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## Welcome

I am delighted that you are considering the University of Bristol. Join us here and you will become part of a world-class university during a uniquely exciting moment in our history.

Bristol is a successful and ambitious university where we offer you the chance to learn from, and with, some of the leading scholars in the world. Here, you will enjoy the benefits of studying in a research-rich environment where we combine a rigorous approach to learning with an innovative edge.

You will discover how our educational initiatives, including Bristol Futures and the Bristol Skills Framework, enhance your experience. We encourage you to become independent learners and leaders, while making connections between academic disciplines and between the University and the outside world. Our approach means our students are targeted by the best employers, who recognise the unique qualities Bristol graduates possess.

Your student experience is made richer still by our environment. Named best place to live in the UK in 2017\*, Bristol is one of the most beautiful and vibrant cities in Europe. Its green spaces and lively arts and cultural opportunities make it an exceptional place to live and study. Bristol's independent spirit, exciting restaurants and vibrant live music scene were recognised by its appearance on *National Geographic Traveller*'s Cool List 2018\*\*.

Bristol has a well-established position as a global leader in sustainability and innovation and a growing reputation as one of the world's leading digital cities. In 2019 work begins on our new Temple Quarter Enterprise Campus, a once-in-a-generation project that will develop a world-class teaching and research space focusing on digital technologies. We also continue to invest heavily in our existing campuses, upgrading and transforming facilities to build the best possible learning environment.

We hope that the outstanding experience our University can offer will help make Bristol your home away from home. Within our diverse and friendly community of staff and students you will find here a welcoming and supportive environment in which to study, explore and make friends for life.

I very much hope that I shall have the pleasure of welcoming you to the University of Bristol in the near future.

Professor Hugh Brady

Professor Hugh Brady
Vice-Chancellor and President

\*The Sunday Times

\*\*'Cool list 2018', National Geographic Traveller





# City

Our city is a distinctive blend of historic charm and dynamic, creative energy. Lively yet laid-back, exciting but accessible – Bristol is made for student life.

## One of a kind

Bristol has a unique character and a proudly independent spirit. Of course, there are all the big-name shops and restaurants you'd expect. But if you fancy something different it's easy to get your caffeine fix with a locally roasted coffee, runmage for a rarity in a vintage boutique, or enjoy an award-winning Bristol beer. Join us and discover your own favourite corners of the city; you'll soon realise why Bristol is so special.

### Be inspired

In Bristol, offbeat street art, eclectic craft collectives and innovative games developers sit happily alongside celebrated art galleries. As a UNESCO City of Film, Bristol is a hub for film studios, producers and animators, creating ground-breaking work such as *Planet Earth II*. It's also a popular filming location – many memorable scenes from *Sherlock* were shot in Bristol. You'll find plenty of inspiration from our growing creative economy.

## Always something to do

It is difficult to be bored in Bristol. With a cracking music scene, the city boasts both intimate, friendly rock clubs and world-class orchestral concert halls. Indoors and out, Bristol's festivals celebrate everything from comedy to cinema and boats to balloons. In the summer, Bristol Harbour Festival and the International Balloon Fiesta are highlights, while the Simple Things festival brings adventurous new sounds every autumn. You can catch cultural cinema at the Watershed, a matinee at Bristol Old Vic, or a belly laugh at the Comedy Box.

## Liveable city

Most of all, Bristol is an easy-going and pleasant place to be: in 2017, *The Sunday Times* named it the best place to live in Britain, citing the ways this small city bursts with big-city charm. With its diverse community, limitless cultural offerings and buzzing creative industries, Bristol is a vibrant place to find yourself. Blooming with green spaces, easily walkable and welcoming – once you settle in here, you may never want to leave.

Bristol is home to 450 parks and green spaces, proportionally more than any other UK city







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## **Playful city**

Bristol attracts intriguing public art, such as several famous installations by Bristol artist Luke Jerram, which have had us gazing up at a model moon, jamming on street pianos and hurtling down Park Street on a giant water slide.

## Street art

Well known as the home of Banksy, Bristol's streets double up as open-air art galleries. Fresh graffiti could be hiding around every corner – especially in summer when Upfest, Europe's largest street art festival, colours our streets.









## Indie shops

Bakers, butchers, boutiques and bars

- Bristol boasts a staggering number of special, one-off businesses. Look no further than Gloucester Road, one of the longest stretches of independent shops in the UK.



## Café culture

Wherever you go in Bristol, you won't be far from a cosy independent café (or three). Bring your books for a working lunch, enjoy the view from a scenic roof terrace, or spend a lazy Sunday playing board games.

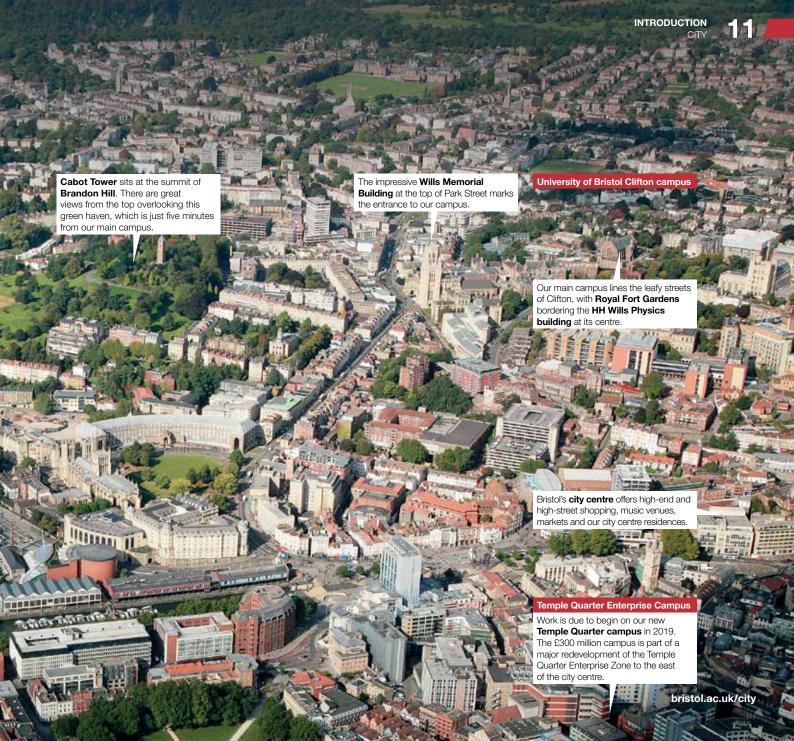


## See them first

Bristol's wealth of small venues means there's plenty of opportunity to catch bands on the rise. Check out Thekla, a former cargo ship turned indie venue, or the 140-capacity, family-run Louisiana whose small stage hosted the Strokes, Coldplay and Muse before they were big.

