



**Fact sheet for
partner universities
2024 - 2025**



UNIVERSITY OF
BATH

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The University of Bath is known for excellence in teaching and research, a highly regarded student experience, and providing outstanding real-world preparation for the workplace.

Home to 20,000 students, Bath offers courses in Engineering, Design, Science, Management, Humanities, and Social Sciences. Located on the edge of the city, Bath's lively campus and community have an impressive variety of sporting, social, and cultural activities.



OUR MISSION AND VISION

Our **Mission** is to deliver world-class research and teaching, educating our students to become future leaders and innovators, and benefiting the wider population through our research, enterprise and influence.

Our **Vision** is to be an outstanding and inclusive University community, characterised by excellence in education, research, and innovation, working in partnership with others for the advancement of knowledge, in support of the global common good.

OUR STRATEGIC PILLARS

The four pillars of the University Strategy 2021 to 2026 are:

- Fostering an outstanding and inclusive community
- Driving excellence in education
- Driving high impact research
- Enhancing strategic partnerships

OUR VALUES

- **Delivering** quality and excellence, whilst being quick to listen and learn.
- **Nurturing** high aspirations, for the benefit of all.
- **Aspiring** to the highest standards of scientific, ethical and professional integrity, whilst supporting the freedom to challenge received wisdom.
- **Supporting** a sustainable community and adopting best environmental practice.
- **Fostering** inclusion, equality, diversity and accessibility where the unique value of each individual is recognised as we build a community of trust and care by treating each other with respect.

FIND OUT
MORE ABOUT
THE
UNIVERSITY
OF BATH
STRATEGY
2021 TO 2026



ACCREDITATIONS AND AWARDS

UNIVERSITY
OF THE
YEAR

UNIVERSITY OF THE YEAR IN THE
TIMES AND THE SUNDAY TIMES
GOOD UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2023

TOP
10

RANKED 8TH IN THE UK BY THE
GUARDIAN UNIVERSITY GUIDE
2022

TOP
150

PLACED IN THE TOP 150 OF THE
QS WORLD UNIVERSITY RANKINGS
2024

92%

92% OF OUR RESEARCH IS
CLASSIFIED AS WORLD-LEADING OR
INTERNATIONALLY EXCELLENT
BY THE RESEARCH EXCELLENCE
FRAMEWORK 2021

IMPORTANT DATES 2024/5

Application deadline	1st April	15th October
Orientation	21/09/2024 - 29/09/2024	TBC - late January 2025
Semester dates	30/09/2024 - 24/01/2025	03/02/2025 - 30/05/2025
Vacations	14/12/2024 - 05/01/2025	18/04/2025 - 05/05/2025
Exam period	09/01/2025 - 24/01/2025	08/05/2024 - 30/05/2025



LANGUAGE

All of our programmes are taught in English. Students will need to demonstrate that they have a satisfactory English level during the application process.

The minimum requirement for entry as an undergraduate exchange or visiting student is an overall CEFR B2 level with at least B2 in all four components – reading, writing, speaking and listening.

All non-native speakers are required to demonstrate that they have achieved this level. If students require a Student Visa, the English qualification must be from the list of approved [English language tests](#) which meet both University of Bath and UK Visas and Immigration requirements.

For students that do not require a Student Visa, they can either submit an English qualification from the list above or a formal letter from their home university attesting their English language level. This letter must state the following information:

- The student's overall CEFR level
- The student's CEFR level in each of the four components – reading, writing, speaking and listening
- The method of assessment/test taken to confirm the CEFR level
- The date when the assessment/test was taken (this must be within the last 12 months from the date of the application)

Applicants may also need to send a sample of their academic written work and take part in a language interview with a member of staff from the University of Bath.

NOMINATION

Partner universities shall receive notification of the nomination period each semester and are required to submit their nominations via our online form to inbound-exchanges@bath.ac.uk

APPLICATION

Once nominations have been received, we send application instructions to nominated students. Submission of application and supporting documents are to be sent via email to inbound-exchanges@bath.ac.uk



VISA INFORMATION

All prospective international students coming to study in the UK for a course lasting more than 6 months, including those from the EU, EEA (except Ireland) and Switzerland who have not secured other immigration status on or after 1 January 2021, will need to apply for a Student visa and receive a decision, before they arrive. Students who are intending to enrol on a Pharmacy programme of any length that includes rotations must also apply for this visa. Students intending to come to the UK to study a course lasting less than 6 months may be eligible for a Standard Visitor visa. More information can be found on our [Student Visa Page](#).

STUDY PROGRAMME

Unit catalogue

[Visit our unit catalogues to see what your students could study.](#)

Unit selection and course load

Bath uses the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS). Students must take between 24-30 ECTS credits each semester.

At least 12 credits per semester must be from their host department. Students must include their unit choices in their application in order of preference. They can then choose a maximum of 12 credits from outside their host department.

Grading System

In the UK, universities grade out of 100%. To pass any unit, students must achieve 40% or higher.

