



**INTERNATIONAL STUDY AND LANGUAGE INSTITUTE**

# INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME AT READING

Your pathway to success





## Whiteknights Campus

IFP students are based on Whiteknights Campus, which is the main campus of the University of Reading. It is famous for its beautiful green spaces including lakes, woodland and grassland and is home to the majority of schools and departments. It also has the main library, Students' Union, Student Services, shops and restaurants and much of the University halls accommodation.





## WELCOME FROM THE IFP PROGRAMME DIRECTOR

One of the first universities to establish a course of its type in the UK, the University of Reading's International Foundation Programme (IFP) provides students from around the globe with the support, skills and ideal learning environment in which to begin their higher education journey.

The University of Reading has a long tradition of welcoming international students. In fact, our first international student arrived in 1904 from Kenya. Since then, we have welcomed thousands of talented students from more than 125 countries worldwide and our international body is now nearly 4,000. This creates a stimulating, vibrant and multi-cultural environment of which all members of the University benefit from and are proud of.

As befits a university in the top 30 in the UK, Reading is an institution renowned for its academic excellence<sup>1</sup>, its world-class facilities and the fantastic student experience it provides. Students, staff and the wider community enjoy the friendly atmosphere of our stunning campuses one of which, our Whiteknights site, was once again voted one of the best open spaces in the country<sup>2</sup>. Students on the IFP form a very important part of our 'community'.

We want to ensure all our students receive the most rewarding and enjoyable university experience possible. Indeed, Reading was one of the first UK universities to recognise that students from overseas may require extra support and training. Our IFP is now an internationally recognised and respected access course with a high success rate. Nearly 100% of IFP students pass the programme and around 80% qualify to progress onto their chosen undergraduate degree programme at Reading. Others may go on to find degree courses at other top-ranking universities in the UK and around the world.

Whatever your destination, the IFP will provide you with the academic training, language and study skills to start undergraduate studies with knowledge and confidence. It is the ideal launch pad for a range of careers. I sincerely hope you choose Reading and look forward to welcoming you to our campus.

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**Amanda Fava-Verde**

<sup>1</sup> University of Reading is 27th out of 84 UK universities featured in the QS World University Rankings 2021

<sup>2</sup> [greenflagaward.org](http://greenflagaward.org)



# THE INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

The International Foundation Programme at the University of Reading offers international students without British A level qualifications or the equivalent, the opportunity to prepare for undergraduate studies on our beautiful campus.

Our long established reputation for academic excellence and student support means that well motivated and hard-working students will have a head start at joining undergraduate programmes here at Reading or other leading institutions.

## KEY BENEFITS OF THE READING IFP

- Teaching by experienced academics from the faculty of your chosen degree
- Access all academic, social and sports facilities at the University
- Choose from a wide range of undergraduate subjects
- A choice of IFP Programmes and online or in-person learning
- A guaranteed place at the University of Reading upon successful completion of the IFP if you meet the applicable progression requirements
- Live in modern accommodation on an award winning campus
- Join the IFP in September or January, or choose a 4-Year Degree with Integrated International Foundation
- Guidance and support from your Academic Tutor
- Discounted tuition fee scholarships and student ambassador scholarships available. See our [website](#) for more details.

### Programme overview

The IFP prepares students for undergraduate study in three ways:

- provides academic training in subjects related to your chosen pathway
- develops your English language abilities
- gives you the transferable academic skills needed for undergraduate studies and beyond.

We offer pathways to the majority of degrees at the University of Reading<sup>3</sup>. A small number of degrees require students to pass an interview or psychometric assessment, and we prepare students fully for these.

Students who have met the English language progression requirements for their chosen degree take three 40 credit academic subjects. Students who have not yet met the English language requirements for their chosen degree study 40 credits of English and 80 credits in academic subjects. In addition, all students study 20 credits of Academic skills.

We typically have students from over 35 different countries on our programme. Students leave the IFP well prepared for the academic challenges they will face on their degree course with friendships that will last a lifetime and at ease with life both on campus and in the UK.



