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in the world

*(QS World University Rankings 2025)*

Ranked **23rd**  
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# LEEDS INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE FOR PROGRESSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

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# LEEDS INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE

Leeds International Study Centre works in collaboration with the University of Leeds to prepare students from outside the UK for successful degree study. Our programmes offer students the opportunity to study abroad in the UK, while providing additional support to settle in to life in the UK.

## Build your confidence

Each of our pathway programmes are designed to ease you into life in the UK. Small classes, attentive teaching styles and tailored modules for international students are combined with a focus on improving your English language skills. You will also take part in lectures, seminars and tutorials, so that you know what to expect when you progress to your degree at the University of Leeds.

## Career development

Leeds International Study Centre starts your university life with a focus on employability. This gives you a chance to practice and build employability skills, preparing you for success beyond university. This is reinforced by the strong business links that the University of Leeds has to offer, which you will have access to once you progress to a degree.

## Great locations and facilities

At Leeds International Study Centre, you will benefit from modern learning and social spaces with access to the resources you need to succeed. Whilst studying at Leeds International Study Centre, you will also have access to select facilities at the University of Leeds including The Edge fitness complex and the Students' Union including clubs and societies. This means that you can make Leeds your home from home in a safe and supportive community where you can make new friends.

## Prepare for Success

A free online preparation course designed to give you a head start before joining your academic programme at Leeds International Study Centre. The course covers three essential areas of life, language and learning to empower you with the confidence, skills, and knowledge needed to thrive academically and culturally in your new environment.

## Enhanced Induction

For students who want to settle into their new environment and become familiar with the International Study Centre prior to starting their main academic programme in January, the Enhanced Induction starts in November and consists of three additional weeks of life, learning and language skills, at no additional tuition fee.

For more information about the International Study Centre, please visit [leedsisc.com/international-study-centre](https://leedsisc.com/international-study-centre)

## ACCOMMODATION

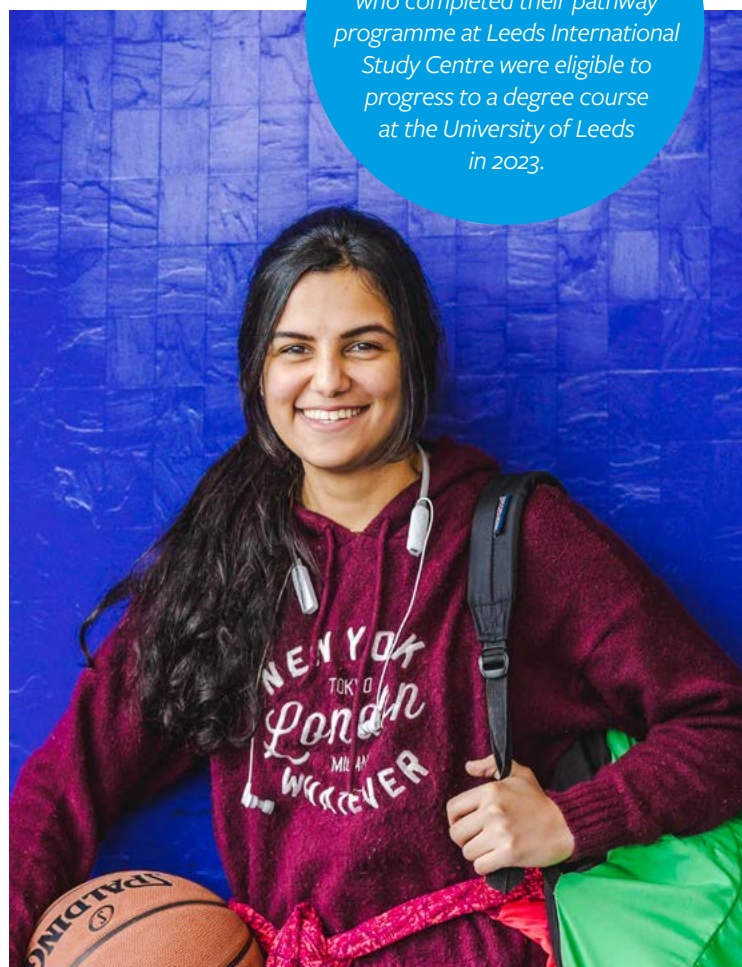
Living in student accommodation is the best way to experience student life. You'll make friends from around the world, have fun and learn to live on your own in the wonderful and exciting city of Leeds.



