Neuroscience

Our practicals are held in state-of-the-art dissection facilities and laboratories, enhanced by our dynamic lab manual and high-fidelity human patient simulators.

Why study neuroscience at Bristol?
Our innovative degrees give you the opportunity to explore many areas of neuroscience. You will be taught by a team of highly motivated academic staff who are dedicated to both research and teaching. Bristol is home to neuroscience expertise in areas including memory and learning, sensory processing and motor control. Staff are dedicated to providing a high-quality student experience. Our courses incorporate cutting-edge teaching methods, including the use of audience-response technology. An online dynamic lab manual, eBiolabs, will enhance your practical experience, and you will develop invaluable critical thinking and report writing.

In years one and two you will have the opportunity to study other subjects, which can include a non-science subject. Popular choices have included biochemistry, human anatomy, pharmacology, psychology and modern languages. In your final year formal lectures are replaced by seminars and a research project.

A degree in neuroscience can lead to a wide range of careers. Around half of our students continue with further study, including medicine, teacher training, postgraduate research degrees, or taught master’s programmes in biomedical, psychology or healthcare subjects. Others enter laboratory-based careers in universities, government bodies, the NHS, or the pharmaceutical or food industries.

The subject knowledge and wider skills that you will develop can also lead to diverse careers both within and outside science.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-neuroscience.

BSc Neuroscience

A-levels AAA or A*AB (ABB† or A*BC†)
IB 36 (32’)

As a student of neuroscience you will explore the workings of the brain from molecules to neural systems, answering questions such as: how do neurones communicate with each other to lay down memories? What goes wrong in neuropsychiatric disorders such as Parkinson’s and schizophrenia? How do we feel pain?

Your knowledge will develop from undertaking core units studied in years one and two to selected in-depth units in your final year. Core units explore many aspects of neuroscience, and currently include the neurophysiology of the central nervous system, neuropharmacology, and the techniques that have enabled advances in our understanding of the nervous system.

Final-year units are guided by current research at the forefront of neuroscience and may cover topics including synaptic plasticity or brain and behaviour, as well as specialist areas such as neuropsychiatric diseases. You will also spend 30 days working on a research project.

MSci Neuroscience with Study in Industry

A-levels AAA or A*AB (ABB† or A*BC†)
IB 36 (32’)

This four-year degree is similar to BSc Neuroscience but provides you with the opportunity to gain valuable experience of working in commercial or government neuroscience research during your third year. This may be in a biotech or pharmaceutical company or a research institute, in the UK or abroad. Placements are available by applying directly to providers; the application process is facilitated by the University.

You can apply to join the MSci course after the first year of your BSc Neuroscience degree.

New courses for 2020

MSci Neuroscience
MSci Psychology and Neuroscience

These courses will be open for 2020 entry subject to academic approval.

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Single Honours

BSc Neuroscience 3 years B140
MSci Neuroscience with Study in Industry 4 years
*Entry by transfer from B140

Academic entry requirements

The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44

Typical standard offer for BSc Neuroscience

A-levels AAA or A*AB including two of the following subjects: Biology or Human Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics or Further Mathematics, Psychology
IB Diploma 36 points overall with 18 at Higher Level, including 6, 5 at Higher Level in two of the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Psychology

Typical contextual offer† for BSc Neuroscience

A-levels ABB or A*BC including AB in two of the following subjects: Biology or Human Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics or Further Mathematics, Psychology
IB Diploma 32 points overall with 16 at Higher Level, including 6, 5 at Higher Level in two of the following subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Mathematics, Psychology

Other requirements

English language profile E (see p44)

†Contextual offer; see p42
This interdisciplinary and numerate degree, taught by experts in the subject, will provide you with an understanding of the biological and geological processes that have shaped the history of life on Earth.

Why study palaeontology and evolution at Bristol?
Our palaeontology and evolution degrees draw on Bristol's strength as a centre for palaeontological research. You will study a broad and rich curriculum of palaeontological subjects and receive a solid education in geology and evolutionary biology. Our degree is underpinned by a strong, numerate curriculum and fieldwork opportunities.

Teaching takes place in a dynamic, intellectually stimulating environment. We expect students to develop independent learning skills and to self-assess their progress with the aid of feedback provided by teaching staff.

The school and the palaeobiology community are exceptionally close knit, with students making lasting friendships across year groups. Fieldwork is an important part of the course and is much enjoyed by students. Palaeontological volunteer work and internships are available within the School of Earth Sciences and the city of Bristol, providing opportunities for career development.

Our highly numerate graduates enter many different fields of employment. Some graduates continue research to MSc or PhD level and enter academic careers. Science education, print and digital film media, outreach work and the museum sector are other popular career choices.

The numerate aspects of the programme provide opportunities to enter many professional careers in graduate-level jobs in fields such as industry, finance or law.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-palaeontology.

BSc/MSci Palaeontology and Evolution
A-levels AAB or ABB (ABC†)
IB 34 or 32 (31†)
This diverse course covers many aspects of the geological and earth sciences. Our degrees provide you with a broad background in palaeobiological science, including state-of-the-art methods and technological advances. You will be taught in a large and vibrant group of world-leading experts in the field of palaeobiology, whose interests range from dinosaurs to plants to the origin of life.

You will be immersed in our scientific community from the start. You will study core units in geology and biology, and in the third year you will be able to choose from a range of taught units in biological and earth sciences to suit your own interests. The fourth year of the MSci includes advanced topics and an individual independent research project for which you will work closely with expert palaeobiologists. Our courses include a programme of field trips, the cost of which is included in your tuition fee.

Our courses attract enthusiasts for the subject area and the student cohort is tight knit and high achieving. Classes are small and all students are known and valued members of our community.

bristol.ac.uk/earthsciences
Our pharmacology degrees bring together physiology, biochemistry, molecular biology and neuroscience to enhance the understanding of drug action and development.

Why study pharmacology at Bristol? Pharmacology is the study of the action of drugs in the widest possible sense, encompassing many different types of chemicals that affect the functioning of the body, not just medicines. You will learn what drugs are, how they work and what they do. You will experience the approaches used to design and develop new drugs by investigating the effects of substances on single cells, organs and the whole body. The final year is research driven and allows you to undertake a supervised research project with the benefit of the expertise of our academic staff.

Pharmacology at Bristol is focused on the action of drugs used to treat disorders such as epilepsy, schizophrenia and Alzheimer’s disease, as well as cardiovascular disorders. This means that our degree offers an outstanding opportunity to study how drugs act in these important areas. You will be assessed by a combination of coursework and exams.

A degree in pharmacology can lead to a wide range of future careers. The majority of pharmacology graduates go on to further their education (in PhD, PGCE or MSc studies) or enter employment in the pharmaceutical or similar industries to pursue a career in research or a related field. Other popular employers include financial services organisations, the civil service and the NHS.

The subject knowledge and wider skills that you will develop can also lead to diverse careers both within and outside science.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-pharmacology.

