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# International Foundation Programme

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World class. Worldwide.



# Join the World Class

**1 A mark of excellence**  
Gain a University of London qualification that will equip you with the skills and knowledge to take your education further.

**2 Quality of learning**  
You'll engage with contemporary issues, using real-world examples, and will be supported by tutors at your local Recognised Teaching Centre.

**3 Access a wealth of resources**  
You receive comprehensive access to a variety of interactive online materials.

**4 A trusted name in global education**  
The University of London is one of the oldest and most prestigious universities in the UK, and is internationally regarded as a centre of academic excellence. Our students have gone on to study at prestigious universities in the UK and around the world.

**5 A gateway to degree study**  
On successful completion of the International Foundation Programme, you are guaranteed entry to a number of degrees offered through the University of London taught at Recognised Teaching Centres.





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## Key dates

Application deadline:  
9 October 2025

Registration deadline:  
31 October 2025

Examinations:  
May

Results available:  
Mid June



# A global university centred around you



**Lynne Roberts**

**Programme Director,  
International Foundation  
Programme**

The University of London  
International Foundation  
Programme (IFP) equips  
you with the skills and  
knowledge to embark on a  
wide range of demanding  
undergraduate degrees.

The IFP is offered at Recognised  
Teaching Centres in the UK and a  
growing number of countries globally.  
We have a long track record of  
working with Recognised Teaching  
Centres worldwide that provide  
local support for your studies.

The programme has been designed  
to ensure that you achieve  
high academic standards, learn  
appropriate subject knowledge  
and acquire both the skills and  
intellectual curiosity necessary to  
succeed at university. We are proud  
of our IFP graduates who have gone  
on to study with the University  
of London distance and flexible  
learning programmes, on-campus at  
universities in the UK and Europe and  
in other countries, such as Australia,  
Canada, New Zealand and the USA.

The IFP modules encourage you to  
engage with contemporary issues  
by using real-world examples.  
Classroom teaching is supported  
by comprehensive subject guides,  
textbooks and a Virtual Learning  
Environment (VLE), which includes  
a variety of interactive online  
material. The learning experience  
is strongly focused on the  
development of academic skills  
alongside analysis and debate.

You can choose to study the IFP  
at any of our Recognised Teaching  
Centres around the world. We  
hope you will join us by studying  
with the University of London  
wherever you want to be.

## A trusted name in global education

Founded in 1836, the University of London is one of the oldest and most prestigious universities in the UK and is internationally regarded as a centre of academic excellence. In 1858, we made our programmes available to study anywhere in the world.

## London made global

Most UK universities accept the International Foundation Programme for entry to undergraduate degrees.

Students who have completed the IFP have gone on to study with the University of London (via distance and flexible learning or on-campus at a federation member) and at many other universities in the UK and around the world.



### Kano Watando

‘This programme provided me with a chance to earn a University of London qualification without the demand to study abroad, which is so helpful for me financially. I consider myself lucky because I could get a chance to study high standard materials and to join a global network.’

After completing the IFP, Kano is now studying the BSc Economics and Management through the University of London.



# How you study



## Programme structure

The programme structure for the IFP is comprised of four modules to best prepare you for an undergraduate degree. All of our modules are developed by leading University of London academics.

### Four modules chosen from

Accounting and Finance
Biology
Business Management
Chemistry
Economics
International Relations
Law
Mathematics and Statistics
Politics
Pure Mathematics
Social Psychology
Statistics for STEMM

\*module availability may vary year to year.

## Study at a Recognised Teaching Centre

The IFP is a taught programme and must be studied at a University of London Recognised Teaching Centre. Studying the IFP provides you with the opportunity to engage with module content designed by academics in London and a university-style approach to learning. You will be taught by teachers who have participated in University of London training. For more information please visit: [bit.ly/recognised-centres](https://bit.ly/recognised-centres)

## Study materials

Your main studies are all undertaken in class at your chosen teaching centre and you will also have access to additional online resources.

The University of London provides:

- a full subject guide for each module
- access to online resources and materials
- sample examination papers and examiners' commentaries
- a programme handbook containing practical information and advice
- a University of London email account and web area, which you can use to manage your personal information.

## Time commitment

The programme can be completed in a minimum of one academic year at University of London Recognised Teaching Centres. Part-time study is offered at some centres.

Each Recognised Teaching Centre offers its own study schedule. The number of weeks you need to attend classes depends on your teaching centre's timetable.

## Assessment

Students will be informed of their assessment arrangements via their Virtual Learning Environment (VLE), once confirmed. For the latest information on examinations, please visit: [london.ac.uk/exams](https://london.ac.uk/exams)

All examinations are double marked and verified in London. Candidates who pass all four modules are awarded the University of London International Foundation Certificate with a grade of 'Pass', 'Merit' or 'Distinction'. The University of London will issue you with full official transcripts for the IFP. These transcripts can be sent direct to your universities of choice.

