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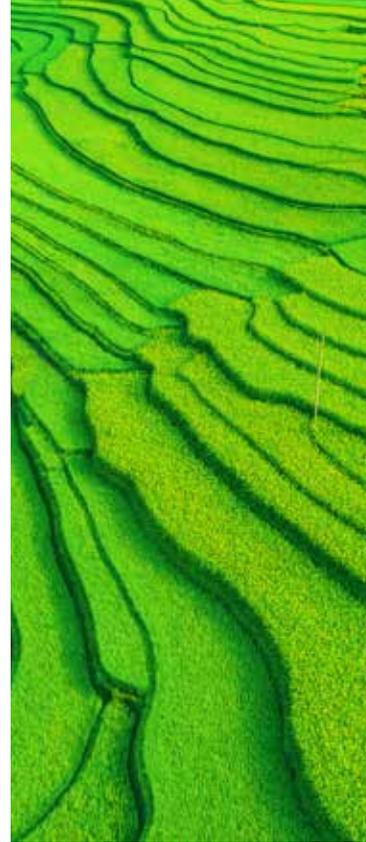
**UNIVERSITY OF READING 2022
UNDERGRADUATE GUIDE**

100% of our electricity is from renewable sources and we are committed to genuine carbon neutrality by 2030.



We've reduced our carbon footprint by 44% since 2009 and we no longer invest in fossil fuel companies.

Over 50% of our waste is reused or recycled and only around 2% of our waste goes to landfill.



Learn from our climate and sustainability experts and play your own part in our planet's future.

You are at a critical moment in your life. As you prepare to take the first step into your future, the decisions you're about to make – about what to study and where – will help influence the rest of your life.

At the University of Reading, you'll join an inclusive and welcoming community that actively encourages a strong student voice. Through the quality of our teaching and support services, we are preparing our students to succeed in a changing world – a world that has also reached a critical moment.

Changes in our global climate are affecting the lives of billions of people and we all have a part to play in tackling this challenge. We are recognised for our world-leading research¹ in climate change, and our aim is to become the 'greenest' university in the UK.

We're keen for our students to develop an informed understanding of one of today's key global emergencies. That's why a number of our undergraduate programmes already include climate and sustainability elements, and why we offer an optional module² on the study of climate change, so you can learn directly from our experts about why climates are changing, and how we can mitigate the often devastating consequences.

While we are dedicated to our pursuit of climate solutions, we are equally committed to supporting you during your own transformative

journey. This guide will give you an idea of what undergraduate life is typically like at Reading, and the wealth of academic, personal, and professional development opportunities that lie ahead.

At the University of Reading, you can make a real impact, whatever subject you study. More importantly, we'll help equip you to make an even greater impact in the world beyond graduation.

"We want to be the greenest university in the UK, with an ambitious commitment to being carbon neutral by 2030."

**Professor Robert Van de Noort,
Vice-Chancellor**

¹ We are ranked 2nd in the world for research in Meteorology and Atmospheric Sciences in the latest Center for World University Rankings by Subject, 2017. 100% of our research impact in Earth Systems and Environmental Sciences has been classed as world leading or internationally excellent in the latest Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014.

² The opportunity to enrol on this optional module will be subject to programme and timetabling constraints. Please contact us to find out more.

TOMORROW CALLING

The University of Reading has plenty to offer: a rich history, a beautiful campus in a thriving town, a vibrant academic community, and much more.



OUR UNIVERSITY

"The University of Reading transforms people's lives through the excellence of our education and research. As we approach our 2026 centenary, I believe that we can build on our proud history and continue to be a force for good in an uncertain world."

**Professor Robert Van de Noort,
Vice-Chancellor**

PIONEERING HISTORY

Founded in the nineteenth century, our rich history spans more than 150 years. Reading was the only university to be awarded a charter between the two world wars. We appointed England's first female professor and opened one of the UK's first business schools.

BRIGHT PROSPECTS

We're committed to helping you secure valuable real-world experience through placements, internships and part-time work, allowing you to contextualise your academic learning, explore future careers and build up your personal and professional skills.



ABOUT US

GREEN CREDENTIALS

Our ambition is to be the 'greenest' university in the UK. We are already recognised as a first-class university for environmental and ethical performance¹, and our students' union was awarded an 'Excellent' rating in the Green Impact Awards 2019/20 for efforts towards sustainability. Find out more at www.reading.ac.uk/sustainability.



CENTRAL LOCATION

Our main campuses are located close to Reading's bustling town centre. From there, it's just 30 minutes to London Paddington by train, and only 45 minutes to Heathrow airport by coach.



VIBRANT RESEARCH HUB

We are a research-intensive university – 98% of our research has been rated of international standing.²

Our work has real-world impact: we tackle global challenges such as climate change, heart disease and international conflict. Your lecturers will tailor your learning to ensure that you remain aware of cutting-edge research in your field.



DIVERSE STUDENT COMMUNITY

Join a diverse and inclusive community, home to more than 23,000 students from around 160 countries.³ With links to partner universities across the world, there are also opportunities to gain international experience.

¹ People & Planet University League, 2019.

² Based on our submissions judged to be world leading, internationally excellent and internationally recognised in overall quality in the Research Excellence Framework (REF) 2014.

³ HESA Student Record, 2019/20.

MEET OUR STUDENTS

The best people to speak to about whether a university is right for you are those right at the heart of it.

Discover what our students have to say about life at the University of Reading, and why it might be the ideal choice for you.

Chat online to current students and read their blog posts about life at Reading at www.reading.ac.uk/chat.

What made you choose to study at Reading?

"I decided to come here because of how good the employability rate was. The University is very well connected with employers, and the careers service provides the knowledge and preparation needed to be able to land a job. My CV has completely changed since first year because of all the opportunities I've had."

Jalisa Ogundelu, LLB Law



What do you like most about campus?

"My favourite thing about Whiteknights campus is the Library – it's brand new and very modern. It's the perfect place for doing work in between lectures and group projects, allowing you to focus on studying with no distractions."

Nirvesh Mahadoo, BSc Consumer Behaviour and Marketing

What's the student community like and how did you settle in?

"Bustling – there is always something going on for you to join in with. Chores can be a great way to get to know people: do your washing with your flatmate, go food shopping with someone on your course. I started pole fitness as a beginner last year and have made some amazing friends."

Zoe Middleton, BSc Biological Sciences



What's your top tip for choosing where to study?

"I would say choose a university in a town or city you like the feel of and visit if you can. But most importantly, choose where you like the people best. Going off league tables and rankings can be a good starting point in your decision-making, but you should definitely consider all factors."

James Cook, BA Business and Management

How would you describe the teaching at Reading?

"Our lecturers not only teach us, they allow us to work alongside them to contribute to the discussion, share our own thoughts and work as colleagues as opposed to just students. They are always there to support us as well, especially with the Academic Tutor System, where all of us have a member of staff in our department to go to whenever we need help."

Emily Woodall, BA German Studies



Reading has a proud history of welcoming people from across the globe, and has grown into a lively, diverse community. As well as its vibrant town centre – boasting a huge variety of restaurants, bars, pubs, parks and shows – find out why thousands of our graduates now call Reading home.



EAT

Excite your taste buds in one of Reading's many cafes and restaurants. With options from around the world, you're sure to find somewhere to satisfy your appetite.



RELAX

With three parks that have won Green Flag Awards, there's no shortage of places to unwind. Take time out in Workhouse Coffee, based within a Georgian coaching inn, step aboard Whittington's Tea Barge on the Thames, or treat yourself to an open-air swim at Thames Lido.



EXPLORING TOWN

EXPERIENCE

For something more cultural, South Street offers cutting-edge comedy, music and theatre.

Reading also has a lively music scene, with bands including The Amazons and Sundara Karma bursting onto the scene in recent years.



PLAY

Head into town for plenty of places to have a fantastic time with friends.

Try paddle boarding or kayaking down the Thames, or head to Lagoon Park for jet skiing and water obstacle courses. Solve one of Reading's many escape rooms, or enjoy an evening under the stars at a summer open-air cinema screening.