**BSc Pharmacology**

**A-levels** AAB (ABC† or BBB†) **IB** 34 (31†)

We use a wide variety of teaching approaches including lectures, practical work and tutorials. Practical teaching is enhanced by self-directed learning using computer-assisted packages such as eBiolabs and sessions with human patient simulators. Alongside this you will develop critical-thinking and report-writing skills that are invaluable for any future career.

For the first two years you study a number of core units and choose others from a broad range of topics which could include infection and immunity, cellular and molecular pathology, and mammalian physiology. Final-year units emphasise the molecular mechanisms of drug action and take you to the forefront of current research, with formal lectures replaced by seminars and tutorials. A fully integrated programme of activities is designed to develop your transferable personal and professional skills.

**MSci Pharmacology with Study in Industry**

**A-levels** AAB (ABC† or BBB†) **IB** 34 (31†)

This four-year MSci degree gives you the opportunity to spend a year gaining valuable experience of how pharmacology is related to the pharmaceutical and associated industries. You can apply for the MSci degree directly or transfer to it from the BSc Pharmacology degree after your first year.

Placements are available by applying directly to providers; the application process is facilitated by the University. Placements may be in major pharmaceutical companies or other health, biotech and research companies in the UK and abroad. In your final year you will undertake additional advanced study.

**New course for 2020**

**MSci Pharmacology**

This course will be open for 2020 entry subject to academic approval.

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Our dynamic department has an established reputation for research and teaching, a vibrant student community and offers the opportunity to study overseas.

Why study philosophy at Bristol?
Studying philosophy at Bristol challenges you to delve into some of the deepest questions to have puzzled the great thinkers by applying the rigorous analysis and argument distinctive of the western ‘analytic’ philosophical tradition. You will be part of a heritage of philosophy in the South West that includes John Locke and Thomas Hobbes.

Internationally regarded staff, a lively student community and a rich programme of events make the study of philosophy at Bristol unique. We conduct much of our research in logic and the philosophy of science and mathematics but our staff are also involved in applied ethics, phenomenology and the philosophy of medicine. We host the Centre for Science and Philosophy, which promotes the interpretation of science through collaboration with other disciplines.

A distinguishing feature of our courses is that your first two years will cover the basic topics that form the groundwork of philosophy. In your third year you will study more advanced and specialised units offered by lecturers in their own fields of research specialisation. Previously, these have included Philosophy of Psychology; Death, Dying and Disease; Philosophy of Biology; Theories of Justice; Environmental Ethics; and Art and the Understanding.

A wide range of employers value the flexibility of thought that philosophy fosters. Many of our graduates go on to make excellent lawyers, journalists, teachers, consultants and entrepreneurs.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-philosophy.

BA Philosophy
A-levels AAA (ABB†) IB 36 (32†)
This course offers you both depth and breadth over three years of exciting and challenging study. In your first year you will gain a grounding in the fundamentals of philosophy through two mandatory introductory units: one exploring issues in epistemology and metaphysics, such as knowledge, scepticism, and the distinction between reality and appearance; the other concerning moral and political philosophy. You will also take units in critical thinking and logic, and a choice of other units, which currently include Philosophy of Science, Philosophy of Mind, and Mill’s On Liberty. You may take units outside the department in your first year.

In year two you complete your foundation in philosophy with mandatory units and conduct more detailed study of areas such as philosophy of language, or ethics. In the final year you may take independent study units in almost any topic of philosophy, writing an extended essay in consultation with a supervisor. Final-year taught units relate to the research interests of staff in areas ranging from global justice to philosophy of physics. The high level of attainment required will prepare you well for postgraduate study in philosophy and many other subjects, and will equip you with skills, including clear written and verbal expression, critical thinking and analysis, that will be valuable in a wide range of careers.

BA Philosophy and a modern language
A-levels AAB (BBB†) IB 34 (31†)
In each year you will take an equal number of credits in your chosen language and in philosophy. In your first year you will take units in critical thinking and logic, and two mandatory introductory philosophy units, one exploring issues in epistemology and metaphysics, the other concerning moral and political philosophy. In year two you take units covering issues from across the field of philosophy, as well as units offering detailed study of particular areas of focus. In your final year you will take an independent study unit and taught units relating directly to the research interests of staff. For your chosen language you will study a combination of language and culture units. You will spend your third year studying or working abroad, which will enable you to refine your language skills and cultural knowledge.

Both the Department of Philosophy and the School of Modern Languages encourage strong synergy between research and teaching, resulting in a vibrant learning environment for students as staff respond to new research.

Grade B or above in a modern language A-level or equivalent qualification is required. For French, A-level French is required.
BSc Philosophy and Economics/ BSc Philosophy and Economics with Study Abroad
A-levels AAA (ABB†) IB 36 (32†)

For philosophy, you will study units covering introduction to philosophy, logic, and realism and normativity, as well as undertaking an extended essay. Economics is based on a series of core courses in economics and econometrics, which you will study in all three years. You also have the opportunity to choose a variety of optional units, which could include study of areas including environmental economics, globalisation and development, and macroeconomic theory and policy. You can apply to transfer to our four-year Study Abroad course in year one and spend your third year studying in English at one of our partner institutions overseas.

BSc Philosophy and Theology
A-levels AAA (ABB†) IB 36 (32†)

On this course you will combine philosophy with study in religion and theology, taking an equal number of credits in each subject.

For philosophy, you will study units covering introductions to philosophy, logic, and realism and normativity, and undertake an extended essay. For theology you will take an introductory unit on different religious traditions and a methodology unit in your first year, as well as an optional unit from choices that may include Christianity, Islam, Buddhism, Judaism, Hinduism, Chinese and Japanese religions and the Philosophy of Religion.

In the second year you will continue your studies in philosophy and theology by combining mandatory units with other units of your choice.

In the third year you will take three optional units, including a dissertation in an area of special interest to you.

‘I love being taught by the researchers whose books are our required reading. It’s amazing to be told that a certain professor is the definitive expert in a field, and to be able to ask them questions whenever you like.’

Sophie (BSc Sociology)
Over £8 million has been invested in undergraduate teaching in physics, including laboratories, study spaces, a new library and online resources, and well-equipped lecture theatres.

Why study physics at Bristol?
Bristol physicists are pioneers in their fields: your lecturers might be involved in analysing data from CERN; working with the nuclear industry and energy companies to prolong reactor life and develop green alternatives; researching pigment in liquid crystals and 3D printing; or working with industrial partners on diamond batteries for heart pacemakers and self-powered sensors.

We have world-leading research groups in astrophysics, condensed matter physics, materials and devices, nanoscience, particle physics, quantum photonics and theoretical physics. In your final year you may undertake a research project in one of these areas.

Flexibility and choice are key features of a physics degree at Bristol and you can normally transfer between courses in the first two years. Our courses take a rigorous approach to problem solving, experimental design and communication skills, and you will gain confidence in handling and interpreting numerical information.

As part of your degree you can spend time working in industry or perfecting your language skills at a university in Europe or beyond.

Accreditation (all courses except MSci Physics with International Experience and MSci Theoretical Physics)

IOP Institute of Physics

Many of our degrees are accredited by the Institute of Physics.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-physics.

