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Welcome

The Faculty of Social Sciences and Law is internationally recognised for delivering high-quality taught and research programmes.

More than 2,000 postgraduates join our vibrant international community each year going on to succeed as leaders and engaged practitioners in government, in the charitable and education sectors, or with prestigious global companies.

For those who want to prepare for postgraduate research or to commission and use research in the workplace, we deliver specialist taught programmes that provide a strong grounding in critical thinking and research methodologies. Our vocational programmes provide continuous professional development in education, legal studies and social work.

Our ESRC-funded South West Doctoral Training Centre offers world-class training and supervision that builds intellectual capacities and research skills and prepares doctoral students for careers in the global economy.

Bristol’s excellent social science research profile was confirmed by REF 2014: seven of Bristol’s nine social sciences submissions were ranked in the top ten and two were ranked first. When research intensity was taken into account, the faculty ranked second in the country.

We are committed to providing an outstanding education in a vibrant learning environment. We aim to create future leaders and engaged practitioners.

Professor Wendy Larner
Dean, Faculty of Social Sciences and Law
Funding your studies in the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law

Funding for postgraduate study can come from a variety of sources. Our students are funded by governments, research councils, families, charities and employers from across the globe.

You will need to secure the majority of your funding before commencing your postgraduate studies. The University subscribes to the Alternative Guide to Postgraduate Funding (www.postgraduate-funding.com), which provides contact information for charities and organisations who offer grants for postgraduate study.

Don’t forget to use our Funding Search facility (bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/search) to see whether there are any additional grants or awards which are relevant to your chosen studies.

You may wish to consider self-funding your programme by opting to take out a bank loan (e.g., a Professional and Career Development Loan) and/or use savings.

Postgraduate taught programmes
At the time of going to print, details of the UK government’s proposed postgraduate loan scheme have not been confirmed. Our understanding is that the scheme will be available to UK students pursuing a taught master’s degree and will be income dependent. When details are confirmed, guidance will be available at bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/postgraduate.

Postgraduate Certificate of Education (PGCE)
The National College for Teaching and Leadership (NCTL) offers bursaries for UK/EU students undertaking teacher training.

For up-to-date information, please see www.education.gov.uk/get-into-teaching/funding.aspx. Additionally, the University offers a bursary for UK and EU PGCE students (in line with the NCTL funding). For example for 2015 entry, students with a first class undergraduate degree were awarded a bursary of up to £9,000. For further information, please see bristol.ac.uk/education/students/ite/pgce.

Commonwealth Shared Scholarship Scheme
Applicants to a variety of our Masters’ programmes from specific Commonwealth countries may be eligible for a Commonwealth Shared Scholarship, covering fees and other expenses. For details please see bristol.ac.uk/fees-funding/awards.

MSc Human Geography, Society and Space
For this programme, bursaries of up to £2,000 for outstanding students are available to apply for. Please contact the school for details (see page 33).

MSc Social Work
For up-to-date information about government bursaries for social work students, please see bristol.ac.uk/sps/studying/social-work.

Postgraduate research programmes
As well as the numerous doctoral training initiatives of which the University of Bristol is the lead higher education institution, the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law is also delighted to partner with two other Russell Group university-led centres.

ESRC South West Doctoral Training Centre
The Faculty of Social Sciences and Law is proud to represent the University of Bristol as part of the Economic and Research Council (ESRC) South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC). This centre represents a collaboration with the universities of Bristol, Exeter and Bath, drawing together the established research excellence of more than 770 academic and research staff.

The centre offers fully-funded three- and four-year PhD studentships across the three institutions. Further information can be found on page 75 of this section.

Depending on topic, all applicants for PhD programmes in the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law can apply for funding through the SWDTC.

Information and links to a variety of additional funding opportunities across the faculties can be found on the BDC web pages.
Accounting, Finance and Management

Following the success of our MSc in Economics, Finance and Management this Masters programme has been introduced for those students who wish to put greater emphasis on finance and accounting topics in their graduate studies. In the first term you will develop key skills and a grounding in accounting, finance and management that will prepare you for the more advanced units taught in the second term. The MSc is completed through a project-based dissertation.

**Programme structure**

**Core units**
- Finance and Accounting
- International Financial Accounting
- Management
- Quantitative Methods for Economics, Finance and Management

**Optional units**

One option is chosen from each of the key subject areas of accounting, finance and management and a fourth option is chosen from the whole range.

Accounting options include:
- Accountability and Accounting for Sustainability
- Accounting and Capital Markets
- Accounting Theory, Scandals and Standards
- Auditing and Assurance Services
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation
- Strategic Management Accounting

Finance options include:
- Corporate Finance
- Financial Markets and Investment
- International Finance
- Introduction to Business and Economic Forecasting
- Law and Economics

Management options include:
- Electronic Commerce
- International Business
- Managerial Economics
- Marketing Management
- Operations Management
- Project Management
- Strategic Management

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. Please note: the number of available places on some units may be capped.

**Dissertation**

The MSc is completed with a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. A choice of dissertation subject areas is provided and you will be able to choose from a set of dissertation topics in these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you are expected to acquire and use literature search skills using a range of electronic and traditional sources.

**Entry requirements**

A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) which demonstrates mathematical ability.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Opportunity to undertake a project-based dissertation

School of Economics, Finance and Management

Awards available MSc

Duration of programme
One year full-time

Part-time study available? No

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
- Full-time: UK/EU £11,500; overseas £21,200

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/efm

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline 1 July 2016

Contact for further information

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Advanced Social Work with Children and Families

This is a part-time programme providing continuing professional education for qualified social workers currently working with children and young people, their families and carers.

The programme is organised to give you the opportunity to continue on and register for the MSc, whether you enter at Postgraduate Certificate or Postgraduate Diploma level.

The programme is normally accessed by qualified social workers as part of their employment with local authorities or voluntary/independent sector organisations in the South West. However, we also welcome applications from appropriately qualified and experienced practitioners or managers.

Programme structure

The programme is timetabled so that you can study on a part-time basis, and access to units will be modular.

PG Certificate students must take three units, normally including at least two of the four core units. If only two core units are taken as part of the PG Certificate, the remaining 20 credits will be taken from the prescribed option courses (60 credit points total).

PG Diploma and Masters students must take all four core units and two of the elective units (120 credit points total).

You will undertake research methods training before accessing the dissertation unit. This is normally achieved through successful completion of the research methods unit, Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences.

Successful completion of the dissertation leads to the full award of Masters in Advanced Social Work with Children and Families (180 credit points total).

Core units

- Child Development, Health and Wellbeing
- Contemporary Law and Policy for Child Welfare Services
- Assessment, Risk and Decision-Making
- Social Work with Children and Families with Complex Needs

Optional units

You will be able to choose from a range of option units, including those listed below. Please note that not all option units will be available every year.

- Advanced Practice in Communication and Direct Work with Children
- Advanced Practice with Looked After Children – Adoption, Fostering and Kinship Care
- Inter-Professional Working and Integrated Services
- Leadership and Management in Social Work
- Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences
- Researching Child and Family Welfare
- Supervision and Assessment of Professional Practice (Practice Educator Stage 2)
- Dissertation

Entry requirements

Professional social work qualification (or equivalent) and current registration with the HCPC. An honours degree (or equivalent qualification demonstrated through experience in the field), and a demonstrated ability to study at postgraduate level.

As part of the application, you will be asked to submit a personal statement of 550-700 words. As this is a practice-focused programme, students are required to be in practice in some capacity throughout their time on the programme.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

Develop your knowledge and understanding to enable you to work at advanced level as practitioners or managers

School for Policy Studies

Awards available
MSc, PG Diploma, PG Certificate

Duration of programme
Two to five years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes, but this part-time programme does not meet UK government requirements for student visas. Internationals holding non-student visas may be eligible for study

English Language Profile B
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places 50

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas £14,900

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/sps

Possible start dates The majority of students will start in September 2016. However, this is a modular programme and it may be possible for students with prior learning to start at other times. Please contact the Programme Director to discuss the available options.

Application deadline 1 September 2016

Applications Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Contemporary Identities

The study of identity is a burgeoning area of sociological and cultural studies. This programme provides an introduction, over a range of units, to key themes in this field, with identity explored in both theoretical and substantive ways.

On the one hand, there has been an exciting and innovative strand of work exploring and re-theorising the ideas of subjectivity and selfhood in the context of the changes brought about by late modern and postmodern society. On the other, the question of identity has come under scrutiny from within substantive areas of sociology such as the sociology of race and ethnicity, the sociology of religion and the sociology of gender relations.

There are also important debates concerning the ways in which we record and ‘observe’ identities, including debates over new narrative and other qualitative methodologies.

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
• Contemporary Sociological Theory
• Dissertation (MSc only)

Optional units
You will also choose at least four further units from a list of Sociology units which may include the following (teaching provision changes each year):
• Globalisation and Culture
• Interpreting Gender
• Qualitative Social Research
• Theories and Politics of Multiculturalism
• Theories of Ethnicity and Racism
• Culture, Postmodernity and Religion
• Narrating the Self
• Nations and Nationalism
• Care, Labour and Gender
• Religion and Politics
• Understanding Risk

plus one option (maximum) from the school’s remaining Politics optional units offered in the academic year.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a relevant subject.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
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Development and Security

This innovative programme explores the links and tensions between development and security concerns in theory and practice. Specifically, it builds on the unique combination of staff expertise and experience in the School to:

• examine the nature of violent conflict in the world today and the international community’s response to it;
• locate this analysis in a comprehensive theoretical understanding of wider development and security studies debates and controversies, particularly in relation to evolving patterns of global governance;
• explore these issues and dilemmas through contemporary, empirical case studies.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:

MSc International Relations
MSc International Security
MSc International Development
MSc Gender and International Relations
MSc European Governance.

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays followed by a dissertation.

Core units
• Conflict Security and Development
• Theories of Development
• Theoretical Approaches to Security Studies

Optional units
Topics vary each year but may include:
• Small Business Development
• Gender and Development
• Managing and Evaluating Development
• Development Skills in Practice
• Environmental Politics
• Governing the Global Borderlands
• International Development Organisations
• Foreign Policy Analysis
• Military and Militarisation
• US Security Policy
• International Human Rights
• Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
• Politics of Genocide
• Japan and East Asia
• East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
• Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
• IR of China
• Religion and Politics
• Understanding Risk
• Liberalism, Terror and the Politics of Insecurity
• Nuclear Insecurity
• Theories of Violence
• Global Transitions: Power, Hegemony, and the Ordering of the Global Political Economy
• Religion Ethnicity and Value Change

A current list of units is available on the school website.

Third Term
Independent study for dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Disability Studies: Inclusive Theory and Research

This MSc research programme will equip you with the skills, knowledge and ability to plan and carry out academic research relevant to disability studies, with a particular emphasis on people with learning (intellectual) disabilities. You will gain a particular awareness and skill set associated with emancipatory and participatory models of research, where disabled people themselves take active roles in the research process. Parts of the programme are delivered by, or co-taught with, disabled people.

You will take core units about research design, quantitative methods and qualitative methods along with students on the MSc in Policy Research and the MSc in Social Work Research, plus an additional core unit about inclusive research with disabled people. The core units are part of the ESRC South West Doctoral Training Centre at Bristol, and as such are a good grounding for those who wish to carry on to a PhD or take up research posts. The optional units will give you a chance to consider research about inclusion for people with learning disabilities and other disabled people in health, in social care and policy, and in education.

Programme structure

Core units

- Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Inclusive Research with Disabled People

Optional units

Options will be available from the following list:
- Personalisation in Practice
- Citizenship and Participation
- Social Inclusion
- Including Students’ Voices

Dissertation

In order to gain an MSc, you will undertake a research dissertation, which is the equivalent of a further three units. Part-time students will normally take two core units and one optional unit in Year One, and two core units and one optional unit in Year Two.

Entry requirements

A relevant upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification demonstrated through experience in the field), and a demonstrated ability to study at postgraduate level.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
East Asian Development and the Global Economy

This programme aims to develop your interest in and understanding of the economic, cultural and social transformations of the East Asian region. In particular, it explores East Asian development within the global economy, the contrasting fortunes of the region’s key economies, the specific features of the business and commercial sectors in the region, and the developing patterns of trade within East Asia and between East Asian nations and other regions of the world.

Optional units offer a more detailed examination of developments in the Chinese economy and the political and economic relations between Europe and East Asia. You can also choose from across the range of options offered within the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies (SPAIS).

You may also be interested in our related programmes:
- MSc International Relations
- MSc International Security
- MSc International Development
- MSc Development and Security
- MSc European Governance

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- East Asia and Global Development
- International Political Economy
- Theories of Development

Optional units
Three optional units are taken from the Teaching Block Two. Below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available).
- Conflict, Security and Development
- Small Business Development
- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Development Skills in Practice
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- International Development Organisations
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- US Security Policy
- International Human Rights
- Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
- Japan and East Asia
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- Liberalism, Terror and the Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear Insecurity
- Global Transitions: Power, Hegemony, and the Ordering of the Global Political Economy

A current list of units is available on the SPAIS website.

Third Term
Independent study for dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any subject. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Designed for those who want to understand the dramatic development of East Asia and its place in the Global Economy

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies
Awards available
MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 18
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £7,300; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,650; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 31 July 2016

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Economics (Graduate Diploma)

This is a fast-track, nine-month programme which provides a rigorous training in core skills in analytical Economics and Econometrics, as well as allowing some specialisation in chosen areas of the subject. It is intended for graduates whose first degree did not focus on Economics and is a free-standing qualification, enabling graduates to seek employment in economics-related fields. For graduates intending to pursue further study, the programme is designed to meet entrance requirements for postgraduate programmes at Masters level or higher.

Programme structure

Core units

Three units are taken from the School’s undergraduate programmes:
• Econometrics
• Intermediate Economics 1 with extended essay
• Intermediate Economics 2 with extended essay

Optional units

You must select two specialised units from a list announced each year. This list includes both second- and third-year undergraduate units, and you must choose at least one third-year unit. A typical list might include:
• Current Economic Problems
• Economics of Developing Countries
• Environmental Economics
• History of Economic Thought
• Industrial Economics
• International Economics
• Labour Economics*
• Macroeconomic Theory and Policy
• Principles of Finance*
• Public Economics

*Permission to take this unit is at the Unit Director’s discretion.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class degree (or international equivalent). Entrance qualifications must include a significant mathematical/statistical component, either at degree level or a minimum of grade A at A level Mathematics (or equivalent). Candidates should supply details of high school qualifications when applying. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Economics (MRes)

The School of Economics, Finance and Management has an international reputation for research excellence. Faculty members in the school regularly publish in top international journals, and the school is expanding following substantial recent success in research funding applications.

The MSc is an intensive one-year programme providing you with the body of knowledge and skills that are expected of a professional economist, whether you decide to go on to do independent research for a PhD or to work as an economist.

Programme structure

**Teaching Block 1 core units**
- MRes Mathematics for Economics (subject to Faculty approval)
- MRes Microeconomics I (subject to Faculty approval)
- MRes Macroeconomics I (subject to Faculty approval)
- MRes Econometrics I (subject to Faculty approval)

**Teaching Block 2 core units**
- MRes Research Methods in Economics (subject to Faculty approval)
- MRes Microeconomics II (subject to Faculty approval)
- MRes Macroeconomics II (subject to Faculty approval)
- MRes Econometrics II (subject to Faculty approval)

**Dissertation**

The MRes is completed with a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from the Economics Department.

**Entry requirements**

A good MSc degree (or equivalent) in Economics. Consideration of students with exceptional academic performance at undergraduate level may be possible.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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**Key facts**

**Why choose Bristol?**
This new programme will give students the knowledge and skills needed for PhD research

**School of Economics, Finance and Management**

**Awards available** MRes
**Duration of programme** One year full-time
**Part-time study available?** No
**Open to international students?** Yes
**English Language Profile** C (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
**Number of places** Not fixed
**Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)**
Full-time: UK/EU £6,400; overseas £15,100
**Funding** Please see p2
**Website** bristol.ac.uk/efm
**Possible start dates** September 2016
**Application deadline** 1 July 2016

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
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The MSc is an intensive, one-year programme providing you with the body of knowledge and skills that are expected of a professional economist, whether you decide to go on to do independent research for a PhD or to work as an economist.

The programme will provide you with a sound basis for your future career not only in economics, but also in a wide range of fields including: finance, business management, public service or teaching.