SHOP

Reading is one of the south-east's top shopping destinations, with The Oracle and Broad Street home to many of the UK's top brands. There are plenty of unique and independent businesses too.



Reading Festival is thought to be the world's oldest popular music festival. It also presents an exciting and unique opportunity for our students.

For six years, we have teamed up with festival organisers, Festival Republic, to give some of our students the opportunity to work backstage at the event.

Working alongside the nation's leading press publications – interviewing chart-topping bands and reviewing headline acts – our students have interned as content producers, working behind the scenes with industry experts.



"It was a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to create content for Festival Republic's blog and social media channels. It was a privilege to be side of stage to watch bands, meet the acts and be interviewed by the BBC – it added invaluable experience to my CV."

Katie Lawman,
BA English Literature

FESTIVAL

Reading might be most famous for its music festival, but the town also hosts dozens of food, drink, arts, theatre and music events throughout the year. Here are seven favourites you'll want to put in your calendar.

READING FRINGE

Aspiring comedians, playwrights, musicians and artists showcase a huge variety of exhibitions, shows, stand-up sets, gigs and performances.



SITELINES

Sitelines brings the theatre to unusual spaces: think pop-up performances in self-storage units, hair salons, and even a football stadium.



ARE YOU LISTENING?

For one day only, Reading's most popular venues open their doors to some of the best unsigned music acts from across the UK, with all proceeds going to charity.



CRAFT THEORY

Combines the best beers from local, national and international breweries, hours of music from quality DJs, and delicious gourmet street food.

FEASTIVAL

One of the hottest events of the summer, Forbury Gardens plays host to a buzzing market of cuisine from across the world.



OPEN FOR ART

An annual celebration of Reading's art, heritage, culture and creativity. Expect to find galleries, impromptu performances, insightful talks and much more.

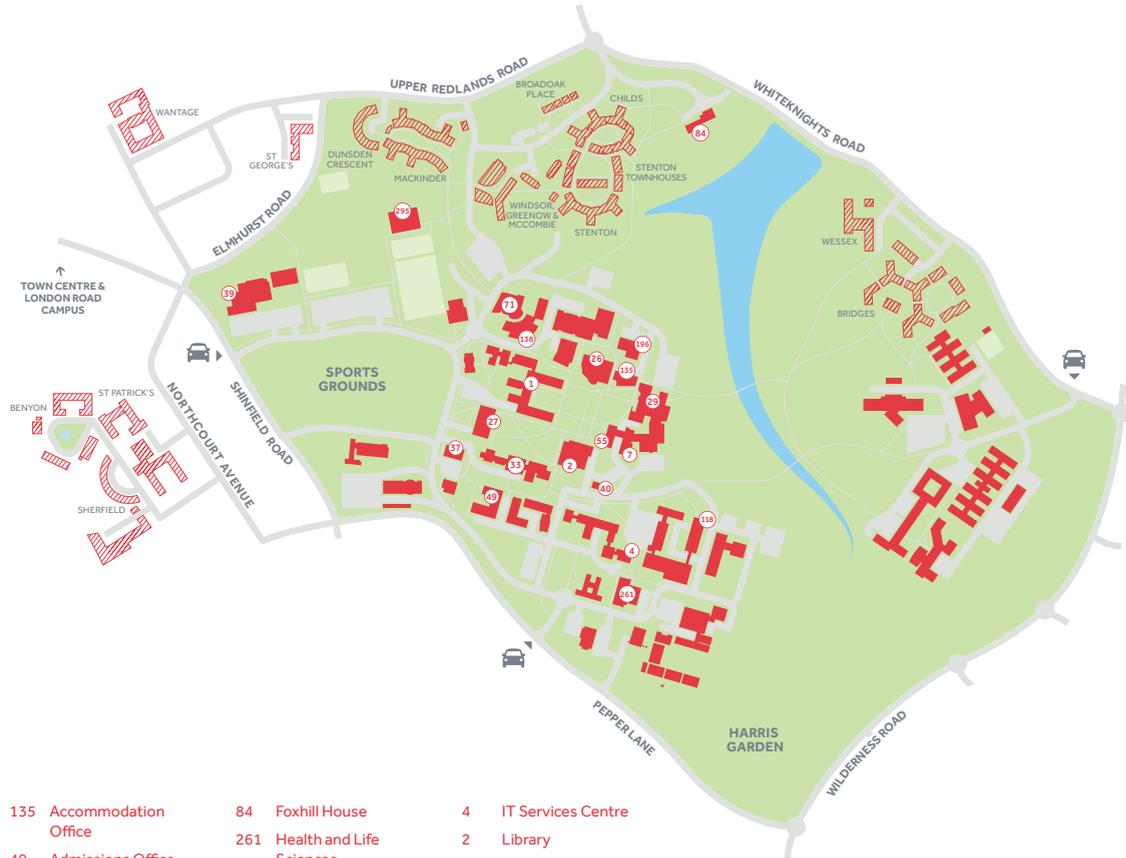


DOWN AT THE ABBEY

Dance the night away among the ruins of Reading Abbey. This underground music festival transforms a historic site into a hub of music, dancing and entertainment.

WHAT'S ON

WHITEKNIGHTS CAMPUS



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| 135 Accommodation Office | 84 Foxhill House | 4 IT Services Centre |
| 49 Admissions Office | 261 Health and Life Sciences | 2 Library |
| 55 Co-op Food | 138 Henley Business School | 37 Muslim Centre |
| 135 Careers Centre | 118 Hopkins | 26 Palmer building |
| 40 Chaplaincy Centre | 71 ICMA Centre | 26 Reading Film Theatre |
| 135 Disability Advisory Service | 1 International Study and Language Institute | 29 Security Office |
| 26 DoL.cHe Vita Café | | 37 SportsPark |
| 7 Eat at the Square | | 135 Student Services Centre |
| | | 29 Students' Union |
| | | 196 Students' Union Little Learners Nursery |
| | | 295 TennisPark |
| | | 33 URS building |
| | | 27 Whiteknights House (University Reception) |

- Halls of residence
- Academic buildings
- Campus entrance

Our main campus is the real hub of University of Reading life.

Set in 130 hectares of stunning parkland, Whiteknights is a thriving community. It features the students' union, Library, study areas, two on-site museums, shops and other amenities, and several halls of residence.

138 HENLEY BUSINESS SCHOOL

Dedicated centre for our undergraduate business courses.



84 FOXHILL HOUSE

Home to the School of Law.



261 HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES

Teaching laboratories and research facilities for the School of Biological Sciences. Opened in 2020, the building is also the new home of the Cole Museum of Zoology.



2 LIBRARY

Housing a wide range of books, resources and study spaces, as well as a cafe and outdoor seating area.



1 EDITH MORLEY

Home to many of our humanities subjects and our International Study and Language Institute.

LONDON ROAD CAMPUS



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| 4 Art | 16 Institute of Education; Campus Reception; Support Centre | 27 Global Recruitment & Admissions; Marketing, Communication & Engagement | 42 OnCampus |
| 5 Architecture | 18 Museum of English Rural Life | 28 Gymnasium | 43 Senior Common Room |
| 10 Science | 19 Staff offices | 29 Music | 45 Great Hall |
| 11 Alumni & Supporter Engagement Office | 22 Lecture Theatre and Teaching Space | 33 ICT and Modern Foreign Languages | 46 Architecture; Security |
| 14 The Dairy; Student Common Room; University of Law | 24 The Learning Hub | 41 Porters Lodge | 49 Clock tower memorial |
- Private student accommodation
 Academic buildings
 Campus entrance

Our London Road campus has undergone a £30m transformation.

A short walk from both Whiteknights campus and the town centre, it's a peaceful setting of traditional cloisters and green spaces.

A historic site – and one of the University's original campuses – London Road is home to the School of Architecture and the Institute of Education.

49 CLOCK TOWER MEMORIAL

A memorial to the First World War.



45 THE GREAT HALL

Main venue for our graduation ceremonies and many other events.



46 ARCHITECTURE

Housed in a converted library, featuring studio spaces and a cafe.



14 THE DAIRY

Serves local and global craft beers and food, with indoor and outdoor seating.



