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Pathway Opportunity Programme 2018



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**Widening Participation Unit
Queen's University Belfast
2018**



WHAT DOES THE PROGRAMME OFFER ME?

- Receive a **guaranteed conditional offer** of a place at Queen's University Belfast for your chosen Pathway course stream
- Be eligible for a **reduced offer** of up to two A-level grades (or equivalent) below the standard entry offer
- UCAS application advice
- Experience university life
- Benefit from tailored transition events and support throughout your first year of undergraduate study.
- Support **bursary** of up to £1000 awarded during Yr1 at Queen's
- No cost to be enrolled in the programme

WHY QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY?



**ALL MAJOR UK CITIES WITHIN
AN HOUR'S FLYING TIME**

(Complete University Guide 2016)



**25 QUEEN'S SUBJECTS
IN THE UK TOP 20**

(TIMES AND SUNDAY TIMES GOOD
UNIVERSITY GUIDE 2018)



**94% OF STUDENTS
IN BELFAST SAID THEY WERE
'VERY HAPPY'**

TO BE STUDYING HERE
(Student Living by Sodexo 2016)



BELFAST RANKED AS THE
8TH BEST CITY

IN THE UK TO LIVE AND WORK IN
(PwC 2015 Good Growth for Cities)



QUEEN'S IS NOW
**ONE OF THE PREMIER
SPORTING UNIVERSITIES**

IN IRELAND AND THE UK
(Guardian University Guide 2016)



**LOWEST COST OF
LIVING IN THE UK**

(Mercer, 2016)



**RANKED 2ND FOR
SPORTING FACILITIES**

AMONG 13 RUSSELL GROUP UNIVERSITIES
(International Student Barometer Autumn 2015)



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QUEEN'S IS RANKED IN THE TOP 1%

OF UNIVERSITIES IN THE WORLD

(QS World University Rankings 2018 / Webometrics.info)

What courses are on offer for the Pathway Opportunity Programme?

20 Places in each of the following Pathways:

Archaeology and Palaeoecology

Business

Computer Science

Civil Engineering

Food, Microbiology and Environment

Law



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ARCHAEOLOGY AND PALAEOECOLOGY

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**YOUR
FUTURE IS
IN THE PAST
AT QUEEN'S**



Archaeology (the study of past human activities)

Archaeology studies the development of humanity by examining people's surviving material remains (tombs and temples, settlements and skeletons, artefacts and environment) and using them to trace our economic, cultural, social and spiritual achievements through time.

Modules focus on different periods of World, European and Irish/British archaeology from human origins to modern times and heritage.



Palaeoecology (the study of past environments)

Palaeoecology studies environmental evidence to assess the impact of natural events and human activities on landscapes, climate and changing environments.

Palaeoecology is highly relevant due to global concerns about climate change and this degree provides students with the ability to evaluate scientific evidence, to undertake scientific analyses and appreciate the causes and impacts of ecological change.

Modules examine themes such as ancient environments, evolution, economic and climate change.



WHICH ARCHAEOLOGY AND PALAEOECOLOGY COURSES ARE ON OFFER WITH THE PATHWAY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME?

	Three Year Courses
BA	Archaeology
BSc	Archaeology - Palaeoecology
BA	Archaeology with French
BA	Archaeology with Portuguese
BA	Archaeology with Spanish
BA	Archaeology and History
BA	Archaeology and Irish
BSc	Archaeology - Palaeoecology and Geography

STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

COURSE	A LEVEL REQUIREMENTS	NOTES
BA Archaeology	BBB	There are no specific subject requirements to study Archaeology, although subjects as diverse as Art, Physics, Biology, Geography, Geology, Classical Civilisation, History, Chemistry, Mathematics or Languages have all been helpful in the past.
BSc Archaeology - Palaeoecology	BBB + GCSE Mathematics grade C	
BA Archaeology with Spanish	<u>Post A-level Spanish</u> ABB including A-level Spanish. <u>Beginners Spanish</u> ABB + GCSE Spanish grade B or evidence of linguistic ability in another language.	<p>Note: for applicants who have not studied A-level Spanish then AS-level Spanish grade B would be acceptable in lieu of A-level Spanish.</p> <p>Note: the Beginners' option is not available to those who have studied A-level or AS-level Spanish</p>



Please visit our Course Finder for the most up-to-date information for all course entry requirements.