Approximately one quarter of the world's nature documentaries are produced by the BBC's Natural History Unit, based in Bristol





## Learning

At Bristol, we encourage you to become an independent thinker, well equipped to respond to the intellectual, social and personal challenges you will encounter throughout your life and career.

Come to Bristol and you will experience intellectually challenging courses shaped by the latest thinking, with the opportunity to engage in real-life research projects. Our approach emphasises a research-led curriculum, where both the content of our degree courses and the way they are delivered is influenced and informed by our research. This means that you will be taught by researchers working at the forefront of developments in their field.

Bristol Futures, our pioneering curriculum enrichment initiative, adds a unique dimension to your studies. Designed in consultation with students, employers and alumni, Bristol Futures provides you with the opportunity to develop your core academic skills and apply them to interdisciplinary themes relating to the major opportunities and challenges facing our world. Bristol Futures includes online extracurricular courses and professional and community engagement opportunities for all our students. The Bristol Skills Framework underpins the initiative and provides a personal development framework that will help you to understand and apply your skills, enabling you to become a tenacious, adaptable and confident graduate.

On many of our courses, you will be assigned a personal tutor from the start of your degree. Your tutor will support you in making the transition to university-level study and can offer advice on academic matters or direct you to specialist support services. They will encourage your academic and personal development and help to ensure you make the most of your university experience.



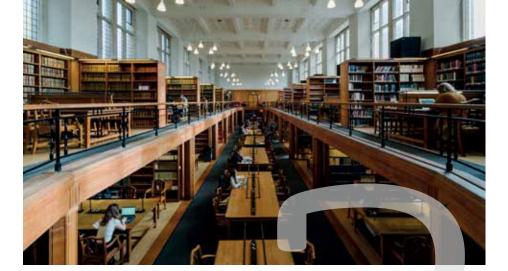
87 per cent of students completing their degree in 2015/16 achieved a First or 2:1







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Thirty-six per cent of the University's research received the top 4\* 'world-leading' rating in REF 2014



## Teaching

## We aim to provide an education that is researchrich, innovative and inclusive.

We do this through our teaching, which includes lectures, seminars, e-learning, tutorials and practicals. Throughout your degree, you will have access to our high-quality resources and facilities. Our courses include the option of a challenging final-year project, designed to develop your research skills and critical thinking, and make you an effective, independent learner.

At Bristol, we look at how researchers from different disciplines can work together to find solutions to the world's most pressing problems. For example the Cabot Institute brings together academics from six faculties to take a multidisciplinary approach to problems such as climate change, food and energy security, and natural disasters. This collaborative research shapes our courses, giving you an insight into how your subject relates to the wider world.

Our teachers are supported by the Bristol Institute for Learning and Teaching, which promotes the latest in educational innovation, and works towards our aim of delivering the best, evidence-based learning experience for our students. This, along with the University's continual investment in new facilities and technology, will ensure you have access to the highest quality of education.

## Studying

With our state-of-the art facilities, world-leading research and a new campus redeveloping part of our buzzing city, it's an exciting time to become a University of Bristol student.

We aim to provide the best available teaching and learning environment and to give you the resources you need to achieve your full academic potential.

There are eight libraries on the Clifton campus and one at the Bristol Veterinary School at Langford. Our libraries offer study spaces, specialist subject librarians and millions of research and learning resources. There are three managed study centres, including Beacon House, which offers individual and collaborative study space and bookable group working rooms.

We offer a wide range of support services and resources to help you transition to university life, covering IT skills, academic language, careers and information literacy, and a wealth of services and resources to support your wellbeing.

Study skills resources help to enhance your academic skills, including critical thinking, exam technique and presentation skills. Our interactive, online resources are supported by group workshops and one-to-one tutorials.

As a world-class research institution, Bristol offers outstanding facilities, such as the Life Sciences building, which features a five-storey laboratory wing, a state-of-the-art greenhouse and one of the largest teaching labs in the UK.

A programme of major redevelopment begins in 2018 and will create a pedestrianised, student-centred focus for our Clifton campus. A new, multi-purpose Study Resource Hub at the centre of the campus will offer creative learning and social space, a study support centre and a new Global Lounge, which will welcome international students coming to Bristol and UK students seeking opportunities overseas.

In 2019, work begins on the Temple Quarter Enterprise Campus, our new £300 million campus with a focus on teaching and research in digital technologies. The campus will transform a seven-acre site in central Bristol and is one of the most significant regeneration projects in the city's recent history.



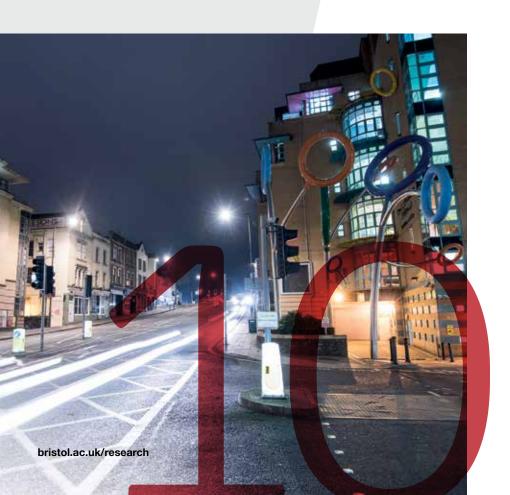


£56.5 million Life Sciences building opened in September 2014





## Research



Bristol has a proud history of innovative interdisciplinary research. We continue to work on new developments every day and this directly influences how and what we teach in our undergraduate courses.