LIFE ON CAMPUS

Enjoy a beautiful, award-winning environment¹ that caters to the diversity of our students.



READING FILM THEATRE

As Reading's only independent cinema, our 300-seat auditorium shows films from around the world.



GLOBAL FOODIE THURSDAY MARKET

Whiteknights campus regularly hosts an international street food market with vegan, vegetarian and gluten-free options.



ECO-FRIENDLY MARKETS

Our Eat at the Square and Park Eat venues are home to a sustainable market featuring vegetarian and vegan food, a bring-your-own-container service, environmentally friendly cleaning products, and other ethically sourced products.



DOL.CHE VITA

Offering a range of vegetarian sandwiches and snacks, this recently renovated cafe is a fully licensed espresso bar that features specialty coffees and a large patio area.



HARRIS GARDEN

This secret garden on our Whiteknights campus includes a flower meadow, apple orchard and cherry bowl, and rare flora from around the world. As a student, you can enjoy the garden for walks and picnics year-round.

"I love the nature on campus. Harris Garden feels like a garden out of a fairytale book and is a great place to clear my head."

Jalisa Ogundelu, LLB Law

Questions about COVID-19?
www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates

¹ Whiteknights campus has been awarded 10 consecutive Green Flag Awards, 2011–2020.

STUDY OPTIONS

Our courses are designed to give you a variety of opportunities and experiences. You'll choose what you study – and how you'll study.

FLEXIBLE AND RELEVANT COURSES

We offer more than 200 courses in the arts, sciences, social sciences, humanities, and business.

The majority have a modular structure so you can specialise in the areas that interest you most, while still developing core subject knowledge. Many of our modules are offered University-wide.

JOINT AND COMBINED HONOURS DEGREES

Study two complementary subjects with one of our joint or combined honours degrees. You'll study the same number of credits as students on single honours degrees. We offer a wide range of options, and your time will be split between subjects according to the type of course you choose to take:

- **joint honours degrees** – study two subjects equally
- **combined honours degrees** – study the core modules from two subjects, but focus on one of the subjects in greater detail.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/joint-courses

FOUNDATION YEAR COURSES

If you don't have the typical entry qualifications needed for our degree programmes, consider taking an additional foundation year.

A foundation year prepares you for undergraduate study in a university environment. You'll study subject-specific modules as well as core skills such as academic writing and research skills.

Once you successfully complete your foundation year and any further programme entry requirements, you can start your chosen undergraduate course.

Some degree pathways allow international students to study the foundation year online.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/foundation-programmes for more information about integrated foundation years.

For foundation options specifically available for international students, visit www.reading.ac.uk/ifp

PLACEMENT OPTIONS

Get professional experience that counts towards your degree.

Placements include work experience, internships, and professional placement years¹ in the UK or overseas. Opportunities vary in length, from a few weeks to a whole year, or even during vacation periods.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/essentials/careers/placements

LEARN A LANGUAGE

Whatever subject you study, you can learn a language through our Institution-Wide Language Programme (IWLP). You can start as a beginner or continue a language you already know to a higher level.

We currently offer a choice between Arabic, British Sign Language, Chinese (Mandarin), French, German, Italian, Japanese, Modern Greek, Russian, and Spanish.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/iwlp

STUDY ABROAD

Discover the world by studying abroad as part of your degree with the University of Reading.²

Depending on your course, you could spend two weeks, a semester, or an academic year abroad. Some of our courses offer the opportunity to study at our campus in Malaysia.

You won't pay additional fees to the partner institution, and if you're abroad for a full year, you could be entitled to reduced fees for that year. We also offer a wide range of bursaries for studying abroad, including funds to support students from lower-income households.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/studyabroad

"Studying abroad has allowed me to venture to many new places I wouldn't have had the chance to otherwise, and I feel all the richer for it."

Emma Turnor,
BSc Environmental Science

¹ While you'll secure optional placements through a competitive process, our Careers and Placements Team can help by providing resources, training and one-to-one support. Taking part in a Professional Placement Year will depend on a number of factors. See inside back cover for more information.

² Studying abroad is subject to you meeting academic conditions detailed in the *Programme Handbook*, including obtaining the relevant permissions from your academic school, and the availability of a suitable study abroad placement. See inside back cover for more information.



TEACHING AND LEARNING

At Reading, the student voice is central to our teaching and learning activities.

You'll be encouraged to work alongside our staff to shape your own educational experience.

You can become a student rep, and represent your fellow students' interests as you work closely with us to improve our curriculum and learning experience.

Our aim is to deliver academic excellence and an outstanding learning experience, and to make sure you feel part of our community.

WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP

Past staff-student partnership projects have included:

- co-developing a new first-year module in graphic communications
- exploring the experience of LGBT+ students at Reading
- co-devising ways to support independent study through technology-enhanced learning.

YOUR ACADEMIC TUTOR

When you join Reading, you'll be allocated an academic tutor who is a member of teaching staff in your school or department. They're there to support your academic progress and personal development, and to signpost University support services, as appropriate.

"I felt very supported, particularly throughout first year. Academic tutors help you feel less alone when you have a problem, academic or otherwise."

Kira Self, LLB Law

TEACHING EXCELLENCE

You'll learn from academics who have a real passion for their subject and whose teaching is informed by the latest research developments and professional practice.

You'll be encouraged to apply what you learn and we also provide opportunities to contribute to research, scholarship and practice.

TECHNOLOGY-ENHANCED LEARNING

We draw on the strengths of both traditional face-to-face teaching and technology-enhanced learning to provide you with a more engaging learning experience. In addition to in-person teaching on campus, some course content will be made available to you via our virtual learning environment and digital resources.

LEARNING OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM

Many of our degrees include opportunities to apply your knowledge through practical workshops, laboratory sessions and field trips, helping you to develop your understanding of the subject. Many of our students also choose to apply to spend time on a placement, an internship, or studying abroad to gain experience and new transferable skills.

Questions about COVID-19?
www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates



INCLUSIVE TEACHING AND LEARNING

Dr Allán Laville's passion for improving the student experience at Reading isn't unique among his teaching colleagues, but it is certainly impressive. He is Dean for Diversity and Inclusion, as well as a Lecturer in Clinical Psychology and a runner-up for Higher Education Psychology Teacher of the Year 2020. In 2019, he received RUSU's Diverse & Inclusive Teaching Excellence Award.

Allán shares his expertise with our entire academic community through case studies, exploring topics such as the importance of creating safe learning spaces, wellbeing and the assessment of placement modules, and teaching best practice for patients with learning disabilities. This work helps to ensure we embed diversity and inclusion within all teaching and student-staff partnerships.

"Diversity and inclusion is at the heart of my teaching and learning practice. In order to develop my practice, collaboration with student partners is absolutely key, so that their voice is front and centre."

Dr Allán Laville, Dean for Diversity and Inclusion

"If there is a topic I need help on, it's easy to access help from the lecturer, by either posting questions on the online Q&A for the module or by booking a one-to-one appointment with them. My course also ran a team-building event in the first week, which was a really good way to meet people."

Lucy Reynard, BSc Geography (Human and Physical)

OUR RESEARCH

Award-winning research happens at Reading. Many of your lecturers will be at the forefront of their fields, leading research that addresses twenty-first-century challenges and enhances your learning experience.

REAL-WORLD IMPACT

98% of our research has been rated of international standing¹ and our academic researchers tackle a broad range of global challenges, from climate change and improving human health, to providing food security and understanding human culture.



Preventing snakebite deaths

Venomous snakebites kill up to 10,000 people a year in Tamil Nadu, but with rapid medical attention, most snakebites can be treated. Dr Sakthi Vaiyapuri, Associate Professor in Pharmacology, collaborated with colleagues in the region to develop an education programme. In one year, the campaign reached more than three million people, and nearly half of snakebite victims attending one hospital had sought treatment because of the "rapid action saves lives" message.

Improving border security

Professor James Ferryman is transforming the future of travel by using travellers' own smartphones as paperless travel documents. Using innovative biometric technology, travellers can simply walk or drive through borders without stopping. It has already proven effective at two international borders and has many more potential applications. James is a finalist for Research Project of the Year in the 2020 Times Higher Education Awards.