Top Reasons to Study Archaeology and Palaeoecology

- Acquire **professional field and practical skills**, first-year training excavation, a second-year field course in the Mediterranean, specialist teaching in archaeological survey, skeletal material, artefacts and environmental archaeology.
- Active research programmes throughout Europe, Asia, the Mediterranean, East Africa, the Far East, New Zealand and the United States with possible **opportunities for students to participate** in some of these projects
- **Excellent facilities** including general purpose laboratories, a climate-controlled area for artefact work and specialist laboratories for the analysis of human remains, animal bone, pollen, insects, tree-rings and tephra (volcanic ash).
- **Radiocarbon Accelerator Mass Spectrometry 14CHRONO Laboratory**, which is currently the newest and most advanced dating facility in the UK.

There's more...

- **Study abroad** in the United States, Canada, Germany, Iceland, Italy and Malta
- Students who undertake one of the four year degree programmes, Archaeology with French, Spanish or Portuguese, have the opportunity to spend a year (between Year 2 and Year 3) taking Archaeology modules in the host language at one of the European universities we have partnered with in **France, Spain or Portugal**.
- **Funding is available** to support the additional year of study under the EU's Erasmus student mobility programme. Upon completing the year abroad, students return to Queen's to complete their final year of study.



The Student Experience

- Suite of degree programmes that provide students with a common foundation of knowledge, skills and experience, while offering the opportunity to tailor your degree according to your interests and aspirations.
- Students get to know staff and each other very well **“Due to the small scale nature of the Archaeology department it is easy to get to know everyone and meet people with the same interests. There is a very relaxed atmosphere and a lot of help for students”**.
- Student-led Peer Mentor Scheme for Year 1 students that provides support on a range of issues faced by students new to university life.



CAREER PROSPECTS

- Professional archaeologists in Ireland, the UK and elsewhere.
- Environmental archaeology in the commercial archaeology sector, land and nature conservation, forestry, water management and pollution control.
- Forensic work examining soil samples from crime scenes.
- Museum curators.
- Civil Service.
- Education.



Archaeological Work Experience

Archaeology & Palaeoecology at Queen's University Belfast offers a Work Experience Programme for school and college students with an interest in the past and possibly considering a career in Archaeology and related areas. Typically, students will come for a week during term time, but other timings can be accommodated.

WHAT DOES IT INVOLVE?

- Orientation tour of the Department and meet some students and staff
- Training in the laboratory techniques and the health and safety issues involved in the recovery of small finds and environmental data from excavated samples
- Work in the post-excavation laboratories, assisting archaeologists using standard post-excavation techniques to recover artefacts and environmental material from current and past excavations
- Attend lectures in Archaeology and Palaeoecology
- Information about the courses in Archaeology at Queen's and job prospects

For more information or to enrol students in this programme contact:

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BUSINESS

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- Upon successful completion of this degree, students should have acquired and enhanced their knowledge and understanding of a wide range of management issues, including harnessing technology effectively, leading and managing people, leading change, managing creativity and innovation, markets and resources, managing in the global business environment, strategic management, and working in teams.
- In addition, there are many opportunities for students to be able to develop and enhance a range of skills, including problem-solving and critical thinking, project management, communication skills, both written and oral, numeracy skills and effective use of a range of business analysis tools.



Accounting

Accounting is concerned with the provision of economic information for both internal and external organisational stakeholders. This degree is designed for students who intend to enter the accounting profession and as such contains considerable practical content, as well as essential theory in the various specialisations of Financial Accounting, Management Accounting, Auditing, Taxation and Finance.

Economics

An Economics degree provides you with an opportunity to develop a firm understanding of human behaviour, not only in commerce, but also in wider society. The models used by economists are as much qualitative (expressed in words) as they are quantitative. Students will be provided the opportunity to gain quantitative, analytical, computing, presentation, and writing skills. These transferable skills are highly sought after across industry, and also provide an excellent platform for future entrepreneurs.