For more information on accommodation, please visit [leedsisc.com/international-study-centre/accommodation](https://leedsisc.com/international-study-centre/accommodation)

90% of students

who completed their pathway programme at Leeds International Study Centre were eligible to progress to a degree course at the University of Leeds in 2023.



“I think the International Study Centre prepares us for what it is like to be at the University. I think I am more prepared by doing the International Foundation Year before going to the University of Leeds, as I can learn more. Moving from high school to university is a big difference, so you want that step in-between, where people can support you and tell you what it is like to be at university, and you can actually experience it.”

## Dalal from Kuwait

Studied International Foundation Year in Science, Engineering and Computing  
Progressed to Physics with Astrophysics MPhys at the University of Leeds



# WHY CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS?

**90% of research**  
rated 'world-leading' or  
'internationally excellent'  
(Research Excellence  
Framework 2021)

After you successfully complete your programme at Leeds International Study Centre, you will progress to the University of Leeds - a university that is internationally recognised for its research-based curriculum, pioneering approach to teaching, fantastic student experience, state-of-the-art facilities and excellent graduate prospects.

## Outstanding teaching

Teaching at the University of Leeds is designed to develop your knowledge and skills, so that you can be a part of the next generation of highly skilled critical thinkers and graduate with a globally-recognised degree.

You will be taught and inspired by internationally renowned academics who are experts in their fields. Additionally, University of Leeds staff have been awarded more National Teaching Fellowships than any other university in the UK, which reflects the high quality of teaching.

## Research-based learning

Whichever subject you choose to study, research will be at the heart of your learning at the University of Leeds. You'll be close to breakthroughs that are having a real impact in the world, and have the opportunity to get involved in research that is happening on campus.

## Excellent subject rankings

The University of Leeds has numerous subjects in the top 20 of The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2025, including Business, Management and Marketing, Civil Engineering, Economics, Electrical and Electronic Engineering, Food Science, and Mechanical Engineering.

## Study and live in Leeds

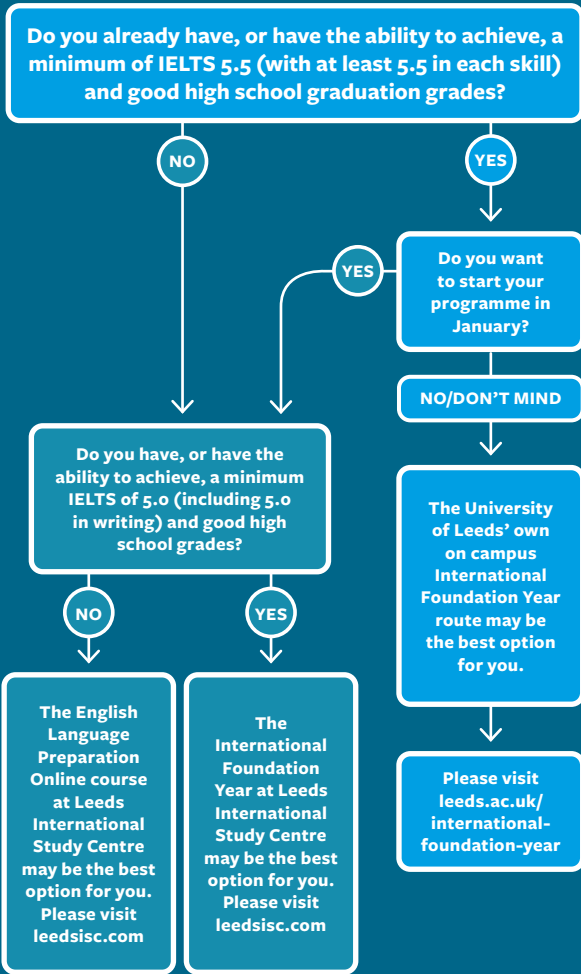
Leeds is a vibrant, affordable and multicultural city, known for its arts, sports, leisure, entertainment and nightlife. With around 60,000 students living within the city boundaries, there's a lively student community, making it an exciting place to live and learn.