**'I am glad the IFP provided an all-encompassing environment to study in and am now more confident to advance to my degree, both academically and socially.'**

**Wen-Yi Ong (Singaporean)** IFP student.  
Progressed to BSc Investment and Finance in Property.  
Winner of the IFP Award for Academic Excellence

<sup>3</sup> We offer pathways to all degrees except some Arts degrees which include Film and Theatre

# THE UNIVERSITY & CAMPUS LIFE



The University of Reading is ranked in the top 205 universities in the world<sup>4</sup>. We are a global University that enjoys a world-class reputation for teaching, research and enterprise.



We are committed to maintaining a supportive, challenging and high-quality experience for students and staff alike and to preserving the heritage and beauty of one of the most beautiful university campuses in the UK.



Campus life at the University of Reading has much to offer our 18,000 students. Contemporary study facilities, halls of residence, support services, cafés and bars are centrally located on one of the most attractive university campuses in the UK.



Whiteknights Campus is just a short walk or bus ride from the centre of Reading with its lively mix of culture, nightlife, shops and eating-places. Reading is just 30 minutes from central London by train.



Our main Whiteknights site is set in 130 hectares of beautiful parkland. With its green open spaces, lake, rare trees and wildlife it is an exceptional environment in which to study, live and relax.



The University of Reading is a great place for sports enthusiasts, with great facilities and clubs. Whether you are a complete beginner or a serious player you can participate in your favourite sport.



The University library is a storehouse of information with over 1 million volumes, 3750 periodical subscriptions, plus archives, manuscripts and multimedia materials. We provide skills training to help students, researchers and teaching staff make the most of library facilities.



Information technology is an integral and vital part of teaching and learning right across the University. Our first-class facilities include 24 computer rooms – some open 24 hours – and free wi-fi is available across the campus.



The University of Reading Student Union (RUSU) is home to 200 societies and clubs, all of which are run voluntarily by students for students. Find out more: [rusu.co.uk](http://rusu.co.uk)



# OPPORTUNITIES

From the first day of arrival the IFP provides opportunities that make it easy for you to meet and make friends with other students. Throughout the year there are many specially organised events for IFP students. These fun events help you make new friends, gain new experiences and enjoy your time in the UK. Popular activities each year are paintball, bowling, laser tag, ice-skating and a trip to Thorpe Park for thrilling rides. Social events such as the Christmas meal and the International Evening with fashion show and live music are also highlights of the year.

## AWAY DAY

Social events, whilst highly recommended are optional; however one very special event that all IFP students take part in is the IFP Away Day. On this day, students and staff go to an activity centre in the beautiful Berkshire countryside to try different activities. These help develop problem solving, communication and team working skills in a new environment. Activities include kayaking, climbing, orienteering and learning new skills such as archery. The day is free for students, includes a meal and is often described by students as simply amazing!

## SPORTS AND RSU

As a student on the IFP you are a full member of the University with access to all the sports facilities as well as the clubs and societies that are offered in the students union.

## STUDENT-STAFF PARTNERSHIP GROUP

For students who wish to develop debating and leadership skills you have the opportunity to join the Student- Staff Partnership Group of the IFP. The committee meets once a term to discuss matters relating to the programme and members are responsible for representing the interests of their fellow classmates.



# STUDENT VOICES



'I had a wonderful academic experience at the foundation level as lecturers were so friendly and always entertained discussions, debates and answered questions. This gave me a sense of confidence, assurance and academic security knowing that academic assistance was readily available through the numerous, seminars, tutorials, and drop-in sessions. Although it was quite intense, it provided a great way for me to get incorporated into the British educational system and have the right academic values and transferrable skills required for successful undergraduate studies.'

## **Anita Omonuwa (Nigeria)**

- Graduated with First Class Honours in LLB Law and the second highest Law score in the University
- Winner of the IFP Award for Academic Excellence
- Anita now works for a top law firm in Nigeria



'Thanks to a great year on the IFP I now feel more confident and ready to start my undergraduate course. On the IFP I was able to take courses that allowed me to gain a lot of knowledge and important transferable skills, which will tremendously benefit me in my undergraduate course. The teaching was excellent and support was always given to the students. Studying on the IFP has always given me the opportunity to meet interesting people from all over the world and become close friends with them. I really enjoyed being around people with different cultures and different backgrounds. It was a year filled with hard work, fun and lots of great memories I will never forget.'