Our pioneering academics help to solve some of the world's most pressing problems, from climate change to cardiovascular disease.

As well as making ground-breaking discoveries, they might also help to write your curriculum or even deliver your lectures. This means you'll learn from inspirational, expert staff and be part of a university with global influence.

Bristol is rated tenth among UK universities for the proportion of its research rated 'world-leading' in REF 2014 (BBC analysis of REF 2014) We are associated with 13 Nobel Laureates, including our current Chancellor Sir Paul Nurse



Congenital heart disease is the most common type of birth defect. At our pioneering Bristol Heart Institute, scientists have developed cellular grafts that can grow with the heart rather than needing to be replaced. With these grafts, instead of undergoing multiple operations, a child may only need one. Our researchers are preparing to start a clinical trial, the next step to making the treatment possible.

## Defining poverty in the 21st century

By accurately defining poverty, we can measure and work to reduce it. Bristol researchers led a team of six universities in conducting the largest ever study of poverty in the UK. Instead of relying on income data, the study used measures of living standards to examine this complex issue. This methodology has now been adopted across the country and contributed to UN objectives. Our work towards eradicating poverty continues within the Bristol Poverty Institute.

## Protecting cities from flooding

The percentage of urban land at risk of flooding is rising. Geographical scientists at Bristol's Hydrology Research Group have created the most detailed, accurate and comprehensive map of global flood risk. Their model is used by clients worldwide, from NGOs to insurance providers. The scientists are now working with Google Earth to create the world's first openaccess flood risk map.

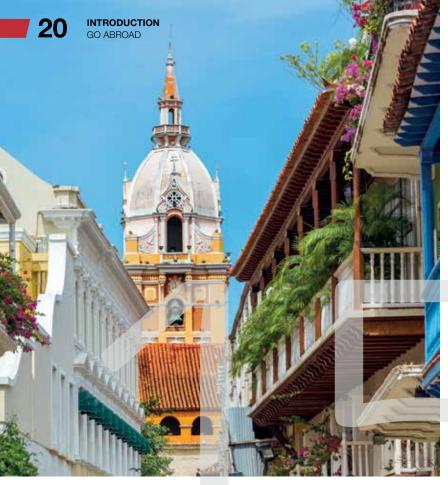


## Advancing mobile internet

Imagine a mobile network that could allow you to download a full HD film in seconds. The University of Bristol's Smart Internet Lab is helping to make it a reality by conducting the world's first trials of end-to-end 5G internet. As well as making your mobile internet faster, 5G has the potential to revolutionise transport, media, healthcare provision and more.

## Improving food security

The wheat-breeding industry is worth over £1.8 billion per year and is vital for global food security. By studying and mapping the genetic traits of the crop, Bristol biologists have helped growers across the world to produce higher yields that are resistant to disease, making the industry better able to respond to climate change and population growth.







150+ partner universities across the world

## Go abroad

Each year, more than 500 Bristol students broaden their horizons and travel abroad as part of their degree.

Studying or working overseas is an outstanding opportunity to experience a new culture, boost your personal development and get a new perspective on your studies.

## A world of opportunity

Depending on your degree course, you could have the option to go abroad for a semester or a full year, or take part in a shorter programme overseas. Whichever you choose, our Global Opportunities team will be on hand to support you every step of the way.

You can study at an English-speaking university or one requiring a foreign language and your time abroad will be fully accredited by Bristol. Our prestigious partner universities include the University of California, the University of Sydney, the University of Hong Kong, the University of Barcelona and many more around the world.

## **Build new skills**

Spending time abroad is not only an adventure but also an investment in your future. You'll gain skills and cross-cultural experience that employers value. Research shows that students who spend time overseas are more likely to be employed six months after graduation and earn higher starting salaries\*.

## Study abroad

If you want to study overseas for a year, look for courses that include 'with Study Abroad' or 'with Study in Continental Europe' in the title. A year abroad is integrated into all of our modern languages degrees.

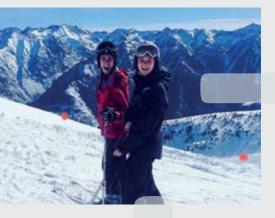
There are plenty of other opportunities to study abroad for a semester or to take part in one of our shorter programmes or summer schools. Current options include a Chinese language and culture course in Beijing and a global leadership programme with Santander in Chicago.

### Work abroad

Modern languages students have the option of completing a work placement in another country, and some science and engineering courses may give you the chance to spend your year in industry abroad. The Careers Service also supports students who are interested in working overseas during the summer break or after graduation.

\*'Gone International', Universities UK, 2016

38 of our academic departments offer the opportunity of study abroad







**Danny** (MEng Computer Science with Study Abroad) studied abroad at Hong Kong University of Science and Technology

'I cannot stress enough how much I loved my time in this country, how grateful I was to be given this opportunity, and how sad I was that it had to come to an end... It was the best decision I think I will ever make.'

Julia (BSc Geography with Study Abroad) studied abroad at University of Otago, New Zealand



350+ work placements undertaken by students in 2017/18



'I had an absolutely amazing time in France. My language improved so much... it was one of the best six months of my life, without a shadow of a doubt'

**Sam** (BA French and Italian) work placement at Salomon SAS, Annecy

## Industry

Applying your degree to real-world challenges in industry can bring your subject to life.

Spending a year working in industry as part of your course can be an unforgettable experience. Throughout your placement you will work on live projects as a valued member of a team, applying your subject specialism in practical ways, while gaining invaluable insight into your discipline.

We offer approximately 20 courses that include a 'with Study in Industry' or professional placement option. Through our considerable links to industry we will help you find a position that complements your subject focus and support you in applying for a position that suits your interests.