For more information about the University of Leeds, please visit [leedsisc.com/university-of-leeds](https://leedsisc.com/university-of-leeds)

# FIND THE RIGHT FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

EXPLORE THE OPTIONS BELOW TO FIND THE ONE THAT MEETS YOUR NEEDS



## Key facts

**Duration:** 2 semesters (one academic year)

**Start dates:** September, November (with Enhanced Induction) or January

**English language entry requirements:** Minimum of IELTS 5.0 overall (including 5.0 in writing)\*

**Academic entry requirements:** Good high-school graduation grades, or equivalent

**Age:** 17+

\*Academic IELTS for UKVI. If you do not need a Student visa, or are exempted in another way, we can accept equivalent proof of English.

# INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR

The International Foundation Year, a two-semester programme offered in two subject pathways, focuses on preparing you to join the first year of an undergraduate degree at the University of Leeds.

## Why the International Foundation Year?

This programme aims to fully prepare you for the challenges of degree study, helping you develop the skills and knowledge you need to succeed at university and beyond.

## What you will learn

You will study a combination of core and subject-specific modules that focus on teaching you the English language, study skills and academic areas most relevant to the degree you plan on studying at the University.

## Your assessment

Teachers will monitor your progress closely and support you in working towards your progression requirements. You will take part in exams, group projects, presentations and essays as part of your overall assessment.

## Your degree at the University of Leeds

Once you complete the International Foundation Year and meet all the necessary requirements, you can start the first year of your chosen undergraduate degree at the University of Leeds.

## Improve your English

If you need to improve your English language skills before you start your programme, you can join our English Language Preparation programme delivered fully online.



For further information about English language courses, including semester dates, fees, and entry requirements please visit [leedsisc.com/programmes/english-language-courses](https://leedsisc.com/programmes/english-language-courses)

## Study plan options

Duration	Leeds International Study Centre				University of Leeds
	Sep - Oct	Nov - Dec	Jan - May	Jun - July	September
2 semesters					Start your degree
2 semesters		Enhanced Induction			
2 semesters					

International Foundation Year



## INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR SUBJECT PATHWAYS

### Business, Law and Social Studies

This International Foundation Year pathway leads to a wide range of degrees at the University of Leeds, in areas ranging from business, marketing and international relations to politics and sociology.

#### Modules

- Academic English Skills
- Business Management and Finance
- Economics
- Law
- Project Skills
- Social Sciences

#### Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Foundation Year, you will be ready to start your degree at the University of Leeds.

Undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include:

- Business Management BA\*
- Business Management with Marketing BA\*
- Childhood Studies BA
- Economics BSc\*
- Education BA
- Geography BA
- International Business BSc\*
- International Business and Finance BSc\*
- International Relations BA
- Law LLB\*
- Politics BA
- Sociology BA

**Please note our modules may vary by progression degree choice and are subject to change - we regularly review content in collaboration with the University, making changes to enhance the learning experience and to further improve prospects for student progression and employability.**

\*Please note that places are limited on these progression degrees. You are advised to apply and confirm your place as soon as possible.

### Science, Engineering and Computing

This International Foundation Year pathway leads to a wide range of degrees at the University of Leeds, in areas ranging from computing, biology and engineering to neuroscience and genetics.