**Programme structure**

**First semester**

- Core units
  - Applied Economics
  - Econometrics
  - Macroeconomics
  - Microeconomics

**Second semester**

You can take one of:
- Microeconometrics
- Time Series Econometrics

and one of:
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Advanced Microeconomics

plus two further optional units. These may vary from year to year but currently include:
- Applied Public Policy Analysis
- Public Organisation
- Topics in Development Economics

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. Please note; the number of available places on some units may be capped.

**Dissertation**

Over the summer you will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from the school.

**Entry requirements**

A first or good upper second-class honours degree in Economics (or equivalent). For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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**Applications**

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Economics, Accounting and Finance

The School of Economics, Finance and Management aims to provide excellence in teaching and learning within a stimulating research environment. The programme takes graduate students with limited knowledge of economics, accounting and/or finance and acquaints them with the key concepts and current issues.

You will read, assess and form judgements about the current literature in the main fields of economics, accounting and finance. You will then plan and embark on a programme of independent, supervised research, undertaking a thorough literature review in a prescribed topic area and/or analysing economic, accounting or financial data and relating the results to theory.

The programme will provide you with a sound basis for your future career in a wide range of fields including economics, accounting, finance, public service, and teaching. You will also develop a range of transferable skills that will be of value in a variety of careers.

Programme structure

Core units
- Economics for Finance and Management
- Finance and Accounting
- International Financial Accounting
- Quantitative Methods for Economics, Finance and Management

Optional units
Economics options – select two from:
- Growth, Trade and Structural Change
- Industrial Economics
- International Business
- Introduction to Business and Economic Forecasting
- Introduction to Development Economics
- Law and Economics
- Personnel Economics

Accounting options – select one from:
- Accountability and Accounting for Sustainability
- Accounting and Capital Markets
- Accounting Theory, Scandals and Standards
- Auditing and Assurance Services
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation
- Strategic Management Accounting

Finance options – select one from:
- Corporate Finance
- Financial Markets and Investment
- International Finance

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. The number of available places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation

The MSc is completed with a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. A choice of dissertation subject areas is provided and you choose your specific topic from one of these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you will be expected to acquire and use literature search skills using a range of electronic and traditional sources.

Entry requirements

A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) that demonstrates mathematical ability.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

The programme will provide you with transferable skills and a sound basis for your future career in a wide range of fields

School of Economics, Finance and Management

Awards available MSc
Duration of programme One year full-time
Part-time study available? No
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places Not fixed
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase) Full-time: UK/EU £11,500; overseas £21,200
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/efm
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 1 July 2016

Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Economics and Econometrics

This MSc is designed to equip you with the analytical tools required of a modern economist or econometrician. You will learn how to apply these techniques to research questions and will be trained in programming computers using specialist econometric software.

Econometrics is the application of mathematical and statistical techniques to economics. In recent years econometric methods have become especially important in economic analysis, whether conducted in universities or in the private sector.

The School of Economics, Finance and Management has an internationally recognised track record in econometrics and applied research. Faculty members apply econometric methods to diverse fields such as international development, education and health economics and publish in the top international econometric journals.

Programme structure

First Semester

Core units
• Applied Economics
• Econometrics
• Macroeconomics
• Microeconomics

Second Semester

Core units
• Microeconometrics
• Time Series Econometrics

and:
• either Advanced Macroeconomics
• or Advanced Microeconomics

You will take one further optional unit. These may vary from year to year but currently include:
• Applied Public Policy Analysis
• Public Organisation

Topics in Development Economics

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. The number of places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation

You will be able to determine your own research topic and employ techniques learned during the programme. The MSc is completed with a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, written under the supervision of experienced research academics in the school.

Entry requirements

A first or good upper second-class honours degree in Economics, Mathematics or similar discipline (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Economics and Finance

This programme is especially designed for those holding an appropriate degree who wish to expand their career options by building expertise in Finance. This MSc allows you to develop your understanding of economic theory and econometrics, including recent advances in the subject, and to acquire a solid understanding of finance theory and its applications to financial markets and corporate finance.

Programme structure

Core units
- Asset Pricing
- Econometrics
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics

Optional units
You must complete four units, at least three of which should be selected from:
- Banking
- Behavioural Finance
- Derivatives
- International Finance
- Investment Management
- Quantitative Finance

The final unit can be taken from the following list:
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Advanced Microeconomics
- Applied Public Policy Analysis
- Microeconometrics
- Personnel Economics
- Public Organisation
- Time-Series Econometrics
- Topics in Development Economics

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. Please note: the number of available places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation
The MSc is completed with a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. The dissertation topic is decided upon after discussion with a supervisor. You will be able to draw from lists of suggested dissertation topics.

Entry requirements
A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in Economics, Finance, Mathematics or similar discipline.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
The programme provides excellent preparation for careers in investment management, financial research and trading

School of Economics, Finance and Management

Awards available MSc

Duration of programme One year full-time

Part-time study available? No

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £11,500; overseas £21,200

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/efm

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline 1 July 2016

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Economics and Public Policy

This MSc is an intensive one-year programme for students wishing to pursue careers as economists in the public sector or as academic researchers in the field of public sector economics.

The programme builds on substantial research strengths within the School of Economics, Finance and Management. The school houses the Centre for Market and Public Organisation (CMPO), a research centre focusing on the economics of the public sector. Members of the CMPO are regularly employed as advisers to the government.

Programme structure

Core units
- Applied Economics
- Econometrics
- Macroeconomics
- Microeconomics
- Applied Public Policy Analysis
- Public Organisation

Optional units
You can take two optional units. These may vary from year to year but currently include:
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Advanced Microeconomics
- Microeconometrics
- Time Series Econometrics
- Topics in Development Economics

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. The number of available places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation
The MSc is completed with a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. You determine your own research topic and employ techniques learned during the programme. The dissertation is written under the supervision of experienced research academics in the school.

Entry requirements
A first or good upper second-class honours degree in Economics (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Graduates will be able to pursue careers as economists in the public sector or as academic researchers in the field

School of Economics, Finance and Management

Awards available MSc

Duration of programme
One year full-time

Part-time study available? No

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places
Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,400; overseas £15,100

Funding
Please see p2

Website
bristol.ac.uk/efm

Possible start dates
September 2016

Application deadline
1 July 2016
Economics, Finance and Management

This intensive, one-year, postgraduate Masters programme attracts students from a range of backgrounds, and by the end of the programme, all have a firm foundation in business-related topics.

While some past students have gone on to more specialised studies, others have gone straight into employment, with the banking and accounting/consulting sectors being particular favourites.

Programme structure

Core units
- Economics for Finance and Management
- Finance and Accounting
- Management
- Quantitative Methods for Economics, Finance and Management

Optional units
You will choose one option from each of the key subject areas of Economics, Finance and Management and a fourth option from the entire range on offer.

Economics options include:
- Growth, Trade and Structural Change
- Industrial Economics
- Introduction to Business and Economic Forecasting
- Introduction to Development Economics
- Law and Economics
- Personnel Economics

Finance and Accounting options include:
- Corporate Finance
- Financial Markets and Investment
- International Finance
- Introduction to Business and Economic Forecasting

Management options include:
- Electronic Commerce
- International Business
- Marketing Management
- Operations Management
- Project Management
- Strategic Management

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. Please note: the number of available places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation
The MSc is completed with a project-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. A choice of dissertation subject areas is provided and you choose your specific topic from one of these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you will be expected to acquire and use literature search skills using a range of electronic and traditional sources.

Entry requirements
A first or good upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) that demonstrates mathematical ability.

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Education

From September 2015 a new MSc Education programme will be offered enabling students to design a tailored programme of study suited to their cultural and learning needs. Students on this programme will be able to specialise and receive awards in the following disciplinary areas:

- Leadership and Policy
- Learning, Technology and Society
- Mathematics Education
- Neuroscience and Education
- Policy and International Development
- Psychology of Education
- Special and Inclusive Education
- Teaching and Learning
- Science Education (available from 2016/17)

Identification of these specialisms will be shown in brackets on your award for example, MSc Education (Leadership and Policy).

In addition students can opt not to specialise and to take core units from across the disciplines in order to follow a tailored programme of study resulting in an award of MSc Education.

Leadership and Policy

Leaders in education are expected to continue to improve learning and promote equality for learners while responding to the latest changes in policy. Through the Leadership and Policy specialism you will develop the theoretical knowledge and skills to lead quality improvement and promote social justice within organisations. Through the different units you will critically engage with ideas and practices related to leading and managing organisational change; and educational effectiveness. You will identify and analyse the ways in which ideas and policy agendas act across and within national boundaries. You will have the option to study in-depth ethical management, mentoring and coaching and social justice in education.

This specialism develops knowledge and skills for: leading and managing staff, promoting social justice in educational organisations, using and conducting research, and policy analysis. You will be expected to develop your own views and a distinctive voice relating to education leadership and policy. Through assignments and dissertation research, there will be opportunities to study in-depth the topics that are of most interest to you.

The programme is designed for professionals with at least one year’s full-time experience in education as a teacher, administrator, university lecturer or early-years practitioner. The programme attracts a diverse cohort of professionals, who bring their unique perspectives and experience to our highly interactive teaching and learning. Graduates from the Bristol Masters programme have gone on to become education ministers, advisors, school leaders, lead training within business organisations and university-based researchers.

Programme structure

Core units

- Introduction to Educational Inquiry
- Education Policy in a Global Context
- Quality and Improvement in Education
- Leading and Managing Change

Optional units

Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school.

Dissertation

You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Learning, Technology and Society

Sociotechnical changes create a wide range of challenges and opportunities for educators and those who support learning around the world. Digital technologies (such as credit-card sized computers, digital games, mobile devices, robots, social media, tangible technologies) are increasingly becoming embedded in our societies and being used for a wide range of purposes in educational settings.

This MSc will provide you with a foundation for developing your career as leaders of learning with an in-depth understanding of sociotechnical change and the uses of digital technologies to support teaching and learning (in formal education and elsewhere).

The programme is designed for those who wish to take a critical perspective on the use of technology to support teaching and learning. It is suitable for people from diverse educational backgrounds, with diverse experience, including: teachers and lecturers, (creative) technologists, and those who support learning in sites of informal learning such as museums and other public spaces.

This programme is taught in an international centre of excellence in teaching, research and educational technology. The tutors on the course are world-class academics with excellent research records in the field of education, technology and society. The programme will provide you with a firm foundation for developing your career as leaders of learning with an in-depth understanding of sociotechnical change and the uses of digital technologies to support teaching and learning (in formal education and elsewhere). It will also prepare you for further research in this rapidly developing field.
Programme structure
Core units
• Introduction to Educational Inquiry
• Designing Technologies for Learning
• Learning, Technology and Society
• Teaching and Learning with Technology

Optional units
Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school.

Dissertation
You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Mathematics Education
This programme is designed for both UK and international teachers of mathematics and other professionals working in mathematics education, from primary schools to post-16 education.

You will be supported in integrating the theory and practice of the teaching and learning of mathematics through:
• being an active researcher of your own and others’ practice, including reworking of your own practice;
• carrying out small-scale research projects, one of which can act as a pilot project for the major work of your dissertation;
• engaging with research literature, especially the current journals and proceedings of the international group for the Psychology of Mathematics Education (PME);
• engaging with new developments in the teaching and learning of mathematics;
• updating your mathematics;
• writing assignments that show the emergence of a theoretical frame, present a literature search and develop ideas from a seminar;
• becoming confident with presentation, argumentation, research and ICT skills.

The programme has been recognised as excellent by the National Centre for Excellence in the Teaching of Mathematics (NCETM).

Programme structure
Core units
• Introduction to Educational Inquiry
• Teaching and Learning in Mathematics
• Curriculum Design and Development in School Mathematics
• Children Learning Mathematics: School-based Inquiry

Optional units
Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school, including:
• Subject Updating
• Assessment in Schools
• Action Research in a Collaborative Group

Dissertation
You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Neuroscience and Education
There is increasing global interest in the potential of insights arising from neuroscience to influence educational thinking and practice. These insights relate to learners at all levels of ability (including those with disorders, low and high ability) and all phases and ages across the lifespan. This programme focuses on the interrelationship between brain science and education in terms of policy, educational management and pedagogy.

It is intended for educational professionals (eg mainstream teachers in all curriculum areas and across primary, secondary and tertiary education, including teachers of children with special educational needs, educational policy makers and educational psychologists) who are seeking to understand the implications for neuroscience for their own practice. It will also provide a foundation for those pursuing further doctoral/research studies involving the concepts and techniques of cognitive neuroscience in education-related areas of application.

Programme structure
Core units
• Introduction to Educational Inquiry
• Brain, Mind and Education
• Statistics in Education
• Cognition and Learning
• Issues in Neuroscience and Education

Optional units
• Psychophysiological Research Methods in Education
• Designing Technologies for Learning
• Social Psychology

Students studying this programme will also be able to take optional units from across the school. For those who already possess a psychology degree, the option of taking the following units from the Department of Experimental Psychology may also be available:
• Magnetic Resonance Summer School
• Functional Neuroanatomy and Neuroscience Methods
• Applied Neuropsychology

Dissertation
You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Policy and International Development
This specialism develops skills, expertise and a distinctive voice in relation to education policy and practice, and international development.

You will explore the contribution that education makes to international development and how current theories and agendas in international development, such as human capital theory, human rights and sustainable development, influence education. Different units look at
how educational ideas, theories and practice travel between and are adapted within various countries and contexts. You will identify and analyse the key organisations and mechanisms in the global governance of education, including the role of governments, civil society, international agencies, and commercial factors.

The specialism develops skills for using and conducting international and comparative research in education and analysis of education policy. You will be supported to develop your own views and a distinctive voice on how education contributes to social justice and sustainable development.

This specialism is tailored for individuals with experience in education and/or development, who are working in, or looking to move into, a policy-making, policy-influencing or research role. It is suitable for people working in low, middle or high-income countries, who want to develop an international perspective. The programme attracts a diverse cohort of professionals from across the globe, who bring their unique perspectives and experience to our highly interactive teaching and learning. Graduates from the Bristol Masters programme have gone on to become education ministers, education advisors within international NGOs, designing training for businesses and university-based researchers.

**Programme structure**

**Core units**
- Introduction to Educational Inquiry
- International Development, Comparative Research and Education
- Education, Peace and Sustainable Development
- Education Policy in a Global Context

**Optional units**

Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school.

**Dissertation**

You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

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**Psychology of Education**

The MSc Psychology of Education provides a Masters-level grounding in psychology, with particular attention to its implications for education and other professional practice.

We offer two routes through the Psychology of Education programme; you can complete the programme leading to the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society (BPS), or you can undertake a more flexible programme leading to the Masters degree without accreditation by the BPS. The GBC is an essential entry qualification for professional training in psychology in the UK.

This pathway is suitable if you already hold GBC status, or if you do not intend to work as a psychologist in the UK after graduation. You will study alongside students on the BPS programme and have access to the same units, but you will have more flexibility in your choice of units. You will not be required to undertake work in statistics, and can choose from a wider range of optional units. This programme leads to award of the MSc Psychology of Education, but it will not make you eligible for GBC.

**Programme structure**

**Core units**
- Introduction to Educational Inquiry
- Improving Learning in Science Education
- Professional Development in Science Education
- Developing Research-Engaged Practice in Science Education

**Optional units**

Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school, including the Science Update unit led by specialists from the Faculty of Science.

**Dissertation**

You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

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**Science Education**

This innovative programme offers a broad curriculum for those interested in science and education. The opportunity to explore research across both the physical and natural sciences and within education is to be highly commended. This programme offers science teachers and allied professionals interested in enhancing student learning an excellent basis for professional development, while also proving attractive to others with broad interests.

You will gain a greater understanding of educational research and its relevance to practice in science education as well as the knowledge and confidence needed to implement and evaluate developments, including action research, in your own professional practice.

**Programme structure**

**Core units**
- Introduction to Educational Inquiry
- Improving Learning in Science Education
- Professional Development in Science Education
- Developing Research-Engaged Practice in Science Education

**Optional units**

Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school, including the Science Update unit led by specialists from the Faculty of Science.

**Dissertation**

You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.
Special and Inclusive Education

This programme focuses on inclusive practice and is intended for teachers and other professionals working with students who are experiencing barriers to learning and participation and/or other special educational needs; whether in mainstream, special schools/units, colleges or early years settings.

Supported by current research, practice and theory, the programme is designed to help you develop your knowledge, understanding and critical skills in the analysis and evaluation of current research, theory and practice for pupils experiencing barriers to learning and participation.