## Gaining professional experience

Students studying social sciences or law can access the Professional Liaison Network, where you can gain real-life insight and experience from professionals working in fields relevant to your academic study.

The Industrial Liaison Office in the Faculty of Engineering provides paid summer internships for first-year students. Placements last from six to 12 weeks and help you explore careers in the engineering or technology sectors: bristol.ac.uk/engineering/ilo.

With 90 per cent of the UK's top graduate employers offering paid work experience programmes for students and recent graduates\*, gaining industry experience as a student could be an important first step toward your graduate career.

\*'The Graduate Market in 2017', High Fliers Research

'During my two summers at Mott MacDonald, I spent time on the organisation of work for the power grid redevelopment and helped with the management of a project in Kazakhstan for a settlement for oil company workers. I was exposed to the everyday life of a consultant engineer and it helped me decide that I want to stay in the industry. It also put my name on the radar of one of the biggest companies in the field.'

**Vessy** (MEng Civil Engineering)







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## Careers

University of Bristol graduates are in high demand. We are in the top three universities targeted by leading graduate recruiters and are one of the best UK universities for graduate employability.\*

## Your career begins here

Our Careers Service welcomes over 300 companies to campus each year for employer presentations, networking events, workshops and careers fairs. Our comprehensive range of services will help you assess and develop your skills and perfect your applications and interview technique. Through mycareer, our online careers portal, you can find part-time and vacation work, internships and graduate jobs, and access to hundreds of careers resources.

## Industry-endorsed skills award

Recognising the skills you can develop through work experience, volunteering and extracurricular activities, the Bristol PLUS Award offers a framework to help you enhance your CV and develop your employability. The award is endorsed by 19 leading graduate recruiters, including Amazon, Danone and the National Graduate Development Programme.

## **Professional partnerships**

Our enviable connections to top graduate recruiters facilitate many employability initiatives, such as the University of Bristol Law School's Professional Mentoring Scheme. The scheme connects top-performing students with mentors in law firms and chambers for professional insight, application support and placements. Bristol alumni span the globe and our Careers Network database and huge Linkedln group offer convenient ways to make contact.

### Get ahead with our internship scheme

Through the University of Bristol Internship Scheme, companies in a range of sectors provide high-quality, paid internships flexible enough to fit around your study. Participating organisations have included publishers, research consultancies and non-governmental organisations (NGOs) offering roles in marketing, events, research, IT and business development: bristol.ac.uk/careers/employable/uob-internship-scheme.

## Launching your own enterprise

At Bristol, we actively encourage the innovators and entrepreneurs of the future, drawing on the city's reputation as a leading centre for creativity and technical innovation. The Student Enterprise Basecamp team provides support services for all students in developing their enterprise skills and mindset. Whether you want to develop your own start-up or make a real difference from within an existing organisation, enterprise skills can be practised throughout your career:

bristol.ac.uk/careers/student-enterprise.

\*'The Graduate Market in 2018', High Fliers Research/ Ranked sixth in UK, QS Graduate Employability Ranking 2018



A top five targeted university by leading UK graduate employers (High Fliers Research, 2018)





bristol.ac.uk/careers

## Destinations

As a University of Bristol graduate you will join a global community. Our alumni network offers invaluable social and career connections, with experts and influencers in every sector of industry.

Full-time work 57.3%

Full-time study 20.5%

Part-time work 7.5%

**Travelling** 6%

Not working 4.6%

Starting work in next month 2.2%

Part-time study 0.9%

Doing something else 0.9%





Sixth in the UK for graduate employability, top 50 worldwide (QS Graduate Employability Ranking 2018)

Connect with 19,000 alumni through our University of Bristol LinkedIn group

Career destinations of Bristol graduates six months after graduation by degree subject



## **Chemistry graduates**

Science teacher Project manager Polymer technologist Chemical compliance associate



## Social Policy graduates

Economics research intern Research and campaigns officer Account manager Data analyst

**Employers of Bristol graduates six months** after graduation by degree subject



## **Economics employers**

Deloitte EY RSM PwC **KPMG** 



## Aerospace engineering employers

QinetiQ Rolls-Royce Jaguar Land Rover British Airways



## **English employers**

BuzzFeed Pan Macmillan RSC Heyday Films









## **Bristol SU**



The Union supports over 350 societies and sports clubs, with everything from skydiving to anime and Pokémon to football. We organise hundreds of events throughout the year, from club nights to guizzes and TEDx talks, and we provide services, including academic advice, a letting agency and a bike hire scheme.

## Welcome week

In your first week Bristol SU runs a festival to welcome you to the University, with events every night in the SU and clubs across the city. The Welcome Fair is a highlight, where you can meet society and sports club members and find out what's on offer.

## The Richmond Building

The Richmond Building is home to Bristol SU and offers extensive facilities, including the Balloon Bar, two theatres, a pottery studio, music practice rooms, a radio studio, dance studios and a 32-metre swimming pool. It also houses one of the city's biggest gig venues, the Anson Rooms. which have hosted big-name acts including Foals, David Bowie and Ed Sheeran.

## Representation

Several full-time officers and a dozen chairs of networks are elected by you to represent your views and needs to the Union, the University and the National Union of Students (NUS). These officers and networks look after a variety of areas, including academic issues, the running of the Union and equality. There are lots of ways to make your voice heard, such as voting in elections, contributing to research or running as an elected rep.



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bristolsu.org.uk



## Sport

Our wide range of activities and excellent facilities will help you lead a healthy, active lifestyle and benefit from the positive effects of sport.

## Something for everyone

Taking part in sport can help you settle in to university life; it's a great way to meet new people and make lasting friendships. You can also develop your employability skills with our sports, leadership and volunteering programmes.

