Postgraduate Admissions Statement

MSc Innovation and Entrepreneurship

Programmes covered
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Applicants should also refer to the relevant prospectus entry for further programme details.

This admissions statement should be read in association with the University Admissions Principles and Procedures for Postgraduate Taught Programmes.

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Faculty of Arts

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Admissions cycle
2017

Application process
Online application
Applicants should complete the online application form, uploading all required documents directly into the application form. Guidance on uploading documents can be found in the How to Apply FAQs.

Applicants should make every effort to choose the correct programme in the application form by reading the prospectus entry and admissions statements fully. Applicants should contact the relevant Admissions Team if clarification is required.

Application Deadline
There is currently no application deadline for this programme.

Required documents
All documents must be translated into English. Degree certificates and transcripts should be certified copies and list subjects taken and grades/degrees achieved. If your degree is not yet complete, please provide transcripts of subjects taken and marks achieved to date. All documents must be uploaded into the online application form unless otherwise noted. Applicants who have already submitted an application can upload additional documents into the ‘Post-submission uploads’ section. You can find information about how to upload documents to your application form in our How to Apply FAQs.

Required documents for this programme are:

- Two academic references
- Degree certificate(s) from first and subsequent degrees
- Academic transcript(s) from your first and subsequent degrees
- Personal statement (Innovations Pitch)
• English language certificates if English is not your native language and your undergraduate degree was not in an English-speaking country (please see the English Language Requirements for a list of English-speaking countries)

A curriculum vitae (CV) is not required but can help your application. You can include details of other relevant qualifications to assist with your application. Please do not include any school (pre-university) certificates.

Interviews
Interviews are not part of the admissions process.

Correspondence with applicants
Applicants will normally receive communication via email to the email address used to set up their application form account. Applicants should ensure that this profile email address is kept up-to-date.

Admissions criteria

Academic entry requirements
Applicants should have attained an upper second-class qualification (or international equivalent), and provide references and a suitable personal statement (Innovations Pitch). Applications from all disciplines will be considered. Non-traditional qualifications/routes may, exceptionally, also be considered where appropriate.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see our International Office website.

English language criteria for non-native English speakers
For applicants whose first language is not English, it is necessary to achieve a minimum score in an approved English language test specified in Profile C of the University’s English Language Requirements Policy.

You can find information about the University of Bristol's Pre-Sessional English courses at the Centre for English Language and Foundation Studies website.

Reference criteria
Applicants should arrange for referees to provide electronic references, which can be submitted through the online application system. Non-electronic references should be on headed paper, with clear contact details and signed by the person who wrote it. References should either be submitted directly by the referee using the online reference form, or submitted directly by the applicant.

Personal statement criteria
A clear and persuasive explanation as to why the MSc Innovation and Entrepreneurship programme has been chosen and the applicant’s ability to engage with the specific nature of innovation and/or entrepreneurship.

This assessment is an opportunity for us to find out more about you and why want to join our course.

Why do you feel you should be given a place to study your chosen subject specialism with innovation? What makes you innovative?

We want you to respond to this question by highlighting the skills, experience and passion you have for innovation, creativity, design and/or entrepreneurship. You might want to show us what you have created already or describe why you want to apply your chosen subject specialism to innovation in order to make a difference and help to change the world.

Candidates can respond to this challenge in one of two ways:

1. You can either write a specific innovation personal statement of up to 1,000 words that shows how you would make a great innovation student.
2. Candidates can video themselves pitching why they have the skills, experience and/or passion to be a great innovation student. Innovation pitch videos should not be longer than three minutes. Candidates should then upload the video to an accessible online platform for us to view (YouTube,
Vimeo, etc). Candidates should add details of the URL for your video to your submitted application materials.

Please note that we are interested in assessing your ideas and response to a challenge, not your technical abilities. For example, we are not expecting HD videos recorded with specialist cameras to be submitted; simply videoing yourself on your mobile phone, tablet or webcam will suffice, so long as we can hear and see you clearly.

**Additional requirements**

There are no additional requirements for this programme.

**Selection process and offers**

**Selection process**

All applications are considered in accordance with the University’s policy on equality and diversity. The University of Bristol upholds the principles of equality and diversity, respect and dignity. Candidates are not discriminated against on the grounds of race, ethnicity, nationality, gender, sexuality, religion or belief, disability, health or age.

Applications are reviewed by the Innovations programme team, working closely with the postgraduate admissions team.

**Decisions**

Applicants will be notified by email when a decision has been made and decision letters will be available to view and print by logging into their application. If there is a deadline by which applicants must accept their offer of admission, this will be stated in the offer letter.

**Deferrals**

Normally offers are only valid for the academic year stated on the application, however deferrals may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

**Deposits**

International self-funded students are required to pay a deposit of £1000. You can pay this deposit online at: [http://bris.ac.uk/online-payments/deposits](http://bris.ac.uk/online-payments/deposits) using a credit or debit card. Alternatively you can pay through our PaytoStudy account at www.bristol.ac.uk/paytostudy. PaytoStudy is an international payment solution which offers competitive exchange rates. Where PaytoStudy has a local bank account, all wire fee charges will be eliminated and you will be able to pay in your local currency to a local bank account.

The deposit is non-transferable and non-refundable except under the circumstances outlined in the International Deposits Refund Policy which is available at: [http://www.bris.ac.uk/academicregistry/office/policies/idrp.html](http://www.bris.ac.uk/academicregistry/office/policies/idrp.html).

You may pay your deposit in advance of meeting the conditions of your offer. If you subsequently fail to meet the conditions attached to your offer and are therefore rejected from your course on academic grounds then a refund will be made to you. To make the payment you will need your student number which you will find in your offer letter.

**ATAS**

An ATAS certificate is not required.