Business Management

Upon successful completion of this degree, students should have acquired and enhanced their knowledge and understanding of a wide range of management issues, including harnessing technology effectively, leading and managing people, leading change, managing creativity and innovation, markets and resources, managing in the global business environment, strategic management, and working in teams.

International Business with a Language

Today, businesses operate in an inherently global marketplace and are increasingly looking to expand beyond national boundaries for continued growth and success. This type of expansion requires a detailed understanding of business theory and practice, knowledge of how and when to adapt market offerings to the diverse needs, wants and demands of international business customers, and an awareness and ability to be sensitive to differences in culture and language.

WHAT CAN I APPLY TO ON THE BUSINESS PATHWAY?

	Three Year Courses (Optional Placement Years available for some courses).
BSc	Accounting
BSc	Business Management
BSc	Economics
BSc	Business Economics
BSc	Economics with Finance
BSc	Economics and Accounting
	Four Year Courses
BSc	Accounting with French or Spanish
BSc	International Business – with French, German, Spanish or Mandarin
BSc	Economics with French or Spanish

STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

BSc Business Management

A Level requirements

ABB + GCSE Mathematics B

There are no specific subjects required and it is not necessary to have previously studied Business Studies or Management.

Pathway Opportunity Programme note: For all language options, students would have to meet the Language requirements but a grade reduction (where appropriate) could apply to the other subjects.



Top reasons to for Studying on the Business Pathway

GLOBAL OPPORTUNITIES

Study USA, placement years

INDUSTRY LINKS

Guest speakers from industry talk to students about latest trends and to apply theory to practice.

Students also get the opportunity to work on consulting type projects preparing them for employment.

CAREER DEVELOPMENT

The School is an active participant in international exchange programmes and has excellent relationships with local, national and international organisations.

An optional placement year is available between Stages 2 and 3. The School is currently working to develop this into a compulsory placement year.



CAREER PROSPECTS

- New venture creation operations
- Supply chain and quality
- Advertising
- Business development
- Marketing
- Market research,
- Export marketing
- Human resources
- Recruitment
- Accounting
- Finance,
- Inward investment, exporting

Graduate Employers include: PwC, Randox, Deloitte, Google, Microsoft, Unilever, Mercer, Accenture, KPMG, Diageo, M&S, Bank of Ireland.



COMPUTER SCIENCE

COMPUTER SCIENCE

School of Electronics, Electrical Engineering
and Computer Science (EEECS)

- The Computer Science courses embrace subject areas such as software engineering, hardware architecture and design, information systems, communications, graphics, simulation and modelling, artificial intelligence and human-computer interaction.
- Through this degree, you will learn the fundamental principles of Computer Science, together with the necessary skills, tools and techniques that enable our graduates to embark on careers as professional software engineers, or undertake research in Computer Science.



Which Computer Science Courses are on offer with the Pathway Opportunity programme?

	Three Year Courses
BEng	Software Engineering
BSc	Computing and Information Technology
	Four Year Courses
MEng	Computer Science
MEng	Software Engineering
	Courses with a Year Placement
BSc	Computer Science including Professional Experience (4 years)
BEng	Computer Science including Professional Experience (4 Years)
MEng	Computer Science including Professional Experience (5 Years)

STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

BEng COMPUTER SCIENCE

A Level requirements

BBB including Computing, Mathematics or Software Systems Development + GCSE

Mathematics grade C

OR

ABB including Chemistry, GCE A-level ICT (not Single Award Applied ICT), Digital Technology, Physics, Technology and Design or Double Award Applied ICT + GCSE Mathematics grade C.

BTEC Extended diploma

A relevant computing, engineering or scientific BTEC Extended Diploma with 100 credits at Distinction and 80 credits at Merit + GCSE Mathematics grade C.

BTEC Higher Diploma

Those with good grades in a relevant Higher National Diploma/Foundation Degree will be considered individually on their merits for entry to Stage 2 + GCSE Mathematics grade C.



