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# Queen's University Belfast





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# Pathway Opportunity Programme

**2019**





# What is the Pathway Opportunity Programme?

A pathway to Queen's University Belfast for talented young people from Northern Ireland who want to experience a bit of University life (social and academic), beginning in spring of Year 13. Alongside many other benefits, upon the successful completion of your Pathway you will receive a guaranteed conditional offer of a place at Queen's.

Events from January – December 2019 to aid progression to Queen's in a selected subject Pathway.



# What subjects are on offer in the Pathway Opportunity Programme?

AHSS (Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences)

Archaeology and Palaeoecology

Business

Civil Engineering

Computer Science

Food, Microbiology and Environment

Law



# What Is The 'Path'?

Apply (By 25<sup>th</sup> November 2018)

On Campus Welcome Event (January)

Online Subject Skills Session (February)

On Campus Subject Session (April)

Online Core Academic Skills Session (April)

On Campus University Information Session (June)

On Campus Summer Residential (July)

On Campus Next Steps Session (October)

On Campus Celebration Event (December)



# What are the benefits?

- Receive a **guaranteed conditional offer** of a place at Queen's University within your Pathway subject.
- Be eligible for an offer reduced by up to two A-Level grades, depending on performance.
- Receive a £1000 support bursary upon 1st year entry at Queen's.
- UCAS application advice.
- Experience university life.
- Benefit from tailored support upon arriving at Queen's



# Pathway Opportunity Programme





**Pathway  
Opportunity  
Programme  
Summer  
Residential**



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# Pathway Opportunity Programme Summer Residential

- Arrive on Sunday 21st July, Depart Friday 26th July 2019
- Accommodation at Elms Village
- Individual *en suite* room
- 10 students per floor
- 15 mins walk to campus
- All meals included
- Social activities provided
- Academic sessions
- Employer engagement sessions







# Summer School Assessment

**A guaranteed conditional offer from Queen's – all successful participants in the programme**

**1 grade reduction – if you score 60 – 69% in your summer school assessment**

**2 Grade reduction – if you score 70% or above in your summer school assessment**

# What Is Required From Me To Successfully Complete The Programme?

- **Attend all on-campus workshops, masterclasses and seminars**
- **Complete all compulsory components on the Virtual Learning Environment (Online)**
- **Complete assessed assignment during Residential,**



# ARCHAEOLOGY AND PALAEOECOLOGY

# Archaeology (past human activities)

Archaeology studies the development of humanity by examining people's surviving material remains including:

- Tombs and Temples
- Settlements
- Skeletons and Artefacts

Using them to trace our economic, cultural, social and spiritual developments and achievements through time.



# Palaeoecology (past environments)

Palaeoecology studies environmental evidence to assess the impact of natural events and human activities in relation to:

- Landscapes
- Climate
- Changing environments

Highly relevant due to global concerns about climate change.





# Why study Archaeology and Palaeoecology

- Uncover the secrets of human history and environmental history
- Acquire analytical skills, reasoning skills and practical skills
- Excellent laboratories
- Study abroad in the US, Canada, Europe
- Relaxed atmosphere and lots of help for students





# Career Prospects

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



# Which Courses are Available on the Pathway?

<b>Archaeology</b>
<b>Archaeology and History</b>
<b>Archaeology and Irish</b>
<b>Archaeology with a Language (French, Spanish, Portuguese)</b>
<b>Archaeology-Palaeoecology</b>
<b>Archaeology-Palaeoecology and Geography</b>



**For more info go to:**

**<https://archaeology-palaeoecology-qub.com/>**

# BUSINESS





# Business

Business covers a range of management topics:

- Leading and managing people
- Leading change
- Managing creativity and innovation
- Markets and resources
- Managing in the global business environment
- Strategic management
- Working in teams





# Why Study Business

- Graduates are in high demand
- A theoretical and practical discipline – you gain knowledge AND learn skills to apply that knowledge
- Touches on nearly every aspect of modern society
- Excellent relationships with national and international organisations
- Study USA, exchange programme
- Industry links – speakers and placements