## **Nora Linjawy (Saudi Arabia)**

- Winner of an IFP Merit Award
- Progressed on to BSc Food and Nutritional Science



'I have had such a wonderful experience through my IFP year. It was such an outstanding year where studying in such a friendly, competitive and enthusiastic environment were its main characteristics. I am very proud and happy that I have done it.'

## **Humaid Al Saqri (Oman)**

- Progressed onto LLB Law
- Sponsored student







**'I live in Greenow hall, it's just a 5 minute walk from our main campus. It's a really nice experience to live over there, you get to know many people and the people are really friendly. I have many flatmates who are from the UK. You become like a family with your flatmates.'**

**Zeeshan Abbasi (Pakistan)**



**'The location is really good, I barely leave here. I'm always in Reading, but it's**

**good that it's really close to London too, so it's easy to go back and forth. Reading's got the shopping malls and Broad Street, so it's a really nice town.'**

**Derin Adetunji (Nigeria)**

Completed the IFP and graduated from BA Business and Management with First Class honours.

## ACCOMMODATION

At Reading we offer a wide range of accommodation options. Our halls provide you with a home away from home where you will find yourself part of a supportive community. Each hall has its own distinctive character offering a safe and secure environment in which to study, socialise and relax. We also run a halls liaison scheme with designated IFP tutors ensuring that our students are settled and happy in their accommodation.

The benefits of living in halls accommodation include:

- accommodation is located either on the main Whiteknights campus or within easy walking distance
- a range of accommodation choices to suit your needs. Choose from different room types, catered or self-catered options and residency periods
- 'Halls hotline' available 24/7, 365 days of the year ensuring any halls related issues are dealt with quickly and efficiently
- communal areas and hall committees which help create a sense of community and ensure a friendly and sociable environment – a great place to meet new friends!

Students who are 17 or over at time of entry to the IFP are eligible for University accommodation. Applicants are welcome to apply, but will only be considered once they have reached their 17th birthday and subject to completing a guarantor form.

Please contact [accommodationonline@reading.ac.uk](mailto:accommodationonline@reading.ac.uk) for more details.

## READING TOWN

Situated in the Royal County of Berkshire, Reading and its surroundings offer students a wonderfully diverse and vibrant place to live with easy access to London and the stunning southern counties of England. Reading is a leading shopping destination and a hub for successful international companies at the heart of the Thames Valley.

The town, which has a population of 235,000, has a proud history of welcoming people from across the globe and international students often comment on its friendly multicultural vibe and homely feel.

## SHOPPING

Reading's thriving town centre is a short walk or bus ride away from the University's Whiteknights and London Road campuses. There you will discover two big shopping centres, the Oracle and Broad Street Mall with big brand names.

## MUSIC

The world-famous Reading Festival, held every August, is the second largest UK music festival after Glastonbury. It attracts 80,000 fans every year who enjoy watching headline acts from around the world.

## CINEMA

Reading has two multi-screen cinemas showing all of the latest releases – Vue in the town centre and Showcase cinema which is located at the eastern edge of Reading and only a ten minute bus journey from the Whiteknights campus. Reading's only independent cinema, Reading Film Theatre, is based on the University's Whiteknights campus and shows the best independent, art house and foreign language films twice-weekly during term time.

## CHOOSING THE RIGHT PROGRAMME FOR YOU

We offer variations of the International Foundation Programme to suit your circumstances and needs. They differ in terms of start date, mode of delivery (studying on campus or online) entry requirement and choice of progression degree.

- IFP September Start - on-campus or online
- IFP January Start - on-campus or online

### INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMMES (IFP):

The IFP September Start is our standard International Foundation Programme, which runs from September and enables you to progress to any undergraduate degree at the University of Reading with the exception of arts and media degrees.