Please visit our Course Finder for the most up-to-date information for all course entry requirements.



Top reasons why you should choose Computer Science:

PROVEN TRACK RECORD

EEECS consistently achieves a top 10 ranking in university league tables for the UK.

EMPLOYABILITY

Graduates of EEECS have an extremely high employment rate. Over 85% of graduates find graduate-level (or above) jobs within six months.

ENGAGEMENT

Northern Ireland is home to more software companies than any other part of the UK (apart from London).

CUTTING EDGE FACILITIES

Students in EEECS have access to some of the best facilities in any UK university for this discipline.



There's more...

EMPLOYMENT LINKS

To facilitate placements and graduate employment, the School has links with over 500 companies.

PROJECT LED

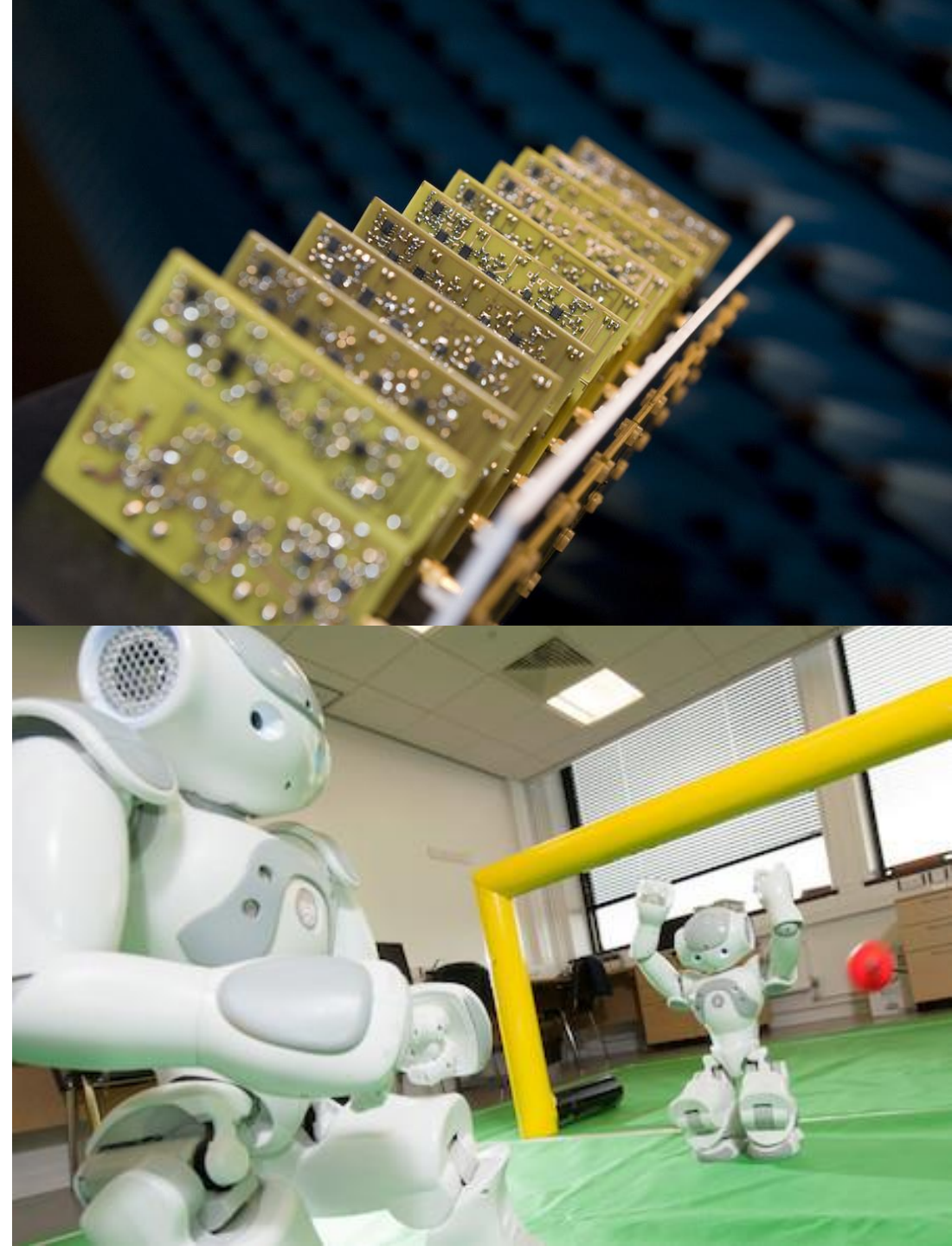
The school has purchased a DeLorean car (sponsored by NIE), which has been converted to an electric vehicle.