The programme will provide you with opportunities to explore a range of areas such as international developments in special/inclusive education, how to work with and involve parents and children, the school’s role in promoting inclusion, and a range of topics that arouse controversy and debate in the area of special needs.

This pathway is designed for professionals who have experience of working in the field.

Teaching and Learning

This pathway provides you with the opportunity to build your own flexible programme. In common with other MSc Education students, you will take the compulsory research methods unit, Introduction to Educational Inquiry, and write a dissertation. You can choose the rest of your units from across the programmes offered by the Graduate School of Education. Your final choice of units will follow consultation with tutors in order to ensure that your choice is as coherent and useful as possible, as well as suiting your individual needs.

This programme is particularly suitable for those who already hold Masters-level credits from a teaching qualification (eg PGCE) and who want to build on this foundation for their professional development.

Programme structure

Core units

- Introduction to Educational Inquiry
- How Schools Can Respond to Diversity and to Pupils’ Special Needs
- Controversial Issues in Special and Inclusive Education
- Inclusive Education and Working with Parents/Carers

Optional units

Students studying this programme will be able to take optional units from across the school.

Dissertation

You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Entry requirements

A UK honours degree (or equivalent) and a year’s appropriate professional experience. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

The Graduate School of Education offers nine MSc Education pathways

Graduate School of Education

Awards available MSc

Duration of programme

One year full-time; two to five years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile

E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places

Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £14,900

Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a

Funding

Please see p2

Website

bristol.ac.uk/education/programmes/masters

Possible start dates

September 2016

Application deadline

Not fixed but early application is advised

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Education Management (Hong Kong)

Our Masters in Education programme attracts high-achieving participants interested in a wide range of aspects of management and policy who want to know how learning can be enhanced through a greater knowledge and understanding of leadership and management concepts. This Masters (MSc) degree is designed for individuals from diverse educational backgrounds and establishments, and from other professions, united by a commitment to developing their understanding of the theory, research and policy of leadership and management in education.

This programme will support you by developing your knowledge and understanding, prepare you for further research, and provide a firm foundation for developing your career in education and associated disciplines. It is an opportunity for critical reflection on what you already know and for discussion of new ideas and opportunities.

This programme is delivered in Bristol and Hong Kong. Once registered, students must take units either in Bristol or Hong Kong and cannot combine attendance between countries.

Programme structure
The programme is delivered in a structure of six intensively taught units and a 15,000-word dissertation.

Units include:
• Introduction to Educational Inquiry
• Managing People in Education
• Contemporary Perspectives on Learning
• Quality and Improvement in Education

You may also be interested in our Doctorate in Education Management (Hong Kong).

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification, plus appropriate professional experience in education.

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Applications
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Education – Psychology of Education (BPS)

The MSc Psychology of Education provides a Masters-level grounding in psychology, with particular attention to its implications for education and other professional practice.

We offer two routes through the Psychology of Education programme; you can opt to complete the programme leading to the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership (GBC) of the British Psychological Society (BPS), or you can undertake a more flexible programme which leads to award of the Masters in Education (Psychology) degree without accreditation by the BPS.

After successfully completing the BPS route of the MSc Psychology of Education, students will be eligible to apply to the BPS for the Graduate Basis for Chartered Membership and for the further professional training accredited by the BPS, and may go on to work towards careers in educational psychology, clinical psychology, occupational psychology, counselling psychology or neuropsychology, or engage in doctoral-level research. Entry to all of these is very competitive, but our MSc graduates have historically been very successful candidates for EdD, DEdPsych, PhD and DClinPsy courses.

After completing the MSc programme, you will typically spend at least a year building up relevant experience, for example working with special needs pupils or with vulnerable clients, before making a successful application to a professional training programme. For more information on Psychology careers and accredited courses, please see guidance from the BPS.

This programme is available on a full-time or a part-time basis.

Programme structure

Core units
These are required for BPS accreditation
- Brain, Mind and Education
- Cognition and Learning
- The Psychology of Individual Differences
- Developmental Psychology
- Introduction to Educational Inquiry
- Social and Socio-Cultural Psychology
- Statistics in Education

Optional units
For students seeking BPS accreditation, there is only one optional unit. This remaining unit must be taken from one of the following:
- Controversial Issues in Special and Inclusive Education
- Counselling Young People and Families
- Developing Thinking
- Inclusive Education and Working with Parents/Carers
- Issues in Neuroscience and Education
- Multivariate Statistical Methods in Education

Dissertation
You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Entry requirements
A UK honours degree (second-class honours or international equivalent); and either a substantial academic background (at least 60 credits at undergraduate level) in Psychology, or significant work experience in an area relevant to psychology.

One year's appropriate professional experience relevant to psychology; for example work in schools or settings for vulnerable clients.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Graduates of this programme can apply for the Graduate Basis of Chartered Membership of the British Psychological Society

Graduate School of Education
Awards available MSc
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two to five years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile
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(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,300; overseas £14,900
Part-time: UK/EU: £3,150

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/education/programmes/masters

Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Education – Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

This flexible programme has been developed for teachers and other TESOL professionals (e.g., inspectors, curriculum developers) and for those planning to undertake doctoral study in TESOL/Applied Linguistics. The programme is part of the Graduate School of Education provision in the TESOL/Applied Linguistics field, which also includes an EdD Pathway, and a PhD programme.

The programme particularly values the professional experience that participants bring to the course and it provides a learning context where you can reflect on:

• your professional practice;
• the policies and diverse contextual factors which frame it;
• the theoretical frameworks which inform it.

Programme structure

Core units
- Analysing Language for TESOL
- Pedagogy and Curriculum in TESOL
- Research Methods for TESOL
- Second Language Learning

Optional units
Units include:
- Globalisation and the Politics of English
- Intercultural Pragmatics and Communication
- Language Testing and Assessment
- Teaching and Assessing Fluency and Pronunciation

Dissertation
You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent); a minimum of one year’s classroom teaching, or other relevant and related experience; and a commitment to postgraduate learning in TESOL/Applied Linguistics.

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Applications
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Educational Research

The MSc Educational Research aims to provide the methodological, analytical and practical expertise required to become a competent educational researcher. This is an Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) recognised programme and also one of the research training pathways that make up the South West Doctoral Training Centre. The programme is aimed at aspiring researchers, who wish to gain a Masters qualification in six units (120 credits points) and a dissertation (60 credit points) that will cover the required preparatory training to support a PhD application; it also provides ESRC-approved research training for PhD candidates, who are required to take four core units (80 credit points). The MSc Educational Research will appeal to applicants who are interested in developing a career in educational research and professionals working in education institutions and organisations that require research knowledge and skills.

Programme structure

Core units

• Core Skills in Educational Research (not assessed)
• Understanding Educational Research
• Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
• Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
• Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences

Optional units

• Advanced Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
• Advanced Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences

You will also complete a 15,000-word dissertation.

Entry requirements

A UK honours degree (upper second-class honours or international equivalent) and a year’s appropriate professional experience.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

This programme provides four ESRC-approved research training units required for advancing to PhD

Graduate School of Education
Awards available MSc
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two to five years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places Not fixed
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £14,900
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/education
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised
Environment, Energy and Resilience

This interdisciplinary pathway explores the interface between environment, energy and resilience by engaging the latest critical thinking on risk, regulation, policy and the environmental sciences. We aim to train social science researchers who understand the impacts of living with environmental change, the uncertainties of environmental change and the diverse responses needed to foster behaviours, practices and policies that promote sustainability and resilience.

On this programme you will receive ESRC-accredited research methods training on planning, researching and writing a sophisticated dissertation. You will be encouraged to think in broad theoretical and interdisciplinary terms about challenging environmental issues.

Developing your ability to engage in broader social and environmental understanding, the programme will provide an ideal introduction not only to academic research but also to working for environmental NGOs, government agencies, or similar organisations.

Programme structure

Core units

- Advanced Interdisciplinary Research Design
- Contemporary Debates in Environment, Energy and Resilience

Optional units

These can be taken at either Bristol, Bath or Exeter. Please see our website for details of the units available at the universities of Bath and Exeter.

Please note: this is a selection of units offered at Bristol. Please see website for more options. Not all units are available each academic year.

- Environmental Politics
- Environmental Policy and Politics after Neoliberalism

Environmental Law
- Climate Change: Science and Impacts
- An Introduction to GIS and Remote Sensing for Environmental Policy and Management
- Mobility, Migration and the Environment
- Theories of Development
- Conflict, Security and Development
- Policy Processes and Policy Research
- Contemporary Political and Social Action
- International Human Rights Law
- Regulation
- Company Law
- Corporate Governance
- Globalisation and Culture
- Regulation of Financial Markets and Institutions
- Poverty, Social Exclusion and Social Policy

Dissertation

Over the summer you will complete a research based-dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from the school.

Entry requirements

A high honours degree (or equivalent) from a relevant discipline.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Environmental Policy and Management

This programme is aimed at talented graduates seeking to enter, or upgrade their expertise, in the fields of environmental management, policy, protection, and advocacy. The demanding curriculum develops skills and knowledge needed for professional employment in the public, private, and third sectors, including consultancies and non-governmental organisations.

The programme is provided by the School of Geographical Sciences, the top-ranked geography department in the UK and a world-leading centre for research and teaching in environmental processes, systems and the social sciences.

The programme is closely affiliated with the University of Bristol's Cabot Institute, which brings together multidisciplinary research into all aspects of global environmental change.

Programme structure

Core units taught by social scientists provide training in corporate governance and risk management; public policymaking for environmental protection; and the use of social statistics.

Natural scientists introduce students to fundamentals of climate science and to the analytical techniques of geographical information systems (GIS) and remote sensing.

You then complete an independent research dissertation, on an environmental topic of your choice.

Core units

- Corporate Environmental Management
- Environmental Policy and Politics
- Climate Change: Science and Impacts
- Introduction to GIS and Remote Sensing for Environmental Policy and Management
- Practical Statistics for Use in Research and Policy

Optional units

You will take one option from the following list:
- Migration, Mobility and the Environment
- Violent Environments
- Urbanisation and Global Development

Optional units are subject to availability and revision, and vary each year.

Dissertation

You will complete a research dissertation of 15,000 words.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

The School of Geography has been ranked number one for Geography research in the UK (REF 2014)

School of Geographical Sciences

Awards available MSc

Duration of programme

One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, 'How to apply', p15)

Number of places 30

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,500; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,250; overseas n/a

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/geo

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline 1 June 2016
Ethnicity and Multiculturalism

This programme is principally concerned with explaining the importance of ethnicity and multiculturalism, 'race', racism, diaspora and communalism in contemporary societies. It has a particular focus on the nature of multicultural and multiethnic societies, the issues surrounding culture in a modern and postmodern world, and the growing public policy implications of addressing ethnic, cultural, linguistic and religious diversity within modern nation-states.

It also examines the discrimination, exclusion, marginality and unfair treatment of minority groups, and the violation of their civil rights in different societies. The politics of multiculturalism and citizenship, and their implications for public policy, are closely examined.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:
- MSc Contemporary Identities
- MSc Social Science Research Methods (Sociology)
- MSc Social and Cultural Theory
- MSc Sociology

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- Theories of Ethnicity and Racism
- Dissertation

Optional units
You will also choose at least four further units from a list of Sociology units which may include following (teaching provision changes each year):
- Qualitative Social Research
- Quantitative Social Research
- Diversity and Citizenship in Europe
- Global Ethnicities
- Globalisation and Culture
- International Migration
- Narrating the Self
- Contemporary Political and Social Action
- Contemporary Sociological Theory
- Philosophy of Social Science
- Sociology of Pop Music
- Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
- Social Class in Contemporary Society
- Classics of Modern Cultural Theory
- Understanding Culture
- Religion Ethnicity and Value Change

One option (maximum) from the school’s remaining Politics optional units offered in the academic year.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in an appropriate subject.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
Explore the importance of ethnicity and multiculturalism, ‘race’, racism, diaspora and communalism in contemporary societies

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies

Awards available MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places 18
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a

Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivemsc
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 31 July 2016
European and Global Governance

This programme allows you to engage with the study of Europe from a variety of perspectives – the domestic, the regional/supranational, and the global. It draws on theories of international relations, comparative politics and European integration, as well as dealing with some of the biggest practical political challenges facing Europe today.

The programme also allows you to develop your knowledge of European politics by engaging with subjects that stretch beyond the European continent, by focusing, for example, on international security, development or globalisation; or alternatively by specialising in European Studies.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:
- MSc International Relations
- MSc International Security
- MSc International Development
- MSc Gender and International Relations
- MSc Development and Security

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units, six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- Comparative European Politics
- The European Union: Theories, Institutions and Policies
- Theories of International Relations

Optional units
You will choose no more than three optional units; below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available).
- Conflict, Security and Development
- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- Masculinities and IR
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- Research Methods
- Military and Militarisation
- Discourse Analysis
- Politics of Genocide
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- The Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear Insecurity

A list of current units is available at bristol.ac.uk/spais.

Third Term
Independent study for dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent). Degrees from all disciplines are considered. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
This programme allows you to engage with the study of European and global governance from a variety of perspectives.

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies
Awards available MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 50
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £7,300; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,650; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 31 July 2016
Finance and Investment

This programme is designed to provide you with a thorough grounding in the theoretical and practical sides of finance. It contains compulsory elements in Asset Pricing, Corporate Finance, and Quantitative Methods and offers optional units in areas including Derivatives, Investment Management and International Finance. The programme provides excellent preparation for careers in investment management, financial research, trading, consulting and corporate finance, and for further academic study in finance.

The programme is suited for individuals with good undergraduate degrees in Economics or Accounting and Finance, but a pathway through the programme also exists for those with more scientific backgrounds (e.g., an undergraduate education in Mathematics, Engineering or Natural Sciences). The programme structure is also flexible enough for you to specialise in that area of finance which suits you best.

Programme structure

Core units

- Asset Pricing
- Corporate Finance and Financial Statements
- Quantitative Methods for Finance and Investment

You must also select one of the following:

- Applied Economics
- Economics for Finance and Management
- International Financial Accounting (you must take this unit if you wish to take Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation as an option in the second term)
- Microeconomics

Optional units

You are required to choose four units from the following list of options:

- Advanced Corporate Finance
- Banking
- Behavioural Finance
- Cases in Financial Management
- Derivatives
- Financial Statement Analysis and Valuation (International Financial Accounting is a compulsory prerequisite for this unit)
- International Finance
- Investment Management
- Quantitative Finance

Unit availability is subject to staffing and timetable constraints. Please note: the number of available places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation

The MSc is completed with a research-based dissertation. This involves identifying and analysing a research question in finance under the guidance of a member of staff. The dissertation gives you an opportunity to explore an original problem, source and process the relevant financial data, analyse that data, and learn to draw appropriate conclusions. The results are presented in a final report of up to 15,000 words.

Entry requirements

A first or good upper second-class honours degree in Finance, Accounting, Economics, Business, Mathematics or another quantitative subject, such as Engineering, Physics or Computing (or equivalent). For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Gender and International Relations

This programme interlocks with Bristol’s world-leading research into the gendered character of world politics. It examines and deploys perspectives from feminism, gender studies, cultural studies, and sexuality studies, in conjunction with inter-disciplinary research in international political economy, civil-military relations, international development and the study of men and masculinities.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:

- MSc International Relations
- MSc International Security
- MSc International Development
- MSc Development and Security
- MSc European Governance

The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

**Programme structure**

**Core units**

- Feminisms and International Relations
- International Security or International Political Economy
- Theories of International Relations

**Optional units**

You will choose no more than three optional units, below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available).

- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- Masculinities and IR
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- Research Methods
- Military and Militarisation
- Discourse Analysis
- US Security Policy
- International Human Rights

- Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
- Politics of Genocide
- Japan and East Asia
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
- Social Class in Contemporary Society
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- Liberalism, Terror and the Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear Insecurity
- Theories of Violence
- Global Transitions: Power, Hegemony, and the Ordering of the Global Political Economy

A list of current units is available at bristol.ac.uk/spais.

**Third Term**

Independent study for dissertation.

**Entry requirements**

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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**Applications**

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**Key facts**

**Why choose Bristol?**

This programme interlocks with Bristol’s world-leading research into the gendered character of world politics

**School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies**

**Awards available** MSc, PG Diploma

**Duration of programme**

One year full-time; two years part-time

**Part-time study available?** Yes

**Open to international students?** Yes

**English Language Profile E**

(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

**Number of places** 18

**Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)**

Full-time: UK/EU £7,300; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,650; overseas n/a

**Funding**

Please see p2

**Website**

bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

**Possible start dates** September 2016

**Application deadline** 31 July 2016
Global Political Economy: Transformations and Policy Analysis

This programme is one of five interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered as part of the South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC). This pathway is designed to foreground the dynamics of global transformation and their policy implications, as well as their interrelations with national and regional institutional and social responses to the changing global political and economic order.