Supporting the NHS

Missed appointments cost the NHS around £1bn a year. Dr Weizi Li and her team at the Informatics Research Centre at Henley Business School have developed a computer model to predict which patients might miss their next check-up, prompting a reminder. Working with the Royal Berkshire Hospital, missed appointments in patients identified by the model have plummeted by a third across three departments.



Keeping children safe

Children are vulnerable in war zones, and not just from bullets and bombs. All too often, children can fall prey to sexual abuse – including from those who are supposed to protect them. Professor Rosa Freedman from the School of Law is working with the United Nations, governments and non-governmental organisations to help enforce tighter rules around human rights, keeping children safe from abuse.



GET INVOLVED

Gain paid research experience on our Undergraduate Research Opportunities Programme (UROP). The programme pairs you with an academic and runs for six weeks over the summer break, giving you an opportunity to carry out your own research project.²

Find out more at www.reading.ac.uk/urop and [@UniRdg_UROP](https://twitter.com/UniRdg_UROP) on Twitter.

Publishing research

While completing her MSci Applied Psychology degree, Charlotte Field worked with Dr Allán Laville – Dean for Diversity and Inclusion and Lecturer in Clinical Psychology – to explore the experiences of LGBT+ students at Reading. Their UROP project was published in the journal *Teaching and Learning Together in Higher Education*, giving the sector key insights and recommendations – and giving Charlotte her first published piece of research.

Curating research

BA History student Olivia Blackburn spent the summer of 2020 curating an online exhibition of the University's extensive collections of bee-related materials – one of the largest in the UK – providing vital insights into historic social and political perceptions of the world's most important pollinators. The UROP project, 'Bees in the Collections', was supervised by Professor Helen Parish and Dr Rohan Deb Roy from the Department of History. Spanning works from the sixteenth to the twentieth century, the exhibition demonstrates how social and cultural perceptions of bees and hives changed as British society evolved.

#UNIFORREADING

As well as tackling global issues through our research, our staff and students are committed to making a positive impact through our partnerships with local communities and businesses.

Read more at www.reading.ac.uk/community and follow our stories on social media using [#UniForReading](https://twitter.com/UniForReading).

¹ Based on our submissions judged to be world leading, internationally excellent and internationally recognised in overall quality in the REF 2014.

² Subject to availability and eligibility. UROP is open to students in the middle years of their degree, meaning either a second-year student, or a third-year student if you are taking a four-year degree.

FACILITIES

Explore some of the spaces where our students apply their learning and get hands-on, practical experience.¹

MINGHELLA STUDIOS

Our £11m Minghella Studios environment is purpose-built for creative development. It features:

- three theatre spaces
- multicamera film and TV studio
- digital cinema
- recording studio
- mixing suite.

FOOD PROCESSING CENTRE

With a floor space of 1,100m² devoted to approximately £4m worth of food industry equipment, our pilot plant is an exciting place to develop sustainable, healthy and award-winning food products.

ICMA CENTRE TRADING FLOOR

Our on-campus International Capital Market Association (ICMA) Centre houses three dealing room facilities with more than 100 trading simulation terminals. These are supported by both Refinitiv and Bloomberg databases and allow you to put theory into practice – an integral part of our teaching and learning style.

NEW HEALTH AND LIFE SCIENCES BUILDING

The School of Biological Sciences has relocated to our new £60m Health and Life Sciences building, which opened in 2020. It houses state-of-the-art research and teaching laboratories, seminar rooms, and the Cole Museum of Zoology.

THE LIBRARY

The centrepiece of Whiteknights campus is our newly refurbished Library. It provides access to thousands of digital resources, and inside you'll find extensive print resources spread out over six floors. The Library is open 24 hours a day² with staff there to guide you to the materials you need for your studies – and to help you make the best use of them.

The Library is also home to our academic liaison librarians, as well as our Study Advice and Maths Support teams. Other popular features include:

- group, quiet and silent study spaces to accommodate different learning styles
- a large cafe
- an outdoor seating and study area.

ON-CAMPUS MUSEUMS

We are home to three museums:

- Ure Museum of Greek Archaeology
- Cole Museum of Zoology
- Museum of English Rural Life.

In addition to supporting your studies, these museums are available for placements and internships. They also have a variety of special collections that you can view and use during your studies.

¹ The subject-specific facilities listed on this page are accessible to students on relevant courses. To find out more about facilities available in your chosen area of study, please visit our website.

² Except Saturday nights.



Reading University Students' Union (RUSU) is an independent organisation, here to improve your student experience, represent your voice, and provide support and opportunities for all students.

As a student at Reading, you'll automatically become a member of RUSU. It's led by five full-time, student-elected officers whose roles are to create positive change for students and decide on the direction and priorities of the students' union. As members of the University's decision-making committees, they campaign on behalf of students.

Based on Whiteknights campus, the RUSU building provides places to eat, drink, shop and socialise when you're not studying.

RUSU was awarded an 'Excellent' rating in the Green Impact Awards 2019/20 for efforts towards sustainability.

HAVE YOUR VOICE HEARD

RUSU runs annual elections for more than 1,500 student representative roles and a termly Student Voice forum, to ensure that students' views are shared with both the University and local community. Visit www.rusu.co.uk/elections for details.

For general information, visit www.rusu.co.uk



CAMPAIGNS

RUSU is here to make your student experience the best it can be. Part of how they do this is by campaigning on issues that affect students. This can be on campus, in the local community, and sometimes nationally with the National Union of Students (NUS).

Past campaigns have included improved mental health facilities and reducing period poverty.

If you have an idea for change, you can submit the idea to 'Change It'. If the idea gets through a student vote, it could be one of RUSU's top priorities for the years ahead.

Find out more at www.rusu.co.uk/campaigns and www.rusu.co.uk/changeit.

STUDENTS' UNION

SPORTS

At Reading, sport is considered to be a huge part of extra-curricular life, with RUSU offering more than 55 sports clubs for all abilities.

Some clubs compete in leagues and others are purely recreational – all abilities are welcome. For full details of teams, visit www.rusu.co.uk/activities.

SPORTS FACILITIES

The majority of our facilities are based at SportsPark on Whiteknights campus, which offers great membership rates for students. You can access:

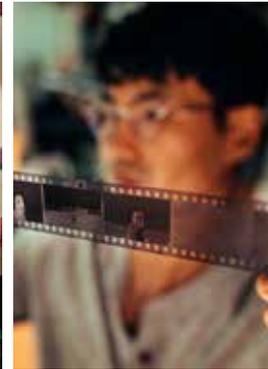
- our fantastic fitness studio, specialist exercise studios, squash courts, and a large, multipurpose sports hall
- the SportsPark grounds, perfect for football, rugby, lacrosse and hockey
- TennisPark, our expanded, state-of-the-art tennis facilities which offer three indoor and five outdoor courts.

Find out more at www.sport.reading.ac.uk.

ROWING SCHOLARSHIPS

Follow in the footsteps of Olympic rowing champions and Reading alumni James Cracknell, Alex Gregory and Anna Watkins.

Our University boat club is only three miles from campus. If you have Olympic aspirations, you can apply for a sports scholarship. Visit www.readinguniversityboatclub.co.uk.



Wherever your interests lie, there are always opportunities to get involved with RUSU's 80+ societies – covering arts, dance, culture, faith, career, campaigns, causes and politics.

All societies welcome new members. Joining a society is a great way to meet new people, develop your skills, discover new passions and widen your experiences.

The current list of societies can be found on the RUSU website.

If you've got an interest that's not catered for, you'll find plenty of support to set up your own society.

Visit www.rusu.co.uk/activities to find out more.

"The campus is always buzzing and feels like a real community. I suggest getting involved with RUSU as much as you can to help you settle in. There's so much on offer and no need to be shy – you're always welcome at any of our events and societies."

Emily Woodall, BA German

SOCIETIES

ACCOMMODATION

Moving to university is a big life change. It's likely to be your first time living in your own place.

We believe life in halls should be simple, fun, and a brilliant opportunity to make new friends.