Whether you are looking to join our Performance Squad to compete at the highest level or just want to keep fit, we offer something for you. There is a range of membership packages, with flexible payment options and access to our extensive sports facilities, including:

- an indoor sports centre on the Clifton campus, featuring a gym, free weights room, studios, sports hall and sports medicine clinic;
- a 32-metre swimming pool in the Richmond Building;
- Coombe Dingle Sports Complex, featuring grass and artificial pitches, an indoor tennis centre and an Olympic weight-lifting gym;
- a boathouse at Saltford on the River Avon.

## Sports clubs and programmes

University of Bristol and Bristol Students'
Union together house more than 70 sports
clubs, ranging from rugby to Ultimate Frisbee.
Bristol came ninth overall in the inter-university
(BUCS) sports league in 2017. There are plenty
of opportunities to play sport for fun, in the
Intramural Programme or as part of our
B:Active programmes.

## **Performance Squad**

Our Performance Sport programme supports and develops student athletes so that you can combine a sporting career with academic study at the University. Members develop a personal action plan, supported by experienced coaches, and can access strength and conditioning training, nutrition advice, physiotherapy and sports psychology. The squad has supported Olympians, Commonwealth medallists and world champions.

### **Scholarships**

Scholarships are open to prospective and current students who are competing at a senior, national or international level within their sport. The Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships offer between £1,500 and £3,000 per annum for students with exceptional ability through its Scholarships in Sport.





Eight Bristol alumni competed at the 2016 Olympic Games in Rio





## Student life

Bristol is a picture sque city made for sharing on Instagram. Our students, staff and alumni share their snapshots of student life.



@villageportrait / www.lukepurdye.com



'The city of Bristol is made up of pocketfuls of joy. Wherever you go there will be something to enjoy.'

**Lindsay** (BSc Childhood Studies with Quantitative Research Methods)

'After visiting friends at different universities, I was always happy on the way back to Bristol, knowing I was returning to the best city by far.'

**Tom** (MA English Literature)







Pete @petebennett







'What a peaceful and harmonious city Bristol is! It's even more beautiful in the dusk or dawn.'

Ming (MA Film and Television)

Find more images of student life in our city of university of bristol





5,500+ places for new undergraduates

bristol.ac.uk/accommodation



### Living



Discovering a new city and making it your home can be one of the most exciting parts of your university experience. Our Accommodation Office will help make the transition to university life as easy as possible.

### Choosing where to live

Our residences are more than just a place to eat and sleep. They are exciting communities that will become home for your first year. You will mix with students from around the world and meet people who could become your friends for life.

We have accommodation to suit all tastes, from shared Georgian townhouses in colourful Clifton to large, modern residences right in the city centre.

Where you choose to live will depend on the experience you are seeking, your budget and how independent you want to be. We offer you a choice of new or old, large or small and catered or self-catered accommodation. All our residences are within walking distance of the main University campus in Clifton and there is a dedicated bus service from Stoke Bishop to the Clifton campus.

### Stoke Bishop

A student village of six residences with a mixture of catered and self-catered accommodation housing around 2,000 undergraduates.

- Residences range in size from 228 places at Durdham Hall to 740 places at Hiatt Baker.
- Each residence has its own bar or common room, computer room and study room.
- There is a dedicated bus service to and from the Clifton campus.

### Clifton

Three large residences, including one catered residence, and several small properties accommodate around 1,400 undergraduates near the independent shops, cafés and restaurants of Clifton Village.

- Residences range in size from 40 to 300 places.
- Each residence has its own bar or common room.
- The University and the city centre are within a short walk of Clifton.

### City centre

Around 2,200 undergraduates live in our centrally located self-catered residences. Some of our city residences are run in partnership with external housing companies.

- Residences range in size from 100 to 470 places.
- Each residence has its own common room.
- The University, city centre and Harbourside are all on the doorstep.

### Joining a community

All residences have student representatives who help to organise events and student-led activities throughout the year, such as fancy-dress nights, pub quizzes and all-day music festivals. You will be able to suggest events to your representative and take an active role in organising them.

The Active Residences programme recognises the importance of regular exercise to help reduce stress, maintain physical health and improve concentration. Each residence runs a programme of free fitness classes, including self-defence and yoga, and an outdoor bootcamp session to help you stay fit and feel good. There is no membership fee and classes are suitable for all fitness levels, with a range of activities to suit all tastes. Find out more at **bristol.ac.uk/sport**.

If you plan to live at home or in private accommodation, you will have plenty of opportunity to meet new people at the University's events. Brunel, the student network for students living outside of halls, organises socials throughout the year. Representatives from your residence will take part in Students' Union Council meetings, help you get involved with projects in halls and the wider community, and introduce you to University-wide initiatives such as HEETs – student networks that collaborate on environmental and ethical issues.

### How much will it cost?

Accommodation fees vary but the table below will give you a good idea of cost.

Room type	Weekly cost*	Annual fee*
Self-catered		
Shared	£87-94	£3,651-£3,956
Standard single (no basin)	£109-£135	£4,585-£5,641
En suite	£150-£160	£6,329-£6,724
Catered		
Shared	£144	£6,027
Standard single w(no basin)	£173-£185	£7,268-£7,769
En suite	£188-£197	£7,899-£8,274
Typical accommoda	ition fees for a 42-wee	ek tenancy (based on

Typical accommodation fees for a 42-week tenancy (based or 2017/18 figures).

\*Figures rounded to nearest pound.

Accommodation fees include a bus pass, internet, heating and electricity costs. Additional compulsory costs include insurance and a Common Room subscription.

### Visit before you apply

You will have the opportunity to visit a selection of our residences at the undergraduate open days in June, September and November 2018. In the meantime, you may wish to take a virtual tour of our residences at **bristol.ac.uk/accommodation/ug**.

### After your first year

Most students move into private accommodation after their first year. The cost of renting privately will depend on the size, quality and location of the property you choose. The most popular areas for students are those close to the University: Kingsdown, Clifton, Cotham and Redland. If you are willing to venture a little further out you will find cheaper rents. Costs vary between £300 to £500 per calendar month per person, living in a shared house; £400 per calendar month plus bills is the average you can expect to pay.