BSc/MSci Physics
A-levels A*AA (AAB) IB 38 (34)

Learn about the fundamental building blocks and forces of nature. Find out how quantum physics and relativity enable us to understand the world around us, from the infinitesimal scale of particle and nuclear physics to the microscopic level of atoms and molecules.

In year one you will gain a comprehensive grounding in physics and mathematics, while in year two you will develop a fundamental understanding of the principles of physics, including practical work in the laboratory and computational physics. In your final year you will undertake a major project or dissertation, working in a research group with a member of staff. Final-year BSc options include the physics education scheme, which involves teaching in a school, and the industrial group project, based on a real problem set by external clients or industrial partners. Recent partners include Sellafield, Bristol Zoo, Siemens and The Fat Duck restaurant.

BSc Physics with a Preliminary Year of Study
No specific entry requirements. Please contact the prospective students enquiries team for further information.

This course is designed for students who do not have the qualifications needed for the BSc/MSci but who have demonstrable scientific potential through good passes in GCSE Mathematics and science or work experience. You will study mathematics, physics and study skills in a programme designed to prepare you to join the BSc Physics degree.

For further information visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-physics.

BSc/MSci Physics with Astrophysics
A-levels A*AA (AAB) IB 38 (34)

This degree gives you the same thorough grounding in physics as our other courses with astrophysics as a key component. Your first-year astronomy studies will include astronomical techniques and astrophysical phenomena. In your second year you will study cosmology. In your third and fourth years you work on more advanced topics in astrophysics, such as high-energy astrophysics, which aims to make clear the relationship between the energetic particles and photons that reach Earth, and energetic phenomena in distant astronomical objects. Your final-year project will be with a member of the astrophysics research group, which specialises in cosmology, the formation of clusters and galaxies, active galaxies, high-energy astrophysical processes, and the formation of extrasolar planets.

MSci Physics with Industrial Experience
A-levels A*AA (AAB) IB 38 (34)

This course includes a year spent in industry, which can be a life-changing and rewarding experience. It can help you hone your skills in project management, teamwork and communication, and provide invaluable insights into commercial pressures and real-world applied science.

Recently, students have worked for the Culham Centre for Fusion Energy, Airbus, JP Morgan, Sharp, Rolls-Royce and the Science and Technology Facilities Council. During your year in industry you will continue to study core physics via distance learning in preparation for returning to Bristol for your final year.
MSci Physics with International Experience

A-levels A*AA (AAB') IB 38 (34')

Physics is an inherently international activity, carried out by scientists based in institutions throughout the world, sometimes competing and often collaborating. This degree will give you an early introduction to this key aspect of physics. It offers you the chance to combine in-depth training as a physicist with the experience of living and working as a researcher overseas.

You will follow broadly the same structure as the MSci Physics course and spend your third year overseas. During this year you follow a programme agreed with a tutor at Bristol and work in English at a partner university abroad. Each year we offer a small number of carefully selected research placements. These might include nanophysics in Brazil, astrophysics in Canada or particle physics in the US. Alternatively, you can take taught courses through Bristol’s Global Opportunities programme. You will continue to study core physics via distance learning in preparation for returning to Bristol for your final year.

MSci Physics with Study in Continental Europe

A-levels A*AA (AAB') IB 38 (34')

This degree follows broadly the same structure as the MSci Physics course, with added language units in years one and two, and the third year in Europe where you will study physics at one of our partner universities. You will study physics units that parallel, as far as possible, the third year of the Bristol degree course and will then return in the fourth year.

MSci Theoretical Physics

A-levels A*AA (AAB') IB 38 (34')

Theoretical physics aims to understand and predict phenomena in the physical world based on a conceptual and mathematical understanding of the laws of the universe.

This degree will give you the same thorough grounding as our MSci Physics, focusing on the theoretical approach, with advanced courses in later years on topics such as quantum physics, quantum information, relativistic field theory and condensed matter physics. The course incorporates a higher level of mathematics and less laboratory work than MSci Physics.

BSc/MSci Physics and Philosophy

A-levels A*AA (AAB') IB 38 (34')

In the first year of this course you will study physics, maths and philosophical topics such as metaphysics, logic, the theory of knowledge and ethics. As well as mandatory units in both subjects, you will be able to choose units that particularly interest you. Optional units on this course might include Quantum Mechanics, Normativity, Nanophysics, Biophysics, Stellar Structure and Evolution, Philosophy of Psychology, and Philosophy and History of Medicine.

New courses for 2020

BSc/MSci Physics with Scientific Computing

BSc/MSci Physics with Scientific Computing with Industrial Experience

These courses will be open for 2020 entry subject to academic approval.
‘The University of Bristol was my first choice because of the integrated style of teaching they offer for medical students. Learning in a classroom and a hospital environment simultaneously was important to me, as it allows the theoretical and practical sides of medicine to be explored from early in the course. The fact that the University is a part of the city rather than its own bubble makes it easier to be part of both the student and wider Bristol community.’

Taiwo (MB ChB Medicine)
Physiological Science

The School of Physiology, Pharmacology and Neuroscience houses research groups in cardiovascular physiology, neuroscience and cell biology that are recognised worldwide.

Why study physiological science at Bristol?
Physiology is the study of body function: how cell tissue and organ function are integrated in the whole individual. Physiology is an experimental, scientific discipline of general educational value and is of fundamental importance in medicine and health-related sciences.

In years one and two of our physiological science degrees you will have the opportunity to study other subjects alongside physiology, including non-science subjects. Popular choices include biochemistry, human anatomy, pharmacology, psychology or a modern language. Practicals are run in well-equipped, modern laboratories and incorporate our innovative online learning environment, eBiolabs, as well as state-of-the-art human patient simulators. Assessment in years one and two is through a combination of coursework, online tests and exams.

A degree in physiological science can lead to a wide range of future careers. Around a quarter to half of our students continue with further study, for example in medicine, teacher training, postgraduate research programmes, or master’s degrees in biomedical, psychology or healthcare subjects.

The subject knowledge and wider skills that you will develop throughout your degree can also lead to opportunities in diverse careers both within and outside science.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-physiology.

BSc Physiological Science
A-levels AAB (BBB† or ABC†) IB 34 (31†)
This degree builds on core units studied in years one and two, through to the final year, when you will explore topics at the forefront of current research in physiology. You can also take a variety of optional units.

Year one introduces the functions of the major body systems in humans and how drugs can affect these systems. Second-year units cover neurophysiology, cellular physiology and topics such as exercise, stress and ageing. Practical teaching is enhanced by our online dynamic lab manual and human patient simulators.

Third-year seminar courses are taught by research-active staff at the cutting edge of current research. Topics include the cardiovascular system, brain and behaviour, and the future of molecular medicine. You will also complete a practical project, chosen from a wide range of topics.

A fully integrated programme of activities is designed to develop your transferable personal and professional skills, such as IT, verbal, written and presentation skills.

MSci Physiological Science with Study in Industry
A-levels AAB (BBB† or ABC†) IB 34 (31†)
This four-year degree is similar to BSc Physiological Science but also provides the opportunity to gain valuable insight into how physiology relates to commercial or governmental research. Placements may be in a biotech, food, defence, pharmaceutical or sports science company or a research institute, and are available by applying directly to providers. This application process is facilitated by the University. You can apply to join the MSci degree after the first year of the BSc course.