# Career Prospects

- New business creation
- Operations, supply chain and quality
- Advertising
- Business development
- Marketing, Market research, Export marketing
- Human resources / Recruiting
- Accounting
- Finance
- Inward investment
- Exporting



# Which Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**Accounting**

**Economics**

**Business Management**

**International Business**

# CIVIL ENGINEERING



# Civil Engineering

Civil engineering is all about helping people and shaping the world. For example:

- Supplying electricity and gas to our homes
- Providing clean water and purifying it so we can use it again
- Building civilisation's infrastructure from roads and bridges to railways and airports



# Why Study Civil Engineering

- Good starting salaries
- Graduates who study Civil Engineering are “in demand”
- Civil Engineering offers opportunities to work abroad
- Excellent placement opportunities
- Acquire transferable skills: problem-solving, decision-making, analytical and IT skills





# Career Prospects

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



# Which Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**Civil Engineering**



# COMPUTER SCIENCE

# Compute Science

The Computer Science courses embrace subject areas such as:

- Software engineering
- Hardware and design
- Information systems
- Communications
- Graphics, simulation
- Modelling
- Artificial intelligence and human-computer interaction



# Why Study Computer Science

- The digital age needs computer scientists
- Excellent graduate prospects
- Needed in just about every industry
- Have access to some of the best facilities in any UK university
- Placements and scholarships with a wide range of engineering and IT companies





# Career Prospects

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





# Which Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**Computer Science**

**Software Engineering**

**Computing and Information Technology**

# FOOD, MICROBIOLOGY AND ENVIRONMENT

# Food, Microbiology and Environment

**Food Science/Food Quality** focuses on an understanding of food, interaction with the human body and challenges for its safety

**Microbiology** studies bacteria, fungi, algae and viruses – immensely important in health, agriculture, etc.

**Environment** combines aspects of science, geography and environmental management to understand the environments in which we live.





# Why Study Food, Microbiology & Environment

- Develop skills in problem-solving, numerical analysis, data analysis and IT
- A wide range of professions to go into
- Interaction with companies
- Work with the latest technologies
- Career opportunities are excellent and diverse



# Career Prospects

- Food industry
- Health Promotion Charities
- Nutrition
- Teaching
- Environmental Management
- Consultancy
- Chartered Surveyors
- Research



