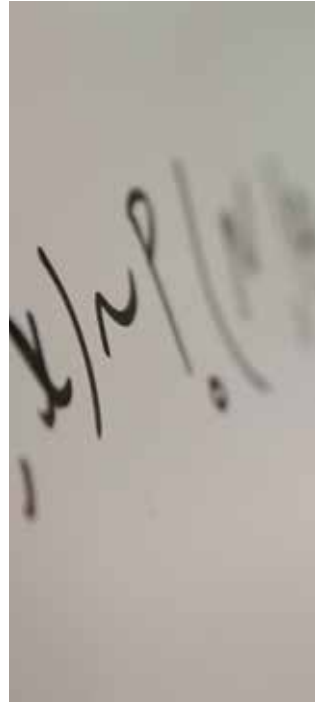




University of
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Undergraduate Economics, Finance and Management



Faculty of Social Sciences
and Law



An economics degree from Bristol teaches you how to think, a very important skill that most people find difficult to really master. 'What is really causing something?' 'What will be the effects?' The news is often misleading and simplistic. A Bristol degree puts you right on top of the pile when job hunting because of the University's reputation.

Richard

BSc Economics and Finance, 2005
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Why study economics, finance and management at Bristol?

The School of Economics, Finance and Management produces world-class research in the disciplines of economics, accounting and finance, and management, and our staff incorporate the very latest ideas into teaching. The school has almost 100 teaching and research staff.

We currently offer 11 Single Honours undergraduate courses, taking advantage of the specialisms of our three departments, and five Joint Honours and combination degrees with other departments across the University. You will be taught by staff from a variety of backgrounds, such as career researchers and professionally qualified accountants, using a blend of social science and professional/technical approaches.

Economics allows you to study mathematics and statistics alongside essay writing, resulting in a degree nicely balanced between words and numbers and leaving your options open for a range of careers.

Accounting combines technical learning with an academic approach, exploring the conceptual framework of accounting and possible alternatives across a range of issues. Studying finance is useful

preparation for going into the financial services industry; many of our students work in the City of London upon graduating.

Management draws on insights from organisational theories, providing a rounded view of human behaviour. These degrees also look at important technical issues of planning and logistics through verbal and technical reasoning.

87%

agree the course is intellectually stimulating*

*National Student Survey 2013



What will I study?

Single Honours courses

BSc Economics, three years	L100
BSc Economics with Study in Continental Europe, four years	L101
BSc Economics and Econometrics, three years	L140
BSc Economics and Management, three years	LN12
BSc Economics and Finance, three years	LN13
BSc Economics and Accounting, three years	LN14
BSc Accounting and Finance, three years	NN43
BSc Accounting and Finance with Study in Continental Europe, four years	NN34
BSc Accounting and Management, three years	NN42
BSc Management, three years	N200
BSc Management with Study in Continental Europe, four years	4H56

Combination courses

BSc Childhood Studies with Management*, three years	L524
BSc Social Policy with Management*, three years	LN42

*Courses run by School for Policy Studies

Joint Honours courses

BSc Economics and Mathematics, three years	LG11
BSc Economics and Politics, three years	LL12
BSc Philosophy and Economics, three years	VL51

Our degrees last for three years, (except those with Study in Continental Europe, which last four years with the third year spent at a partner university in France, Spain, Italy or Germany).

To allow maximum flexibility in our degrees, the units that you study are arranged in blocks which can be put together in a variety of combinations. The first two years consist largely of compulsory units, providing a strong foundation in the most important parts of each subject. You will have greater choice over years two and three so that you can specialise in your favourite subjects.

As well as the first-year units below, there is also a wide variety of options available on topics such as globalisation and development:

- Mathematical and Statistical Methods
- Economic Principles 1 and 2 (for economics degrees)
- Fundamentals of Accounting and Finance 1 and 2 (for accounting and finance degrees)

- Introduction to Management and Analysis in Management (for management degrees)
- French / German / Italian / Spanish for General Purposes (for 'Study in Continental Europe' degrees).

Year two involves further discipline-specific units. There are no further mathematics or statistics units, but our economics degrees will include econometrics (the particular application of statistics to economic problems); a BSc Economics and Econometrics allows you to study this subject in considerable depth. In the final year you can choose from options in your specialist subject(s).

Teaching methods

We have a long-established tradition of small-group teaching and are committed to keeping tutorials as a distinctive feature of the way we teach. This means that for each of the six subjects you study each year, you will almost always have a small-group tutorial every week, with up to 15 students at a time. This gives you the chance for real interaction with staff and other students. In addition, each of your lecturers and tutors has at least two 'office hours' each week, time when they are available for you to simply drop in to discuss aspects of the course.

Assessment

Usually, each subject will be assessed with a single three-hour examination either in January or the summer which contributes to your final degree result. A few units also have a coursework element. You will also prepare assignments and receive feedback throughout the academic year to help your learning that won't count towards your final degree result.

Your final degree award will be determined by assessments in year two and year three (40 and 60 per cent respectively). Study in Continental Europe degree results are based 30 per cent on second-year assessment, ten per cent on year three and 60 per cent on year four.

91%

of economics students agree staff are good at explaining things (National Student Survey 2013)



What are my career prospects?

On average, 85 per cent of our economics students secure a graduate job or a place on a Master's degree within six months of graduation. In the case of our accounting, finance and management degrees this is higher than from any other UK university. We come in second place in the Guardian University Guide 2014 (Business and Management Studies and Economics categories).

Those choosing employment go into a wide variety of professions, usually related to their degrees. Many work in investment banks or train as chartered accountants or management consultants, while others pursue careers in other industries and in the Civil Service.

Destinations for students choosing further study include professional conversion courses such as law or actuarial science, or Master's degrees.

85%

of students go on to work or further study within six months of graduating*

*Guardian University Guide 2014, 'Business and Management Studies and Economics categories'



Making your application

Entrance requirements

Typical offer for BSc Economics

Please visit bristol.ac.uk/ug15-economics, bristol.ac.uk/ug15-accounting, bristol.ac.uk/ug15-management, bristol.ac.uk/ug15-socpol and bristol.ac.uk/ug15-childhood for Joint Honours and other qualifications

A-levels levels A*AA including Mathematics (contextual offer AAB including A in Mathematics[†])

IB Diploma 38 points overall (contextual offer 35[†]) with 6, 6, 6 at Higher level including Mathematics

Access Pass Access to HE Diploma with at least 30 credits at Distinction and 15 credits at Merit with Distinctions in Maths units including Further Calculus. (We will accept the Further Calculus unit offered by Apt Awards in the south-west region; please contact undergraduate admissions to check the content of your Further Calculus unit if studying elsewhere in the UK.)

English Language Profile B*

GCSEs no specific subjects required

Selection UCAS or Common Application

Part-time study Not available

Deferred entry Welcomed

*For details of English language profiles please visit bristol.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/language-requirements

[†]For information on contextual offers please visit bristol.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/apply/#typical-contextual-offers

Our accounting, economics, finance and management degrees have a strong mathematical component, so you will need a qualification such as A-level Mathematics or its equivalent, apart from Childhood Studies or Social Policy with Management. You don't need to have previously studied economics, though if you are studying it at A-level we would require grade A (or equivalent). We do not interview applicants, so selection is based on your UCAS form.

We are looking for evidence of motivation in your personal statement, so tell us why you are interested in the subject(s) for which you are applying. Please give details of work experience or positions of responsibility that you have held. Tell us why you decided to take on those roles and why you find them interesting, or describe their relevance to your chosen degree.

Further information

Find out more about economics, finance and management at Bristol: bristol.ac.uk/efm.



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