The pathway encourages you to analyse the diverse experiences and impacts of economic globalisation, examine relationships between global governance and inequality, and to understand that analysis and resolution of many of the key problems that confront humanity in the 21st century require new and interdisciplinary academic approaches, innovative methods and policy agendas, as well as creative thinking and transnationally comparative datasets.

Programme structure

Core units

• Advanced Interdisciplinary Research Design
• Global Transformations – Issues and Trajectories

Optional units

These can be taken at either Bristol or Bath.

Units available at Bath
• The Politics of Policy: Actors, Arenas and Conflict in International Perspective
• International Development and Poverty
• Wellbeing and Human Development: Concepts, Measurements and Policy

Dissertation

Over the summer you will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from the school.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a related field.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Contact for further information

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

This programme encourages students to apply an interdisciplinary approach to many of the key problems of the 21st century.

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies

Awards available MRes

Duration of programme

One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes; but may require daytime weekday attendance

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073; overseas n/a

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline

Funded places: February 2016 (ESRC and Bristol funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Non-funded places: 1 July 2016
Health and Wellbeing

This collaborative, interdisciplinary pathway brings together key academics within the South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) who possess research and teaching strengths in the broad area of health and wellbeing, in particular, lifestyle behaviours and public health.

Students on this pathway acquire a range of skills to develop and evaluate interventions and strategies to improve health behaviour. Your work will make a major impact on understandings of the social science underpinnings of avoidable health problems, and will build research capacity at the interface of biomedical and social sciences within and beyond academia.

All students have one supervisor whilst working on their dissertation representing a disciplinary perspectives on health and wellbeing.

Programme structure

Core units

• Advanced Interdisciplinary Research Design
• Contemporary Debates in Lifestyle Behaviours and Public Health

Optional units

These can be taken at either Bristol, Bath or Exeter. Please see our website for details on the units offered by the Universities of Bath and Exeter. Please note: units may be subject to change.

Units available at Bristol:

• Researching Health and Social Care
• Further Qualitative Methods
• Researching Child and Family Welfare
• Physical Activity, Disease and Public Health
• Nutrition, Disease and Public Health
• Determinants of Physical Activity and Eating Behaviour
• Physical Activity and Nutrition Interventions: Conceptualisation and Design
• Inclusive Research with Disabled People
• Psychological Statistics and research tools
• Neuropsychological analysis tools
• Nutrition and behaviour
• Neuropsychiatry
• Social psychology and Individual Differences

For more information please see www.swdtc.ac.uk/prospectivestudents/healthandwellbeingpathway.

Dissertation

Over the summer you will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from one of the centres in the school.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree in a related field or equivalent qualification.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

Brings together key academics within the South West Doctoral Training College

School for Policy Studies

Awards available MRes

Duration of programme

One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes; but part-time study may require daytime weekday attendance

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile B

(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073; overseas n/a

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/fssl/swdtc

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline

Funded places: February 2016 (ESRC and Bristol funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Non-funded places: 1 July 2016
Human Geography – Society and Space

Human geography is a dynamic discipline with profound influence on current debates in the social sciences and humanities. Human geographers focus on the critical study of the relationships between space and society, in particular the interconnection between environment, place and identity, knowledge, globalization processes, social justice, and a variety of other themes of crucial relevance in our contemporary world.

This programme is world-leading in the field. It provides you with a rigorous grounding in social theory and mainstream debates and techniques in human geography. It also offers a thorough training in qualitative and quantitative methods.

The programme equips you for careers in high-level public research, business and the creative industries, and provides outstanding academic training for prospective PhD students and for those seeking a Masters-level qualification.

The programme is also closely linked to the University of Bristol Cabot Institute, which brings together multidisciplinary research into all aspects of global environmental change.

Programme structure

Core units

- Experimental Geographical Methods: Practising Post-humanism in Social Research
- Theorising Society and Space
- Researching Society and Space: Hermeneutics, Genealogy, and Critical Theory

Optional units

Topics vary each year but may include:

- Affect/Biopolitics/Technologies
- Explanation, Causation, and Longitudinal Analysis

Dissertation

You will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words. You begin work on the dissertation in May and submit by the middle of September.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in an appropriate subject.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Contact for further information

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
International Development

This programme is designed to assist a wide range of people involved in conceptualising or administering policies that aim at a sustainable and substantial level of development in the world’s poorer countries. It is especially suitable for those already involved in planning development strategies, those currently working for non-governmental organisations (NGOs) in the development field, and those planning a career in development.

The programme combines an intellectual, academic approach with policy-oriented, empirical studies of development, addressing three interrelated facets of the development process:
- Analysis of what ‘development’ means.
- Studying the processes of planning (external aid, regional disparities, environmental factors, poverty, and industrialisation).
- Examining how development policies may be delivered and administered, analysing the importance of effective political and bureaucratic structures, and evaluating the contributions of NGOs and other external bodies.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:
- MSc International Relations
- MSc International Security
- MSc Gender and International Relations
- MSc Development and Security
- MSc European Governance

Programme structure

Core units
- Conflict, Security and Development
- International Political Economy
- Theories of Development

Optional units
You will choose no more than three optional units; below is an example of units you may choose from (subject to availability).
- Small Business Development
- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Development Skills in Practice
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- International Development Organisations
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- Military and Militarisation
- International Human Rights
- Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
- Politics of Genocide
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- The Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear Insecurity
- Theories of Violence
- Global Transitions: Power, Hegemony, and the Ordering of the Global Political Economy

A list of current units is available at bristol.ac.uk/spais.

Third Term

Independent study for dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in an appropriate subject.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
This programme is especially suitable for those already involved in development strategies or NGOs

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies

Awards available MSc, PG Diploma

Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places 36

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £7,300; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,650; overseas n/a

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline 31 July 2016

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
International Relations

This programme presents a broad assessment of contemporary international relations and integrates theoretical approaches with the study of many cases and issues. It also explores the ways in which the line between the domestic and international is blurred by trade, financial, environmental, strategic, ideological, cultural and ethical issues. The programme promotes a close-knit student community with easy access to staff who give teaching and supervision a high priority while maintaining high-quality research.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:
- MSc International Security
- MSc International Development
- MSc Gender and International Relations
- MSc Development and Security
- MSc European Governance

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- International Political Economy
- International Security
- Theories of International Relations

Optional units
You will choose no more than three optional units; below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available).
- Conflict, Security and Development
- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Development Skills in Practice
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- Masculinities and IR
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- Research Methods

- Military and Militarisation
- Discourse Analysis
- US Security Policy
- International Human Rights
- Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
- Politics of Genocide
- Japan and East Asia
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- The Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear Insecurity
- Theories of Violence
- Global Insecurity
- Global Transitions: Power, Hegemony, and the Ordering of the Global Political Economy

A list of current units is available at bristol.ac.uk/spais.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
The school promotes a close-knit student community with easy access to staff who give teaching and supervision a high priority while maintaining high-quality research.

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies

Awards available
- MSc, PG Diploma

Duration of programme
- One year full-time; two years part-time
- Part-time study available? Yes
- Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile
E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places
50

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
- Full-time: UK/EU £7,300; overseas £15,500
- Part-time: UK/EU £3,650; overseas n/a

Funding
Please see p2

Website
bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

Possible start dates
September 2016

Application deadline
31 July 2016
International Security

We are confronted by a growing number of new threats in international security ranging from civil war, terrorism and transnational crime to the proliferation of weapons of mass destruction.

This programme provides students with a theoretical and empirical understanding of the international security environment of the post-Cold War era, including the origins of conflicts and peace, the emergence of new security threats and the multiplicity of actors involved in conflict prevention, peacekeeping and peacemaking. It aims to be empirically relevant by teaching students how to apply theoretical concepts to contemporary conflicts and current affairs.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:

MSc Development and Security
MSc European Governance
MSc Gender and International Relations
MSc International Development
MSc International Relations

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- International Security
- Security Governance
- Theoretical Approaches in Security Studies

Optional units
You will choose no more than three optional units; below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available):
- Conflict, Security and Development
- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Development Skills in Practice
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- Masculinities and IR
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- Military and Militarisation
- US Security Policy
- International Human Rights
- Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
- Politics of Genocide
- Japan and East Asia
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- Care, Labour and Gender: International Policy Development
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- Liberalism, Terror and the Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear Insecurity
- Theories of Violence
- Global Transitions: Power, Hegemony, and the Ordering of the Global Political Economy

A list of current units is available at bristol.ac.uk/spais.

Third Term
Independent study for dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification). Degrees from all disciplines are considered.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
This programme provides students with an understanding of the new international security environment

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies
Awards available MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile
E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 36
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £7,300; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,650; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 31 July 2016

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Law (MA)

This programme is an accelerated, fast-track, senior status postgraduate degree in Law. The specially devised curriculum builds on the fact that you will have already benefited from a university level education by enabling you to acquire a qualifying law degree in only 21 months, rather than the three years it would normally take to obtain an LLB.

The programme is carefully structured to cover the foundation areas of legal knowledge and to develop your core legal skills, while providing an opportunity for further specialist study. The MA in Law is recognised by the Law Society and the Bar Council as a qualifying law degree for practice in England and Wales.

Programme structure

**Year One**

**Core units**
- Law of Contract
- Land Law
- Law of Tort
- Public Law

These units are assessed by examination in the summer and coursework during the year, except Public Law which is assessed by coursework only.

**Year Two**

**Core units**
- Constitutional and Substantive Law of the EU
- Criminal Law and Criminal Justice
- Law of Personal Property and Trusts
- One unit from any of the LLM programmes or a research project

The Law School is one of the most prestigious in the UK – so many accomplished people come to teach and give lectures.

**Emily**
MA Law

**Entry requirements**
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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**Key facts**

**Why choose Bristol?**
A unique curriculum enables students holding a University degree to obtain a qualifying law degree in only 21 months

**University of Bristol Law School**

**Awards available** MSc, PG Diploma

**Duration of programme**
One year full-time; two years part-time

**Part-time study available?** Yes

**Open to international students?** Yes

**English Language Profile**
E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

**Number of places** 50

**Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)**
Full-time: UK/EU £7,900; overseas £15,100
Part-time: UK/EU £3,950

**Funding** Please see p2

**Website** bristol.ac.uk/law

**Possible start dates** September 2016

**Application deadline** 31 July 2016

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**Applications**
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Law (LLM)

The University of Bristol LLM offers a variety of possibilities to study law at an advanced level and the opportunity to specialise in particular areas. There are a number of specialist programmes enabling you to study a set of related units that, together, provide a more in-depth knowledge and understanding of those themes.

Alternatively, you can opt for a broader and more general set of unit choices. In all cases, you are encouraged to explore at a deeper level your chosen areas of law and to see how those legal fields operate in different contexts, considering the relevant issues theoretically and practically and from a range of perspectives. This is an exciting and stimulating set of degree programmes being offered, each of which prepares you well for many different possible careers. If you have an interest in studying law at a level beyond your undergraduate degree and are seeking to enhance your analytical, research and legal writing skills, you will find Bristol's LLM to be a challenging and rewarding experience. We have a large and vibrant international community of LLM students at Bristol.

Commercial Law

This programme offers you an opportunity to engage in intensive study of specialist commercial and industrial topics. You may wish to concentrate on European commercial issues, international trade, or aspects of domestic commerce. It provides a solid foundation for anyone wishing to enter the legal professions.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes:

- Banking Law
- Company Law
- Competition Law of the EU
- Corporate Governance in the UK and US
- EU Trade Law
- European Contract Law
- Global Perspectives on Corporate Governance
- Individual Employment Rights
- Information Technology Law
- Insolvency Law
- Intellectual Property
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Commercial Litigation
- International Corporate Finance
- International Law of Trade and Aid
- International Public Contract Law
- Law of E-Commerce
- Privacy Law
- Regulation of Financial Markets and Institutions
- Secured Transactions Law
- World Trade Law

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Assessment is by examinations in the summer term. Some units are also assessed via a coursework component.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of Commercial Law, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

European Legal Studies

This programme offers a range of units which give you the opportunity to study the internal workings of the European Union and the ever-increasing penetration of Community law into the national legal orders of the Member States.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes, or two units from the following list and two from the LLM in International Law.

- Competition Law of the EU
- Constitutional and Substantive Law of the EU
- Democracy and Legitimacy in the EU
- Environmental Law
- European Contract Law
- EU Trade Law
- European Human Rights Law
- International Commercial Litigation
- International Public Contract Law

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Assessment is by examination in the summer term. Some units are also assessed via coursework.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of European Legal Studies, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.
General Legal Studies

This programme offers one of the widest choices of units available in any UK postgraduate law programme. You may choose from any of the units on the specialist LLM programmes. Certain units may, however, require prior or contemporaneous study of some other unit(s). The programme gives you a chance to explore a broad range of legal areas and opens doors to a variety of legal and other careers within the UK and in the rest of the world.

Programme structure

Core units

If you are from a non-common law background, you may choose one of the following core units:
- Constitutional and Substantive Law of the EU
- Criminal Law and Criminal Justice
- Land Law
- Law of Contract
- Law of Personal Property and Trusts
- Law of Tort
- Public Law

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Part One

You will study four units over the autumn, spring and summer terms, with assessment by examinations in the summer term. Some units will also be assessed via coursework.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of your LLM programme, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One, you start work on your dissertation, for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

Human Rights Law

This programme offers a range of units suitable both for those with some previous knowledge of human rights law and for those seeking an introduction to specific human rights law issues. Many of our graduates go into legal careers specialising in human rights law and a number go on to work for non-governmental organisations or international organisations such as the United Nations.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes:
- Human Rights in Law, Politics and Society
- European Human Rights Law
- Individual Employment Rights
- International Law and Human Rights
- International Law and the Use of Force
- International Law of Labour and Welfare Rights
- Privacy Law: Theory and Practice

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Assessment is by examination in the summer term. Some units are also assessed via coursework.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of Human Rights Law, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

International Commercial Law

The International Commercial Law programme offers you an opportunity to engage in intensive study of specialist international and commercial topics. The international law units may be chosen from topics within the field of private international law and the commercial law topics within this programme have content that includes an international element, such as international trade. The programme will appeal to international students and to students who wish to combine their areas of specialism.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes:
- Carriage of Goods
- Corporate Governance in the UK and US
- EU Trade Law
- Global Perspectives on Corporate Governance
- Intellectual Property
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Commercial Litigation
- International Corporate Finance
- International Law of Trade and Aid
- International Public Contract Law
- Law of E-Commerce
- Regulation of Financial Markets and Institutions
- Secured Transactions Law

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Assessment is by examination in the summer term. Some units are also assessed via a coursework component.
LLM programmes

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of International Commercial Law, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

International Law

This programme offers a range of units, suitable both for those with some previous knowledge and for those seeking an introduction to specific international law issues. It provides you with a strong foundation for a broad range of careers that involve an international law perspective. Graduates go on to act as solicitors, barristers, as well as lawyers and researchers in international and European Organisations such as the UN or the European Commission.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes, or two units from the following and two from the LLM in European Legal Studies.

- International Commercial Litigation
- International Commercial Arbitration
- International Law and the Use of Force
- International Law and Human Rights
- International Law General Principles
- International Law of Labour and Welfare Rights
- International Law of the Sea
- International Law of Trade and Aid
- World Trade Law

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Assessment is by examination in the Summer Term. Some units are also assessed via coursework.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of International Law, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

Labour Law and Corporate Governance

This programme offers a range of units for those wishing to examine these issues from a broad perspective, both economic and socio-political. The units cover the international legal framework, trade, employment and human rights, from both a practical and a theoretical perspective. The programme opens doors to a wide variety of future career possibilities in law, finance and global governance.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes:

- Company Law
- Corporate Governance in the UK and US
- Global Perspectives on Corporate Governance
- Individual Employment Rights
- International Corporate Finance
- International Law of Labour and Welfare Rights
- International Public Contract Law
- Law, Globalisation and Economic Development

Law and Globalisation

This programme offers a range of units for those wishing to examine these issues from a broad perspective, both economic and socio-political. The units cover the international legal framework, trade, employment and human rights, from both a practical and a theoretical perspective.

This programme opens doors to a wide variety of future career possibilities in law, finance and global governance.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes.