# Which Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**Food Quality, Safety and Nutrition**

**Food Science and Food Security**

**Microbiology**

**Environmental Management**



**LAW**



# Law

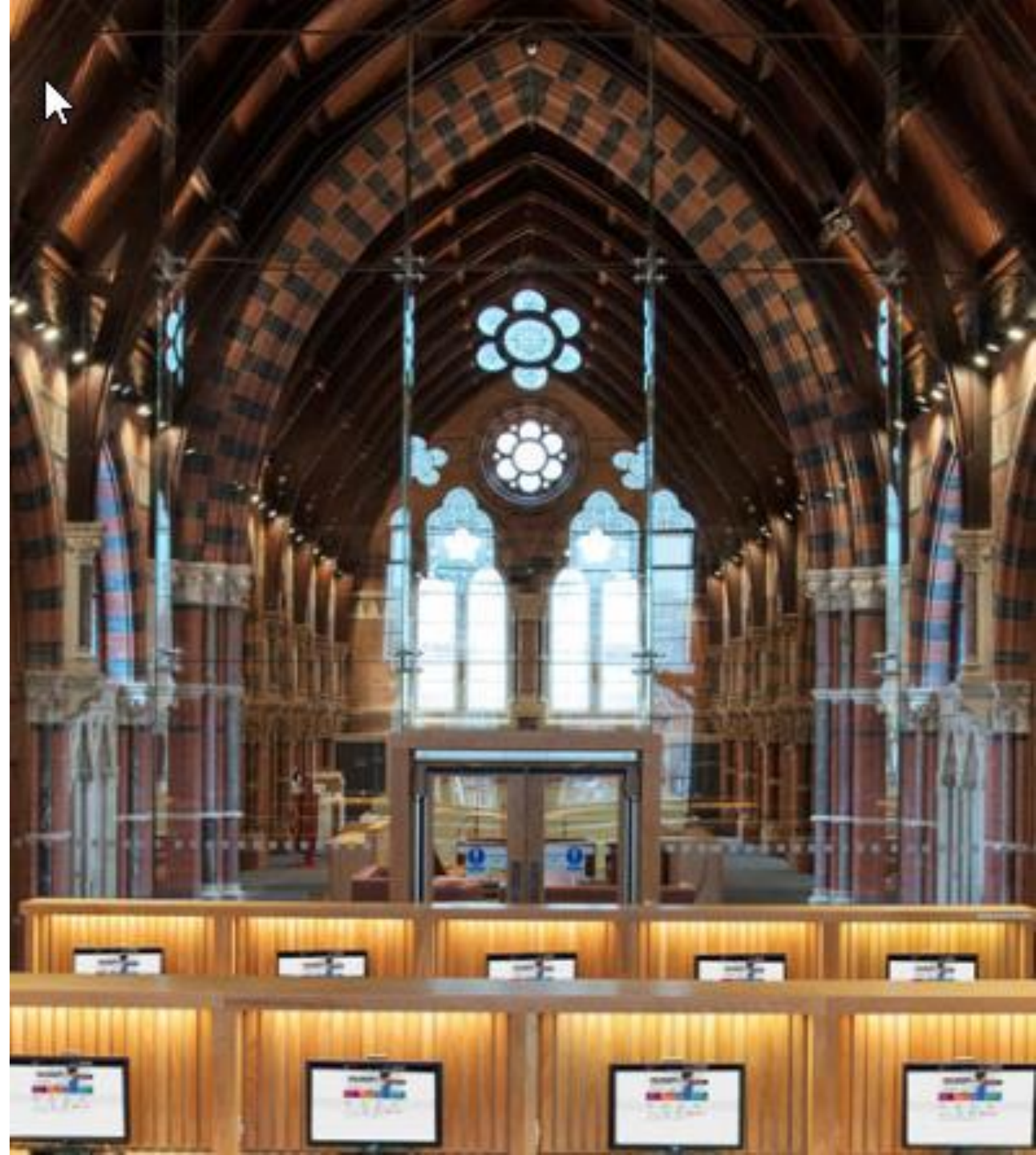
Law looks at the relationships, interactions and transactions between individuals, companies, and governments:

- Constitutional Law
- European Law
- Corporate Law
- Criminal Law
- Land Law



# Why Study Law

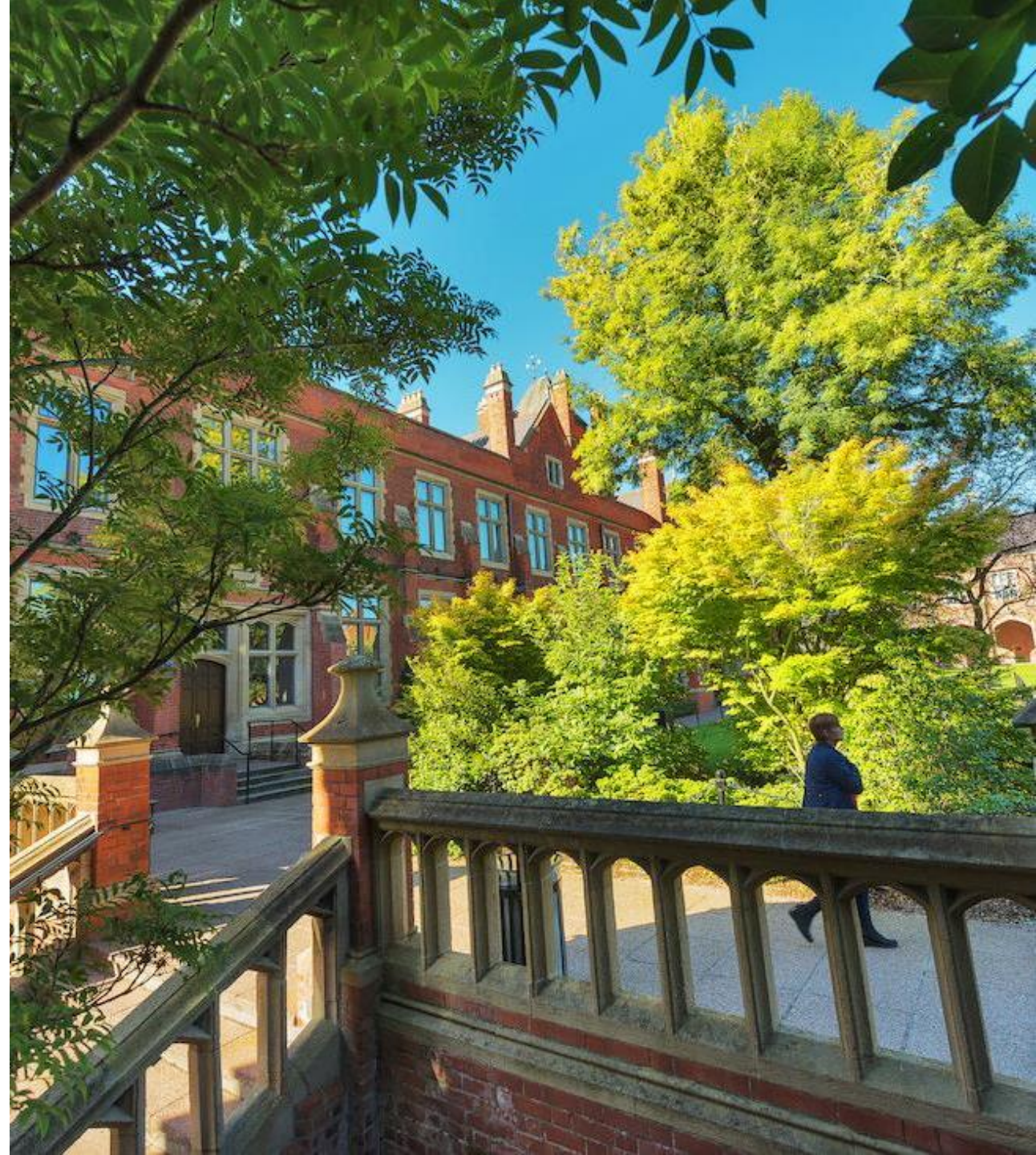
- Understand how society functions
- Bring about changes to how society functions
- Learn good skills of communication and persuasion
- Employers of all descriptions think very highly of graduates with law degrees
- Opportunities to study abroad





# Career Prospects

- Trainee solicitors or barristers
- 'Para-legal' workers in multinational organisations, such as Citibank
- The civil service
- Campaigning organisations
- Journalism
- Banking
- Marketing



# Which Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**Law**

**Law with Politics**

**Common and Civil Law with French**

**Common and Civil Law with Hispanic Studies**

# AHSS Pathway

(Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences)



# AHSS Pathway

A multi-disciplinary Pathway which will enable students to enter Queen's in a range of subjects within the schools of:

- School of Arts, English and Languages
- School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics
- School of Social Sciences, Education and Social Work



# Why Study Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences

- Huge range of undergraduate programmes on offer
- Vibrant research culture
- An interdisciplinary environment which allows students from all fields the opportunity to interact
- Employers value the core skills of AHSS graduates:
  - Communication and collaboration
  - Research and analysis
  - Independence and adaptability



# Career Prospects

AHSS Graduates find employment in a variety of areas:

- Advertising and Public Relations
- Financial and Legal
- Leisure, Tourism and Travel
- Marketing and Sales
- Personnel
- Print, Broadcast, Film and Interactive Media
- Public Service
- Social Services