Our university accommodation is safe, secure, and located close to our beautiful Whiteknights and London Road campuses. Our rent prices are all-inclusive, meaning that your utility bills, Wi-Fi and basic contents insurance are included.¹

BENEFITS

- **Variety.** We have nearly 5,000 rooms, including quieter lifestyle areas, and a number of adapted rooms for students with disabilities and special requirements.²
- **Flexibility.** Standard contracts are 40 weeks or 51 weeks.
- **Security.** All halls have dedicated security patrols and CCTV.
- **Support.** Our 24/7 Halls Hotline ensures any halls-related issues are dealt with quickly and efficiently.

ACCOMMODATION GUARANTEE

You will be guaranteed a place in halls if you:

- are a new undergraduate who holds Reading as a firm UCAS choice
- apply for accommodation by 1 August and satisfy any conditions of your academic offer by 31 August of your year of entry.

Other restrictions and requirements may apply. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/accommodation for full details.

Please note: if you put Reading as your 'insurance' choice, we cannot guarantee accommodation in halls. This means you may need to consider private accommodation options if halls are oversubscribed.

EATING PLANS

Enjoy expertly cooked meals anywhere on campus with our Clever Cuisine eating plans.

There are three plans on offer, available to enjoy in up to 13 eateries across our Whiteknights and London Road campuses and in halls.

Our extensive menus feature fresh ingredients from sustainable producers – including beef and fruit from our own farms – and cater for all dietary requirements.

Your options:

Platinum. Covers 18 to 21 meals per week. This plan is available in the widest selection of eateries.

Gold. Covers around eight meals per week.

Silver. This plan is designed for residents of St Patrick's Hall, but it's also available to other students. It can be used at Eat at the Square, St Patrick's Hall, Park Eat, The Dairy, Park Market, Roastology, and Market Place.

With discounts of up to 50% and free hot drinks, Clever Cuisine is inclusive for students living in catered accommodation, and can be purchased by other students for the term or year.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/clevercuisine for full details.





We want you to live in the type of accommodation that works best for you.

The next page gives an indication of the types of rooms available.³

"I love living in halls – it provides such a community between students, with great links to welfare and support when needed."

Alex Curran, BSc Psychology

GET THE LATEST FIGURES

Information on these pages, including pricing, is based on 2021/22 figures and is likely to change slightly for 2022/23 entry. For the most up-to-date information, head to www.reading.ac.uk/accommodation.

Questions about COVID-19?
www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates

¹ The basic level of contents insurance covers items in your room for fire, theft and flood. We recommend that you check the insurance policy carefully to make sure it meets your needs – for example, bicycles are included, but only up to a certain value. The policy has several exclusions, such as your laptop not being covered when outside your room. However, the insurance can be extended and personalised – for example, to cover your bike or laptop, and/or items anywhere in the UK. The insurance will cover you for the 31 weeks of term only.

² Subject to availability.

³ Details are accurate at the time of going to print. Please be aware that prices listed are for 2021/22 and are subject to increase for 2022/23. We cannot guarantee that all room types or rents will be available at the time of booking if demand is high. Please refer to the accommodation policy at www.reading.ac.uk/accommodation.



ROOM WITH SHARED BATHROOM

From £131.25 per week (self-catered) to £171.25 per week (catered).



EN-SUITE ROOM

From £161.00 per week (self-catered) to £201.28 per week (catered).



PREMIUM ROOM WITH SHARED BATHROOM

£144.48 per week (self-catered).



PREMIUM EN-SUITE ROOM

£184.24 per week (self-catered).



TOWNHOUSE ROOM

£161.00 to £164.99 per week (self-catered).



STUDIOS

£206.85 to £216.30 per week (self-catered).

CAREERS AND EMPLOYABILITY

Our award-winning Careers Team¹ is here to help you prepare for your future.

We can support you through opportunities such as:

- internships
- placements
- mentoring
- graduate careers.

This commitment has helped ensure 93% of our undergraduates are in work or further study within 15 months of graduating, and of those employed full time, 84% are in graduate-level roles.²

EXPLORE YOUR OPTIONS

Whether you're working towards a career goal or still deciding your next steps, we'll help you plan for life after graduation.

- **Careers events.** We run hundreds of careers events throughout the year. Many of these attract local, national and international companies.
- **Online tools and advice.** Our digital employability tools ensure you get the best possible careers and application support.
- **Alternative options support.** We can provide advice on alternative paths after graduation such as postgraduate study, taking time out, or setting up your own business.

Find out more at www.reading.ac.uk/careers.

"The service I received was excellent, and I couldn't recommend it enough. Staff were very knowledgeable, helpful and really supportive. I felt like they really wanted to help me, and invited me back regularly to help with each stage I was at in my search for a graduate job. I have since received an offer, which wouldn't be without the help of the staff! I feel confident I can apply my skills for any job search in the future after their help."

Chloe Pride, LLB Law



GROW YOUR EXPERIENCE

Professional placements

Every undergraduate course at Reading offers the opportunity to take part in a placement – either as a mandatory or optional part of the course – and an element on career management.³

Find out more at

www.reading.ac.uk/professional-placement-year.

Internships

The Reading Internship Scheme offers paid, professional work experience and the chance to develop your transferable skills. The scheme is exclusive to our undergraduate students and offers paid internships from four to eight weeks.

Entrepreneurship

You can take modules in entrepreneurship and participate in a range of entrepreneurship-focused activities through the Henley Centre for Entrepreneurship.

Take advantage of studying in a town that has been recognised as having the highest potential for business growth, a high rate of start-ups, and existing businesses that include 1,000 digital and technology firms.⁴

Amazon | Barclays | BBC | Bristol Zoo | Childreach International | Clifford Chance | Department for Work and Pensions | Disney | EC Harris | Environment Agency EY | Google | Harrods | HSBC | Huawei | Innocent Longleat Safari Park | L'Oréal | Marks & Spencer Microsoft | National Portrait Gallery | NHS | Operation Wallacea | Oxfam | Penguin Books | PepsiCo | Procter & Gamble | PwC | The Royal Mint | The Telegraph | UK Wolf Conservation Trust | Waitrose | Warner Bros

These are just some of the organisations where our students have completed placements and internships.

DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS

Gain additional skills and experience through:

- **Career mentoring.** Get connected with a professional mentor through our award-winning⁵ THRIVE Career Mentoring Scheme.
- **Campus Jobs.** Find temporary, part-time work on campus, with one-off opportunities and shift work available.
- **Paid research experience.** Work alongside academics on a real research project over six weeks during the summer break. See page 25 for more details.
- **The RED Award.** Get recognition for placements, internships, training, part-time work and volunteering roles through our official employability skills certificate, the Reading Experience and Development (RED) Award.
- **Our alumni network.** Our alumni mentor current students and provide work placements and careers support.



¹ In 2020, the University of Reading Careers Team won the Supporting Student and Graduate Employability Award from the Association of Graduate Careers Advisory Services (AGCAS). In March 2018, the University of Reading and Henley Business School careers teams were awarded Best University Careers/Employability Service at the National Undergraduate Employability Awards.

² Graduate Outcomes Survey 2017/18, based on first degree and other undergraduate responders.

³ Taking part in a placement year/year in industry will depend on a number of factors. See pages inside back cover for more information.

⁴ *Unleashing Great British Enterprise* report, Atos, December 2019.

⁵ Research Informed Practice Award, AGCAS, 2018. You can take part in THRIVE during your penultimate year of study.

ACHIEVE SUCCESS

There are many different measures of success, so we're here to help you achieve the goals that are right for you.

Apply for a job or graduate scheme

We can help you:

- find the types of roles you're looking for
- produce a CV, covering letter, and an application that demonstrate your relevant skills and experience
- learn about different types of interviews, and prepare for the types of questions and interview tests that often come up.

Pursue further study

We can help you:

- explore further study options
- learn about the postgraduate application process
- identify funding and scholarship options.

Do something different

We can help you:

- explore options for travelling or working abroad after you graduate
- find out more about setting up your own business
- learn about opportunities in research, volunteering, and other options for graduates.



SUPPORTING YOU

Before you even start your studies at Reading, we work hard to ensure you feel supported as you transition into university life.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME

Take advantage of our free online courses that are designed for new students, as well as their parents and supporters.

