



**Northumbria  
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# INTERNATIONAL PATHWAY PROGRAMMES

2024/25



University preparation  
courses designed  
specifically for  
international students



Develop subject and  
English skills before  
starting your degree



Study on campus,  
so you're a university  
student from  
day one



Learn alongside other  
international students



Taught by expert staff experienced in supporting  
international students to UK studies

Our pathway programmes are designed to help bridge the gap between your current academic and English level and your chosen route of study, our staff are experienced in supporting international students through this transition.

**[northumbria.ac.uk/pathway](https://northumbria.ac.uk/pathway)**



# INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

The International Foundation Programme is the perfect preparation to develop your English language and subject-specific knowledge before studying an undergraduate degree at Northumbria University. It will help you bridge the gap between high school and university in a supportive learning environment.

Level	Foundation - NQF Level 3		
Start dates	March	October, January	October
Duration	6 months	9 months	12 months
Tuition fee	£11,000	£16,500	£20,500
English language requirements	IELTS 5.5 with no single element below 5.0, from a UKVI Approved centre	IELTS 5.0, with no single element below 4.0, from a UKVI Approved centre	IELTS 4.5, with no single element below 4.0, from a UKVI Approved centre
Mode of study	Full-time - seminars, lectures, workshops, labs and tutorials		
Class hours per week	16-18 hours		
Average class size	16-20		
Assessment methods	Coursework - including portfolios, essays, presentations and in-class tests (Some pathways may include exams)		
Entry requirements	5 GCSE/IGCSE passes at grade A-C, or equivalent		

Upon successfully passing this programme, and subject to any specific university entry requirements, you will be guaranteed a place on your chosen undergraduate degree at Northumbria University. Students who successfully complete the International Medical Foundation programme will progress onto the MDP5 St George’s University. Students who do not achieve 75% required, or choose to not follow the above route, can progress onto a specific range of science-based degree programmes within the Faculty of Health and Life Science at Northumbria

For more information about our International Foundation Programme and the range of progression options available to you, please visit [northumbria.ac.uk/pathway-IFP](http://northumbria.ac.uk/pathway-IFP)

# FINANCIAL SUPPORT

For information on financial support and full terms and conditions, please check [pathway.northumbria.ac.uk/scholarships-and-bursaries](http://pathway.northumbria.ac.uk/scholarships-and-bursaries)

Pathway	Progression options
Applied Science	Biology, Chemistry, Ethical Practices in Action
Art, Design and Media	Art, Design or Multimedia, Fashion, Graphic Design, Film and Television Production, Architecture
Business and Law	Business Management, Economics, Entrepreneurship, Law, Marketing
Computing	Computer Science, Cyber, Artificial Intelligence, Data Science
Engineering	Automotive Engineering, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Mechanical Engineering, Construction Engineering Management and Civil Engineering*
Humanities and Social Science	English, History, Politics, Sociology, Mass Communication, Psychology, Surveying and more
International Medical Foundation Diploma	Medicine, Medical Sciences, Healthcare

\*Progression onto Civil Engineering requires a minimum of 55% in Academic modules including 65% in Maths modules and a minimum of 60% in each English module. Please note that there are limited spaces on this programme and any application will be assessed on a case-by-case basis.



# INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE - BUSINESS

The International Year One - Business is a degree preparation programme for international students who want to study one of the many Northumbria University undergraduate Business degrees, but need extra support to progress onto Year Two of an undergraduate degree.

Level	Level 4 - 1st Year of Undergraduate Degree	
Start dates	October and January	
Duration	9 months	
24/25 Fees	£16,500	
English language requirements	IELTS 5.5 with no element less than 5.5	
Mode of study	Full-time - seminars, lectures, tutorials and workshops	
Class hours per week	20 hours	
Average class size	20	
Assessment methods	Coursework and exams - including portfolios, essays, reports, reflection, exams, poster presentation and group work	
Entry requirements	Good High School grades, or equivalent	

In order to progress onto your chosen undergraduate degree you must achieve 40% on your programme. Upon successful completion and subject to specific entry requirements, you can join the second year of a range of Business undergraduate degrees at Northumbria University.

For more information about our Year One - Business programme and a full list progression courses please visit [pathway.northumbria.ac.uk/international-year-one](http://pathway.northumbria.ac.uk/international-year-one)

# PRE-MASTER’S

Our Pre-Master’s programmes are for students who need extra support to meet the entry criteria to study at Master’s level. With a Pre-Master’s, you will gain the skills, knowledge and confidence needed to successfully progress unto a postgraduate programme of your choice.

Level	NQF Level 6	
Pathways	Business, Computing, Engineering	
Start dates	September, January and May	
Duration	1 semester	2 semesters
24/25 Fees	£6,750	£10,000
English language requirements	IELTS 6.0 with no single element below 5.5, or equivalent	IELTS 5.5 with no single element below 5.5, or equivalent
Mode of study	Full-time - classroom based seminars, workshops, tutorials, self-directed learning	
Class hours per week	15-20 hours	
Average class size	12-15	
Assessment methods	Coursework and exams - including portfolios, essays, reports, reflection, exams, poster presentation and group work	
Entry requirements	Minimum of a third class pass or ordinary degree from a UK university, or equivalent*	

Upon successfully completing the Pre-Master’s with a 50% pass mark, you can progress onto one of our suite of Master’s programmes at Northumbria University.

For more information on progression, please visit [pathway.northumbria.ac.uk/pre-masters](http://pathway.northumbria.ac.uk/pre-masters)

\*Depending on your chosen degree course, specific subject requirements may apply.



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