New course for 2020
MSci Physiological Science
This course will be open for 2020 entry subject to academic approval.

bristol.ac.uk/phys-pharm-neuro
Politics and International Relations

Our politics and international relations degrees are among the best in the UK, and our staff are global leaders in many areas of political study.

Why study politics and international relations at Bristol?
At Bristol, politics and international relations students receive a world-class education in a diverse, supportive and engaging environment. We are rated fourth in the UK for politics in the Guardian University Guide 2019, and you will have access to scholars who are world-renowned in many fields.

Through studying the politics of individual countries and governments and the relationships between countries, communities and individuals, you will become familiar with different methods of analysis and will learn to apply and evaluate them.

The first year provides a solid grounding in politics. You will have greater flexibility to choose units as you progress through the course, including the opportunity to spend half a year studying abroad at a partner university. The final year includes units that are linked to staff research interests, covering subjects such as political theory, international relations, UK politics, US politics, gender, security and conflict. There is also an emphasis on research skills, with a compulsory unit in the first year and a dissertation in the final year. The dissertation allows you to conduct a piece of supervised political research on a topic of your choice. You will have the opportunity to spend a semester studying abroad at a partner university.

Politics is a partner in Bristol Q-Step, which is part of a national initiative offering enhanced skills training in the social sciences.

Our graduates enter employment across a wide variety of careers, including the Foreign and Commonwealth Office, international non-governmental organisations (such as Oxfam), finance, law, the media, education and research, and public and voluntary sector work.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-politics.

BA Politics and a modern language
A-levels AAB (BBB†) IB 34 (31†)

These courses combine politics and international relations with a modern language, providing a valuable skill set ideally tailored to the increasingly globalised workplace.

Politics is organised around three themes: political theory; comparative and national politics; and international relations. You will study the politics of individual countries and governments and the relationships between countries, communities and individuals. In your language studies you will combine advanced study of the language with cultural, literary and historical units. You will spend your third year abroad, refining your language skills and cultural knowledge and gaining valuable work experience. For further details on year abroad opportunities, please see bristol.ac.uk/go-abroad.

Both the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies and the School of Modern Languages have an impressive reputation and encourage strong synergy between research and teaching. This provides a vibrant learning environment as staff respond in their teaching to new research. The combination of politics and a modern language offers an enriching experience and exciting intellectual challenges.

BSc Politics and International Relations with Study Abroad
A-levels AAA (ABB†) IB 36 (32†)

This degree offers an enriching experience with exciting intellectual challenges. The course follows the same structure as BSc Politics and International Relations but with an additional year spent abroad at a partner institution studying politics and international relations in English. The year abroad is an exciting opportunity to experience and study a different society and culture.

bristol.ac.uk/spais
BSc Philosophy and Politics

A-levels AAA (ABB) IB 36 (32)

This course combines philosophy with the study of politics and international relations, providing a valuable skill set ideally tailored to the increasingly globalised workplace.

For philosophy, you will study units including Introduction to Philosophy, Logic, and Realism and Normativity, and will write an extended essay.

In politics you will study the politics of individual countries and governments and the relationships countries, communities and individuals. The first year includes compulsory units which will ensure you have a solid grounding in politics. You will have greater choice as you progress through the course and in your final year you will choose from a range of units closely linked to staff research interests, which are unique to Bristol. Units may cover subjects such as political theory, international relations, UK politics, US politics, gender, security and conflict. There is a strong emphasis on research skills, with a compulsory unit in the first year and the option of completing a dissertation in the final year.

You will also have the opportunity to spend half a year studying abroad at a partner university.

BSc Politics and Sociology

A-levels AAB (BBB) IB 34 (31)

This course takes advantage of the expertise of our staff in the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies. You will study a range of theoretical and practical problems that affect the social world.

You will study the politics of and relationships between countries, communities and individuals, becoming familiar with different views and methods of analysis and how to apply and evaluate them.

Sociology provides expertise in the study of the social world, including actions, structures, beliefs, power and representation. By focusing on theoretical ideas and research skills, you will be uniquely placed to understand the fast-moving changes of social life.

In year three you can choose to write a research dissertation in either discipline. You will also have the opportunity to spend a semester studying abroad at a partner university.
Bristol has a strong reputation for Portuguese teaching and research. Exchange links with universities in Portugal and Brazil contribute to the department’s cosmopolitan atmosphere.

Why study Portuguese at Bristol? Portuguese at Bristol is part of a well-integrated Department of Hispanic, Portuguese and Latin American Studies. We take a very broad approach to the Spanish, Portuguese and Catalan-speaking worlds, enabling you to enrich your understanding of the cultural links between countries in Europe, Latin America, Africa and Asia. You will encounter a rich variety of topics in the fields of history, ideas of nation and memory, colonialism and post-colonialism, and linguistics and translation.

As a modern languages student you will benefit from a state-of-the-art multimedia centre and a range of online resources that support face-to-face teaching.

Bristol is a very exciting place to study arts and humanities, with a thriving cultural life, several art cinemas, concert halls and theatres and a vibrant international atmosphere.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-portuguese.

BA Hispanic Studies
A-levels AAB (BBB†) IB 34 (31†)
With interactive language learning in Spanish, Portuguese and Catalan and a diverse range of units covering history, literature and cinema, Bristol's Hispanic Studies degree will give you a global perspective on the cultures of hundreds of millions of people. You can combine the study of Spanish with Portuguese, which can be studied from beginners’ level, and Catalan from year two. You will divide your third year between a Portuguese-speaking country and Catalonia (for Spanish and Catalan). Our degree builds on many aspects of the history, literature and culture of Portugal, Spain and Latin America. Literary and cultural units enable you to improve your language skills through reading modern representative texts and viewing films, while giving you a taste of the cultural diversity of the Spanish, Portuguese and Catalan-speaking worlds.

BA Portuguese and a modern language
A-levels AAB (BBB†) IB 34 (31†)
If you are new to Portuguese you will follow an intensive language course during your first year. There is separate provision for those with Portuguese A-level or equivalent. You will also follow introductory units on literature, culture and history. In your second year and final years you will normally choose two Portuguese cultural units, as well as options in another language. You will study the culture of Portuguese-speaking countries and you can choose from a wide range of optional units.

You will spend half of your third year in a Portuguese-speaking country and the other half in a country where your other language is spoken.