- Democracy and Legitimacy in the EU
- Environmental Law
- International Law and Human Rights
- International Law of Labour and Welfare Rights
- International Law of Trade and Aid
- International Public Contract Law
- Law, Globalisation and Economic Development
- World Trade Law
• Migration Law and Policy – International, European and Human Rights Dimensions

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of Law and Globalisation, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

Public Law

The Public Law programme offers a range of units which explore issues in public policy and the law. The focus is on the relationship between the pressures that operate within particular areas of public policy, and the role of law both in setting the framework for decision-making and as a tool for achieving policy goals. The programme may lead to careers in areas ranging from local government to European institutions as well the legal profession.

Programme structure

Part One

You may study four units from the following, or three units from the following with a further unit chosen from any of the other LLM programmes.

• Democracy and Legitimacy in the EU
• Environmental Law
• EU International Relations Law
• European Human Rights Law
• General Principles of International Law
• Human Rights in Law, Politics and Society
• International Public Contract Law
• Law, Gender and Sexuality
• Miscarriages of Justice

Please note that unit choices are subject to change depending on staff availability.

Assessment is by examination in the summer term. Some units are also assessed via coursework.

Part Two

In the Spring Term, you will choose a topic for a 12,000-word dissertation within the field of Public Law, for approval by the Law School. After passing Part One of the programme, you start work on your dissertation for submission by mid-September. You must pass both parts to obtain an LLM and may not proceed to Part Two until you have passed Part One.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree in Law or a degree with an adequate law component. International students with equivalent qualifications should supply a transcript of their examination results (an official English translation if the original is in a language other than English).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Management

This is an intensive, one-year, Masters-level programme for graduates with a wide range of subject backgrounds. You will not require any prior academic or practical experience in business or management. The programme is designed to focus in the area of management and may assist career development (via specified pathways), or provide access to a range of management topics (via a generalist pathway).

We aim to guide, teach and develop innovative, creative and entrepreneurial people who can apply management techniques from a range of disciplines. On the programme you will gain insight into the nature of management, the complexity of organisations and how to ethically manage change.

Graduates of this MSc have gone on to work at companies all over the world, including Lloyds TSB, L’Oréal, Prominvest SA, Deutsche Bank, LG Electronics, WHO-US, Hangzhou, Abercrombie & Fitch, and Marks & Spencer.

Programme structure

Core units
- Finance and Accounting for Management
- Organisational Behaviour
- Strategic Management
- Studying Management

Optional units
Four options are chosen from the following:
- Business Ethics
- Electronic Commerce
- International Business
- Leadership
- Managerial Economics
- Marketing Management
- Operations Management
- Organisational Creativity
- Project Management
- Strategic Human Resources Management
- Strategic Management Accounting

Unit availability is subject to change and the number of places on some units may be capped.

Dissertation
The MSc is completed with a project-based dissertation of between 12,000 to 15,000 words. A choice of dissertation subject areas is provided and you will be able to choose from a set of dissertation topics in these broader areas. Many of the dissertations are literature-based and you are expected to acquire and use literature search skills using a range of electronic and traditional sources.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree in any subject (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Previous graduates have gone onto work in a variety of companies all over the world including L’Oréal and Deutsche Bank

School of Economics, Finance and Management
Awards available MSc
Duration of programme
One year full-time
Part-time study available? No
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, 'How to apply', p15)
Number of places Not fixed
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £11,500; overseas £21,200
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/efm
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 1 July 2016
This programme focuses on the promotion and maintenance of diet and activity related health and wellbeing of populations.

There is a clear consensus that new professional and scientific needs are emerging in this field. This programme is one of the first to recognise this need and as such will contribute substantially towards higher-level qualifications in this emerging area.

There is now considerable demand for multi-skilled individuals with knowledge and understanding of research, policy and practice in both nutrition and physical activity. This programme equips you with such skills, as well as providing a unique multi-disciplinary insight into the biological, cultural, political and socioeconomic factors associated with lifestyle-related health behaviours and associated chronic diseases.

The programme is specifically designed for qualified dieticians, physical activity specialists, and other health professionals such as nurses, physiotherapists and occupational therapists who wish to advance themselves in the important area of nutrition- and physical activity-related public health. It is also suitable for newly qualified graduates seeking to develop a career in this area.

Programme structure
Work is assessed through written assignments, presentations, written reports or research proposals. There are no formal examinations. All units are compulsory along with a research dissertation.

Core units
- Determinants of Physical Activity and Eating Behaviour
- Nutrition, Disease and Public Health
- Physical Activity, Disease and Public Health
- Physical Activity and Nutrition Interventions: Conception and Design
- Policy, Promotion and Delivery: Physical Activity and Nutrition Programmes
- Practical Research Methods

Dissertation
During the final term, you complete an original research investigation and dissertation of up to 15,000 words on an approved public health-based topic incorporating nutrition, physical activity or a combination.

Part-time students will be guided in their choice of units for each year of study.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree in a relevant field (or equivalent), although other academic backgrounds and relevant professional experience will be considered. Offers can be made at Diploma level, with upgrade to MSc on successful completion of all taught components of the programme.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
Our centre was rated first overall in the UK for Sport and Exercise Sciences, Leisure and Tourism (REF 2014)

School for Policy Studies
Awards available MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 60
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £16,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/enhs
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 31 August 2016

bristol.ac.uk
Policy Research

Researchers, research managers and policy advisers, as well as service planners, are all faced with a growing need for top-quality research which is timely and relevant. This programme builds on the links between research and policy to develop the skills and capacities needed by policy-oriented researchers, professionals, and postgraduate students interested in carrying out public policy, social policy and social welfare research. We believe this is vital if researchers are to maximise the impact of their work in addressing real issues of concern to policy makers and decision takers.

The programme provides core research training in philosophy and research design in the social sciences, as well as introductions to, and further approaches in, quantitative and qualitative methods in the social sciences. It also offers elective courses in areas of the school’s particular research expertise, notably child and family welfare, gender and violence, health and social care, poverty and social exclusion, and policy-oriented evaluation.

We recognise that students will be joining with relevant, albeit varied, experience. There will, therefore, be opportunities for you not only to draw on your own experiences as researchers, managers and policy advisors but also to share these with other participants on the programme. Those who have recently embarked upon a career in policy research, or who hope to do so, will find the programme offers a unique combination of academic rigour, up-to-date policy content and relevant skills development.

Programme structure

The programme is delivered through a series of intensive three-day block visits held in Bristol so as to be accessible to full-time postgraduate students, busy policy professionals and practitioners alike. Each unit is delivered during one of these blocks, allowing you to accumulate credits flexibly and organise the patterns of visits to suit your own needs and circumstances.

The structure for the MSc and PG Diploma consists of four core and two optional units. A dissertation of 10-15,000 words is required for the MSc. The PG Certificate is awarded for the successful completion of three units (two of which must be mandatory units).

Core units

- Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Further Quantitative Methods

Optional units

- Further Qualitative Methods
- Domestic Violence: Research; Policy and Activism
- Researching Child and Family Welfare
- Researching Poverty, Inequality and Social Inclusion
- Economics of Public Policy

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent). Other qualifications (including those awarded by professional bodies) and relevant professional experience will also be considered. Plus evidence of an ability to benefit from the programme demonstrated through a personal statement. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

The School for Policy Studies is one of the leading centres for Public Policy and Social Policy Research in the UK.

School for Policy Studies

Awards available

MSc, PG Diploma, PG Certificate

Duration of programme

One year full-time; two to five years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile

E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places

20

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £14,900
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a

Funding

Please see p2

Website

bristol.ac.uk/sps/studying/postgraduateprogrammes

Possible start dates

September 2016

Application deadline

Not fixed but early application is advised

Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

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Postgraduate Certificate in Education (Secondary)

The Graduate School of Education is an OFSTED ‘Outstanding Provider’ and offers a one-year programme for graduates leading to the award of PGCE. It caters each year for approximately 220 student teachers training to teach in secondary schools and works in partnership with approximately 60 local schools and colleges; student teachers spend two-thirds of the PGCE year on placement in at least two schools.

The school is also working with two local school alliances supporting School Direct – non-salaried (with PGCE). We welcome applications from graduates with a wide range of experience and backgrounds. Usually two-thirds of our students are graduates of universities other than Bristol. The programme is approved by the National College of Teaching and Leadership (NCTL) and leads to recommendation for Qualified Teacher Status. In its February 2011 report, OFSTED commented that we recruit students who have the ‘suitable attributes to develop into very effective teachers who are easily employed both locally and further afield’.

Successful completion of PG Certificate in Education will give students 60 credit points at Masters level.

Programme structure
The programme’s structure has three major components, though the timetable and approach mean that they are strongly interrelated. These are:
• Curriculum Studies – main subject specialism
• Educational and Professional Studies
• School Experience

Main subjects
The main subjects offered are:
• Citizenship
• English
• Geography
• History
• Mathematics
• Modern Foreign Languages (French, German, Spanish, Italian in specific combinations only)
• Music
• Religious Education
• Science (Biology, Chemistry, Physics)

Entry requirements
Prior to admission to the programme, all students are required by the Department for Education to have:
• at least GCSE or ‘O’ level at grade C or an equivalent overseas qualification in English and Mathematics;
• a degree (with a 2:2 or above) or an equivalent qualification in a subject relevant to the proposed main teaching subject.

It would be helpful if applicants to the PGCE at Bristol could book their Skills Tests as soon as they have made their UCAS Teacher Training application and confirm the date of the tests to us. Candidates will be at an advantage if they have passed the tests by the time they are interviewed.

NB: Equivalence tests for GCSEs will only be considered in exceptional circumstances. Such applications will be assessed and reviewed by the Subject Tutor, Programme Director and PGCE Administration Manager.

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Applications
All applications are made online through UCAS Teacher Training at www.ucas.com/apply/teacher-training, tel 0871 468 0469.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
The Graduate School of Education is an OFSTED ‘Outstanding Provider’

Graduate School of Education
Awards available PGCE
Duration of programme
One year full-time
Part-time study available? No
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E
(Number of places
Dependent on allocation set by the NCTL
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £9,000; overseas £15,600
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/education/students/ite
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline The application cycle will open in November each year. We welcome applications throughout the year but early application is advised

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.
Public Policy

What is public policy? Who are the key actors and what institutions are involved? How is it shaped by, and how does it impact upon, an economic, social and cultural environment which is increasingly globalised? This programme investigates the international public policy environment in terms of global political economy and the impact of business, voluntary sector and public policy agents in the field of multi-level governance. The programme encompasses both a theoretical understanding of the policy process and models of appraisal with a practical orientation to evaluating research evidence.

Programme structure
As well as considering generic policy concerns, the programme allows you the opportunity to choose from a range of substantive policy issues. These include the economics of public policy; poverty and social exclusion; penal policy; cities, housing and public policy; health and public policy; gender violence; and welfare and work. All the programme units consider policy in an international and comparative context.

Core units
You must complete four core units:
• Governance, Institutions and the Global Political Economy
• Informing and Evaluating Policy: Research Methods and Analysis
• Power, Politics and the Policy Process
• Public Management and Organisations

Optional units*
Two units are taken from:
• Cities, Housing and Public Policy
• The Economics of Public Policy
• Gender and Violence: International and Global Perspectives
• Health and Health Care in a Global Context
• An International Analysis of Poverty and Social Exclusion

• Social Policy and Social Change in East Asia
• Critical Policy Studies and the Internationalisation of Public Policy
• The State of Labour
• The Policy and the Politics of Urban Sustainability

*Optional units require a minimum of seven students in order to proceed.

Dissertation
You must complete a dissertation of 15,000 words. The dissertation accounts for 60 credit points. You begin work in late April and must submit by September.

Entry requirements
An upper-second class honours degree or international equivalent.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Security, Conflict and Justice

This programme is one of five South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered in partnership with the Universities of Bath and Exeter.

The programme recognises different disciplinary social scientific research on security, conflict and justice, and how different approaches treat these issues. The programme moves beyond traditional approaches to security studies, complementing these with new perspectives, such as human (in)security more widely (including domestic insecurity and violence), in order to develop better strategies for resolving conflicts and securing social justice. We train researchers equipped with the interdisciplinary skills to impact the research, policy and practice needed to avoid and mitigate security risks.

Programme structure

Core units

- Advanced Interdisciplinary Research Design
- Conceptual Issues in Security, Conflict and Justice

Optional units

These can be taken at Bristol, Bath or Exeter. Please see our website for details on the units offered by the Universities of Bath and Exeter. Please note: these units may be subject to change.

Units available at Bristol include:

- Theoretical Approaches in Security Studies
- International Security
- Feminisms and International Relations
- International Political Economy
- Theories of Development
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- US Security Policy
- International Human Rights
- Sino-US Relations in Global Politics
- East Asia and Global Development
- Japan and East Asia: Socio-Economic Development
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- China in Transition: Development Strategies and Reform
- Global Ethnicities
- Gender Violence: International and Global Perspectives
- Gender Masculinity/ies and International Relations

Dissertation

Over the summer you will complete a research-based dissertation of up to 15,000 words, individually supervised by a member of staff from the school.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree in a related field or equivalent qualification.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Contact for further information

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

This programme will train researchers equipped with the interdisciplinary skills needed to avoid and mitigate security risks.

Awards available MRes

Duration of programme

One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile E

(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073; overseas n/a

Funding

Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline

Funded places: February 2016 (ESRC and Bristol funding application deadline to be confirmed)

Unfunded places: 1 July 2016
Social and Cultural Theory

This programme provides an introduction to a range of debates located within the so-called cultural turn in sociological studies. Increasingly, sociologists are turning to the concept of culture as a source of explanation – and questioning – in their studies of contemporary social formations. Both theoretical and substantive elements of this cultural turn are addressed: on the one hand, the works of key thinkers within social and cultural theory (Pierre Bourdieu, Michel Foucault and others) are explored; on the other, the role of cultural explanations within – among others – theories of race and ethnicity, gender relations and the sociology of religion is given both theoretical and empirical consideration.

These issues are also situated within the framework of analyses and critiques of wider debates and discourses in social and cultural theory on questions such as postmodernism, postfeminism and postcolonialism.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:
- MSc Ethnicity and Multiculturalism
- MSc Social Science Research Methods (Sociology)
- MSc Sociology

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- Understanding Culture
- Dissertation

You will choose no more than four optional units; below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available).
- Contemporary Sociological Theory
- Culture, Postmodernity and Religion
- Globalisation and Culture
- Interpreting Gender
- Narrating the Self
- Philosophy of Social Science
- Qualitative Social Research
- Theories of Ethnicity and Racism
- Global Ethnicities
- Quantitative Social Research
- Care, Labour and Gender
- Popular Music and Society
- Theory and Politics of Multiculturalism
- Social Class in Contemporary Society
- Nations and Nationalism
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- Classics of Modern Cultural Theory
- Religion Ethnicity and Value Change

One option (maximum) from the remaining Politics optional units offered in the academic year: Politics optional units POLIM and SPAIM. See bristol.ac.uk/spais for further information.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Social Science Research Methods (Politics/International Relations)

This MSc provides ESRC-approved research training in politics and international relations. We aim to provide a thorough grounding in practical methodological skills through hands-on experience and the critical exploration of relevant examples and case studies. It is particularly suited to those seeking a career as a social science researcher or proceeding to PhD level, including ESRC-funded doctoral study. The School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies (SPAIS) promotes a close-knit student community with easy access to members of staff who all give teaching and supervision a high priority while maintaining high-quality, high-volume research.

The programme provides thorough theoretical and practical knowledge of the variety of qualitative and quantitative data collection methods available to the social scientist, and the main methods of data analysis. The programme also covers the research process, ethical considerations and social theory. You will be encouraged to apply your methods training to substantive research interests.

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
- Qualitative Social Research
- Quantitative Social Research
- Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences
- Plus at least one from the following list:
  - Philosophy of Social Science
  - Advanced Quantitative Research
  - Advanced Qualitative Research
  - Discourse Analysis: Research Methods for Politics and International Relations
  - Political Research Methods

Optional units
You will choose two optional units in Teaching Block 2. Topics vary each year but may include:
- Conflict, Security and Development
- Gender and Development
- Managing and Evaluating Development
- Development Skills in Practice
- Environmental Politics
- Governing the Global Borderlands
- Foreign Policy Analysis
- Military and Militarisation
- US Security Policy
- International Human Rights
- Sino-US relations in global politics
- Politics of Genocide
- Japan and East Asia
- East Asia, Europe and Global Integration
- IR of China
- European Foreign Policy
- Religion and Politics
- The Politics of Insecurity
- Nuclear insecurity
- Theories of Violence

Dissertation
The summer term is completed with a dissertation.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
This programme is formulated to reflect the training recommended by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC)

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies
Awards available MSc, PG Diploma

Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places 18

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a

Funding
Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 31 July 2016

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Social Science Research Methods (Sociology)

This programme reflects the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies' (SPAIS) expertise in Research Methods and provides comprehensive training in the whole process of research conceptualisation, design and operationalisation. It is especially formulated to reflect the training recommended by the Economic and Social Research Council (ESRC) and has been accredited as a Research Training programme. It is particularly suited for those seeking a career as a social science researcher or proceeding to a PhD, including ESRC-funded doctoral study.