The IFP January Start runs from January to August enabling you to start your undergraduate degree in September of the same year. Progression degrees include all of those in the Henley Business School, which include Business, Finance, Accounting, Real Estate, Entrepreneurship and Management, as well as Law, Economics, Construction Management and Engineering, Quantity Surveying, Consumer Behaviour and Marketing, International Development, History, Geography and many more.

If you are a Science, Mathematics or Architecture student you should look to join the September IFP.

### IFP ONLINE

- September Start
- January Start

You can start in either September or January and you will be taught by university academics through a mix of recorded lectures, bespoke online resources and live interactive online seminars and tutorials. Through these sessions you will get to know your tutors and classmates, building relationships, which will support you throughout your studies.

Progression degrees include all of those in the Henley Business School, which include Business, Finance, Accounting, Real Estate, Entrepreneurship and Management, as well as Law, Economics, Construction Management and Engineering, Quantity Surveying, Consumer Behaviour and Marketing, International Development, History and Geography. A more comprehensive list of degrees is available on our website.

If you are a Science, Mathematics or Architecture student you will need to take the campus-based September IFP.

### 4-YEAR DEGREES WITH INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR

If you have already decided on the subject you'd like to study, an alternative to the IFP is a 4-year undergraduate degree with an integrated international foundation year (Year 0). The first year of study (Year 0) is the same as the IFP and after successful completion you can progress onto your chosen undergraduate degree at Reading. These 4-year programmes enable you to apply for a single visa to cover the full 4-years of study. For many 4-year programmes, you also have the choice of starting in September or January.

### 4-YEAR DEGREES WITH INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS:

- Architecture
- Architectural Engineering
- Agriculture
- Agricultural Business Management
- Building Surveying
- Construction Management
- Construction Management and Surveying
- Consumer Behaviour and Marketing
- Economics
- Economics and Finance
- Environmental Science
- Food Marketing and Business Economics
- Food Science
- Law
- Mathematics
- Mathematics with Finance and Investment Banking
- Meteorology and Climate
- Museum Studies and Archaeology
- Politics and International Relations
- Psychology
- Quantity Surveying.





# BUSINESS PATHWAY

Henley Business School is a triple-accredited business school, one of the oldest and most respected schools in Europe. It is truly international with over 75,000 alumni from 150 countries.

## MODULES

Students who wish to progress onto one of our highly-regarded business undergraduate programmes typically study three of the following four modules:

Economics

Mathematics for finance, economics and business

Introduction to business and management

International English\*

\* International English is compulsory for students who have not yet met the degree linguistic requirements.

Other recommended modules for students wishing to progress to a business-related degree include Law, Sociology, Politics, Psychology and Information systems and statistics.

All students take a module in Academic skills.

## DEGREES

These modules qualify you for a range of degrees in the Henley Business School and in other University of Reading Departments including:

Accounting and Business

Accounting and Finance

Accounting and Management

Agricultural Business Management

Business and Management (3 or 4 years)

Business Economics

Consumer Behaviour and Marketing

Economics

Economics and Econometrics

Economics and Finance

Entrepreneurship

Business and Management  
(Entrepreneurship)

Finance

Finance (Investments)

Food Marketing and Business Economics

Business and Management (Data Analytics  
and Digital Business)

Mathematics with Finance and  
Investment Banking

International Business and Management

International Management and Business  
Administration (with a foreign language)

**Ranked 5th in  
UK for graduate  
career prospects  
in 'Business,  
Management and  
Marketing'.**

Guardian University  
Guide 2021



# LAW, HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCE PATHWAY

## MODULES

All of our modules are designed and taught by University departments and are therefore tailored with your future degree in mind. Students who wish to progress onto Law typically study three of the following six modules:

Law	Economics
Politics	International English*
Sociology	

\* International English is compulsory for students who have not yet met the degree linguistic requirements.

Other recommended modules for students wishing to progress on to a Law degree include Introduction to business and management, Information systems and statistics and Psychology. All students take a module in Academic skills.