Single Honours
BA Hispanic Studies 4 years RR45
BA Modern Languages p113
Joint Honours
BA Czech and Portuguese 4 years RR5V
BA French and Portuguese 4 years RR15
BA German and Portuguese 4 years RR25
BA Italian and Portuguese 4 years RR35
BA Russian and Portuguese 4 years RR57
BA Spanish and Portuguese 4 years RR54
BA English and Portuguese p86
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BA History and Portuguese p98
BA History of Art and Portuguese p99
BA Music and Portuguese p114
BA Philosophy and Portuguese p118
BA Politics and Portuguese p124
BA Theatre and Portuguese p136

Academic entry requirements
The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44
Typical standard offer for BA Portuguese and a modern language
A-levels AAB including B in one of the languages to be studied
IB Diploma 34 points overall with 17 at Higher Level, including 5 at Higher Level in one of the languages to be studied
Typical contextual offer† for BA Portuguese and a modern language
A-levels BBB including B in one of the languages to be studied
IB Diploma 31 points overall with 15 at Higher Level, including 5 at Higher Level in one of the languages to be studied
Other requirements
Part-time study available over six or seven years with daytime, weekday teaching plus a period of residence abroad
English language profile B (see p44)

†Contextual offer; see p42
We offer state-of-the-art laboratories with facilities including magnetic resonance imaging, electroencephalography recording, eye-tracking and sleep labs.

Why study psychology at Bristol?
The School of Psychological Science is a friendly environment, and our staff are passionate about helping students to thrive during their time at Bristol. Our course has a fundamental emphasis on the experimental study of the mind and we want our students to share a sense of fun and adventure in the subject. Our staff are experts who teach the latest developments in the field, based on the cutting-edge research that they and their colleagues are conducting. Over the course of the degree students become independent learners who can think for themselves. In the third year students can tailor the course to their interests, choosing from about 20 seminar courses and undertaking a major research project of their choice. There is an active undergraduate psychology society.

The multidisciplinary and scientific nature of psychology means that you will develop an impressive range of transferable skills in quantitative analytical research, data handling and interpretation, critical evaluation, report writing, presentation and IT literacy.

Our degrees provide pathways to professional training in psychology and are accredited by the British Psychological Society (BPS). Graduate destinations include a broad range of other sectors, including health, education, marketing, scientific and legal consultancy, banking and finance, human resources, media and the public sector.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-psychology.

BSc Psychology
A-levels A*AA (AAB†) IB 38 (34†)
Our BSc Psychology is recognised by the BPS as qualification for graduate registration. In the first year you will study psychology, research methods (laboratory classes and statistics) and an open unit in another school. In the second year you will focus on research methods and units in the psychology core curriculum. The final year of the degree is entirely option based, allowing you to choose from a range of lecture and seminar units that you will undertake together with a research project.

MSci Psychology
A-levels A*AA (AAB†) IB 38 (34†)
This MSci course is designed for students considering a career in psychology. In the first three years you will take the same units as the BSc course. This is followed by a specialist fourth year, during which you will complete a placement to gain hands-on experience carrying out an independent research project supervised by our academic and research staff. Taught components are master’s-level units.

You will take taught modules on transferable skills and choose options from a list of units that includes advanced statistical analysis and training in advanced scientific methods. BSc students may transfer to the MSci, subject to satisfactory performance and available places.

Accreditation

The British Psychological Society
Accredited

Single Honours

BSc Psychology 3 years C801
MSci Psychology 4 years C802
MSci Psychology with Innovation p100

Academic entry requirements

The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44

Typical standard offer for BSc Psychology
A-levels A*AA including a science-related subject (see p44)
IB Diploma 38 points overall with 18 at Higher Level, including 6 at Higher Level in a science-related subject (see p44)

Typical contextual offer† for BSc Psychology
A-levels AAB including A in a science-related subject (see p44)
IB Diploma 34 points overall with 17 at Higher Level, including 6 at Higher Level in a science-related subject (see p44)

Other requirements

GCSE Higher numeracy requirement (6 or B in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent) and standard literacy requirement (4 or C in GCSE English or equivalent)

English language profile B (see p44)

†Contextual offer; see p42

New course for 2020

MSci Psychology and Neuroscience
This course will be open for 2020 entry subject to academic approval.

bristol.ac.uk/psychology
Bristol Q-Step Centre is part of a £19.5 million national programme designed to promote quantitative social science training in the UK.

Why study quantitative research methods at Bristol?
Generating and analysing data requires statistical expertise, a skill that is highly valued by employers. Bristol offers social science students the opportunity to train in quantitative methods during their studies.

The University of Bristol Q-Step Centre is part of a national network that is training a new generation of social scientists. Quantitative skills training will supplement, rather than replace, your subject-specific learning. Our focus is on interdisciplinary learning and applied data analysis relevant to research in the social sciences, including geography. This will enhance your career prospects or provide you with a strong platform for postgraduate study.

We offer taught units that focus on applied quantitative social sciences, three-year (BSc) courses that combine disciplinary learning with quantitative methods teaching, and the opportunity to extend your degree to four years so that you can graduate with a master's (MSci) qualification. We also encourage work placements and internships.

Our courses are about applied data analysis, not mathematics. Although familiarity with higher-level mathematics may be helpful, A-level or AS-level Mathematics (or equivalent) is not essential. If you are willing to approach quantitative methods with a critical, enquiring mind and a willingness to learn, these courses will appeal to you.

Graduating with the words ‘with Quantitative Research Methods’ in your degree title will give a clear signal to employers about the training you have received. This will enhance your employability in many sectors such as policymaking, business and commerce, where the ability to produce and analyse data is crucial.

Our integrated four-year MSci degree is particularly relevant for those thinking of continuing to postgraduate study or who wish to have additional skills to differentiate themselves within the job market.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-quanresearch.

BSc/MSci Childhood Studies with Quantitative Research Methods
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)

BSc/MSci Criminology with Quantitative Research Methods
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)

BSc/MSci BSc Geography with Quantitative Research Methods
A-levels AAA or AAB (ABB† or BBB†) IB 36 or 34 (32† or 31†)

BSc/MSci Politics with Quantitative Research Methods/BSc Politics with Quantitative Research Methods with Study Abroad
A-levels AAA (ABB†) IB 36 (32†)

BSc/MSci Social Policy with Quantitative Research Methods
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)

BSc/MSci Sociology with Quantitative Research Methods/BSc Sociology with Quantitative Research Methods with Study Abroad
A-levels AAB (BBB†) IB 34 (31†)

These courses are closely linked to the single honours courses in the relevant disciplines. About two thirds of your studies will follow the single honours syllabus for the subject concerned:

Childhood Studies, see p66
Criminology, see p74
Geography, see p93
Politics and International Relations, see p124
Social Policy, see p132
Sociology, see p134
The remaining third of your course will provide interdisciplinary training in quantitative methods.

In year one of the quantitative pathway we discuss how numbers and data are used to tell convincing stories in the media and social research. We consider what is meant by segregation and how it can be mapped and measured. Year two offers practical classes in social statistics and applied data analysis, which will develop your skills in numeracy and analysis and enable you to undertake your own individual research project in an area of quantitative social science in year three. The four-year option offers more advanced quantitative methods training.

The Study Abroad courses follow the same structure as the BSc courses but with an additional year spent abroad.
Our religion and theology degrees will enable you to understand and explain the ways in which religion significantly shapes the world. Taught by expert academics, you will explore themes central to cultures – including philosophy, ethics, mysticism and power – across various religions.