- **Guide to University Entry.** This course highlights how parents and supporters can help during the university application process. It covers key decision dates, making the most of visits, and where to find information on issues such as financial aid and accessing support.
- **Live Smart.** Learn how to prepare for university life and make the most of your time as a student. Staff and current students provide insight into expectations versus reality, what support will be available, and answer common questions about what's ahead.
- **Study Smart.** Our Study Smart course picks up where Live Smart finishes and is exclusively for University of Reading offer holders. It explains what's expected of you as a student, and will help you to navigate the world of university education so that you can start your studies with confidence.

WELCOME WEEK

When you start at Reading, you'll be able to take part in our Welcome to University programme, which includes:

- social events (including alcohol-free events)
- induction sessions and activities within academic departments and schools
- extra-curricular activity fairs (where possible)
- guided tours around campus and the local area
- dedicated events for international and Study Abroad students
- careers-focused fairs.

Depending on the situation, delivery of events may be a combination of face-to-face and virtual.

We typically host more than 100 Welcome Week events and activities to help you settle in, meet new people, and familiarise yourself with your course.

"The support that Reading provides really helped me settle in to all aspects of university, from writing my first academic assignment, to embracing the University's social side."

Tom Wise, recent graduate



SUPPORT SERVICES

You can rely on our wide range of support services. They work together to provide help and advice throughout your studies.

CAREERS AND PLACEMENTS

Access career development support, one-to-one meetings and a range of online resources. See pages 36–39.



CHAPLAINCY

Offers support to all students and acts as a signposting service for all faiths. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/chaplaincy.

To find out more about all these services, visit www.reading.ac.uk/support.

Questions about COVID-19? www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates



DISABILITY ADVISORY SERVICE

Seek advice and guidance for any disability, mental health condition, or specific learning disability. For more information, please email disability@reading.ac.uk.



HALLS ACCOMMODATION

If you live in University halls, you'll be supported by hall wardens, the Halls Hotline and the Accommodation Office. See pages 32–35.



COUNSELLING AND WELLBEING

We offer one-to-one meetings and group therapy sessions, as well as 24/7 support through Togetherall, an online mental health service. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/counselling.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENT ADVICE

Get help settling into life and study in the UK, as well as visa and immigration advice. See pages 44–49.



STUDENT FINANCIAL SUPPORT

From fees and scholarships to financial issues, our Student Financial Support Team can help. See pages 50–53.

LIBRARY AND IT SERVICES

Get study advice, help finding resources, maths support and assistance with any IT issues. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/library and www.reading.ac.uk/it for more details.



WELFARE TEAM

The Student Welfare Team can help with a range of personal and welfare issues. For details, visit www.reading.ac.uk/welfare-team.

Find out about the support we can offer to care-experienced and estranged students at www.reading.ac.uk/care-experienced.

CHILDCARE

There are excellent childcare facilities on and near campus, including a pre-school and day nursery. For details, visit www.reading.ac.uk/childcare.



MEDICAL CENTRE

Located a short walk from our Whiteknights campus. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/doctors for details.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Moving to a new country is a big step – but we're here to help.

A TRULY GLOBAL COMMUNITY

Join more than 5,000 international students from around 160 countries.¹



AMONG THE TOP 30 UK UNIVERSITIES IN WORLD RANKINGS

We are placed 27th out of 84 UK universities featured in the QS World University Rankings, 2021.²



INDUSTRY LINKS

Located at the heart of the Thames Valley, Reading is home to many global businesses and organisations – including PwC, Microsoft and Jacobs – as well as thousands of small and medium enterprises (SMEs) and start-ups, providing opportunities for our students to network with industry.

CENTRAL LOCATION

Reading is only 30 minutes from London Paddington by train and just 45 minutes from Heathrow airport by coach. It's also the perfect location for sightseeing in nearby Windsor, Oxford and London.



SAFE CAMPUS ENVIRONMENT

Our main campus is set in 130 hectares of beautiful parkland. It has been recognised as one of Britain's top green spaces³, and benefits from 24-hour security.



We aim to support you at every stage – ahead of your move to the UK, during your time with us, and beyond.

BEFORE YOU LEAVE HOME

Make sure that all necessary paperwork is in place in good time by contacting the British Embassy, High Commission or Consulate in your own country for advice on the requirements for entry as a student to the UK.

You can prepare for your trip to the UK by watching our pre-departure webinars at www.reading.ac.uk/international-webinars.

In some countries, we also host face-to-face pre-departure events. Find out if you can meet us in your country at www.reading.ac.uk/meet-us-in-your-country.

STAR MENTORS

You can apply to be partnered with a STaR international mentor before you arrive at Reading. Mentors are current international students and they can help you settle into life in the UK and at the University. Find out more at www.reading.ac.uk/star-international.

MEET-AND-GREET SERVICE

In past years, our meet-and-greet service has supported students arriving at London Heathrow airport during Welcome Week. We will advise you if this service is available to support your arrival in the UK.

WELCOME PROGRAMME

A programme of social events, tours and information will help you settle into life in Reading and the UK. These include:

- academic events
- information sessions – covering everything from study advice to settling in
- maps of Reading
- guides to opening a bank account
- details of students' union events and more.

VISA SUPPORT

Dedicated immigration advisers on campus provide specialist advice on visas, including working during or after your studies.

UK HEALTHCARE

If you're from outside the UK and come here to study a programme that lasts longer than six months, you're entitled to medical treatment here in the UK. You may need to pay a healthcare surcharge as part of your immigration application. Find more details at www.gov.uk/healthcare-immigration-application.

Up-to-date information and advice on the outcomes of Brexit can be found at www.ukcisa.org.uk.

For any pre-departure enquiries, contact us via **+44 (0) 118 378 3838** or www.reading.ac.uk/question.

Questions about COVID-19?
www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates



While you're here, we'll support you to thrive – both socially and academically. There are plenty of ways to stay in touch with your culture, gain a strong start in your studies, and feel at home, allowing you to make the most of your new life in the UK.

DEDICATED SUPPORT

As well as all of the support described on pages 40–43, you can get help from our dedicated International Student Advisory Team.

A TASTE OF HOME

Our cafeterias and restaurants on campus provide for different dietary needs, and self-catered accommodation will enable you to cook your own meals. Usually, once a week throughout autumn and spring terms, Whiteknights campus hosts an international street food market, offering different flavours from around the world. You can also buy supplies in the shops here on campus, and Reading town centre has a wide range of specialist food shops and restaurants from many countries.

SOCIETIES

Meeting people from your own country and staying in touch with your culture is easy when there are so many student societies, including faith-based groups. Our societies include people from all countries, so no matter where you're from, you will be warmly welcomed within any group. Head to www.rusu.co.uk/activities to find out more.

"The University of Reading provides a comfortable and safe campus for students. My teachers are patient and good listeners and always help to solve problems, academic or personal. Reading holds many memories and I am thankful for everyone I met there."

Shiwei Zhang, recent graduate of the NUIST Reading Academy, a joint educational institute between the University of Reading and Nanjing University of Information Science and Technology (NUIST)

¹ Studying on UK-based programmes. HESA Student Record, 2019/20. Globally, we have almost 9,000 non-UK domiciled students studying with us.

² The University of Reading is ranked 205th overall out of 1,002 institutions.

³ Whiteknights campus has been awarded 10 consecutive Green Flag awards, 2011–2020.



ENGLISH LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT

PRE-SESSIONAL ENGLISH PROGRAMME

If you need to improve your English language level to join your chosen undergraduate programme, you can take a pre-session course at the International Study and Language Institute (ISLI). ISLI's intensive language and study skills courses help prepare you for your future study. Check our website for information on campus-based and distance learning courses (where available).

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/ISLI/pre-sessional

ACADEMIC PRE-DEGREE PROGRAMMES

International Foundation Programme (IFP)

The University offers an IFP for international students whose qualifications are not equivalent to A levels and do not meet the normal undergraduate entry requirements. On-campus and distance learning options are available.