SUPPORT

We operate a Peer Mentoring Scheme wherein our level 2 and above students mentor our level 1 students.

SCHOLARSHIPS

A wide range of engineering and IT companies support students through their studies in the School by offering scholarships, some of which are worth over £25K.



CAREER PROSPECTS

- Software Engineer
- Systems Analyst
- Web Designer
- Games Developer
- Systems Developer
- IT Consultant
- Project Manager

Graduate employers include:

Deloitte; Bank of Scotland;
Accenture; Citi; Microsoft; PwC



CIVIL ENGINEERING

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Civil engineering is all about helping people and shaping the world. It's the work that civil engineers do to make our lives much easier. They keep us switched on and powered up by supplying electricity and gas to our homes. They give us clean water and purify it so we can use it again. They build all sorts of things so we can get around, from roads and bridges to railways and airports.

This degree is designed to provide students with a good basis for a professional career as a chartered Civil Engineer. Emphasis is placed on the practical application of theory through design, field and laboratory work. The degrees contain an element of modular choice, but all students are required to take modules which will equip them with the technical, management and professional skills needed for a career in civil engineering.



What can I apply to on the Civil Engineering Pathway?

Three Year Course

BEng

Civil Engineering

Students can change to an MEng (4 Year Course) or combine with Environmental Engineering from second year onwards.



STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

A Level requirements

BBB including Mathematics and at least one from Biology, Chemistry, Computing, Digital Technology, Geography, ICT, Physics, Software Systems Development, Technology and Design or Double Award Applied Science.

BTEC Extended diploma

A relevant BTEC Extended Diploma with 100 credits at Distinction and 80 credits at Merit. Distinctions will be required in stipulated relevant units.

Please visit our Course Finder for the most up-to-date information for all course entry requirements.



Top 5 reasons for studying Civil Engineering:

- In 2015, the median graduate starting salaries at construction companies or consultancies was £25,500. – Association of Graduate Recruiters annual Graduate Recruitment Survey 2015.
- Graduates who study Civil Engineering are projected to be the 2nd most “in demand” within Northern Ireland over the next 10 years – NI Skills Barometer Findings Report.
- In addition to the exciting and varied job opportunities in Northern Ireland, Civil Engineering offers unparalleled opportunities to work abroad – Institution of Civil Engineers.
- Every QUB student who actively sought a placement was successfully placed in a Civil Engineering company last year.
- Civil Engineering at Queen’s University Belfast is ranked 4th best in the UK – 2018 Guardian League Tables.



CAREER PROSPECTS

- Civil Engineering (Design and Construction)
- Accountancy
- Commerce
- Education
- Research



FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT

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The FME Pathway presents a unique and exciting opportunity to study Environmental Management, Food Quality and Safety, Microbiology and their interaction using the topic of Food Waste.



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FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT ROUTES

Biological Sciences

Agri-Food and Land Use



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COURSE EXAMPLES

Biological Sciences

BSc Microbiology

Microbiology is the study of bacteria, fungi, algae, protozoa and viruses, and is of immense importance in relation to the environment, agriculture and food, biomedical sciences and biotechnology.

BSc Zoology

Zoology is the study of animals, from the simplest invertebrates to the largest land or marine mammals. Simple animals often provide models for the study of higher, more complex species (including humans) and help drive basic research that transcends the subject boundaries.



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COURSE EXAMPLES

Agri-Food and Land Use

MSc Food Science and Food Security

A scientific understanding of food, such as its properties and composition, production and manufacture, testing and regulation, interaction with the human body, and the current and future challenges for its safety and supply.