### Accommodation advice and support

Our Accommodation Office can help you find somewhere to live and can offer advice on University and private accommodation throughout your time at Bristol. We provide specialist advice, for example for students with disabilities or with young families. We continue to invest in our residences and will do everything we can to make sure you feel at home throughout your time at Bristol.







# Wellbeing

We want you to get the most out of your time at university, to feel safe, supported and able to reach your potential.

We are well connected with city-wide services as well as providing services ourselves. Our comprehensive network of student services ensures you have access to support for all aspects of university life – academic, personal and practical.

### Support for your wellbeing

Learning to manage your own wellbeing is a crucial part of university life. We will help you to develop those skills and put you in touch with support services when you need them.

- In your school wellbeing advisers work with academic personal tutors and other staff to address any personal and emotional difficulties you might experience, helping you to make the most of your academic studies.
- In your residence there is a variety of pastoral support available including senior students who support residential life and wellbeing.
- With your health the Students' Health Service offers the full range of NHS GP services. It is run by a team of doctors, nurses and administrative staff with specific expertise in student issues.

- With a disability students who come to Bristol with ongoing health conditions, mental health or specific learning difficulties, autism spectrum conditions, sensory impairments and mobility difficulties can access additional advice and support from Disability Services. It is best to make contact early to find out what support is available and how to access it.
- With your faith and spirituality the Multifaith Chaplaincy offers confidential pastoral and spiritual support, religious information and advice, regular events, and a welcoming space for all faiths and none.

### Support for mental health

Students with enduring mental health difficulties may experience greater challenges than others in transitioning to university. As well as assisting students to access local NHS services, our Student Counselling Service offers ways for students to maintain positive mental health including self-help materials, workshops, and group and individual counselling.

We encourage students with enduring mental health difficulties to notify us early on in the application process so we can help you to set up your support network before you arrive. For more information about support services at Bristol, visit bristol.ac.uk/students/wellbeing.

### Part of a safe environment

We do not tolerate any form of bullying, harassment or victimisation and we are committed to providing a fair and safe environment in which students can study and socialise. We have an online tool for reporting incidents and our Security Service operates 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to ensure the safety and wellbeing of our students and staff.

### Support for students with children

Our subsidised day nursery is located on the main campus. It can accommodate children from three months to five years old and is open weekdays throughout the year.

### Support for students leaving care

We offer guidance and support throughout your time at Bristol, providing specific information on financial help, accommodation and pastoral support.

### Support for international students

We support you from the moment you accept an offer right through to graduation, including welcome events and practical support as you settle in to life in Bristol.







**B:Active** 

Our low-cost sport and activity programmes help you keep fit, stay healthy and manage your wellbeing.

### Workshops

Our series of workshops covers topics from building resilience to anxiety management.

### **Big White Wall**

A free, online service, available 24/7 so students can chat to others, access tools, set goals and track progress.



### Bursaries

If you have the talent and ability to succeed at Bristol, concerns about funding should not stop you from applying. The University offers a range of bursaries and scholarships to help.

This page details a selection of bursaries and scholarships. To find out more about these and many other funding opportunities, visit **bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/search**.

### University of Bristol bursary for UK students

The 2019 bursary support package will be announced in summer 2018. As a guide, the bursary support for 2018 entrants is as follows:

Household income	Bursary entitlement 2018
£25,000 or below	£2,000
£25,001-£30,000	£1,500
£30,001-£35,000	£1,250
£35,001-£40,000	£750
£40,001-£42,875	£500

Conditions apply. To find out if you are eligible visit **bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/awards/uob-bursary**.

### Scholarships for international students

Over £500,000 of International Office Scholarships are available to high-achieving international students. For the latest information, visit **bristol.ac.uk/international/fees-finance/scholarships**.

### Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships

Vice-Chancellor's Scholarships are available to undergraduate students with exceptional musical, dramatic or sporting talent outside their normal field of study. Historically, up to 20 scholarships of up to £3,000 have been awarded each year. Find out more at bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/awards/vc-scholarship.

### Access to Bristol bursaries

The University invests in the local community by offering bursaries to those who complete our Access to Bristol scheme. The scheme gives local students a taste of university life by providing access to our academic expertise and facilities.

Students resident in England who successfully complete the Access to Bristol, Pathways to Law or Pathways to Health Sciences scheme and meet the qualifying household income threshold and other criteria will be eligible for the Access to Bristol bursary. Details of the 2019 bursary will be announced in summer 2018. As a guide, the bursary for 2018 entrants is as follows:

- a full tuition fee waiver for the first year of study;
- a living-cost bursary of £3,750 for each year of the course, provided that you continue to meet the eligibility criteria.

Find out more about the scheme and bursary at **bristol.ac.uk/access-to-bristol**.

A similar bursary is available to students who complete our Bristol Scholars scheme. Visit bristol.ac.uk/study/teachers/post-16/scholars.

### Lloyds Scholars

The Lloyds Scholars Programme, which includes bursaries, paid internships and mentoring, is open to UK students and EU students currently residing in the UK with an annual household income of £25,000 or less. Find out more at **bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/awards/lloyds**.

### **University of Bristol Financial Assistance Fund**

The University's own financial assistance funds provide discretionary additional support for UK undergraduate students who, through no fault of their own, find themselves in financial difficulty. For further information, visit **bristol.ac.uk/feesfunding/awards/faf**.

Please note: all figures are quoted from 2018. Details for 2019 are not available at the time of going to press. All figures are therefore subject to change.

### Applying

Your student journey is about to begin. From exploring the University online and at our open days to receiving an offer, there are several key stages in your journey to becoming a University of Bristol student.

### Research

Get a sense of living and studying in Bristol at our open days in June, September or November, or via our online virtual tours: bristol.ac.uk/opendays.

### Choose

Visit our online course finder for more information about course structure and detailed entry requirements.



### How to apply

The University accepts applications through UCAS: www.ucas.com. You can submit your application via UCAS from mid-September 2018. You can apply to up to five universities, but we will not know which other courses or universities you have applied to.