## Support

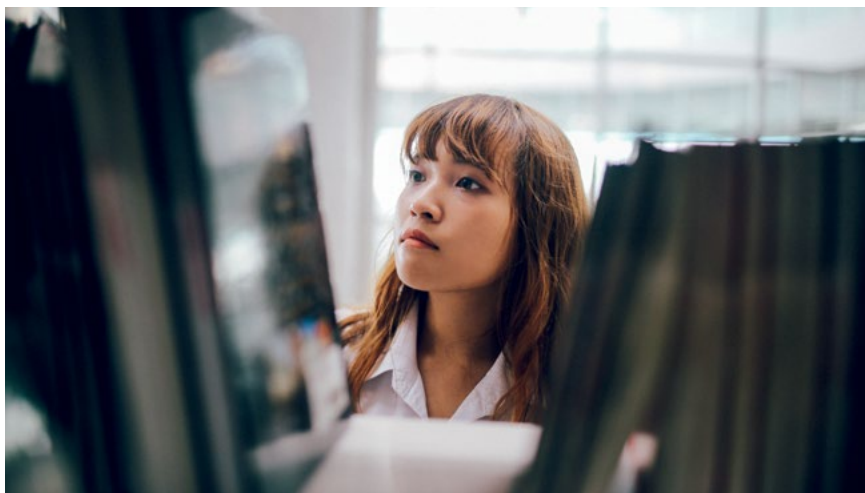
Students will have access to a range of additional resources, including an Enquiry Hub, the Online Library, Wellbeing Hub, Study Skills Hub and Careers Support.



### Dr James Abdey

'The IFP has been carefully and expertly developed to prepare students for the rigours of undergraduate study. Our quantitative and qualitative modules equip students with the academic skills necessary for successful completion of their subsequent degrees. Several IFP courses examine common topics from different disciplinary perspectives demonstrating the integrated nature of many real-world issues.'

Dr Abdey works in the Department of Statistics at LSE and is the Module Leader for Statistics and Economics on the IFP.



# Progression from the International Foundation Programme

## Progression to university

The International Foundation Programme (IFP) provides an ideal entry route to a variety of undergraduate options.

After completing the IFP you can choose to study a University of London degree offered at Recognised Teaching Centres throughout the world or you can apply to other universities in the UK or overseas.

For more information, please visit: [london.ac.uk/ifp](https://london.ac.uk/ifp)

## University of London degrees

The IFP provides excellent academic training for your university studies.

On successful completion of the IFP, you are guaranteed entry to a wide range of degrees offered through the University of London and taught at Recognised Teaching Centres worldwide.

These include:

- BSc Accounting and Finance

- BSc Business Administration
- BSc Business and Management
- BSc Computer Science
- BSc in Data Science and Business Analytics
- BSc Economics
- BSc Economics and Finance
- BSc Economics and Politics
- BSc International Relations
- Undergraduate Laws (LLB)
- BSc Psychology







## Apply to other universities

As an IFP student, you can also apply to study at a wide range of universities in the UK and other countries. The IFP is one of the most widely accepted foundation programmes in the world.

Our students have gone on to study at prestigious universities in the UK, such as Durham, Edinburgh, King's College London, LSE, Manchester,

Warwick, and at universities in Australia, Canada and the USA.

Other universities have their own application criteria. Your IFP teaching centre will guide and advise you in making university applications, including choosing the best university for you, checking the specific grades you need to achieve and helping you write a high-quality application. For a sample list of universities that have made offers to IFP students in recent years, please visit: [london.ac.uk/ifp](https://london.ac.uk/ifp)

## International Politics in Paris

When you register on the International Foundation Programme (IFP) with the University of London, you're probably already considering your next academic move. With so many choices available, the University of London Institute in Paris stands out as a unique and exciting option for your undergraduate degree. A close-knit community providing British academic excellence in the heart of the French capital, the Institute in Paris offers an experience unlike any other. Read about why it could be the perfect choice for you: [bit.ly/uol-paris-ifp](https://bit.ly/uol-paris-ifp)



# Entrance requirements and further information

## To be eligible for the International Foundation Programme, you must:

- normally be aged 17 or over before 31 December in the year of registration.

Applications will be considered from applicants who do not meet the normal minimum age requirement for admission. Each application will be considered on an individual basis, and the decision taken at the discretion of the University of London.

and

- have passed a minimum of at least four separate subjects at GCSE/GCE O level, with grades A–C or the equivalent.

and

- have demonstrated fluency in academic English by passing GCSE/GCE O level English language at grade C or above, or the equivalent, **OR** have passed a test of proficiency in English, such as IELTS at 5.5 overall (with a minimum of 5.0 in each sub-test).

## Recognised Teaching Centre requirements

Some teaching centres have additional and/or higher entry requirements. Please check with your teaching centre for specific requirements before making your application. For more information on teaching centres, please visit: [bit.ly/recognised-centres](https://bit.ly/recognised-centres)

## Computer requirements

The University of London sets minimum basic computer requirements because your study resources are accessed via the Student Portal and it is vital that you can access this regularly.

For more information about computer requirements, please visit: [bit.ly/computer-reqs](https://bit.ly/computer-reqs)

## How to apply

Please refer to the International Foundation Programme web pages for details on how to apply: [london.ac.uk/ifp](https://london.ac.uk/ifp)

## Fees

The total fee payable to the University of London for 2025–2026 will be published on our website once confirmed. On average, fees incur a five per cent year-on-year increase. For the latest information on programme fees please visit: [london.ac.uk/fees](https://london.ac.uk/fees)

In addition to the fees payable to the University, you should also budget for the cost of any module or tuition you choose to take at a Recognised Teaching Centre and the fee levied by your local examination centre.

**Please note:** student fees shown on our website are net of any local VAT, Goods and Services Tax (GST) or any other sales tax payable by the student in their country of residence. Where the University is required to add VAT, GST or any other sales tax at the local statutory rate, this will be added to the fees shown during the payment process. For students resident in the UK, our fees are exempt from VAT.





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