BSc Environmental Management

Explores the environmental, economic and social implications of the decisions that we make and the strategies that we use to find sustainable solutions to environmental problems. It combines aspects of science, geography, environmental planning and management.



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WHICH FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT COURSES ARE ON OFFER WITH THE PATHWAY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME?

Biological Sciences

	Three Year Courses
BSc	Biological Sciences
BSc	Marine Biology
BSc	Zoology
BSc	Microbiology
BSc	Biochemistry
	Four Year Courses
MSci	Biological Sciences
MSci	Marine Biology
MSci	Zoology
MSci	Microbiology
MSci	Biochemistry

WHICH FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT COURSES ARE ON OFFER WITH THE PATHWAY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME?

Biological Sciences

Courses with a Year Placement

BSc Biological Sciences with Professional Studies (4 Years)

MSci Biological Sciences with Professional Studies (5 Years)

BSci Marine Biology with Professional Studies (4 Years)

MSci Marine Biology with Professional Studies (5 Years)

BSc Zoology with Professional Studies (4 Years)

MSci Zoology with Professional Studies (5 Years)

BSc Microbiology with Professional Studies (4 Years)

MSci Microbiology with Professional Studies (5 Years)

BSc Biochemistry with Professional Studies (4 Years)

MSci Biochemistry with Professional Studies (5 Years)

WHICH FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT COURSES ARE ON OFFER WITH THE PATHWAY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME?

Agri-Food and Land Use

	Three Year Courses
BSc	Land Use and Environmental Management
BSc	Agricultural Technology
BSc	Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition
BSc	Environmental Management
	Four Year Courses
MSci	Food Science and Food Security
MSci	Food Quality. Safety and Nutrition

WHICH FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT COURSES ARE ON OFFER WITH THE PATHWAY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME?

Agri-Food and Land Use

	Courses with a Year Placement
MSci	Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition with Professional Studies (5 Years)
BSc	Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition with Professional Studies (4 Years)
BSc	Land Use and Environmental Management with Professional Studies (4 Years)
BSc	Agricultural Technology with Professional Studies (4 Years)
MSci	Food Science and Food Security with Professional Studies (5 Years)
BSc	Environmental Management with Professional Studies (4 Years)

STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

BSc Microbiology

A Level requirements

BBB including Biology and at least one from Chemistry (preferred), Geography, Mathematics or Physics + GCSE Chemistry grade B or GCSE Double Award Science grades BB + GCSE Mathematics grade C

OR

BBB including Double Award Applied Science + GCSE Biology grade C and Chemistry grade B or GCSE Double Award Science grades BB + GCSE Mathematics grade C

OR

ABB including Biology + GCSE Chemistry grade B or GCSE Double Award Science grades BB + GCSE Mathematics grade C.



Please visit our Course Finder for the most up-to-date information for all course entry requirements.



STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

BSc Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition

A level requirements

BBB including Biology and Chemistry + GCSE Mathematics grade C

OR

BBB including Biology and either Home Economics or Nutrition & Food Science + GCSE Chemistry grade C or GCSE Double Award Science grades CC + GCSE Mathematics grade C.

OR

BBB including Chemistry and either Home Economics or Nutrition & Food Science + GCSE Biology grade C or GCSE Double Award Science grades CC + GCSE Mathematics grade C.

OR

ABB including Biology or Chemistry or Double Award Applied Science + GCSE Biology and Chemistry grade C or GCSE Double Award Science grades CC + GCSE Mathematics grade C.

BTEC Extended diploma

A relevant Food/Science BTEC Extended Diploma with 100 credits at Distinction and 80 credits at Merit + GCSE Biology and Chemistry grade C or GCSE Double Award Science grades CC + GCSE Mathematics grade C.