## DEGREES

These modules also qualify you for a range of other degrees in the Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences including:

Ancient History	Law
Archaeology	Modern Languages
Classics	Philosophy
English Language and Linguistics	Politics and Economics
English Literature	Politics and International Relations
History	

**100% of Law's research overall was judged to be world leading, internationally excellent or internationally recognised.**

Research Excellence Framework, 2014 – Law



# SCIENCE AND LIFE SCIENCE PATHWAY

## MODULES

Students who wish to progress onto one of our highly-regarded degrees in Science and Life Sciences typically study three of the following modules:

Biology

Chemistry

Mathematics for Finance, Economics and Business

Further Mathematics and Physics

Psychology

International English\*

\* International English is compulsory for students who have not yet met the degree linguistic requirements.

Other recommended modules for students wishing to progress onto a Science and Life Sciences degrees include Information systems and statistics, Introduction to business and management and Economics

All students take a module in Academic skills.

## DEGREES

These modules qualify you for a range of degrees in the Sciences and Life Sciences including:

Agriculture

Animal Science

Biochemistry

Biological Sciences

Biomedical Sciences

Chemistry

Ecology and Wildlife Conservation

Environmental Science

Food Science

Food Technology with Bio-processing

Geography

Language Sciences and Psychology

Microbiology

Nutrition with Food Consumer Sciences

Pharmacy

Psychology and Language Sciences

Speech and Language Therapy

We also have many more Science and Life Science degrees. Visit [reading.ac.uk](http://reading.ac.uk) to see a full list of related degrees.

**Agriculture is ranked  
9th in the world.**

QS World Rankings for  
Agriculture and Forestry 2020



# REAL ESTATE AND CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT PATHWAY

## MODULES

Students who wish to progress onto one of our highly-regarded degrees in Real Estate and Planning or Construction Management take three of the following modules:

Mathematics for finance, economics and business

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Sociology

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Psychology

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Information systems and statistics

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Law

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Politics

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Economics

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Introduction to business and management

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International English\*

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\* International English is compulsory for students who have not yet met the degree linguistic requirements.

All students take a module in Academic skills.

## DEGREES

These modules qualify you for a range of degrees including:

Architectural Engineering

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Building Surveying

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Construction Management

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Investment and Finance in Property

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Quantity Surveying

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Real Estate

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Real Estate with MSc/Diploma in Urban Planning and Development

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Our departments in these areas are very highly regarded.

Real Estate and Planning at the University of Reading ranks number 2 in the UK for Land and Property Management and number 1 in the UK for graduate prospects" (Complete University Guide 2021).

**Ranked first in the UK  
for graduate career  
prospects, Land and  
Property Management.**

Times/Sunday Times  
University Guide 2021.



# MATHEMATICS AND METEOROLOGY PATHWAY

## MODULES

Mathematics for Finance, Economics and Business

Further mathematics and physics

Information systems and statistics

International English\*

\* International English is compulsory for students who have not yet met the degree linguistic requirements.

All students take a module in Academic skills.

## DEGREES

These modules qualify you for a range of degrees including:

Computer Science

Environmental Science

Mathematics

Meteorology

The University's Department of Meteorology has been awarded a prestigious Regius Professorship by HM The Queen. A Regius Professorship is a rare privilege. It is a reflection of the exceptionally high quality of teaching and research at an institution.

# ARCHITECTURE PATHWAY

## MODULES

Students should study Art for Architecture plus a choice of modules\* - to include one science subject and one humanities or social science subject:

### Science Modules

Mathematics

Chemistry

Biology

Further mathematics and physics

International English\*\*

### Humanities or Social Science Modules

Law

Sociology

Politics

Economics

\* Modules can include but are not restricted to the above example list.

\*\* The IFP English Language requirement for entry on the Architecture Pathway is IELTS 5.0. with no skill below 4.5. Students with an IELTS score below IELTS 6.5 (or any sub-skill below 5.5) must take International English as a compulsory module.

## DEGREES

These modules qualify you for the BSc Architecture degree.

Acceptance on this degree requires successful completion of additional selection criteria.

**The University is ranked 2nd for research in Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences.**

From the latest Centre for World University Rankings by Subject, 2017

# IFP JANUARY ENTRY

The International Foundation Programme has two possible entry points. In addition to our well-established September – June programme, we also offer a January-August IFP, plus online-learning options.