#### Modules

- Academic English Skills
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Maths for Engineering and Computing
- Physics
- Project Skills

#### Progression degrees

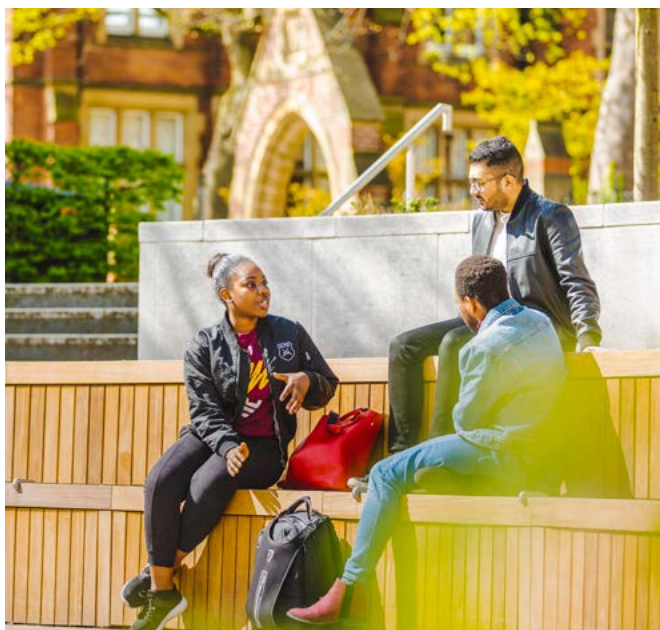
Once you successfully complete the International Foundation Year, you will be ready to start your degree at the University of Leeds.

Undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include:

- Aeronautical and Aerospace Engineering BEng
- Architectural Engineering BEng
- Biological Sciences BSc
- Civil Engineering BEng
- Computer Science BSc
- Electronic and Electrical Engineering BEng
- Food Science and Nutrition BSc
- Mathematics BSc
- Mechanical Engineering BEng
- Mechatronics and Robotics BEng
- Sport and Exercise Sciences BSc
- Sustainability and Environmental Management BSc



For the full range of International Foundation Year progression degrees and module descriptions, please visit [leedsisc.com/programmes/international-foundation-year](https://leedsisc.com/programmes/international-foundation-year)



# INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE

The International Year One, a two-semester programme that covers five subject pathways, will prepare eligible students to progress to the second year of a degree in their chosen subject.

## Why the International Year One?

This programme is equivalent to the first year of an undergraduate degree, so you can directly progress to the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds. Our teachers work closely with students to bring you a tailored, personal studying experience which enables you to seamlessly enter the second year of an undergraduate degree.

## What you will learn

You will study a combination of core and subject-specific modules that focus on teaching you the academic content relevant to the degree you plan on studying at the University. You will also build upon your pre-existing English language skills and develop the study skills you need to succeed in your degree.

## Your assessment

You will participate in exams, group projects, presentations and essays as part of your overall assessment. Teachers will monitor your progress closely and support you in working towards your progression requirements.

## Your degree at the University of Leeds

Once you successfully complete the programme and meet all the necessary academic and English language requirements, you will join the second year of your chosen undergraduate degree at the University of Leeds.

## Improve your English

If you need to improve your English language skills before you start your programme, you can join our English Language Preparation programme delivered fully online.



For further information about English language courses, including semester dates, fees, and entry requirements please visit [leedsisc.com/programmes/english-language-courses](https://leedsisc.com/programmes/english-language-courses)

## Study plan options

Leeds International Study Centre					University of Leeds
Duration	Sept - Oct	Nov - Dec	Jan - May	June - July	September
2 semesters					Start the second year of your degree
2 semesters		Enhanced Induction			
2 semesters					

International Year One

## Key facts

**Duration:** Two semesters (one academic year)

**Start dates:** Biological Sciences and International Relations - September, November (with Enhanced Induction) or January; Business Management, Business Management with Marketing and Civil Engineering - September only

### English language entry requirements:

Biological Sciences, Civil Engineering and International Relations – Minimum of IELTS 5.5 overall (minimum of 5.5 in writing)\* or equivalent

Business Management and Business Management with Marketing – Minimum of IELTS 5.5 overall (minimum 5.5 in writing, with no skill lower than 5.0)\* or equivalent

**Academic entry requirements:** Good high-school graduation grades (or equivalent) plus one year of further study. Subject-specific academic entry requirements may apply. Please visit our website for full details.