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ENSURING THE
FOOD SAFETY
OF OUR NATION

Top Reasons to study on the Food, Microbiology and Environment Pathway

- 'Taster' of three degrees; Environmental Management, Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition and Microbiology
- Integrated programme developed around the 'hot topic' of FOOD WASTE.
- Visit food companies
- You will look at the latest technologies for dealing with food waste including anaerobic digestion.
- Career opportunities from all three degree pathways are excellent and diverse with over 95% of all graduates being in employment or further study within 6 months of graduating.



FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT PATHWAY PROGRAMME SYNOPSIS

- Learn about the importance of food quality and safety in preventing food waste, examine the importance of global food security, the need for a sustainable food supply in reducing food waste as well as the global impact of food waste on human health and nutrition.
- Learn the importance of microorganisms in contributing to food waste; from production losses due to plant/animal diseases, such as Avian Influenza in chickens, at the beginning of the food supply chain, right through to the microbial spoilage of food in the home leading to food waste.
- Examine the environmental impacts of food waste in both terrestrial and marine environments; in particular, the impact of food waste on greenhouse gas emissions, on water scarcity, land use and deforestation and biodiversity.



Pathway Opportunity Programme 2016/2017 Student Statements

“Overall I have gained new knowledge on subjects I previously did not have an interest in and I have been made more aware of my options moving into a degree and future employment. I thoroughly enjoyed my experience studying FME and cannot thank you enough for making the experience as great as it was”

“This week has shown me that biology is so much more than just being in a lab. There is also the importance of research, writing reports and planning”

“At the beginning I didn’t want to come because I was scared of failing but since being here I have become a lot more confident. Every activity has pushed me some way but thanks to the help and guidance, I have overcome the barriers”

“The Pathway programme has been extremely beneficial for myself as I have gained new knowledge, skills and made many new friends in the process”

LAW

LAW

- Law looks at the relationships, interactions and transactions between individuals, companies, government and state at a local, regional, national and international level. With a broad focus and application, the law degree encompasses private and public law alongside wider socio legal perspectives. You will study key aspects of the law and develop a wide range of transferrable skills, relevant to your future career trajectory.
- The degree offers students the opportunity to study the modules required for a Qualifying Law Degree (Legal Methods and Skills, Constitutional Law in Context, European Constitutional Law, Internal Market Law, Criminal Law, Rights and Accountability, Torts, Contract, Equity, Land Law, Contemporary Issues in Property Law, Evidence).
- In addition, students are offered the opportunity to explore their interests in final year with modules offered that allow them to specialise in a particular area, or simply receive a more rounded sense of what 'law' is.



WHICH LAW COURSES ARE OFFERED THROUGH THE PATHWAY OPPORTUNITY PROGRAMME?

Three Year Courses

LLB	Law
LLB	Law with Politics
LLB	Common & Civil Law with French
LLB	Common and Civil Law with Hispanic Studies



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STANDARD ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Law

A Level requirements

AAA

All applicants

There are no specific subject requirements to study Law

Common & Civil Law with French

A level requirements

AAA including A-level French grade A

Please visit our Course Finder for the most up-to-date information for all course entry requirements.



Five top reasons for studying Law:

- it helps you to understand how society functions
- it empowers you to bring about changes to how society functions
- it equips you with finely honed skills of communication and persuasion
- you will meet and learn from exceptional people
- employers of all descriptions think very highly of graduates with law degrees



Two intriguing things about the undergraduate Law degree at Queen's:

- you will have the chance to attend lots of interesting events where burning issues of the day will be discussed by real experts in the field
- it gives you several opportunities to study abroad

CAREER PROSPECTS:

- trainee solicitors or barristers
- 'para-legal' workers in multinational organisations, such as Citibank
- the civil service, including jobs in non-departmental bodies (such as the Equality Commission)
- staff in campaigning organisations
- journalism
- banking
- marketing



So, who can Apply?



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Eligibility: Section A

You must meet all of the following:

1. Live in Northern Ireland and be in full-time attendance at a school or college.
2. Currently in Year 13 studying an acceptable two year qualification (such as A Levels or BTEC).
3. Have at least 7 grades A*-C GCSE (or equivalent e.g. BTEC certificate) including English Language. 5 of these must be at grade B or above.