Why study religion and theology at Bristol? We believe that the place of religion in the world can be best understood by examining it from a variety of perspectives across disciplines. Our approach uses different methodologies, which include historical, archaeological, linguistic, philosophical, theological and comparative perspectives.

At Bristol you can study Buddhism, Christianity, Hinduism, Islam, Judaism, Chinese and Japanese religions, and philosophy of religion. The department is friendly and provides opportunities to interact closely with staff and students in the discussion of religion and theology.

Our graduates work in fields as diverse as law, teaching, alternative technologies, communication, arts and entertainment, while a significant number continue to postgraduate study. Employers place great value on the transferable skills that our graduates offer, including the ability to think critically, write fluently and appreciate ideas and opinions.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-religion.
Our students stand out to employers across a wide range of sectors. Recent graduate destinations include Christie’s, the Russo-British Chamber of Commerce, the European Parliament and GCHQ.

Why study Russian at Bristol?
Russia continues to assert itself as a powerful political and economic force and Russian expertise has never been more vital in a range of professions.

Our students consistently praise the friendly, supportive atmosphere in the Department of Russian. You will have frequent contact with experienced native-speaking teachers. In years one and two beginners in Russian language follow a core programme taught by a teacher who is a specialist in working with beginners. Those with A-level or equivalent experience are taught separately.

Our first-year programme in Russian culture will equip you with the knowledge and skills to explore aspects of Russia in depth. You will study key periods in Russian history alongside texts and films that reflect each period. By the end of year two you will be well prepared to make the most of your year abroad. In the third year single honours students spend about nine months in a Russian-speaking environment. There is a wonderful range of placements available, either to study Russian at a university, teach English or work, for example in a multinational company, charity or non-governmental organisation.

In the final year you will concentrate on perfecting your Russian and exploring aspects of Russian literature, history and culture in more detail. At every stage the teaching of intellectual and cultural history is informed by the research of Bristol’s academic staff, with whom you will be in regular contact.

BA Russian and a modern language
A-levels AAB (BBB†) IB 34 (31†)

Our joint honours courses allow you to study Russian language and culture alongside another language.

You can study one language from scratch or build on existing experience. You will spend half of your year abroad in a Russian-speaking environment, either studying in a university, teaching English or on a work experience placement. You will spend the other half of your year abroad in a country where your other language is spoken.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-russian.
Social Policy

Bristol was ranked first for social policy in the Guardian University Guide 2019. First taught in 1974, our course is one of the longest-running social policy degrees in the UK.

Why study social policy at Bristol?
Social policy is a multidisciplinary subject focusing on key social issues and the ways in which societies respond to them. At its heart is an interest in the social processes and institutions that promote wellbeing.

Teaching is a mixture of lectures and small-group seminars and you will undertake independent research with the support of your personal tutor. You will have an opportunity to gain real-world experience working in a range of organisations that promote individual and community wellbeing via our work placement unit.

You will be taught by academics who are leaders in their respective fields and whose research informs their teaching, ensuring that you acquire relevant and up-to-date knowledge. Social policy is an interdisciplinary subject and we have internationally recognised expertise in sociology, political science, economics, human geography, development studies and migration.

You can study social policy on its own as a single honours degree or in combination with sociology, politics, criminology or management. Social policy is a partner in Bristol Q-Step, which is part of a national initiative offering enhanced skills training in the social sciences.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-socpol.

BSc Social Policy
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)
Social policy provides an exciting opportunity to critically analyse contemporary social issues related to human wellbeing, inequality, disadvantage and crime. This course takes an international and comparative perspective in many units, ensuring social policy is considered in its global context.

The first year introduces key concepts and ideologies and familiarises you with theoretical, comparative and historical analyses. It also develops your research skills as a social scientist.

Year two develops conceptual frameworks further and deepens your understanding of research methods. Years two and three allow you to explore your interests in greater depth through a range of optional units. These units vary over time according to current developments in global political and social issues.

The final-year dissertation is an opportunity to choose a topic for in-depth investigation and independent work.

BSc Social Policy with Study Abroad
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)
This course is identical to the three-year BSc Social Policy but at the end of year two you will have the opportunity to study overseas at one of our partner institutions. You will be able to take units related to social policy or units from the broader social sciences, arts and humanities. Previously, students have studied a unit in Swedish and Swedes in Sweden, and Mandarin at City University Hong Kong. You will return to Bristol for your fourth and final year.

BSc Social Policy with Management
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)
This degree looks at how societies conceptualise and respond to need. It will equip you with the knowledge to succeed in management roles, particularly with organisations that respond to issues such as poverty and inequality, health, drug use, crime and education. The degree will help you to cultivate strength in critical thinking, workload management, IT skills and research skills.

Management and social policy are fields that draw on a variety of disciplines, so you will have a rich and varied choice of topics to study. You will have the opportunity to examine the role of international governmental and non-governmental organisations in making, challenging and implementing policy, drawing on insights from philosophy, politics and psychology.

BSc Social Policy with Criminology
A-levels ABB (BBC†) IB 32 (29†)
This course allows you to specialise in the study of criminology within a social policy degree. It explores the nature, extent and causes of crime, social harm and deviance in national and international contexts, as well as examining the policy responses to them within a broader conceptual and theoretical framework of social policy.

The course seeks to address key questions such as: What are the serious crimes and other social harms that people experience? Why do they occur? How effective is criminal justice in tackling and responding to crimes and social harms? Are rising imprisonment rates the answer? Is it possible to imagine alternative systems of justice? What role does or should social policy play in these debates?
BSc Social Policy and Politics

A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)

This course combines social policy, and its focus on wellbeing, with politics and its consideration of power: who exercises it and for whom.

The first year introduces key skills and concepts within social policy so that you can familiarise yourself with theoretical, comparative and historical analyses.

Politics at Bristol is organised around three themes: political theory, comparative and national politics, and international relations. You will study the politics of countries and governments and the relationships between countries, communities and individuals.

There are obvious links between these two subject areas: politics drives us to think about how society should be organised and how communities and states interact. In turn, this prompts consideration of how wellbeing is unevenly distributed in contemporary societies and the forms of social organisation necessary to enhance our lives.

You will also have the opportunity to spend half a year studying abroad at a partner university.

BSc Social Policy and Sociology

A-levels ABB (BBC*) IB 32 (29*)

This joint honours degree explores different ways of developing an understanding of crucial issues within public and social life. It combines the focus of social policy on wellbeing with sociology’s insight into how contemporary societies operate.

Sociology explores the structures of societies and how they constitute social patterns. This is crucial to our understanding of how different groups in society experience wellbeing, as well as the dynamics needed to change patterns of inequality.

You will have the opportunity to spend half a year studying abroad at a partner university.

The School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies and the School for Policy Studies both have an impressive reputation for teaching and research.