International applicants can also

apply via Common Application.

Your application will include details of your completed qualifications and those still in progress with predicted grades. You will have to write a personal statement and provide a reference from a teacher or someone else who knows you well, preferably from an academic setting.

### Deadline dates

The closing date for all applications to medicine, dentistry and veterinary science is 15 October. No more than four out of your five choices can be used for these courses. However, you can apply for a fifth course in a different subject without prejudicing your commitment to medicine, dentistry and veterinary science.

The main UCAS application deadline for other courses is 15 January and applications received by this date will be given equal consideration. Some courses may continue

to accept applications after that date, until

### Other ways to apply

the final deadline of 30 June.

in line with our policies and

procedures and aim to make

a decision within five weeks.

UCAS offers alternative application schemes if you want to apply after the main scheme deadlines have passed. UCAS Extra opens from February and UCAS Clearing opens from July: www.ucas.com.

Applicants from outside the EU can also apply to most courses through the Common Application system from early August 2018 for entry in September 2019: www.commonapp.org.

If we make you an offer, you can visit us and find out more before making your decision.

### Deferred entry

If applying via UCAS you can apply for courses starting in September 2019 or for deferred entry to courses starting in September 2020. We are not able to consider deferred applications through Common Application.

Term dates are published at **bristol.ac.uk/ university/dates**.

### Part-time and direct entry courses

Our part-time degrees, International Foundation Programme and Foundation in Arts and Humanities (CertHE) require you to apply directly to the University. For further information and an application form, please visit the online course finder at **bristol.ac.uk/ug-study**.

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We welcome applications from students of all backgrounds, ages and nationalities.

### Assessing your application

We will assess your application in line with our admissions policies and procedures and the admissions statement for the course. This will usually include assessing your A-level (or equivalent) predicted or achieved grades and GCSE (or equivalent) grades. We may also assess your personal statement, an external test score, additional written work or an interview.

You can view our admissions policies online at **bristol.ac.uk/applicants/policies**.

Each online course page includes a link to its admissions statement, or you can find them all in one place at **bristol.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/apply/admissions-statements**.

### Making a decision

We aim to make a decision as quickly as possible and within five weeks of receiving your application. If we decide at this point that we wish to invite you to interview or need to put your application on hold until later in the cycle, we will let you know by email.

For all applications submitted by 15 January, we will aim to make final decisions before 31 March, though in some cases decisions may not be made until early May.

### Making you an offer

If you are still studying the qualifications that your application is based on, we will make you a **conditional offer** to achieve specified grades. This will normally be the typical offer listed on the online course finder, or an equivalent level in whatever qualification you are studying.

If you are applying with completed qualifications and have already achieved the qualifications we require, we will make you an **unconditional offer**.

### Contextual offers

As part of our commitment to the UK national agenda on widening participation, we consider the educational context in which your grades have been achieved and may make you a contextual offer if you meet specific criteria.

If you are eligible for a contextual offer, your offer will be at the published typical contextual offer level, which is usually two grades lower than the standard offer. More information, including a list of eligible schools, is available at **bristol.ac.uk/contextual-offers**.

### Considering your offer

When we make you an offer, we will invite you to the University for a visit day, where you can tour your department, ask questions and explore in detail what it might be like to study at Bristol: **bristol.ac.uk/visit-days**.

From the offers you receive, you can make a firm and insurance choice. By making a university your firm choice you are committed to going to that university, and that university is committed to accepting you if you meet the terms of your offer. Your insurance choice is intended to be your back-up option. For more information about making your choices visit www.ucas.com.

When we make an offer we will also send you all the information you need about the University to consider your choices, including our Student Agreement. Please read this information carefully before making your decisions.

### Confirming your place

If you have an unconditional offer, you can confirm your place by making us your firm choice.

If your offer is conditional, we need to receive your results and make sure you have met the terms of your offer before we can confirm your place.

We receive results for many UK qualifications, such as A-levels, directly from the exam boards via UCAS. If we will not receive your results automatically, you will need to send copies of your results to us, including official English translations if your results are not provided in English.

We are only able to guarantee confirmed places to applicants who meet or exceed the terms of their offer. However, each year we are able to accept a number of applicants who have narrowly missed the terms of their offer but who we are confident will still do well at Bristol.

Our UCAS institution code is **BRISL B78** 

# Applying

Bristol accepts a wide range of applicants with diverse qualifications from the UK and around the world. Detailed information about course content and entry qualifications is available in our online course finder at **bristol.ac.uk/ug-study**.

### Typical offers and other qualifications

Each subject entry in this prospectus lists the typical offer for applicants taking A-levels and the International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma in the entry requirements panel.

We list typical offer information for some other qualifications online, including UK qualifications such as the Welsh Baccalaureate, Cambridge Pre-U principal subjects, SQA Highers and Advanced Highers, BTEC Extended Diploma and Access to HE Diploma. Visit the online course finder to view detailed entry requirements: bristol.ac.uk/ug-study.

Details of the University's policies regarding the A-level and GCSE reforms, as well as other UK qualifications, are available online at **bristol.ac.uk/14-19qualifications**.

### Specific science, core science and mathematics subjects

Where course entry requirements include specific subjects or subjects from a specified group such as 'core sciences', these will be detailed in our online course finder and within the course's admissions statement online.

### International qualifications

We welcome applications from international students and accept a wide range of qualifications. For information about accepted international qualifications, please visit our international web pages at **bristol.ac.uk/international/countries**, or contact our Enquiries Team.

### **English language**

We require all applicants to meet particular language requirements in spoken and written English to ensure that you benefit fully from your degree studies. If English is not your first language, we will need clear evidence that you have an acceptable standard of English. For more information visit bristol.ac.uk/ug-language-requirements.

For details of English language requirements for specific courses, please refer to the subject entries in this prospectus or our online course finder: **bristol.ac.uk/uq-study**.