# What Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**School of Arts, English and Languages**

**Drama**

**English**

**Film**

**Broadcast Production**

**Music**

# What Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**School of History, Anthropology, Philosophy and Politics**

**Anthropology**

**History**

**International Studies**

**Philosophy**

**Politics**

# What Courses are Available on the Pathway?

**School of Social Sciences, Education and Social Work**

**Criminology**

**Social Policy**

**Sociology**





# How do I pick a course?

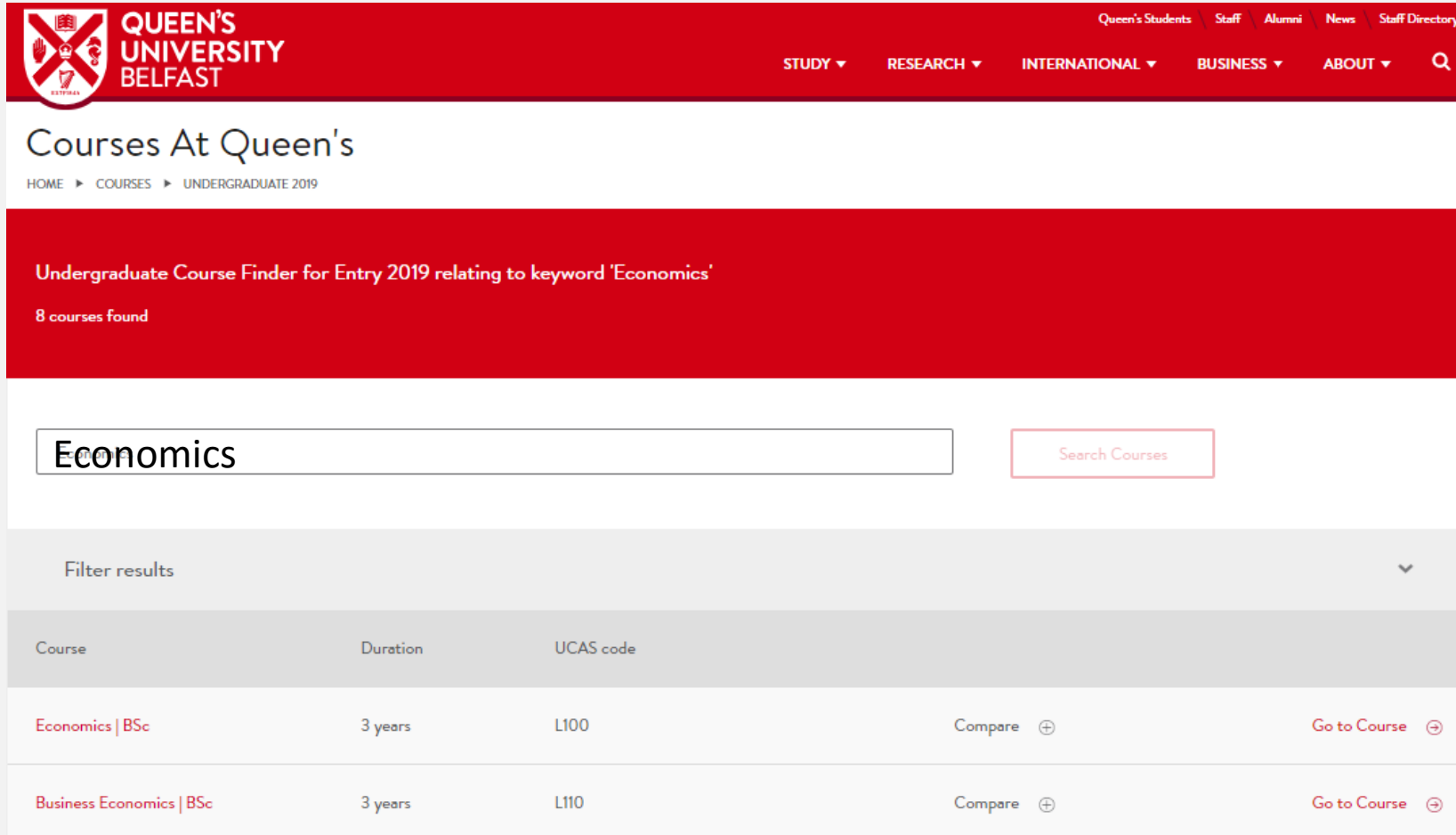
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# Visit our Course Finder