Below is a breakdown of all grade boundaries:

UK Degree Class	Bath mark (%)
Excellent	70 or over
Very Good	60 to 69
Good	50 to 59
Satisfactory	40 to 49
Unsatisfactory	below 39

Transcripts

A digital transcript will be emailed to students and their home university, within two months after their last day of semester, i.e. mid-March (Semester 1) and mid-July (Semester 2). The transcript will include the unit code, unit title, credits awarded, unit mark and ECTS of each respective units enrolled.



ACCOMMODATION

We offer a limited number of places for exchange and visiting students in our residences.

The University of Bath has two choices of accommodation that are designated for our visiting students: [Pulteney Court](#) and [Thornbank Gardens](#).

If we are unable to offer accommodation in university halls, our ResLife team provide support to students to [find private accommodation](#) around Bath.

INSURANCE

Students that are EEA or Swiss national must get a European Health Insurance Card (EHIC) before they leave home. This will allow students to receive medical treatment from the National Health Service (NHS).

Students that apply for a Student Visa may need to pay an Immigration Health Surcharge. This will entitle them to National Health Service (NHS) medical treatment while in the UK.

Students are encourage to register with the [University Medical Centre](#) as soon as they arrive to the UK.



SPORTS TRAINING VILLAGE

Our renowned, fully-accessible £35 million [Team Bath Sports Training Village \(STV\)](#) is based right at the heart of our campus and is open seven days a week to the public, students, staff and elite athletes.

A world-class multi-sport training environment with fitness, coaching, physio and sport science facilities all under one roof.

The STV offers two [student discount memberships](#) for exchange and visiting students to be able to take advantage of the world-class gym facilities on campus.

COST OF LIVING

Expenditure	Amount
Accommodation	£580 - £800 per month in our student residences
Food	£300 per month
Transport	£533/year (bus from city centre to University)
Others	£300 per month
Total per month	£1250*

*Correct as at June 2023

SKILLS CENTRE

The [Skills Centre](#), situated on campus, offers a selection of pre-sessional, academic, mathematics, language and digital skills support and enhancement including:

- Academic writing
- Mathematics Resources Centre (MASH)
- Digital Skills
- Language Skills
- Foreign Language Skills – courses in 8 different languages, all starting from beginner level

The Skills Centre also offer British Studies – a suite of credit-bearing courses especially tailored for exchange and visiting students to help develop a deeper understanding of British culture, history and society.

British studies are 11-week courses which all carry 6 credits and include:

- Britain's International History
- Shakespeare
- Linguistics
- British History and Society
- Contemporary Film and Literature of the British Isles



STUDENT SUPPORT

Our Student Support provides support and guidance, including counselling and mental health, disability support, money management and international student advice.

- Counselling and mental health – offering counselling and mental health assessments, courses and workshops such as Anxiety Aid, Introduction to Mindfulness and Food for Thought. Online, telephone and face to face individual appointments are available.
- Disability Services – they provide specialist advice including arranging study adjustments, applying for specialist one-to-one support and equipment and developing Disability Access Plans.
- Student Money Advice – the Money Advice team offers practical advice on managing money with specialist guidance for international and EU students with advice on how to open a UK bank account and budgeting.
- Wellbeing Service – welfare and wellbeing advisers are on hand to provide a service to all students. The service is confidential and can support with issues such as emotional difficulties, relationships, personal and family challenges, loneliness and isolation.

STUDENTS' UNION

The SU (Students' Union) is an independent charity led by elected student officers that helps students get the most from their time at the University of Bath. They believe that an experience led by students, and informed by the student voice, delivers the biggest benefits for both students and society.

The SU supports a wide range of services, events and activities to help students make the most of their time at Bath. They host events all through the year, including music events, food fairs, cultural trips and the biggest and best club nights in town!



About Bath

Bath is located in the southwest of England, approximately two and a half hours' drive from London (90 minutes on a train).

Founded by the Romans as a thermal spa, you will not have to look far to find things to do in Bath as the city is famously full of attractions and activities. Take a tour through time and explore the only UK city designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site.

In Bath there is a mixture of historic landmarks and beautiful views. The town centre is home to a bustling highstreet with both well known brands and small boutiques and there are a large number of places to eat & drink, as well as a vibrant nightlife too.

Places to visit in Bath:

As mentioned above, Bath has a number of exciting and interesting attractions for you to visit. Here are a few of the best sightseeing and educational attractions in the town.



Victoria Art Gallery: Bath's public art museum and home to a richly diverse collection of paintings, sculptures and decorative arts.

Fashion Museum Bath: holds a world-class collection of contemporary and historic dress, from Georgian gowns to cutting-edge fashion from leading designers.

No.1 Royal Crescent: see what life was like for the wealthy and their servants in eighteenth-century Bath.

The Roman Baths: consists of the remarkably preserved remains of one of the greatest religious spas of the ancient world.

Bath Abbey: founded in the 7th century and built from the famous yellow Bath Stone, Bath Abbey is a unique example of Gothic architecture.

Bath Skyline walk: only a short stroll from the city centre or the university, enter another world onto the skyline above Bath and beyond through 6 miles of meadows and ancient woodlands to secluded valleys.

GET IN TOUCH



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Students looking over the city from the hills above