Complete the IFP and meet the entry criteria for your chosen degree course and you'll be guaranteed a place at the University of Reading the following September.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/IFP

Undergraduate Foundation Programme in Art and Design

If you want to study for a degree in art, design or film and theatre but do not meet the requirements for direct entry, you can undertake an Undergraduate Foundation Programme in Art and Design through ONCAMPUS Reading. Completing the programme provides you with a guaranteed opportunity for progression to art, design, film and theatre degrees at the University of Reading (subject to meeting the University's progression criteria). Visit www.oncampus.global/uk/campuses/oncampus-reading.

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Web: www.reading.ac.uk/international

SUPPORT WHILE YOU STUDY

Academic English Programme

Throughout your degree, you can access a free programme to develop your academic English skills. Our Academic English Programme (AEP) comprises academic writing, grammar and speaking-focused courses, academic language webinars and workshops, and our one-to-one consultation service. You may also have access to non-credit bearing AEP modules and courses that focus on academic communication in your own degree subject.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/aep

Independent language learning

In addition to our tailored language support, we also offer a dedicated resource library and study centre for independent language learning. You can access audio and video resources in English and materials in many other languages.

Visit www.reading.ac.uk/sacl

FEES AND FUNDING

UK STUDENTS¹

Tuition fees

Tuition fees for 2022/23 entry have not yet been confirmed by the UK government, but we'll update our website at www.reading.ac.uk/fees-update once they have been.

For your reference, our home fees for 2021/22 entry were £9,250 per year.² You can apply for a government tuition fee loan to cover the cost of your degree.

If you're eligible for funding through Student Finance authorities – which most UK students will be – you don't have to pay any tuition fees upfront. Check your eligibility at www.gov.uk/studentfinance.

You won't start repaying your student loan until you've left education and have started earning more than the repayment threshold, which is £27,295 a year from April 2021. Fees are paid through the tax system as a proportion of your income above £27,295, and if you haven't repaid your loan after 30 years, any outstanding amount is written off. Visit www.studentloanrepayment.co.uk for more information.

Your tuition fees will be fixed at the same level for the standard duration of your course, so there will be no year-on-year increase during your studies.

Year abroad and placement year fees

If you spend a full academic year studying abroad or working on a placement as part of your degree, you'll only pay partial tuition during the year away from Reading. This is currently set at 15% of the normal tuition fee and applies to home and international students. You'll still need to budget for local living costs (such as accommodation, food, travel, visa fees and medical insurance), which may be more expensive if you spend the year abroad. Home-fee students can apply to be considered for a placement bursary to help with expenses. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/studyabroad/outgoing and www.reading.ac.uk/ug-fees-and-funding for details.

Other course costs

Budget for additional course costs such as:

- books (including compulsory texts)
- stationery, printing and materials
- field trips, theatre and museum visits
- specialist clothing and equipment.

To ask about additional costs for the course you're interested in, get in touch: www.reading.ac.uk/question



Living costs

Budget for living costs such as:

- food
- travel
- mobile phone
- clothes and personal care
- entertainment
- visa fees and related costs, if you're an international student.

Depending on lifestyle choices, the average student will spend between £4,520 and £5,960 across the academic year on living and other course costs, excluding accommodation.

Maintenance loans

Home-fee students can apply for a government loan to help towards living costs, known as a maintenance loan. If you choose to take out both a tuition and maintenance loan, these will be combined and repaid through the tax system, as a proportion of your income over £27,295, once you have left university.

Support

We're here to support you through:

- guidance from our Student Financial Support Team
- money advice from the RUSU Advice Service
- grants and bursaries, depending on your circumstances
- a **Reading Bursary** of up to £1,100 per year, if your household income is less than £27,000.³

There is additional support through the Student Finance authorities for:

- students with disabilities
- students with children
- care-experienced and estranged students
- students with other dependants (for example, an adult you care for).

Most students fund their studies through a mixture of government loans, parental contributions, part-time work, and any other support they are entitled to.



¹ Please note that students from the Republic of Ireland, and any other country the UK government may grant home-fee status after the UK's exit from the European Union, will pay the same tuition fees as UK students and may be eligible for the same financial support from the UK government. For up-to-date information, see www.reading.ac.uk/brexit.

² Home status tuition fees are subject to future UK government decisions on fee setting for higher education, which may require us to change our tuition fees.

³ Can be given in the form of a cash bursary or a partial fee reduction. Available for enrolled, eligible full-time undergraduate home-fee status students who are assessed as eligible for funding from Student Finance authorities.

INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS⁴

Tuition fees

For 2022/23, standard fees for international students are:

- £19,500 a year for non-laboratory courses and International Foundation Programmes
- £23,700 a year for subjects with significant laboratory study or workshop content.

These are normally paid in two instalments. Your tuition fees will be fixed at the same level for the standard duration of your course, so there will be no year-on-year increase during your studies.

Other costs

In addition to the living, accommodation, and other course costs, you'll need to budget for travel to and from your home country, plus the cost of a visa application and the immigration health surcharge.⁵

You should make sure you have enough money to cover all costs well in advance of coming to Reading.

There may be support available. Consult your local British Council/ Education Counselling Service office.

GET THE LATEST FIGURES

Some information on these pages is based on 2021/22 figures and is likely to change for 2022/23 entry. For the latest information, visit www.reading.ac.uk/ug-fees-and-funding

⁴ Arrangements for most EU students enrolling on courses from 2021/22 onward have changed. New EU students will no longer be eligible for home-fee status or for financial support from the UK government. There are limited exceptions; see footnote 1 on page 51 for information.

⁵ Please contact our Immigration Advice Team for more details: immigration@reading.ac.uk.



MANAGING YOUR MONEY

You'll have plenty of support to learn how to budget effectively.

Speak to our Student Financial Support Team who offer appointments during term time to provide support and guidance.

Speak to students' union advisers to discuss any financial concerns.

Apply for part-time work through Campus Jobs and supplement your income, develop new skills and gain work experience. Roles range from one-off opportunities to shift work in areas such as:

- our bars and cafes
- academic departments
- the University Library
- central departments such as marketing.





COURSES

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

Each course has specific entry criteria, and some require a certain amount of existing knowledge in a subject – this is called a 'subject requirement'. Entry onto all courses is dependent on you achieving certain grades.

Our typical offers are expressed in terms of A level and International Baccalaureate requirements. However, we welcome applicants with a wide range of qualifications, including – but not limited to – BTEC Diploma, Cambridge Pre-U Diploma, and Access qualifications.

We usually require applicants to demonstrate a good general education, normally equivalent to at least grade C (or 4) at GCSE in English and Maths. Some of our courses require you to hold GCSE or equivalent qualifications in specific subjects, which you'll see in the course list on the following pages.

For full details of all entry requirements, including minimum grades in any required subject and acceptable alternative/related subjects, please see the relevant course pages on our website.

FIRM DROP OFFER

Most of our courses are part of a firm drop offer scheme. If you apply for a participating subject area and select Reading as your firm choice on UCAS, we will guarantee you a place if you achieve one grade lower than the published offer. Find out more at www.reading.ac.uk/what-offer-will-i-get.

INTERNATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS

We accept a wide range of overseas qualifications, including, among others, Hong Kong A levels and Diploma of Secondary Education, India Standard XII, and Canadian High School, as well as US Advanced Placements and SATs in combination with a High School Diploma with an overall GPA of 3.0. You can find country- and region-specific information at www.reading.ac.uk/international or by calling **+44 (0) 118 378 3838**.

INTERNATIONAL BACCALAUREATE (IB)

We welcome students presenting the IB diploma, as well as a mixture of IB certificates and A levels. If you are offered a place, we will specify an overall score that you will need to achieve. Where a course requires specific subject knowledge equivalent to A level, you will be asked to achieve a particular grade at higher level. Check the table below to find out the IB scores that are equivalent to A levels at Reading.