## MODULES

The January-start programme offers the same quality and benefits of the established IFP in a slightly more intensive format. We believe that this additional entry point provides greater flexibility to qualified and motivated students needing a foundation pathway. Successful completion of this seven-month programme can guarantee<sup>1</sup> a place on an undergraduate degree programme in October of the same year. Modules available are:

Introduction to business and management

Economics

Law

Mathematics for finance, economics and business

Information systems and statistics

International English\*

\* International English is compulsory for students who have not yet met the degree linguistic requirements. All students take a module in Academic skills.

## DEGREES

On successful completion of the January Pathway, students can progress onto degrees in some of the top ranking departments in their field including:

Accounting and Finance

Business Economics

Economics

Economics and Econometrics

Economics and Finance

Business and Management  
(Entrepreneurship)

Finance

Finance (Investments)

Agricultural Business Management

Food Marketing and Business  
Economics

Accounting and Business

Accounting and Management

Business and Management

International Business and  
Management

International Business and  
Management

Real Estate

Construction Management

Quantity Surveying

Building Surveying

Investment and Finance in Property

Real Estate with MSc/ Diploma in Urban  
Planning and Development

Consumer Behaviour and Marketing

Law

Business, Management, Finance and Accounting degrees are delivered by the University of Reading's Henley Business School, which is a triple-accredited business school, one of the oldest and most respected schools in Europe. It is truly international with over 80,000 alumni from 160 countries.

<sup>1</sup> An undergraduate place at the University of Reading is guaranteed on successful completion of the IFP if you meet the progression requirements set out by the University departments for their degrees. These vary from degree to degree.

See [reading.ac.uk/ifp-qualifyingdegree.aspx](http://reading.ac.uk/ifp-qualifyingdegree.aspx)



**'I think that the most challenging aspect of the module is the grammar but I find it very interesting to do the tasks that involve searching on the internet and then adding the information to Blackboard.'**

**'My advice to future students studying this module is to go to all the lessons, to study hard and don't leave the coursework to the last moment.'**

**Pavlos Panagiotakis (Cyprus)**

**'Academic writing is the big challenge for international students whose second language is English. We get help with this in Academic Skills. Also, presentations allow us to practise our speaking skills and to work in a team.'**

**'My advice to students taking this module is that you must have confidence and if you think you can, you can.'**

**Hu Yao Wen (China)**

## INTERNATIONAL ENGLISH

In order to qualify to proceed to the degree programme of their choice, students must have achieved the following level of English on completion of the Foundation Programme:

- IELTS 8.0 (with no skill below 7.0) for a degree in Speech and Language Therapy
- IELTS 7.0 or 60% IELTS 7.0 or 60% in International English for most Arts and Humanities degrees
- IELTS 6.5 or 55% in International English for most degrees including Law and Henley Business School programmes, except for BA International Business and Management which requires IELTS 7.5 or 65% in International English.

Students whose English is below the undergraduate entry requirement at the start of the International Foundation Programme will be required to take the 40-credit International English module.

By the end of the module, it is expected that students will be able to:

- present ideas, arguments and information with clarity and reasonable accuracy both orally and in written form using appropriate academic register and conventions
- identify key information, comprehend texts at both sentence and paragraph level and make notes from listening and reading material.

## ACADEMIC SKILLS

The module aims to help students develop their study skills in order to be successful on the International Foundation Programme and as undergraduate students.

By the end of the module, it is expected that students will be able to:

- produce written work which is well-organised, relevant and makes use of appropriate terminology and academic style
- demonstrate good communication skills in written and/or oral form
- identify problems, apply their knowledge and skills in finding solutions and evaluate these solutions
- think critically, in order to recognise and express well-reasoned arguments in academic writing
- interpret and analyse a range of information beyond mere description
- work as a member of a team by cooperating with others, negotiating, listening to others in the group, sharing responsibilities/tasks and meeting deadlines.