[www.qub.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate](http://www.qub.ac.uk/courses/undergraduate)



The screenshot shows the Queen's University Belfast website's course finder interface. At the top, there is a red navigation bar with the university logo and name on the left, and links for 'Queen's Students', 'Staff', 'Alumni', 'News', and 'Staff Directory' on the right. Below this, a secondary navigation bar contains dropdown menus for 'STUDY', 'RESEARCH', 'INTERNATIONAL', 'BUSINESS', and 'ABOUT', along with a search icon. The main content area is titled 'Courses At Queen's' and includes a breadcrumb trail: 'HOME > COURSES > UNDERGRADUATE 2019'. A red banner below the title states 'Undergraduate Course Finder for Entry 2019 relating to keyword 'Economics'' and indicates '8 courses found'. A search bar contains the text 'Economics' and a 'Search Courses' button. Below the search bar is a 'Filter results' dropdown menu. The search results are displayed in a table with columns for 'Course', 'Duration', and 'UCAS code'. Two results are shown: 'Economics | BSc' with a 3-year duration and UCAS code L100, and 'Business Economics | BSc' with a 3-year duration and UCAS code L110. Each result has 'Compare' and 'Go to Course' buttons.

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## Courses At Queen's

HOME > COURSES > UNDERGRADUATE 2019

Undergraduate Course Finder for Entry 2019 relating to keyword 'Economics'

8 courses found

Economics

Search Courses

Filter results

Course	Duration	UCAS code		
Economics   BSc	3 years	L100	Compare ⊕	Go to Course ⊕
Business Economics   BSc	3 years	L110	Compare ⊕	Go to Course ⊕

- Find out more about the Pathway courses on offer
- Check that you meet any individual course requirements for your chosen Pathway subject **prior to your application**

BSc | Undergraduate

# BSc Economics

[Apply via UCAS](#)

Entry year:	2019
Entry requirements:	ABB
Duration:	3 years (Full Time)
UCAS code:	L100

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## OVERVIEW

A BSc 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. You 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.

Edward Mills - BSc Economics



### REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

[Stay in touch](#)

### COURSE LOCATION

Queen's Management School   
Riddel Hall  
185 Stranmillis Road  
Belfast  
BT9 5EE





## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

### ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

#### A level requirements

ABB + GCSE Mathematics grade A

#### Irish leaving certificate requirements

H3H3H3H3H3H3/H2H3H3H3H3 + if not offered at

#### Access/Foundation Course

Successful completion of Access Course with an average of 70%. GCSE Mathematics grade A or equivalent in Access Course.

### SELECTION CRITERIA

In addition, to the entrance requirements above, it is essential that you read our guidance notes on 'How we choose our students' prior to submitting your UCAS application.

How we choose our students



### INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

For information on international qualification equivalents, please check the specific information for **your country**.

### ENGLISH LANGUAGE REQUIREMENTS

An IELTS score of 6.5 with a minimum of 5.5 in each test component or an equivalent acceptable qualification, details of which are available at: <http://go.qub.ac.uk/EnglishLanguageReqs>

If you need to improve your English language skills before you enter this degree programme, **INTO Queen's University Belfast** offers a range of English language courses. These intensive and flexible courses are designed to improve your English ability for admission to this degree.

- **Academic English:** an intensive English language and study skills course for successful university study at degree

## ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

### A level requirements

ABB + GCSE Mathematics grade A

# ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS

# Eligibility: Section A

You must meet all of the following:

- You must be ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland and be in full-time attendance at a school or college in Northern Ireland.
- You must currently be in year 1 of an acceptable (to the University) two-year Level 3 qualification such as A-Levels, BTEC etc. \*
- Neither of your parents have attended university nor obtained an undergraduate degree (or equivalent) in the UK, Ireland or abroad.
- You must have at least 7 GCSEs (or equivalent) at grades A\*-C, including English Language, of which 5 must be at grade B or above.