You are given thorough theoretical and practical knowledge of the variety of qualitative and quantitative data collection methods available to the social scientist and of the principal methods of analysing data. The programme also covers the research process, ethical considerations and social theory. You will also be encouraged to apply your methods training to substantive research interests.

Programme structure
The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units
• Qualitative Social Research
• Quantitative Social Research
• Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences

Plus at least one from the following:
• Advanced Quantitative Research
• Advanced Qualitative Research
• Discourse Analysis
• Research Methods

Optional units
You will choose no more than two optional units in Teaching Block 2. Topics vary each year but may include:
• Culture, Postmodernity and Religion
• Global Ethnicities
• Globalisation and Culture
• Interpreting Gender
• Theories of Ethnicity and Racism
• Theory and Politics of Multiculturalism
• Popular Music and Society
• Care, Labour and Gender
• Social Class in Contemporary Society
• Nations and Nationalism
• Religion and Politics
• Understanding Risk
• Classics of Modern Cultural Theory
• Religion Ethnicity and Value Change

Dissertation
The Summer Term is completed with a dissertation. This enables you to pursue an independent, in-depth study, reflecting on the epistemological and methodological issues covered in the taught element of the programme.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
The school promotes a close-knit student community with easy access to members of staff

School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies

Awards available
MSc, PG Diploma

Duration of programme
One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile
E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places
18

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £15,500
Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a

Funding
Please see p2

Website
bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgt

Possible start dates
September 2016

Application deadline
Unfunded applications: 31 July 2016. Those seeking admission under the ESRC should apply by 1 February 2016.
Social Work

This two-year programme is designed for people wishing to qualify and practice as a professional social worker.

Social work is a demanding but highly rewarding profession. As a qualified social worker you will be able to work with children and adults, helping them to be safe and to take control of their lives. You will need to appraise complex, difficult situations, drawing on social science research and social work theories and methods. You will also need a thorough understanding of social policies and of the legal powers and duties that underpin your practice.

This programme combines university-based learning with two extended periods of supervised practice as a student social worker in an agency. The MSc will make you eligible to register with the Health Care Professions Council (HCPC) and practice as a qualified professional social worker.

You will gain an understanding of the structural and personal factors that lead to disadvantage, oppression and discrimination and learn to apply this understanding to your practice. You will develop skills as a reflective practitioner, appraising relevant evidence, including research, to evaluate your own and others’ work, and to contribute to the development of policy and practice.

Programme structure

**First Year**

**Social Work Studies**
- Social Work with Children and Young People
- Social Work with Adults
- Mental Health Social Work
- Housing and Homelessness
- Substance Misuse
- Domestic Violence

**Applied Social Science and Law**
- Human Growth and Development
- Law
- History and Contemporary Context of Social Work

**Second Year**

**Social Work Studies 2**
- Social Work with Children and Families or Social Work with Adults
- Mental Health Social Work
- Child and Adolescent Work Practice
- Community Social Work Practice
- Social Work with Young Offenders

**Research in Social Work**
- Research Methods in Social Work
- Dissertation

**Practice Learning 2**
- Preparation for Practice
- Practice Development Groups
- 100-day practice placement

**Entry requirements**
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any discipline. Relevant social work/social care-related experience (six months full-time, or part-time equivalent). GCSE English and Mathematics grade A-C (or equivalent). For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Graduates of the programme can apply for registration with the Health Care Professions Council.

School for Policy Studies
Awards available MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme Two years full-time
Part-time study available? No
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile B (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 55
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase) Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £14,900
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/sps
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline April 2016. This may be extended subject to the recruitment process

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Social Work Research

Social work has been defined as a profession that ‘promotes social change, problem-solving in human relationships and the empowerment and liberation of people to enhance social justice’. It takes a variety of forms and engages with a range of individuals, groups and communities. The scope of social work research requires researchers to be aware of, and able to engage with, a variety of disciplines in a range of settings.

Social work research does not simply concern the work of social workers. It may also be concerned, for example, with programmes of community development in the context of poverty or interventions to tackle domestic violence and programmes for young offenders. It may focus on the needs of a particular group, such as disabled children or people with severe, long-term mental illness, whether or not they receive social work services. It may draw on theories and research methods from any of the social sciences, including economics, and from law and philosophy.

This programme builds on the links between research and practice in a range of settings in developing the particular skills and capacities needed by practice-based professionals and postgraduate students interested in carrying out social work and social care research.

NB: this programme does not include practical social work training and does not lead to a professional qualification in social work. If you want to study for a qualification in social work practice, please see the MSc in Social Work.

Programme structure

The programme is delivered through a series of intensive, three-day blocks so as to be most accessible to full-time postgraduate students, policy professionals and practitioners.

The structure consists of four core and two optional units. A dissertation is required for the MSc. The PG Certificate is awarded for the successful completion of three units (two of which must be core units).

Core units

- Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Further Qualitative Research

Optional units

Two to be chosen from the following list:
- Further Quantitative Methods
- Domestic Violence: Research, Policy and Activism
- Researching Health and Social Care
- Researching Child and Family Welfare
- Researching Poverty, Inequality and Social Exclusion
- Economics of Public Policy

Entry requirements

- An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a social science or other relevant discipline
- or an upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any subject and a Masters degree in Social Work
- or a professional qualification in social work, substantial relevant experience, and evidence of ability to benefit from the programme demonstrated through a personal statement

NB: a professional social work qualification is not a requirement for admission to the programme.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

The School for Policy Studies is one of the leading centres for Social Work and Social Policy Research in the UK

School for Policy Studies
Awards available MSc, PG Diploma
Duration of programme One year full-time; two to five years part-time
Part-time study available? No
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 20
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase) Full-time: UK/EU £6,100; overseas £14,900 Part-time: UK/EU £3,050; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/sps/studying/postgraduateprogrammes
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Socio-Legal Studies

This programme develops your knowledge and understanding of interdisciplinary approaches to the study of law and legal phenomena. It provides a sound research training for students wishing to proceed to a PhD or a career in socio-legal research through the study of different research methodologies across the social sciences and law. You will pursue independent, in-depth study in socio-legal studies, engaging in lively debates in a thriving research culture across social sciences and law.

A range of units is offered, suitable for graduates from any discipline who have an interest in the way law works (or fails to work) in society. Methods of assessment may include essays, presentations and/or written examinations, depending on the optional subject(s) chosen, together with the dissertation.

The MSc offers useful preparation for a number of careers. The first of these is academic work, often after the completion of a doctoral degree. The emphasis on practical research training, on the ability to plan, research and write a sophisticated dissertation, and on the ability to think in broad theoretical terms about law in society, provide an ideal introduction to academic research. A second possible career for which the degree is an ideal preparation is that of working for an NGO or other organisation working for legal or social change. The skills of research and writing which are central to the programme are invaluable for work of this kind. A third possibility is working within government, again through the development of rigorous research training skills and the ability to engage in broader social understanding. Finally, some students choose to enter the legal profession carrying with them a broader understanding of the way law operates within society.

Programme structure

Core units

Three units in the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies:
- Philosophy and Research Design in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Qualitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences
- Introduction to Quantitative Research Methods in the Social Sciences

Two units in the University of Bristol Law School:
- Advanced Legal and Socio-Legal Research Methods
- Social and Legal Theory

Optional units

You will take optional subjects from across most of the Faculty of Social Sciences and Law and beyond. Some units are designed especially for the MSc by the School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies; units in the Law School are taken alongside LLM students.

Dissertation

The dissertation should build upon the optional unit(s) and develop the approaches taken in the core units. You will be expected to demonstrate an ability to:
- frame a research question and use an appropriate methodology in response to it;
- organise discussion and select material pertinent to the topic;
- show appropriate higher-level knowledge and understanding of the background context.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) in any discipline. A background in law is not essential; training will be given during the programme. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
This interdisciplinary programme aims to develop your understanding of the study of law and legal phenomena.

University of Bristol Law School

Awards available MSc
Duration of programme One year full-time; two years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes, but requires daytime weekday attendance
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile B (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 20
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase) Full-time: UK/EU £6,300; overseas £14,500 Part-time: UK/EU £3,150; overseas n/a
Funding Please see p2
Website bristol.ac.uk/law
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline 1 September 2016

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Sociology

This programme offers you the opportunity to extend your core sociological knowledge and understanding. It also serves to consolidate familiarity with the discipline for those coming from related subject degree backgrounds, but without specialised knowledge of sociology.

The key learning goals are the development of critical use and comprehension of social theory, a grounding in methodologies and techniques of enquiry, and a focus on distinctive, substantive sociological topics, such as ethnicity, multiculturalism, gender, sexuality, religion and culture. The dissertation gives you the opportunity to pursue a sociological project of your choice in greater depth, while still providing close academic supervision.

You may also be interested in our related programmes:

- MSc Ethnicity and Multiculturalism
- MSc Social Science Research Methods (Sociology)
- MSc Social and Cultural Theory
- MSc Contemporary Identities

Programme structure

The MSc programme comprises six 12-week taught units and six assessed essays, followed by a dissertation.

Core units

- Contemporary Social Theory
- Dissertation (MSc only)

and

- Qualitative Social Research and Advanced Qualitative Research and / or
- Quantitative Social Research and Advanced Quantitative Research

Optional units

You will choose no more than three optional units; below is an example of units you may choose from (these change every year, so the units below may not be available).

- Culture, Postmodernity and Religion
- Global Ethnicities
- Globalisation and Culture
- Interpreting Gender
- Narrating the Self
- Theories of Ethnicity and Racism
- Theory and Politics of Multiculturalism
- Popular Music and Society
- Care, Labour and Gender
- Social Class in Contemporary Society
- Nations and Nationalism
- Religion and Politics
- Understanding Risk
- Classics of Modern Cultural Theory
- Religion Ethnicity and Value Change

One option (maximum) from the remaining SPAIS Politics optional units offered in the academic year.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent qualification) in a relevant subject. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
TAUGHT PROGRAMME

Strategy, Change and Leadership

This practical Masters degree will give you a thorough grounding in leading high-performing teams, managing change and developing robust strategic direction. The programme has been designed to deliver a return on investment from day one.

As a participant, you will:
- gain a broader perspective on the complexities within organisations and issues affecting success and failure;
- understand how to enhance your own impact as a leader;
- develop a deep understanding of how to deal with change and uncertainty;
- increase your ability to think differently about organisational issues and opportunities;
- build a strong network of like-minded professionals across a wide range of sectors;
- enhance your likelihood of faster career progression.

Programme structure
The programme is delivered through intensive three-day teaching blocks. This is designed to make a difference to your professional practice month by month. There are no examinations.

The Masters award can be gained in two years, and this is the most common route. You can also take it in separate stages across three or four years. The first stage is the Postgraduate Certificate in Strategy, Change and Leadership. This comprises four three-day workshops across a six month period. Following this, participants can study for the Postgraduate Diploma in four 3-day workshops running from July to March of the next year. For the final award of Masters in Strategy, Change and Leadership, participants complete an applied work-based project of about 15,000 words. One-to-one supervision is given to support delegates in this.

Core units
PG Certificate (six months)
- Introductory unit
- Leadership
- Strategy and Organisations
- Understanding Change and Uncertainty

PG Diploma (12 months)
- Research Methods
- Project Management and Systems Thinking
- Critical Issues in Strategy
- Leading through Complexity

MSc (two years)
- Dissertation: individual research project.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree or equivalent qualification, and at least five years’ relevant work experience, which includes significant managerial responsibility. In exceptional circumstances, candidates with a lower class of degree, equivalent qualifications or relevant work experience may be admitted if they can demonstrate their potential for higher degree work.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Accounting and Finance

Research is central to the Department of Accounting and Finance at the University of Bristol. The recent UK-wide research assessment, REF2014, rated 78 per cent of the school’s research in Business and Management as ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’.

Studying for a PhD in the Department of Accounting and Finance will prepare students for a range of careers.

Research groups
The main research themes reflect the interests of staff members. The particular strengths of the Department lie in applied financial econometrics (Evarist Stoja, Nick Taylor), empirical finance (Daniella Acker, George Bulkley, Sylvain Friederich, Paula Hill, Piotr Korczak, Neslihan Ozkan, Nick Taylor), financial reporting and auditing (Mark Clatworthy, Mike Jones, Yingfa Lu), management accounting (Stephen Lyne), public sector accounting (Sheila Ellwood), and accounting for sustainability (Stuart Cooper).

Further details of the current research and supervision interests of individual members of staff are available on the school website.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class or first-class honours degree in a related subject (or equivalent), and/or a Masters qualification in a related subject.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
The school is in the Top 20 in the UK for the proportion of its activity in the top two categories (REF 2014)

Awards available PhD

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/efm

Possible start dates Most students will start in October 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Graduate Studies Admissions Team to discuss the available options

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Advanced Quantitative Methods

The Advanced Quantitative Methods (AQM) pathway is for social scientists wishing to learn advanced quantitative methods for secondary-data analysis in order to answer substantive questions from their disciplines. This includes social scientists interested in interdisciplinary research involving the application of quantitative methods from one discipline to problems in another.

The pathway is also for statistically trained researchers whose interests are methodological. Projects may involve applying statistical methods used in other disciplines to social science problems, or developing novel statistical methods for analysing social science data.

Research groups
The ESRC has designated AQM as a priority area, and the purpose of the pathway is to provide training and supervision that emphasises quantitative methods to a higher level than is usually offered. Training includes a structured programme of core AQM courses and a fortnightly research and reading group.

Details of the core training currently offered can be found on our website at bristol.ac.uk/cmm/aqm/courses.

Entry requirements
A Masters (or equivalent) in a discipline from the social or health sciences, and familiarity with intermediate-level quantitative techniques or multiple regression. For more methodological projects within the areas of social statistics and biostatistics, an MSc in Statistics or equivalent (eg Econometrics) is required.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
This programme is for social scientists who wish to learn advanced quantitative methods for secondary-data analysis.

Awards available PhD
Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile
D
(Number of places)
Not fixed
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073
Funding
Please see p2
Website
bristol.ac.uk/fssl/swdtc
Possible start dates
September 2016
Application deadline
Not fixed but early application is advised. Deadlines for funded applications are likely to be in February.
Disability Studies

The School for Policy Studies links theory, policy and practice in a multidisciplinary environment. Our research engages with and influences national and international policy. Our staff and doctoral students aim to combine rigorous research methods with a strong commitment to ethical practice.

Research groups
The Norah Fry Research Centre is a leading international centre specialising in research with and for disabled adults, children, and their families. The centre is known for including people with learning disabilities in the research process, as well as the development of accessible, easy-to-understand information and the dissemination of research findings in multiple formats to different audiences.

The centre has extensive links with a range of independent, statutory and voluntary organisations across the UK and provides expert advice to national and international bodies, committees and advisory groups.

The School for Policy Studies has an additional six specialist research centres. See bristol.ac.uk/sps/research/centres.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree and a pass at MSc/MA level (or equivalent experience/qualification).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
The school houses seven specialist research centres, including the Norah Fry Research Centre

Awards available PhD, MPhil
Duration of programme Four years full-time; seven years part-time
Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/sps

Possible start dates Most students will start in September 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Senior Postgraduate Admissions Administrator to discuss the available options

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised. Deadline for funded applications: mid-February 2016
Economics

The Department of Economics carries out research into most of the major fields of economics. It has a distinctive focus and reputation, combining high-level advances in economic theory, structural modelling and econometrics with innovative research in public policy. The quality of the department’s research has been evident in the most recent research assessments. In REF2014, the Department of Economics was ranked sixth in the UK, with a high proportion of its activity in the top category.