*Applicants must meet any specific subject requirements for the course they are applying to. Research course specific entry requirements via our **Course Finder** on our website (www.qub.ac.uk/Study/Course-Finder)

Eligibility: Section B

In addition to meeting all the the criteria in **Section A**, you must meet at least two of the following:

1. Neither of your parents have attended university and obtained an undergraduate degree or equivalent level qualification in the UK, Ireland or abroad. (If one or both parents are currently studying for their first degree, or they have graduated from their first degree within the last five years, we will still consider your application).
2. You are eligible for, or in receipt of free school meals (FSM) at your school or college.
3. You receive Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA) at your school or college.
4. You live in a 'disadvantaged neighbourhood'. This will be defined by your permanent residence postcode.
5. You are currently in the care of or have previously experienced Local Authority Care.

Queen's University welcomes applications from students with a disability or long-term condition.

Please select all that apply to you on your application form.

Key Dates and Compulsory Events

Monday, 6 November 2017	Applications Open
Friday, 8 December 2017	Application Deadline
January 2018	Students notified of outcome
29 th January 2018	Pathway Induction and Welcome Event
12 th – 18 th February 2018	Subject Skills Session (ONLINE)
26 th March 2018	Subject Specific Session
27 th June 2018	UCAS Support Session
May 2018	Core Academic Skills (ONLINE)
Sunday, 22 – Friday, 27 July 2018	Pathway Residential Summer School
29 th October 2018	Next Steps Session
Saturday, 8 December 2018	Pathway Celebration Event



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WHAT IS REQUIRED FROM ME TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE PROGRAMME?

Attend all on-campus workshops, masterclasses and seminars (These will be limited, to ensure little disruption from your classes).

Complete all compulsory components on the Virtual Learning Environment (These range from subject specific, to academic writing and communication skills).

Complete assessed assignment during Residential, set by the Academic in your chosen Pathway subject.

Participants must successfully complete all elements of the programme to be eligible for any potential reduction in admission offer.

What are the benefits?

- Receive a **guaranteed conditional offer** of a place at Queen's University Belfast for your chosen Pathway course stream.
- Be eligible for an offer reduced by up to two A Level grades (or equivalent) below the standard entry offer to Queen's University. For example, where the standard offer for a course is AAA, you may be eligible to receive an reduced offer of ABB.**
- Support bursary upon 1st year entry at Queen's.
- UCAS application advice.
- Experience university life.
- Benefit from tailored transition events and advice to support you upon entry to undergraduate study.

All offers are made on a conditional basis. Students must complete all compulsory elements of the Pathway Opportunity Programme and select Queen's University as their firm UCAS choice to be eligible for the guaranteed conditional offer from Queen's University for their Pathway course.

******This reduction in grades is valid only upon successful completion of the programme and based on your performance in an academic assignment during the residential in your chosen Pathway subject.



Pathway Opportunity Programme Summer Residential



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Pathway Opportunity Programme Summer Residential

- Arrive on Sunday 22 July, Depart Friday 27 July 2018
- Accommodation at Elms Village
- Individual *en suite* room
- 10 participants per floor
- 15 mins walk to campus
- All meals included
- Social activities provided
- Academic sessions
- Employer engagement sessions



What should I expect during the residential?

Time	Activity
8.00am - 9.00am	Breakfast in Elms
9.00am - 9.30am	Walk from Elms – Queen's University
9.30am - 12.30pm	Academic Session/Employer Engagement
12.30pm - 1.30pm	Lunch
1.30pm - 4.30pm	Academic Session/Employer Engagement
4.30pm - 5.00pm	Walk from Queen's University - Elms
5.00pm - 6.00pm	Mentor Debrief/Free Time
6.00pm - 7.00pm	Dinner
7.00pm - 7.30pm	Transport
7.30pm - 9.30pm	Evening Activities
9.30pm - 10.00pm	Return to Elms
10.00pm - 11.00pm	Programme Debrief/Free Time



SUMMER SCHOOL ASSESSMENT

2 Grade reduction – this means you scored 70% or above in your summer school assessment.

1 grade reduction - this means you scored 60 – 69% in your summer school assessment.

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