# Eligibility: Section B

You must meet ONE of the following:

- You are eligible or are currently receiving free school meals (FSM) and/or Education Maintenance Allowance (EMA).
- You are the main carer for a family member or dependant.
- Your permanent residence postcode is classified as being in a “disadvantaged neighbourhood”.
- You are care experienced or currently in the care of a Health and Social Care Trust.

**On your application form please select ALL section B criteria that apply to you.**



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

**We expect about 300 applications for 140 places on the programme: 20 places in each of the 7 Pathways.**

**How do I apply?**

[go.QUB.ac.uk/QUBPathway](http://go.QUB.ac.uk/QUBPathway)

Or Google “Queen’s University Pathway”

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Step 4 - Apply

# APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2019 PROGRAMME

**Step 1 - Go to 'Information for Students' to ensure you're eligible.**

**Step 2 - Check your Postcode to see if it meets programme criteria (click Postcode Checker below).**

## POSTCODE CHECKER

**Step 3 - Research the courses available in your chosen Pathway - especially academic entry requirements.**

**Step 4 - Apply by clicking APPLICATION below.**

## APPLICATION





# Pathway Opportunity Programme Application

1. Personal  
Information

2. School /  
Reference

3. Eligibility

4. Qualifications

## Personal Information

Note: Application cannot be saved!

### *Personal Information (Section 1 of 7)*

#### **Notes on completing the form**

Please complete all sections of this form accurately. All fields with a **Bold** label must be completed. Please note that this form **cannot be saved** and should be completed and submitted in a single attempt. It will take approximately 30 minutes to complete. Incomplete forms will not be considered by the Applications Panel.

Queen's University is committed to protecting the privacy of participants in our programmes. Our Widening Participation Unit Privacy Policy offers a clear explanation of how we treat your information – how we collect it, process it, and use it. We invite you to review the Privacy Policy [here](#).

#### **1. Forename**

#### **2. Surname**

#### **3. Address1**

#### **4. Address2**

#### **5. City/Town**

#### **6. Postcode**

# Pathway Opportunity Programme Application

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School / Reference

Note: Technical Reference not  
Personal Reference

## School / Reference (Section 2 of 7)

Please select your school from the options on the right.  
Please check the list carefully. If your school is not listed, click the button below.  
**This will terminate your application and you will have to wait until you receive an email from us before you can re-apply**

Email Missing School Details

Abbey C  
Antrim C  
Aquinas  
Ashfield Boys' High School Holywood Road Belfast  
Ashfield Girls High School, Belfast Holywood Road Belfast  
Assumption Grammar School 22-24 Belfast Road Ballynahinch  
Aughnacloy High School 23 Carnteel Road Aughnacloy  
Ballee Community High School Ballee Road West Ballymena  
Ballycastle High School 33 Rathlin Road Ballycastle  
Ballyclare High School 31 Rashee Road Ballyclare  
Ballyclare Secondary School Doagh Road Ballyclare  
Ballymena Academy 89 Galgorm Road Ballymena  
Ballymoney High School 17 Garryduff Road Ballymoney  
Ballymoney Independent Christian School 55 Market Street Ballymoney

We will be requesting a "technical" reference (not a "personal" reference) from a staff member at your school to validate details on your application such as your address, meeting criteria A and B and subjects/grades, etc.  
This will usually be your careers teacher or your Head of Year.

12. Please provide the first name of the staff member who will provide your technical reference

Please provide the firstname of the staff member who will provide your reference

13. Please provide the surname of the staff member who will provide your technical reference

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# Pathway Opportunity Programme Application

1. Personal Information

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## Eligibility

## Section A and Section B Criteria

### **Eligibility (Section 3 of 7)**

**Important Information on Eligibility Criteria (please scroll to the end).** Applications for the Pathway Opportunity Programme are scored on the Section B Widening Participation Criteria below.