Research groups
Most research is carried out within five main areas:
- Econometrics
- Economic Theory
- Labour Economics
- Macroeconomics, Growth and Development
- Public Organisation and Applied Microeconomics

Further details of the current research and supervision interests of individual members of staff are available on the department website.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class or first-class honours degree (or equivalent) in a related subject, and/or a Masters qualification in a related subject.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
88% of research by the Department of Economics classified as either ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’ (REF 2014)

Awards available PhD

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/efm

Possible start dates Most students will start in September 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Senior Postgraduate Admissions Administrator to discuss the available options

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Education

PhD work centres on research leading to a dissertation. With the support of academic supervisors to guide you, you undertake research training and carry out personal research on a topic of special interest.

We have an extensive portfolio of funded research projects and internationally recognised researchers. There are over 90 research students working in the Graduate School of Education. The atmosphere is exciting, diverse, creative and welcoming.

The ESRC South West Doctoral Training Centre

The Universities of Bristol, Exeter and Bath have created the South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) which draws together the established research excellence of more than 750 academic and research staff at the three institutions. A new, online journal run by students across the SWDTC and an annual student-led conference are amongst the highlights (bristol.ac.uk/fssl/swdtc).

The Graduate School of Education’s MSc Educational Research programme is one of the research training pathways that make up the SWDTC. This programme is the basis for the extensive research training that all MPhil/PhD candidates undertake. We also offer the opportunity for taking units across the SWDTC.

Other support includes access to a dedicated library on site, flexible study spaces, large number of seminars often featuring national and international visitors, research student seminars, reading groups and access to specialist methodological support.

Research groups

The overarching mission of the Graduate School of Education is to develop learning and leadership for a changing world through research and teaching that promotes achievement, opportunity and social justice. The aim is to build the intellectual and practical leadership amongst policy makers, practitioners, students and the wider research community that is urgently required to enable education to adapt and thrive in a time of rapid local and global change.

Research in the school is concentrated into five main areas of inquiry and expertise within these leading-edge research centres:

- Centre for Assessment and Evaluation Research (CAER)
- Centre for Globalisation, Education and Social Futures (GESF)
- Centre for International and Comparative Research (ICR)
- Researching Education across Boundaries (REAB)
- Centre for Multilevel Modelling (CMM)

Please see bristol.ac.uk/education/research.

As a doctoral student you will join one of the research centres associated with these key areas of GSOE research and work with staff and other doctoral students who have similar research interests.

Entry requirements

An upper-second-class honours degree (or equivalent) and normally a merit at MSc/MA level (or equivalent). For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Education (EdD)

The EdD programme, which carries the same status as a PhD, is designed for ambitious, mid-career education and training professionals whose work requires a high level of research capability.

You can study at your own pace (full or part-time) with our modular programme of intensive two-and-a-half-day units taught in Bristol. Teaching is conducted by the distinguished academics at the University’s Graduate School of Education – experts with international reputations for research in their field.

The programme attracts high-achieving participants interested in a wide range of aspects of teaching, learning, leadership, management, policy and evaluation. It has recently been updated to provide a structured learning experience that supports students to become independent researchers.

Research groups

The school’s mission is to develop learning and leadership for a changing world through research and teaching that promotes achievement, opportunity and social justice. The aim is to build the intellectual and practical leadership amongst policy makers, practitioners, students and the wider research community that is urgently required to enable education to adapt and thrive in a time of rapid change.

Research is concentrated into six main areas: international and comparative education; assessment and evaluation research; mind, brain, learning and well-being; globalisation, education and societies; mathematics, science, technology-enhanced learning and professional development; and innovative research methodologies. Please see bristol.ac.uk/education/research/research-areas for details.

Programme structure

The programme of six intensively taught units and a 45,000-word dissertation attracts students from a wide range of backgrounds and cultures.

Optional units can be chosen from a broad range, with a flexible timetable. A comparative approach, across professions, types of educational institution, and locations (national and international), creates opportunities for mutual learning between students. Units include:

Core units

- Understanding Educational Research
- Conducting Educational Research: Theory, Methodology and Methods

Select 40 credits following compulsory units:
- Learning
- Education Policy
- Leading for Educational Change in Organisational Settings

Select 40 credits from the following optional units:
- Comparative Research
- Leading, Managing and Governing the 21st Century University
- Evaluating Educational Quality and Improvement in Organisational Settings
- Learning
- Education Policy
- Learning and Teaching in the Global University
- Leading for Educational Change in Organisational Settings
- Special Independent Study (Double Unit)
- Published Work (Both Single and Double Units)

You will work individually and in groups with unit tutors, academic advisors and other colleagues throughout your period of study. During the dissertation stage you will work closely and intensively with a dissertation supervisor.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent) normally required; a Masters degree or equivalent qualification in Education; and at least three years’ appropriate professional experience.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

All units are designed and taught by world-class academics with excellent research records

Awards available EdD

Duration of programme

Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile E

(Number of places 25

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200

Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/education

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Our Doctorate in Education programme attracts high-achieving participants interested in a wide range of aspects of teaching, learning, management and policy. It features excellent doctoral-level research and specialist units taught by international researchers.

We explore different facets of the research process and contemporary educational debates, as well as developing skills in research methods, theory, argumentation and evaluation. Graduates of the programme recommend studying for a Doctorate in Education at Bristol to their peers because it has helped them to develop deep understanding of real-life professional issues.

This programme is taught by Bristol staff in Hong Kong, as part of a long partnership with the School of Continuing and Professional Education (SCOPE) at City University of Hong Kong (www.scope.edu).

Research groups
The overarching mission of the Graduate School of Education is to develop learning and leadership for a changing world through research and teaching that promotes achievement, opportunity and social justice. The aim is to build the intellectual and practical leadership amongst policy makers, practitioners, students and the wider research community that is urgently required to enable education to adapt and thrive in a time of rapid change.

Research in the school is concentrated into six main areas of inquiry and expertise: international and comparative education; mind, brain, learning and well-being; globalisation, education and societies; mathematics, science, technology enhanced learning and professional development; and innovative research methodologies. For details, please see bristol.ac.uk/education/research/research-areas.

As a doctoral student you will join one of the research centres associated with these key areas of GSOE research and work with staff and students who have similar research interests.

Programme structure
The programme is delivered in a structure of seven intensively taught units and a 45,000-word dissertation.

Units include:
• Understanding Educational Research
• Conducting Educational Research: Theory, Methodology and Methods
• Comparative Research
• Education Policy
• Educational Assessment and Evaluation
• Leading for Educational Change in Organisational Settings
• Learning and Teaching in the Global University
• Learning with New Technologies
• Leading and Managing the 21st-Century Global University
• Testing and Assessment in Language Learning

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree (or international equivalent); a Masters degree or equivalent qualification in Education; and at least three years’ appropriate professional experience.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
Study for a UK doctorate entirely in Hong Kong, without having to interrupt your career

Awards available EdD
Duration of programme
Seven years part-time
Part-time study available?
Yes, part-time only
Open to international students? Yes
English Language Profile E (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)
Number of places 25
Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Fees are managed through City University, Hong Kong
Funding
Further information at www.scope.edu/Home/Programmes/PostgraduateDegree/DoctorofEducation/Application.aspx
Website bristol.ac.uk/education
Possible start dates September 2016
Application deadline Early application is advised; applications must be submitted by 30 May 2016

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Applications
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Educational Psychology

The Doctor of Educational Psychology (DEdPsy) is a research degree accredited by the British Psychological Society and the Health and Care Professions Council. The degree serves as the entry qualification for professional practice and employment in educational psychology. It has been designed to meet the professional training needs of educational psychologists and reflects a shift in orientation in professional training which is implicit in a research degree.

The programme has several goals:

**Academic:** To create an advanced level of knowledge in the areas of child development, educational psychology, special educational needs, assessment and intervention, childhood diversity, family dynamics and educational systems. Assessment is by written assignments.

**Research:** There will be direct instruction in research methodology to doctoral level. You will be required to complete a 45,000-word dissertation.

**Professional:** The programme will prepare you for a wide range of challenges and demands in diverse contexts.

The major source of funding is through the National College for Teaching and Leadership (www.nationalcollege.org.uk).

**Programme structure**

**Year One**
- Assessment, Learning and Intervention
- Children in Families and Communities
- Local Authority and School Systems
- Psychological Dimensions of Interpersonal Communication
- Research Methods 1
- Understanding and Challenging Social Barriers

**Years One/Two**
- Dimensions of Social and Emotional Development
- Multi-Agency Working
- Promoting Inclusion

**Years Two/Three**
- Research Methods 2
- Research Methods 3

**Year Three**
- Professional Practice
- Submission of a 45,000-word dissertation

In Year One you will be based at the University with supervised fieldwork placements in a variety of educational and psychological settings.

In Years Two and Three you will undertake an extensive placement in a psychology service for three days a week. You should also be available for University work and private study for 2 days a week.

**Entry requirements**

Normally an upper second-class honours degree in Psychology (or equivalent qualification) that confers graduate basis for Registration with the British Psychological Society. Relevant experience of working with children or young people (0-25).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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**Applications**
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**Key facts**

**Why choose Bristol?**
This programme is accredited by the British Psychological Society and the Health and Care Professions Council.

**Awards available** DEdPsy

**Duration of programme**
Three years full-time

**Part-time study available?** No

**Open to international students?** Yes

**English Language Profile** A
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

**Number of places** 10-12

**Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)**
Full-time: UK/EU £9,600

**Funding** Please see p2

**Website** bristol.ac.uk/sps

**Possible start dates** September 2016

**Application deadline** For funded applications, please see the Association of Educational Psychologists (AEP) website.
Environment, Energy and Resilience

This interdisciplinary pathway explores the interface between environment, energy and resilience by engaging the latest critical thinking on risk, regulation, policy and the environmental sciences. We aim to train social science researchers who understand the impacts of living with environmental change, the uncertainties of environmental change and the diverse responses needed to foster behaviours, practices and policies that promote sustainability and resilience. We welcome students from a wide range of disciplinary backgrounds.

The PhD in the Environment, Energy and Resilience offers useful preparation for related careers in the public, private or civic sectors as well as in academia. In the public sector, it will open opportunities in government departments and agencies in related areas at the international, national and local levels. In the private sector, it provides training and analytical skills of great relevance to careers in, for example, consultancy or environmental management. In the civic sector, it does so for careers in environmental NGOs or development bodies.

Research groups
The pathway draws on expertise from schools, institutes and research centres from the Universities of Bristol, Bath and Exeter.

University of Bristol
- School of Geographical Sciences
- University of Bristol Law School
- School for Policy Studies
- Global Insecurities Centre (Politics)
- Bristol Environmental Risk Research Centre (BRISK)
- Cabot Institute

University of Bath
Institute for Sustainable Energy and the Environment (I-SEE)
- Centre for Research in Education and the Environment

University of Exeter
- School of Geography
- School of Law
- Centre for Energy and the Environment
- Energy Security in a Multipolar World research cluster

Supervision
All students on Environment, Energy and Resilience have two supervisors from different disciplinary perspectives and different institutions. Your supervisors convene joint meetings on a regular basis, and attend the annual one-day workshop for all pathway students.

Entry requirements
A high honours degree from a relevant discipline, and a Masters qualification (or equivalent) with appropriate research training.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
The programme draws on the expertise of the Cabot Institute and a variety of schools across the University

Awards available PhD

Duration of programme Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile B
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places 20

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/sps

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline
Funded places: February 2016 (ESRC and Bristol funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Unfunded places: 1 July 2016
Exercise, Nutrition and Health

The School for Policy Studies links theory, policy and practice in a multidisciplinary environment. Our research engages with and influences national and international policy.

Physical activity and nutrition have a critical impact on risk of heart disease, type 2 diabetes, obesity, cancer, osteoporosis and other serious health problems. There is also a growing awareness of the benefits of exercise for mental well-being and avoiding stress-related illnesses, depression and anxiety.

As one of seven specialist research centres in the school, the Centre for Exercise, Nutrition and Health Sciences focuses on the biomedical, psychosocial and promotional elements of physical activity, sedentary behaviour and nutrition.

Centre staff are involved on many national and international bodies and committees including grant panels for the National Institute for Health Research, World Cancer Research Fund, the Irish Health Research Board and are members of expert colleges for the MRC, ESRC and NIHR.

Research groups

Centre for Exercise, Nutrition and Health Sciences
Staff in the Centre for Exercise, Nutrition and Health Sciences conduct research into physical activity and nutrition and their associations with health across the lifespan.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree and a pass at MSc/MA level (or equivalent experience/qualification).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Centre for Exercise, Nutrition and Health was rated first overall in the UK (REF 2014)

Awards available
PhD, MPhil

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile
C (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places
Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding
Please see p2

Website
bristol.ac.uk/sps

Possible start dates
Most students will start in September 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Senior Postgraduate Admissions Administrator to discuss the available options

Application deadline
Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid February 2015 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadline to be confirmed)
RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Geographical Sciences (Human Geography)

The School of Geographical Sciences is one of the world’s leading international centres for research. It has been ranked the top Geography department in the UK in every government assessment of research excellence. The Graduate School is integral to this success.

The excellence of Bristol’s social science research was confirmed by REF 2014. Overall, when intensity is taken into account, The Faculty of Social Sciences and Law ranks second in the country. The School of Geographical Sciences ranked first.

We have a large and vibrant graduate community, focusing both on PhDs by research and on taught programmes. The graduate community has a strong international and interdisciplinary flavour, and offers an exceptional academic environment for postgraduate research.

Research opportunities span a variety of subjects at the leading edge of geographical research. There is also a range of exciting possibilities for interdisciplinary research that cross and connect research groups as well as departments. We urge you to consult the websites of individual members of staff as well as websites that detail collective research interests.

Research groups
There are three main research groups.

Geographies of Political Economy
Research expertise includes neoliberalism, globalisation, governmentality, regulation and analytical political economy.

Historical and Cultural Geography
Main interests include the history of geographical thought and the history of science, cultural landscapes, geographies of performance and issues of textuality.

Spatial modelling
Research focuses on multilevel modelling, spatial econometrics, spatial time-series analysis, ecological inference and nonlinear systems.

For Physical Geography postgraduate research programmes, please see the entry in the Faculty of Science section.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree in a relevant subject or an equivalent qualification and a Masters qualification from a UK university (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
Ranked in the top category (5*) in every national research assessment exercise

Awards available
PhD, MPhil

Duration of programme
PhD: Four years full-time; seven years part-time
MPhil: One year full-time; two years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes
Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile
D (see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places
Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding
Please see p2

Website
bristol.ac.uk/geography

Possible start dates
Most students will start in September 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Postgraduate Student Administrator to discuss the available options

Application deadline
Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Global Political Economy: Transformations and Policy Analysis

This programme considers the dynamics of global transformation and their policy implications as well as their interrelations with national and regional institutional and social responses to the global political and economic order.

You are encouraged to analyse the impacts of economic globalisation, examine relationships between global governance and inequality and understand that analysis and resolution of many of the key problems that confront humanity in the 21st century require new and interdisciplinary academic approaches, innovative methods and policy agendas.

Programme structure
Research training on the pathway follows the standard South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) interdisciplinary format.

Core units
Three core research training modules will be selected from the consortium’s offerings in research design, data collection and data analysis. There will be one pathway-specific module and two modules will be selected from an open list.

Advanced Interdisciplinary Research Design
One of the core research training modules, this mandatory core unit addresses the characteristics and challenges of ‘doing’ interdisciplinary research in a globalised world.

Global Transformations – Issues and Trajectories
This pathway-specific module introduces you to key concepts and debates in the field including the different forms of globalisation, global governance, global inequalities, and the developmental implications of the ‘rising powers’ of Asia.

You will also produce a research thesis.

All students have two supervisors with different disciplinary perspectives on Global Political Economy: Transformations and Policy Analysis. Students proposing cross-institutional supervision are particularly encouraged. Your supervisors will convene joint meetings on a regular basis, and will attend the annual one-day workshop for all pathway students.

For further information please see bristol.ac.uk/spais/prospective/prospectivepgr/pgrsupervisionandsupport/

Entry requirements
A Masters qualification (or equivalent) with appropriate research training (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
One of five leading-edge, interdisciplinary training pathways in the South West Doctoral Training Centre

Awards available PhD

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes, but may require daytime weekday attendance

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/spais

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline
Funded places: February 2016 (ESRC and Bristol funding application deadline to be confirmed)
Non-funded places: 1 July 2016
Health and Wellbeing

The South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) Health and Wellbeing pathway enables you to cultivate a range of skills to develop and evaluate interventions and strategies to improve health behaviour. Your work will make a major impact on understandings of the social science underpinnings of avoidable health problems, and will build research capacity at the interface of biomedical and social sciences within and beyond academia.