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Academic entry requirements

The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44

Typical standard offer for BSc Social Policy
A-levels ABB
IB Diploma 32 points overall with 16 at Higher Level

Typical contextual offer† for BSc Social Policy
A-levels BBC
IB Diploma 29 points overall with 14 at Higher Level

Other requirements

GCSE Standard numeracy requirement (4 or C in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent) and standard literacy requirement (4 or C in GCSE English or equivalent)
Part-time study available over six years with daytime, weekday teaching
English language profile B (see p44)

†Contextual offer; see p42

New course for 2020

MSci Social Policy with Innovation
This course will be open for 2020 entry subject to academic approval.

bristol.ac.uk/social-policy
Sociology

Bristol is home to prominent sociologists with research strengths in citizenship, modern slavery, multiculturalism, gender and migration. Our sociology degrees are among the best in the UK; Bristol was ranked third in the UK for sociology in the Guardian University Guide 2019.

Why study sociology at Bristol?
Sociologists study all aspects of the human world, including social actions, structures, beliefs, power and representation. A sociology degree at Bristol offers you a thorough grounding in the subject, as well as opportunities to specialise in new areas of research conducted by academics at the forefront of the discipline. You also have the opportunity to study abroad, allowing you to develop an understanding of sociology that goes beyond national boundaries.

Sociology is a partner in Bristol Q-Step, which is part of a national initiative offering enhanced skills training in the social sciences. Find out more about Q-Step on p128.

Our graduates are in great demand and go on to a wide range of careers, including publishing, the media, journalism, teaching, public relations, social work and market research. Many of our students progress to higher degrees after graduation in subjects including sociology, law and teaching. The research and data management skills acquired in the course are invaluable in a wide range of careers.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-sociology.

BSc Sociology
A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)
Sociologists are concerned with society’s structures, forms of action and cultural arrangements and are uniquely placed to understand the changes of social life. This course provides the academic and professional support needed for you to develop your own sociological imagination.

The structure of year one provides a solid grounding in sociology, followed by a greater choice of units linked to staff research interests in subsequent years. Recently, these units have covered subjects such as culture, ethnicity, class, migration, modern slavery, popular music, racism and science.

There is a strong emphasis on research skills throughout, with compulsory units in the first two years. In your final year, you will conduct a piece of supervised sociological research on a topic of your choice that draws on these research skills. You will have the opportunity to spend half a year studying abroad at a partner university.

BSc Sociology with Study Abroad
A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)
This course follows the structure of BSc Sociology but with an additional year spent abroad at an English-speaking university. This gives you an exciting opportunity to experience and study a different society and culture from a sociological perspective.

BSc Sociology and Philosophy
A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)
This course is equally weighted towards sociology and philosophy, and you will take units from both subjects throughout the course. The sociology half of the degree places particular emphasis on sociological theory and its application to real-world concerns. Sociology also provides an opportunity to develop your research skills. The philosophy element offers you a thorough understanding of philosophy in the analytic tradition.

The wide-ranging, flexible curriculum provides progressive intellectual challenges and consolidates your experience throughout. You will have the opportunity to spend half a year studying abroad at a partner university.

Academic entry requirements
The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44.

Typical standard offer for BSc Sociology
A-levels AAB including an essay-based subject (see p44)
IB Diploma 34 points overall with 17 at Higher Level, including 5 in an essay-based subject (see p44)

Typical contextual offer† for BSc Sociology
A-levels BBB including an essay-based subject (see p44)
IB Diploma 31 points overall with 15 at Higher Level, including 5 at Higher Level in an essay-based subject (see p44)

Other requirements
GCSE Standard numeracy requirement (4 or C in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent)
English language profile B (see p44)

†Contextual offer; see p42
Our Spanish degrees offer an exceptionally wide range of cultural options, from Spanish and Latin American literature to courses on cinema, history, politics and linguistics, all taught by researchers skilled in these fields.

Why study Spanish at Bristol?
At Bristol you have the opportunity to achieve an excellent level of spoken and written Spanish while discovering the society, culture, literature, linguistics and history of the countries where it is spoken. Our Department of Hispanic, Portuguese and Latin American Studies has an outstanding reputation and a close student community. Following a broad grounding in year one, you choose from a wide and imaginative range of options to suit your interests in years two and four. You may choose to study other optional units offered by the School of Modern Languages as well. The department organises many extracurricular activities including an annual Semana Cultural which features music, plays, talks, readings and seminars.

Modern languages graduates are attractive to many employers, including international organisations for whom fluency in a language and knowledge of foreign institutions and customs is highly useful. You will develop skills in organisation, time management and independent learning, which are greatly valued by all employers.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-spanish.

BA Spanish
A-levels AAB (BBB) IB 34 (31)

The single honours Spanish course enables you to achieve a high level of fluency and accuracy in modern spoken and written Spanish. You will develop a thorough understanding of the rich diversity of the culture in Spain and elsewhere in the Spanish-speaking world. As well as studying the literature and culture of Spain, you will cover the history, literature and cultures of Latin America. We offer popular and imaginative options covering aspects of both regions. You will spend your third year on a study or work placement in a Spanish-speaking country.

BA Hispanic Studies
A-levels AAB (BBB) IB 34 (31)

With interactive language learning in Spanish, Portuguese and Catalan and a diverse range of units covering history, literature and cinema, Bristol’s Hispanic Studies degree will give you a global perspective on the cultures of hundreds of millions of people. You can combine the study of Spanish with Portuguese, which can be studied from beginners’ level, and Catalan from year two. You will divide your third year between a Portuguese-speaking country and Catalonia (for Spanish and Catalan). Our degree builds on many aspects of the history, literature and culture of Portugal, Spain and Latin America. Literary and cultural units enable you to improve your language skills through reading modern representative texts and viewing films, while giving you a taste of the cultural diversity of the Spanish, Portuguese and Catalan-speaking worlds.

BA Spanish and a modern language
A-levels AAB (BBB) IB 34 (31)

Our joint honours modern languages degrees allow you to combine the study of Spanish with another language, providing a truly global cultural experience. Our degrees explore many aspects of the history, literature and culture of the languages studied and you will acquire advanced fluency and competence in both. You will divide your third year between Spanish-speaking countries in Europe or Latin America and a country relevant to your other language.
We were the first UK university to offer a theatre studies degree, and our alumni include renowned playwrights, actors and directors.

Why study theatre at Bristol?
Theatre and performance studies at Bristol are characterised by the way we blend historical and theoretical study with practice-based investigations. You will study historical contexts, consider critical perspectives and engage in practice-based activities using our two in-house theatres for your presentations. Facilities include the professionally equipped Wickham Theatre, 24-hour rehearsal space, sound and design studios and a costume workshop. There are opportunities to engage with professional theatre makers and our museum-accredited archive, the Theatre Collection.

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-theatre.

BA Theatre and Performance Studies
A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)
In your first year you will learn how to analyse performance and develop practical skills in theatre design, lighting, costume and production. In subsequent years you will choose from a range of options that will deepen your critical, practical and historical expertise. Your degree culminates in an independent study project. This could be a group or individual performance, a dissertation, an extended essay or an industrial placement.

BA Theatre and Film
A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)
This joint honours degree combines historical and theoretical study with practice-based investigations of theatre, film and television. The first year will introduce you to analysing performance in a wide range of forms, and to practical production skills in theatre and film. In subsequent years, you can choose units exploring significant historical movements, contemporary practices and theoretical concepts. Your independent study project could be a group or individual performance, a short film, a dissertation, an extended essay or an industrial placement.

