively, as part of an online group led by a tutor. The programme is taught entirely online and you are not expected to come to campus at all. Our library has an excellent stock of e-books and e-journals on translation. However, you are just as much a member of the University as any other student and we would be delighted to welcome you to Bristol if you want to visit. We organise a programme of translation talks and seminars each year.

Online group discussion means that we have a very lively and supportive learning community. If you need help on a one-to-one basis, tutors can support you in a number of different ways, for example using Skype, phone or email.

The University has close links with professional associations and helps students to take advantage of internships in the EU and the UK where possible. We have corporate membership of the Institute of Translation and Interpreting (ITI) and institutional membership of the American Translators’ Association (ATA). We are on the ATA's list of approved providers of translator training.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in the relevant language(s) or in any other subject, provided the language(s) qualifications of study are equivalent to a minimum score of C1 in the Common European Framework of Reference (CEFR). Non-traditional qualifications/routes may also be considered.

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Veterinary Sciences

Programme | Awards | Duration | Fees (per year)* | Contact |
---|---|---|---|---|
Global Wildlife Health and Conservation | MSc | 1yr FT | UK/EU £11,900 FT Overseas £20,100 FT | wildlife-msc@bristol.ac.uk |
Veterinary Clinical Practice | PG Diploma | 1yr FT | UK/EU £1,000 FT Overseas £1,000 FT | sophie.adamantos@bristol.ac.uk |
Veterinary Sciences | MSc | 3-4yrs FT | UK/EU £1,000 FT Overseas £1,000 FT | cvs-postgrad-enquiries@bristol.ac.uk |

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**MSc Global Wildlife Health and Conservation**

This innovative programme aims to give you the knowledge, skills and practical training needed to work with wildlife, and particularly emphasises wildlife health and conservation on a global scale.

Cutting-edge topics include animal capture and handling techniques; the assessment, stabilisation and transportation of injured animals; methods for improving the welfare of captive animals; concepts in behavioural ecology; endangered species breeding programmes; the reintroduction of captive populations to the wild; practical conservation strategies; and the management of protected areas. The curriculum also delivers a comprehensive introduction to wildlife disease ecology, surveillance and control.

The MSc is based at the School of Veterinary Sciences in the village of Langford near the Mendip Hills in Somerset, providing convenient access to Exmoor National Park and the rich wildlife habitats of south-west England. A large number of lectures, small group workshops and practical sessions take place at Bristol Zoo, allowing you to gain hands-on experience of exotic animal care while working behind the scenes in a modern zoological garden.

A special feature of this MSc is the large number of specialist lectures, workshops and seminars that are delivered by leading researchers, conservationists and wildlife veterinarians from outside the University. These provide valuable networking opportunities that will benefit you in your future career.

By the end of the course you will have gained the skills and knowledge to deal with a variety of practical situations that professional wildlife biologists face on a day-to-day basis.

**Entry requirements:** An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) in a biological, veterinary or environmental science subject.

**PG Diploma Veterinary Clinical Practice**

This programme will appeal to vets with one or two years’ clinical experience who want to develop their clinical skills. As well as preparing students for further clinical training, it also aims to develop skills for a primary care setting.

The diploma lasts 12 months and encompasses several pathways, including small animal practice, equine practice and clinical pathology; each student will pick one pathway for study. There are two compulsory units for each pathway and each unit carries equal weighting.

The goal is for students to consolidate and build on the clinical knowledge and skills gained from their undergraduate study and prior professional practice (eg the RCVS Professional Development Phase) in an area of veterinary medicine. Teaching will be delivered through a combination of directed clinical training, face-to-face presentations and seminars, online resources and self-directed learning. Students will also receive training in evidence-based veterinary medicine.

Clinical activity takes place through rotations in a variety of areas within Langford Veterinary Services, including out-of-hours immersion.

**Entry requirements:** Applicants will need a relevant degree that allows them membership to the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons, plus a minimum of one year’s primary clinical experience in an English-speaking practice.

**MSc Veterinary Sciences**

The three- or four- MSc in Veterinary Sciences is designed to give senior clinical training scholars a grounding in clinical research skills. A significant component of the master’s will relate to clinical responsibilities in your chosen specialist areas. Additional units are designed to enhance universally important skills such as scientific writing, statistical analysis, critical reading and teaching. A research project will form an essential part of the master’s degree and European diploma requirements.

Students who complete this programme will be prepared for careers as specialist veterinary surgeons or academic vets, or for work in industry or research.

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Langford

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By car
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