Please ensure that you confirm each element of the eligibility criteria that is applicable to you. You **must meet all Section A criteria and at least one Section B criteria.** The Admissions Panel will request evidence from your school for this section of the application form.

#### **Section A Criteria**

1. You must be ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland and be in full-time attendance at a school or college in Northern Ireland.

2. You must currently be in year 1 of an acceptable (to the University) two-year level 3 qualification such as A-Levels, BTEC etc.

#### **17. Eligibility: Section A (All 4 Section A eligibility criteria must be met to apply)**

1. I am ordinarily resident in Northern Ireland and I am in full-time attendance at a school or college in Northern Ireland.

2. I am currently in year 1 of a two-year Level 3 qualification such as A-Levels, BTEC etc.

3. Neither of my parents have attended university nor obtained an undergraduate degree, or one or both parents are only currently studying or have only graduated within the

4. I have at least 7 GCSEs (or equivalent such as BTEC) at grades A\*-C, including English Language, of which 5 must be at grade B or above.



# Qualifications

Full Titles:

CCEA GCSE Maths Grade C

AQA A-Level Psychology (General)

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4. Qualifications

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Information

## Qualifications (Section 4 of 7)

Please complete this section as accurately as possible. The Admissions Panel will request confirmation of your A-Level subjects and GCSE grades from your school.

20. Please list all of your qualifications obtained at GCSE level (or equivalent). Please use a new line for each qualification and include details of exam board (e.g. CCEA), type of qualification (e.g. GCSE, BTEC), exact subject title as well as grade awarded. For example:

CCEA GCSE Maths Grade C  
AQA GCSE Spanish Grade B

21. Please list the subjects you are currently completing. Please use a new line for each subject and include details of exam board (e.g. CCEA), type of qualification (e.g. A-Level, BTEC) and the exact subject title. If it is an A-Level, please state if it is "applied" or "general". If it a BTEC/OCR Level 3, please include the title of each individual unit you are taking for both year 1 and year 2. For example:

CCEA A-Level French (General)  
AQA A-Level Psychology (General)

# Pathway Selection

Primary Pathway

Secondary Pathway (only if desired)

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## Pathway Selection (Section 5 of 7)

Please indicate which subject Pathway you wish to apply for. If you are interested in two Pathway subjects then indicate your first choice below. If that subject is over-subscribed you may be selected for your second choice as you indicate below.

22. I wish to apply for the following subject Pathway

Please select ▼

23. If the subject you chose above is over-subscribed, would you be interested in selecting a second Pathway?

Please select ▼

24. You must check the Course Finder on the Queen's University website to confirm that your GCSE's and the subjects you are currently studying meet the requirements for at least some of the courses on the Pathway you are applying to.

I have checked the Course Finder on the Queen's University website.

# Personal Statements

Max 200 words each

ation

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## *Personal Statements (Section 6 of 7)*

Please use this section of the application form to indicate why you wish to be considered for the programme.

**25. Please outline why you wish to be part of the Pathway Opportunity Programme (max 200 words)**

**26. Please indicate why you should be considered for your chosen Pathway subject option (max 200 words)**

# Parents' Information

## Contact Details

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#### Parents' Information (Section 7 of 7)

Please provide details of a parent / guardian who can provide parental consent. If the address details are the same as yours, above, click here

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#### 27. Parent Name

Enter parent name

#### 28. Parental Address Lines

Enter parental address lines 1&2

#### 29. Parental Address - City

Enter parental address - city

#### 30. Parental Address - Postcode

Enter parental address - postcode

#### 31. Parental Home Phone

Enter parental home phone number

#### 32. Parental Mobile Phone

Enter parental mobile phone

#### Parental Email Address

Enter parental email address



### Parents' Information (Section 7 of 7)

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#### Parental Email Address

When all complete and checked hit Submit >>>>>>>>>>

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# Application Deadline

Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> November  
2018



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# Questions?

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