The University's Centre for English Language Foundation Studies offers a range of courses to help students improve their level of English; find out more at **bristol.ac.uk/english-language**.

### Literacy and numeracy requirements

Some courses require a specific level of literacy and numeracy skills. Typically, these will be set at GCSE level or equivalent, but we accept a range of qualifications that meet these requirements. For more information, visit bristol.ac.uk/study/undergraduate/entry-requirements-qualifications/gcse.

### **Mature applicants**

We welcome applications from mature students and will take into account a range of vocational qualifications and occupational and life experiences, as well as more traditional qualifications. If you have had a gap of some time since your last study, or if you do not have traditional qualifications, we may ask you for evidence of recent academic study and invite you to attend an interview.

### **Under-18 applicants**

Although most students at the University are over the age of 18, we welcome younger applicants with the ability to thrive here. However, under-18s living in England are considered by law to be children, which means that we have additional responsibilities towards younger students. You can find our under-18s policy online at bristol.ac.uk/applicants/applicants/under-18s.

### **Deferred entry**

Most courses will consider your application if you wish to take a year away from formal education after completing your qualifications. If your course does not accept deferrals, or requires certain conditions for deferral, this will be listed on the entry requirements panel in this guide and in the online course finder.

### Intercalated degrees

We welcome students from other universities who are looking to intercalate at Bristol. For more information and a list of available courses visit **bristol.ac.uk/intercalate**.

### Deciding

Focusing your interests down to just one degree subject can be difficult, so this table offers some suggestions for degree courses that build on the subjects you may be studying at A-level or equivalent.

This list covers the required A-levels for entry to our courses. We hope it gives you some ideas about the options open to you. Please refer to the relevant course pages for further details.

**BIOLOGY A-LEVEL** (SEE ALSO SCIENCE)

Dental Hygiene	79
Veterinary Nursing and Bioveterinary Science	143
Veterinary Nursing and Companion	
Animal Behaviour	143
<b>CHEMISTRY A-LEVEL (SEE ALSO SCIEN</b>	ICE)
Biochemistry	60
Biochemistry with Medical Biochemistry	60
Biochemistry with Molecular Biology	
and Biotechnology	60
Biomedical Sciences	63

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Cancer Biology and Immunology

Cellular and Molecular Medicine

Chemical Physics	66
Chemistry	67
Dentistry	81
Medical Microbiology	64
Medicine	116
Pharmacology	121
Veterinary Nursing and Bioveterinary Science	143
Veterinary Science	144
Virology and Immunology	64
LANGUAGES A-LEVEL	
Czech	78
French	96
German	101
Hispanic Studies	140
Italian	106
Modern Languages	117
Portuguese	130
Russian	135
Spanish	140
(Some language degrees may be studied from beginners' level, provided you can demonst a proven capacity for language learning.)	rate
MATHEMATICS AND/OR PHYSICS A-LE (SEE ALSO SCIENCE)	VEL
Accounting and Finance	52
Accounting and Management	110
Aerospace Engineering	54
Biochemistry	60
Biochemistry with Medical Biochemistry	60

Biochemistry with Molecular Biology	
and Biotechnology	60
Biology	62
Biomedical Sciences	6
Cancer Biology and Immunology	6
Cellular and Molecular Medicine	6
Chemical Physics	6
Chemistry	6
Civil Engineering	7
Computer Science	7-
Economics	8:
Economics and Accounting	5
Economics and Econometrics	8:
Economics and Management	110
Electrical and Electronic Engineering	8
Engineering Design	8
Engineering Mathematics	8
Geography	9
Geology	9
Geophysics	9
Mathematics	11:
Mechanical Engineering	11:
Medical Microbiology	6
Philosophy and Economics	12:
Physics	12
Physics and Philosophy	12
Physics with Astrophysics	12
Physiological Science	12
Theoretical Physics	12

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Veterinary Nursing and Companion		Veterinary Nursing and Companion	
Animal Behaviour	143	Animal Behaviour	143
Virology and Immunology	64	Veterinary Science	144
Zoology	62	Virology and Immunology	64
MUSIC A-LEVEL		Zoology	62
Music	118		
SCIENCE A-LEVEL (SEE ALSO BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, MATHEMATICS/ PHYSICS A-LEVELS)		The following A-levels are not required subjects that may prove useful prepara the courses listed below.	
Applied Anatomy	55	ENGLISH A-LEVEL	
Biochemistry	60	Classical Studies	72
Biochemistry with Medical Biochemistry	60	English	90
Biochemistry with Molecular Biology		Film and Television	93
and Biotechnology	60	Liberal Arts	108
Biology	62	Philosophy	122
Biomedical Sciences	63	Theatre and Film	141
Cancer Biology and Immunology	64	HISTORY A-LEVEL	
Cellular and Molecular Medicine	64	Ancient History	57
Civil Engineering	70	Anthropology	58
Dentistry	81	Archaeology and Anthropology	58
Environmental Geoscience	92	Classical Studies	72
Geography	97	History of Art	103
Geology	98	Liberal Arts	108
Medical Microbiology	64	Politics and International Relations	128
Medicine	116	Religion and Theology	134
Neuroscience	119	PSYCHOLOGY A-LEVEL	
Pharmacology	121	Childhood Studies	69
Physiological Science	127	Criminology	77
Psychology	131	Education Studies	85

Psychology	131
Psychology in Education	85
RELIGIOUS STUDIES A-LEVEL	
Classical Studies	72
Liberal Arts	108
Philosophy	122
Religion and Theology	134
SOCIOLOGY A-LEVEL	
Childhood Studies	69
Criminology	77
Education Studies	85
Social Policy	136
Sociology	139

The University is currently developing new courses in the following areas:
BSc Dental Hygiene and Therapy
BSc Marketing

For further details, please see our online undergraduate course finder at **bristol.ac.uk/ug-study**.

These suggestions do not reflect the full entry requirements and there may be additional subject requirements (eg biology courses require at least two science or mathematics subjects). Please refer to the entry requirement tables on the relevant subject pages.