All students have two supervisors from different disciplinary perspectives on Health and Wellbeing. Students proposing cross-institutional supervision are particularly encouraged. Your supervisors will convene joint meetings on a regular basis, and will attend the annual one-day workshop for all pathway students.

Research groups
The pathway integrates the study of the interaction between three important lifestyle behaviours – nutrition, physical activity and substance use (ie smoking and alcohol consumption) – and their impact on public health and risks for chronic diseases. For further information on some of our associated research groups and staff, please see bristol.ac.uk/sps/research.

Entry requirements
A master’s qualification (or equivalent) with appropriate research training.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
RESEARCH PROGRAMME

Law

PhD study is substantially different from other types of postgraduate work as each candidate devises their own independent research project. At the University of Bristol Law School, comprehensive research training as well as guidance and supervision of your research project are provided by expert academics. If you are undertaking socio-legal research, initial research training will take the form of the MSc Socio-Legal Studies Programme, which is recognised by the ESRC.

As a PhD Law student you will become part of the school's ‘primary unit’ system which aims to provide support for research students, and you will be invited to participate in the Law School’s staff seminar programme. There may also be opportunities to undertake some part-time teaching within the Law School.

The PhD offers useful preparation for several different careers. The first of these is academic work, particularly if the dissertation, or parts of it, are published in well-respected academic journals. The ability to plan, research and write a sophisticated dissertation, including an ability to conduct detailed doctrinal analysis, think in broad theoretical terms or engage in empirical research, can provide a firm foundation for a career in academia. A second possible career is that of working for an NGO or policy organisation drawing on skills in research and writing, which are invaluable for work of this kind. A third possibility is working within governments, again building on analytical, doctrinal or empirical research skills developed through the PhD, which incorporate an ability both to undertake rigorous research and to see the bigger picture. Finally, some students choose to enter the legal profession carrying with them a rich understanding of legal principles and practice.

Research groups

A wide variety of subject areas are covered in the Law School. This reflects a range of different approaches to legal research: doctrinal, socio-legal/interdisciplinary and theoretical.

The school has a strong portfolio in human rights, housing, governance and regulation, criminal justice, the legal profession, and family law and practice.

The school usually has as many as 45 research postgraduates at any one time, working in a wide variety of subject areas and adopting a range of different approaches to legal research.

Research in the school is facilitated by: a generous policy of study leave, teaching relief and payment for student research assistants; a system of research pairing to assist with project development, review of work in progress and effective dissemination of research; and a vibrant programme of staff seminars, with roughly equal division between internal and external contributions.

Travel and conference funding is available for research students.

Entry requirements

An upper second-class honours degree in Law (or equivalent) and/or a Masters qualification.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications

Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?

World-class supervision by academics who are leaders in their fields

Awards available PhD, MPhil

Duration of programme

Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile B

(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)

Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200

Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/law

Possible start dates Most students will start in September 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Senior Postgraduate Admissions Administrator to discuss the available options

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadline to be confirmed)

Unfunded places: we accept new PhD students all year round (majority in September) but this is subject to supervisory capacity
Management

Research is central to the activities of the Department of Management at Bristol. The department comprises a group of academic staff with a variety of interests and a focus on practically-relevant research. The results of the most recent UK-wide research assessment, REF2014, rated 78 per cent of the research activity in Business and Management as ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’.

The department encourages interdisciplinary research, drawing on a range of theories and methodologies. We welcome students from a variety of backgrounds and experience, including disciplines outside the Social Sciences/Management and Business Studies field, who wish to convert, and candidates with organisational or commercial experience.

Research groups
The Department of Management’s research is organised along two dimensions:

Management Theory and Research Practice
Includes: Critical Management; Operational Research (OR); Quantitative and Qualitative Research; Stakeholder Theory.

Management Domain
Includes: Organisation Studies; Professional Associations; The Public Sector.

There are four research groups:

- Action Research and Critical Inquiry in Organisation
  Research in participative and capacity-building methods in organisations and communities, with a focus on sustainability, social justice, gender and inclusivity. The group uses arts-based, narrative, and feminist methods, and works with groups and organisations who are interested in taking a critical stand on research and development projects.

- Organisation Studies/HRM
  Organisational theory development, drawing on, for example, theories of aesthetics, gender and diversity, and inclusion management. Also focuses on power and identity in the production and use of management ideas, especially relating to consultancy and organisational change. Research interests include stakeholder theories as applied to intermediary organisations; values in organisations; and themes of embodiment, difference, ethics, and the feminine in organisation.

- Operations/Management Science
  The relationships between values and their impact on decision-making and behaviour. Incorporates a range of methods from OR, problem-structuring and quantitative and qualitative methods, including soft OR, multiple criteria decision analysis, network theory and analysis. Research interests include social network analysis, strategic partnerships, large group decision-making, eco-design, data-driven research, servitisation, public and community involvement, and public sector working and management.

- International Management
  International business management and strategy, economic geography, globalisation and urban studies. The group uses an interdisciplinary approach that chiefly investigates the internationalisation and locational strategies of knowledge-intensive professionals and globalising professional service firms in international financial centres.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class or first-class honours degree in a related subject (or equivalent), and/or a master’s qualification in a related subject. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
78 per cent of research in Business and Management was classified as either ‘world-leading’ or ‘internationally excellent’ (REF 2014)

Awards available PhD

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/management

Possible start dates Most students will start in October 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Graduate Studies Admissions Team to discuss the available options

Application deadline
We welcome applications at any time of year. Deadline for funded applications is mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadline to be confirmed)

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Security, Conflict and Justice is a new interdisciplinary pathway that recognises that traditional approaches to security studies must now be complemented with new perspectives on wider issues, in order to develop better strategies for resolving conflicts and securing social justice.

This programme is one of five South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) interdisciplinary pathways that are delivered in partnership with the Universities of Bath and Exeter.

Violence has, for the most part, shifted from organised inter-state war to protracted warfare fought by irregular units and local militias. Weak states are prone to collapsing, either by the fragmentation of authority, or by external intervention. Climate change, forced migration, gender-based violence, radicalisation, humanitarian emergencies, terrorism, WMD proliferation, have all, to varying degrees, been securitised by states, intergovernmental institutions, and non-governmental organisations. The broadening of the global security agenda has to date not been accompanied by an increase in the capacity of local, regional and global actors to respond to these new challenges. What is now required is the development of new theoretical and empirical research on security governance. A vital ingredient in addressing the complex agenda of security governance is an interdisciplinary pooling of knowledge and expertise that draws together sociological and socio-legal research on human rights, gender, violence and ethnopolitics; area studies expertise on language, culture and practice; and political and legal research on sovereignty, institutions and intervention.

The pathway will be of interest to those with backgrounds in politics, economics, geography, sociology, law, history, international relations, policy studies, women’s studies, development studies and area studies.

Research groups
The Security, Conflict and Justice pathway works with research groups and centres across the Universities of Bristol, Bath and Exeter.

You can find further information on our research groups and staff at bristol.ac.uk/sps/research.

All students have two supervisors from different disciplinary perspectives on Security, Conflict and Justice. Students proposing cross-institutional supervision are particularly encouraged. Your supervisors convene joint meetings on a regular basis, and will attend the annual one-day workshop for all pathway students.

Entry requirements
A master’s qualification with appropriate research training, or equivalent. For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Social Policy

The School for Policy Studies links theory, policy and practice in a multidisciplinary environment. Our research engages with and influences national and international policy. Our team of policy experts come from a variety of backgrounds in social policy research, social work, sociology, history, human geography, economics, psychology, physical activity, nutrition and health sciences, poverty, family and child welfare, and urban studies based within seven research centres.

Our research examines policy areas that affect us all, influences and challenges policies implemented by governments and institutions at a local, national and international level, and investigates the issues, factors and attitudes underlying the social concerns that make our headlines.

We welcome students from the UK and around the world to join our diverse, highly-rated research team. We particularly welcome applications on topics relevant to national and international policy concerns.

Research groups
The school houses seven specialist research centres reflecting the research specialisms of the academics – including social policy research, social work, sociology, history, human geography, economics, psychology, physical activity, nutrition and health sciences, poverty, family and child welfare, and urban studies. See bristol.ac.uk/sps/research/centres.

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree and a pass at MSc/MA level (or equivalent experience/qualification).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
The School for Policy Studies links theory, policy and practice in a multidisciplinary, research-intensive environment.

Awards available PhD, MPhil

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/sps

Possible start dates Most students will start in October 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Graduate Studies Admissions team to discuss the available options.

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadlines to be confirmed).

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Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.
Social Work

The School for Policy Studies links theory, policy and practice in a multidisciplinary environment. Our research engages with and influences national and international policy. Our team of policy experts come from a variety of backgrounds in social policy research, social work, sociology, history, human geography, economics, psychology, physical activity, nutrition and health sciences, urban health and poverty based in seven specialist research centres.

Our research examines policy and social work concerns that affect us all in day-to-day life, influences and challenges policies implemented by governments and institutions, and investigates the issues, factors and attitudes underlying the social issues that make our headlines every day.

We welcome students from the UK and around the world to join our diverse, highly-rated research team. We particularly welcome applications on topics with direct relevance to national and international social work or policy concerns.

Research groups
The school houses seven specialist research centres:
• The Centre for Exercise, Nutrition and Health
• The Centre for Family Policy and Child Welfare
• The Centre for Gender and Violence Research
• The Centre for Research in Health and Social Care
• The Centre for the Study of Poverty and Social Justice (including the Townsend Centre for International Poverty Research)
• The Centre for Urban Studies Research
• The Norah Fry Research Centre

Entry requirements
An upper second-class honours degree and a pass at MSc/MA level (or equivalent experience/qualification).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Key facts
Why choose Bristol?
The school houses seven specialist research centres

Awards available PhD, MPhil

Duration of programme
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes

Open to international students? Yes

English Language Profile C
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

Number of places Not fixed

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/sps

Possible start dates Most students will start in October 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Graduate Studies Admissions team to discuss the available options

Application deadline Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadlines to be confirmed)
Sociology, Politics and International Studies

The School of Sociology, Politics and International Studies is an interdisciplinary scholarly environment producing leading research which is international in its focus and relevant to the changing circumstances of our increasingly interconnected world. The programmes we offer are PhD in Politics, PhD in Sociology and PhD in East Asian Studies.

We are committed to rigorous conceptual and empirical research that is politically and socially relevant and problem-oriented. We aim to advance theory, knowledge and methods at the interface between the disciplines of sociology, politics and international relations. The questions addressed recognise that political structures are related in complex ways to the social conditions that underlie them, and equally, that social conditions are affected in complex ways by political structures. Our aim is not just to monitor the global condition but to contribute to advancing ways that might improve it.

Our research activity is guided by a focus on key themes: International Relations; Global Development and Security; Ethnicity and Migration; Europe and Europeanisation; and Culture, Politics, and Society. All researchers across the school identify with one or more of these themes. This enables collective identification over themes within the school and aims to generate further collaboration and interdisciplinarity in our research activities. In addition, the themes provide a basis for internal and external recognition of the main questions and topics that our research addresses.

**Research groups**
The school houses five dedicated research centres and networks:
- Centre for East Asian Studies
- Centre for Ethnicity and Citizenship
- Global Insecurities Centre
- European Political Communications
- Bristol-Mekong Project

**Entry requirements**
An upper second-class honours degree (or equivalent) and a Masters qualification (or equivalent).

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

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**Applications**
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

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**Key facts**

**Why choose Bristol?**
Researchers from the school make regular contributions to the media in the UK and internationally

**Awards available** PhD

**Duration of programme**
Four years full-time; seven years part-time

**Part-time study available?** Yes

**Open to international students?** Yes

**English Language Profile** E
(see Introduction, ‘How to apply’, p15)

**Number of places** Not fixed

**Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)**
- Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
- Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

**Funding** Please see p2

**Website** bristol.ac.uk/spais

**Possible start dates**
Most students will start in October 2016, however other dates can be considered. Please contact the Graduate Studies Admissions team to discuss the available options

**Application deadline**
Not fixed but early application is advised. The deadline for funded applications will be mid-February 2016 (ESRC and UoB funding application deadlines to be confirmed)
South West Doctoral Training Centre

Established in 2011, the South West Doctoral Training Centre (SWDTC) is a collaboration between the Universities of Bristol, Bath and Exeter.

Accredited by the The Economic and Social Sciences Research Council (ESRC), the centre is a strategic partnership, drawing together the expertise of more than 770 social sciences academics and researchers.

As recognised research leaders, all three institutions are committed to providing excellent training, development and teaching for the postgraduate community across disciplinary and interdisciplinary research fields.

As well as developing tailored training programmes for our students and staff, the Centre also supports a wide variety of collaborative activities, including events and student placements, in public, private and civic society organisations.

The Centre is made up of a number of disciplinary and interdisciplinary pathways. The pathway you are interested in will determine which programme you will need to apply to through our online application system. Each programme has its own entry in the programme finder where you will find further details of research activities and potential supervisors.

The Centre and has been allocated 41 fully-funded ESRC studentships annually.

Research groups
The SWDTC in itself is representative of the three institutions’ commitment to collaborative working models, and the Centre will be developing its own collaborative working practice with external partners as a core part of our strategy.

Collaboration from the research perspective can mean working with a wide variety of organisations and individuals from private, public and civic sectors. Forms of collaboration may vary from an entirely co-organised and co-produced project, to a workshop, design of specific data-gathering exercise, participation in a policy review, conference or internship.

Through collaboration we are committed to building not just opportunities for knowledge transfer and sharing of best practice, but developing critical mass in key research areas. Please see individual programme entries for details of school and departmental research groups.

Programme structure
As well as comprehensive research training, all students have the opportunity to take part in a work placement during their time of study with us. Placements provide the opportunity for students to further develop their research and transferrable skills in a non-academic environment. For more information on placements, please visit the centre’s collaboration pages.

Please see individual programme entries for details of their programme structures.

Entry requirements
Scholarships are available as either a 1+3 award (a 1 year MSc plus 3 years funding for a PhD) or for those able to provide evidence of having undertaking postgraduate research methods training at an ESRC recognised institution or equivalent, +3 funding (3 years funding for a PhD only). Please see individual programme entries for details of entry requirements.

For information on international equivalent qualifications, please see bristol.ac.uk/international/countries.

Contact for further information
Please see individual programme pages

Applications
Details of how to apply are available at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.

Key facts

Why choose Bristol?
As one of only 21 centres in the UK, the SWDTC is part of a national network that is training a new generation of social scientists

Awards available PhD, MRes

Duration of programme
Three to four years full-time; seven years part-time

Part-time study available? Yes, but daytime attendance may be required

Open to international students? Yes, but funding is normally restricted to UK residents

English Language Profile See individual programme entries for details of language requirement

Number of places 41 funded places across pathways and institutions

Fees (per year, subject to annual increase)
Full-time: UK/EU £4,145; overseas £14,200
Part-time: UK/EU £2,073

Funding Please see p2

Website bristol.ac.uk/fssl/swdtc

Possible start dates September 2016

Application deadline The closing date for studentship applications for 2016/17 is yet to be confirmed but is usually around mid- February
The recently refurbished Wills Memorial Library in the Law School
The information in this prospectus relates primarily to the session 2016/17 and every effort has been made to ensure it is correct at the time of going to press in August 2015. The University will use its reasonable efforts to deliver the programmes as described.

However, the University reserves the right for any reason without notice to withdraw or change any of the programmes included in this prospectus, to alter tuition fees, entry requirements, the facilities and/or services available from or provided by or on behalf of the University. You should also note that the choice of subjects may be limited by considerations of timetable, staffing and/or available places on a programme.

If you accept an offer of a place on a programme, the relationship between you and the University will be governed by the applicable Rules and Regulations for Students, which includes the Student Agreement.

Please see:
bristol.ac.uk/secretary/studentrulesregs
bristol.ac.uk/studentagreement

The University values its students and works to provide a set of support structures and a range of opportunities that will enable you to excel in every aspect of your life and make your university career a genuinely transformational experience. To help create a positive environment for learning and academic achievement, the University has established various rules and regulations that all students must follow if they accept an offer of a place to study with us. These rules and regulations include a Student Agreement, which sets out the relationship between the University of Bristol and its students. A copy of the agreement is available at bristol.ac.uk/studentagreement.

Prospective students should take into account when selecting a programme of study the inherent risks of their chosen career. For more information, see bristol.ac.uk/prospectus/postgraduate/health-safety.html.

For details of any changes made since publication, please refer to our online prospectus at bristol.ac.uk/pg-study.