**Age:** 18+

\*Academic IELTS for UKVI. If you do not need a Student visa, or are exempted in another way, we can accept equivalent proof of English.

# INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE SUBJECT PATHWAYS

## Biological Sciences

Studying this pathway allows you to progress to the second year of an undergraduate degree from the Faculty of Biological Sciences at the University of Leeds.

### Modules

Academic English Skills

Human Physiology, Neuroscience and Pharmacology

Microbial Science

Molecular, Cellular Biology and Genetics

Studying and Research in Biological Sciences

### Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds.

The undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include:

Biological Sciences BSc

Biological Sciences BSc (Biotechnology with Enterprise) BSc

Biomedical Sciences BSc

Genetics BSc

Medical Microbiology BSc

Microbiology BSc

Neuroscience BSc

Pharmacology BSc

## Business Management\*

This pathway leads to the second year of the Business Management BA degree at the University of Leeds.

### Modules

Academic English Skills

Entrepreneurship

Financial and Economic Analysis for Business

Organisational Behaviour

Studying and Research in Business Management

### Progression degree

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of Business Management BA at the University of Leeds.

## Business Management with Marketing\*

This pathway leads to the second year of the Business Management with Marketing BA degree at the University of Leeds.

### Modules

Academic English Skills

Financial and Economic Analysis for Business

Fundamentals of Marketing

Organisational Behaviour

Studying and Research in Business Management

### Progression degree

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of Business Management with Marketing BA at the University of Leeds.

## Civil Engineering\*

Studying this pathway allows you to progress to the second year of an undergraduate degree from the School of Civil Engineering at the University of Leeds.

### Modules

Academic English Skills

Architecture and Design Project

Engineering Mathematics and Modelling

Engineering Surveying, Construction Technology and Sustainability

Structures and Materials

### Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds.

The undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include:

Architectural Engineering MEng, BEng

Architecture MEng

Civil and Environmental Engineering MEng, BEng

Civil and Structural Engineering MEng, BEng

Civil Engineering MEng, BEng

Civil Engineering with Transport BEng

## International Relations\*

This International Year One pathway will prepare you to progress to the second year of an undergraduate degree in International Relations at the University of Leeds.

### Modules

Academic English Skills

British Politics

Freedom, Power and Resistance

Introduction to International Relations

Studying and Research in International Relations

### Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds.

The undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds are:

International Relations BA

International Relations with Quantitative Research Methods BA




\*Please note that places are limited on these programmes. You are advised to apply and confirm your place as soon as possible. Should places be filled, it is possible that not all intakes will be available.

**Please note our modules are subject to change - we regularly review content in collaboration with the University, making changes to enhance the learning experience and to further improve prospects for student progression and employability.**



For up-to-date lists of all International Year One progression degrees and module descriptions, please visit [leedsisc.com/programmes/international-year-one](https://leedsisc.com/programmes/international-year-one)

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  -  [youtube.com/c/LeedsISCforProgressiontoUniversityofLeeds](https://www.youtube.com/c/LeedsISCforProgressiontoUniversityofLeeds)
- #MyLifeInLeeds

## Apply

If you would like to apply to study at Leeds International Study Centre for progression to the University of Leeds, you will need to complete an application form and submit the relevant documentation.

You can apply through your local education agent. Alternatively, you can apply directly via our website and one of our dedicated Student Enrolment Advisors will be happy to provide support through every step of the application process.

**For more information on how to apply, fees, entry requirements and more, please visit [leedsisc.com/how-to-apply](https://leedsisc.com/how-to-apply).**



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