# IFP ENGLISH ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

IELTS*	Intended Degree Programme
5.0 (no skill below 4.5)	Science/Life Science
5.5 (no skill below 4.5)	Law, Economics, Politics and all within Henley Business School and all students applying for the January – August programme
6.0 (no skill below 5.0)	All programmes in the Arts and Humanities
6.5 (no skill below 5.5)	Speech and Language Therapy

\* Please note that other English Language qualifications may be used dependent on visa requirements and nationalities: [reading.ac.uk/admissions/ad-EnglishTests.aspx](https://reading.ac.uk/admissions/ad-EnglishTests.aspx)

## QUALIFYING FOR YOUR DEGREE

On successful completion of the IFP, you are guaranteed a place on your chosen degree at Reading, if you meet the progression requirements set out by the University departments for their degrees. These vary from degree to degree. See [reading.ac.uk/ifp-qualifyingdegree.aspx](https://reading.ac.uk/ifp-qualifyingdegree.aspx)

If you do not meet these requirements, you may be able to progress to a degree at another UK university. Students from Reading IFP have gone onto degrees at universities such as Bath, Bristol, Durham, Nottingham and Southampton. Your Academic Tutor will provide assistance with applying to alternative universities.

## HOW TO APPLY

Applications can be made directly to the Admissions Office at the University of Reading or through UCAS. All application details can be found at: [reading.ac.uk/ifp-howtoapply.aspx](https://reading.ac.uk/ifp-howtoapply.aspx)

You will need to provide us with your up to date academic transcripts or grades, a reference and a short personal statement explaining why you want to join the IFP at Reading and what it is that you hope to study for your degree. Fees for both tuition and accommodation can be paid in full at the start of the programme or in instalments as agreed by the university. For more information about fees see [reading.ac.uk/Ready-to-Study/study/Subject-area/international-foundation-programme-ifp-ug](https://reading.ac.uk/Ready-to-Study/study/Subject-area/international-foundation-programme-ifp-ug)

## IFP SCHOLARSHIPS

Each year a number of scholarships are available. To see if you are eligible for a scholarship or to apply for a scholarship see our website:

[reading.ac.uk/ISLI/study-in-the-uk/ifp/isli-ifp-scholarships-and-discounts.aspx](https://reading.ac.uk/ISLI/study-in-the-uk/ifp/isli-ifp-scholarships-and-discounts.aspx)





# FIND OUT MORE

## VISIT US

You are very welcome to visit us in Reading on an individual basis at any time; please contact us to make an appointment by emailing [ifp@reading.ac.uk](mailto:ifp@reading.ac.uk). We can arrange for you to visit hall accommodation and to meet an academic member of staff on your visit as well as provide a campus tour.

## ONLINE

For further details visit: [reading.ac.uk/foundation](https://reading.ac.uk/foundation)

## IN YOUR COUNTRY

We have an extensive network of agents throughout the world that can help you in your application to the University of Reading. Their details can be found at: [reading.ac.uk/study-Int-Agents.aspx](https://reading.ac.uk/study-Int-Agents.aspx)

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This brochure was designed in May 2021 and is aimed at prospective undergraduate students wishing to apply for a place at the University of Reading (the University) on the International Foundation Programme in 2021/2022.

The brochure describes in outline the programmes and services that the University anticipates offering in 2021/2022. The University makes every effort to ensure that the information provided in the brochure is accurate and up-to-date at the time of going to press. However, it may be necessary for the University to make some changes to the information presented in the brochure following publication. These reasons may include, by way of example, operational and/or academic reasons, which reflect changes in practice or theory in an academic subject as a result of emerging research, if an accrediting body requires certain changes, or if the UK Government introduces legislation and/or public health measures that require us to make changes to any of the published information.

We have set out in this brochure information examples of modules that a course would typically include each year, but it is not intended to be construed and/or relied upon as a definitive list of the modules that will be available in any given year. The course information on our website will include more specific information about the core and optional modules offered on a course for the year specified. Modules and module information may change due to developments in the curriculum, the research interests of staff, or the relocation of staff.

Prospective students are therefore advised that, prior to applying to study at the University, they should review and familiarise themselves with the most up-to-date information by visiting [reading.ac.uk/foundation](https://reading.ac.uk/foundation) or by contacting us at [ifp@reading.ac.uk](mailto:ifp@reading.ac.uk)

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