BA Theatre and a modern language
A-levels AAB (BBB*) IB 34 (31*)
As well as following a structured language course, you will build your practical skills and explore critical and historical frameworks through literature, history, thought, politics, linguistics and culture. You will spend your third year abroad, extending your language skills and cultural knowledge before returning to Bristol for your final year, when you have the opportunity to undertake an independent practical or written research project and/or a work placement in the creative industries.

bristol.ac.uk/theatre
Veterinary Nursing

Our courses combine professional and academic content, providing sound scientific knowledge and an excellent veterinary nursing education, leading to direct entry to the RCVS Register of Veterinary Nurses.

Why study veterinary nursing at Bristol?
Veterinary nursing has seen a period of rapid development over the past decade and Bristol has been at the forefront in the evolution of the profession. Bristol veterinary nursing graduates may be found in many of the specialist referral practices in the UK and a number have published work in peer-reviewed veterinary journals, such as the Veterinary Record.

Our courses are delivered via a combination of lectures, seminars, online interactive tutorials and practical classes at the Bristol Veterinary School at Langford and the main Clifton campus. Clinical nurse education is provided by veterinary professionals, many of whom are leading experts in their field. Additionally, you will work within a variety of clinical environments, including first opinion and referral practices, meaning you will gain broad clinical veterinary nursing experience.

The extensive science and research components of our courses ensure that you are equipped with essential knowledge and skills, making you highly employable within veterinary and related professions. Our courses are accredited by the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS).

For more information about our courses visit bristol.ac.uk/ug20-vetnursing.

Accreditation

BSc Veterinary Nursing and Bioveterinary Science
A-levels BBC IB 29
A common first year covers the fundamental concepts of anatomical science, body function and pre-clinical science and introduces the principles and practice of veterinary nursing. The second year builds upon the basic sciences through classroom-based study in veterinary anatomy and you will cover subjects including surgical nursing and theatre practice, medical nursing, diagnostics and therapeutics. You have the opportunity to select a combination of two optional units, which currently include Neurophysiology, Infection and Immunity, Integrative Physiology, and Cellular and Molecular Pathology. You third year will focus on a 42-week nursing placement and a professional nursing practice unit. Your final year will include applied nursing and bioveterinary science and a dissertation.

BSc Veterinary Nursing and Companion Animal Behaviour
A-levels BBC IB 29
A common first year covers the fundamental concepts of anatomical science, body function and pre-clinical science and introduces the principles and practice of veterinary nursing. The second year builds upon the basic sciences through classroom-based study in veterinary anatomy. You will cover subject areas including surgical nursing and theatre practice, medical nursing, diagnostics and therapeutics, and a unit in companion animal behaviour. You will spend ten weeks in clinical practice during the vacation in years one and two. Your third-year clinical placement consolidates your learning within a clinical context. You will return to the University for your final year, which includes applied nursing and clinical behaviour and a ten-week research project.

Academic entry requirements
The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44
Typical standard offer for BSc Veterinary Nursing and Bioveterinary Science
A-levels BBC including BB in Biology and Chemistry
IB Diploma 29 points overall with 14 at Higher Level, including 5, 5 at Higher Level in Biology and Chemistry
Typical standard offer for BSc Veterinary Nursing and Companion Animal Behaviour
A-levels BBC including BB in Biology and another science-related subject
IB Diploma 29 points overall with 14 at Higher Level, including 5, 5 at Higher Level in Biology and in another science-related subject
Other requirements
GCSE Standard numeracy requirement (4 or C in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent) and standard literacy requirement (4 or C in GCSE English or equivalent)
English language profile C (see p44)

bristol.ac.uk/vetscience
Veterinary Science

Taught at our main campus and in the rural setting of the Bristol Veterinary School at Langford, our degrees offer access to state-of-the-art facilities and teaching informed by our cutting-edge research.

Why study veterinary science at Bristol?
Bristol is a world-class university in a creative, dynamic city that offers an outstanding student experience. You will combine this city experience with time in the rural setting of the Langford campus, where you will be taught in modern clinical facilities. These include new small-animal and equine hospitals and a recently refurbished dairy farm. The veterinary school community at Bristol is friendly and supportive. Bristol's training strengths include farm animal science, animal welfare and veterinary public health, reflecting the importance of vets to the Global and One Health agendas.

Because they have studied the underpinning science, Bristol graduates are adept as problem solvers, innovators and entrepreneurs. Around a fifth of our students take the opportunity to intercalate into another science course between years three and four.

Veterinary science graduates are well prepared for a variety of careers in the veterinary field worldwide. Most graduates are employed in UK general practice but many undergo further specialist veterinary training, have careers in academia or work overseas. Veterinary scientists are also employed in the biomedical research industry and there are job opportunities in government agencies, the Royal Army Veterinary Corps and animal charities.

Accreditation (BVSc Veterinary Science)

bristol.ac.uk/vetscience
**BVSc Gateway to Veterinary Science**

**A-levels** BBC IB 29

This course is aimed at students who have the potential to become vets but do not meet the academic entry criteria to apply directly to our five-year BVSc Veterinary Science course. It is a widening participation initiative for UK students who fulfil specific criteria.

The Gateway course will develop your interest in, and knowledge and understanding of, the basic sciences that underpin veterinary science, and will foster professional behaviours and attitudes. Additional veterinary and related animal work experience will form part of the course. Successful completion of this Gateway course will enable you to join the BVSc Veterinary Science. To find out if you are eligible, please go to [bristol.ac.uk/ug20-vetscience](http://bristol.ac.uk/ug20-vetscience).

**‘I love my course and have so much opportunity to learn more about being a vet. I love being able to get involved in dissections and visits to the Langford campus. Bristol is vibrant and busy: being at a city-centre university makes you feel like you are part of the city.’**

*Veryan* (BVSc Veterinary Science)

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We can only accept applications for Veterinary Science through UCAS. The closing date for UCAS applications is 15 October.

**Academic entry requirements**

The University recognises a wide range of UK and international qualifications for admission; for further details please see p44

**Typical standard offer for BVSc Veterinary Science**

**A-levels**

AAA including Chemistry and one of Biology, Physics or Mathematics. Graduates are required to obtain a 2:1 in their degree and BBB at A-level including Chemistry and one of Biology, Physics or Mathematics

**IB Diploma**

36 points overall with 18 at Higher level, including 6, 6 at Higher level in Chemistry and one of Biology, Physics or Mathematics

**Typical contextual offer† for BVSc Veterinary Science**

**A-levels**

AAC including AA in Chemistry and one of Biology, Physics or Mathematics or ABB including A in Chemistry and B in one of Biology, Physics or Mathematics

**IB Diploma**

32 points overall with 16 at Higher level, including 6 at Higher Level in Chemistry and 5 at Higher Level in one of Biology, Physics or Mathematics

**Other requirements**

**GCSE**

Standard numeracy requirement (4 or C in GCSE Mathematics or equivalent) and standard literacy requirement (4 or C in GCSE English or equivalent)

**English language profile**

B (see p44)

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