A LEVEL	IB DIPLOMA
A*AA	37 points
AAA	35 points
AAB	34 points
ABB	32 points
BBB	30 points
BBC	28 points
BCC	26 points
CCC	24 points

COURSE LIST KEY

-  Interview and/or portfolio submission required
-  Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) accepted

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
Agriculture		
BSc Agricultural Business Management/with Placement Year	 D4N2/DN42	A level: BBB
BSc Agriculture/with Placement Year	 D400/D401	A level: BBB, including one science subject. Acceptable science subjects: Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths, Further Maths, Statistics, Psychology, Geography, Environmental Studies, Applied Science, Geology
BSc Agriculture with Foundation	 D402	A level: BBB–CCD
Animal Science and Zoology		
BSc Animal Science/with Placement Year	 D320/D300	A level: BBB, including grade B in Biology and one other science subject (Chemistry preferred)*
BSc Animal Science with Foundation	 D321	A level: BBB–CCD
BSc Zoology/with Professional Experience	 C300/C302	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Biology and a second science subject
BSc Zoology with Foundation	 C301	A level: BBB–CCD
<i>See also Classics, Classical Studies and Ancient History, and Geography</i>		
Archaeology		
BA Archaeology/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 V400/V401/V402/V403	A level: BBB
BSc Archaeological Science/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 F420/F421/F422/F423	A level: BBB
BA Archaeology and Anthropology/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 VL46/VL47/VL48/VL49	A level: BBB
BA Museum Studies and Archaeology/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 PV14/PV15/PV16/PV17	A level: BBB
BA Archaeology and Classical Studies/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 QV84/QV88/QV86/QV87	A level: BBB

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BA Archaeology and History/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 VV14/VV11/ VV12/VV13	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
Architectural Engineering		
BEng Architectural Engineering	K250	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Maths
MEng Architectural Engineering	K260	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Maths
Architecture		
BSc Architecture	 K100	A level: ABB, plus portfolio and interview
Art		
BA Fine Art	  W101	A level: Pass or above in Foundation Diploma in Art plus 80 UCAS tariff points. Alternatively, three A levels at BBB. Plus portfolio and interview
BA Fine Art with Integrated Foundation	  W102	A level: CCC, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and Creative Writing	  QW32	A level: BBB, including grade B in English Literature or related subject*, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and English Literature	  QW31	A level: BBB, including grade B in English Literature or related subject*, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and Film	  WW60	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and Film & Theatre	  WW41	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and History of Art	  VW31	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and Philosophy	  VW51	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview
BA Art and Psychology	  CW81	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview GCSE: Science at grade C (or 4)
BA Art and Theatre	  WW40	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
Biological Sciences		
BSc Biochemistry/ with Professional Experience	 C700/C702	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Biology and Chemistry
BSc Biochemistry with Foundation	 C701	A level: BBB–CCD
BSc Biological Sciences/ with Professional Experience	 C100/C101	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Biology and a second science subject
BSc Biological Sciences with Foundation	 C102	A level: BBB–CCD
BSc Microbiology/ with Professional Experience	 C500/C502	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Biology and a second science subject
BSc Microbiology with Foundation	 C501	A level: BBB–CCD
Biomedical Engineering		
BEng Biomedical Engineering	 H160	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Maths and a science subject
MEng Biomedical Engineering	 H161	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Maths and a science subject
Business & Management, Accounting and Finance		
BA Accounting and Business – The Flying Start Degree Programme	 NN41	A level: AAB, plus online interview and assessments GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 6)
BSc Accounting and Finance/ with Placement Experience	NN43/NN34	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 5)
BA Accounting and Management/ with Placement Experience	NN24/NN42	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BSc Business and Management/ with Placement Year/ with Year Abroad	N100/N101/ N102	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BSc Business and Management (Accounting)/with Placement Year/ with Year Abroad	N400/N401/ N402	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BSc Business and Management (Data Analytics and Digital Business)/ with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	NG12/NG13/ NG14	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BSc Business and Management (Entrepreneurship)/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N298/N289/ N199	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BSc Business and Management (Marketing)/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	NN25/N2N5/ N2N6	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BSc Finance/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N300/N303/ N304	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 5)
BSc Finance (FinTech)/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N360/N361/ N362	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 5)
BSc Finance (International Business)/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N390/N391/ N392	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 5)
BSc Finance (Investments)/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N301/N310/ N311	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 5)
BSc Finance (Sustainable Finance)/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N370/N371/ N372	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 5)
BSc International Business and Management/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N120/N110/ N111	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths and English at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BSc International Business and Management with a Modern Language/with Placement Year/with Year Abroad	N1R9/N1R8/ N1Q9	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
Chemistry		
BSc Chemistry/with a Year in Industry or Research	  F100/F107	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Chemistry GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BSc Chemistry with Foundation	 F101	A level: BBB–CCD
MChem Chemistry/with a Year in Industry or Research	  F103/F105	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Chemistry GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BSc Chemistry with Cosmetic Science/with a Year in Industry	  F111/F112	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Chemistry GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BSc Pharmaceutical Chemistry/with a Year in Industry or Research	  F108/F109	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level Chemistry GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BSc Pharmaceutical Chemistry with Foundation	 F110	A level: BBB–CCD
Classics, Classical Studies and Ancient History <i>See also Archaeology, Modern Languages, and Philosophy</i>		
BA Ancient History	 V110	A level: BBB
BA Ancient History and Archaeology/with Professional Placement/with Study Year Abroad/with Placement and Study Abroad	 VV41/VV42/ VV43/VV44	A level: BBB
BA Ancient History and History	 V117	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
BA Classics	 Q800	A level: BBB
BA Classics with Foundation	 Q801	A level: CCD
BA Classical Studies	 Q810	A level: BBB
BA Classical Studies and English Literature	 QQ38	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject*
BA Classical and Medieval Studies	 QV81	A level: BBB
BA Museum and Classical Studies	 P1Q8	A level: BBB
Computer Science		
BSc Computer Science/with Industrial Year	 G400/G401	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths (or Physics/IT) at grade B (or 6)
Economics <i>See also Geography, History, Mathematics, Modern Languages, Philosophy, and Politics and International Relations</i>		
BSc Business Economics/with Placement Year	 L113/L114	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths at grade A (or 7). Grade B (or 6) accepted if taking AS or A level Maths
BA Economics/with Placement Year	 L101/L102	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BSc Economics/with Placement Year	 L100/L103	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Maths
BSc Economics and Econometrics/with Placement Year	 L140/L141	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Maths
BSc Economics and Finance	 LN13	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level or AS level Maths GCSE: English at grade B (or 6)

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
Education and Teaching		
BA Primary Education (QTS)	 X1S2	A level: BBB GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
BA Primary Education with Art (QTS)	 X1W1	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level subject related to Art GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
BA Primary Education with English (QTS)	 X1Q3	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English, History, Sociology, Philosophy or Drama GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
BA Primary Education with Mathematics (QTS)	 XG11	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level subject related to Maths GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
BA Primary Education with Music (QTS)	 X1W3	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level subject related to Music (such as Music Technology or Performing Arts with a music focus) GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4) Other: Grade 6 or above on your main instrument (or voice) and basic piano skills
BA Education Studies	X300	A level: BBB GCSE: English and Maths at grade C (or 4)
Foundation Degree in Children's Development and Learning	**	You must be working at least 2.5 days a week in a relevant setting, and are normally expected to have obtained an NQF level 3 qualification in a work-related area. You need at least two years' experience of working within the Children's Workforce GCSE: English Language and Maths at grade C (or 4) or Level 2 equivalent
BA Children's Development and Learning	XX32	You should already hold a relevant foundation degree and be working in a relevant workplace for at least 2.5 days per week. Applicants may be required to attend an interview GCSE: English at grade C (or 4)
English Language and Linguistics <i>See also Modern Languages</i>		
BA English Language and Linguistics/ with Placement Experience	 Q310/Q311	A level: BBB
BA English Language and Linguistics with Foundation	 Q312	A level: CCD
BA English Language and Literature	 Q301	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
English Literature <i>See also Art, Classical Studies, History, Modern Languages and Philosophy</i>		
BA English Literature	 Q300	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature with Foundation	 Q302	A level: CCD
BA English Literature with Creative Writing	 Q3W8	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature and Film	 QW36	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature and Film & Theatre	 QW34	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature with French	 Q3R1	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature and International Relations	 LQF3	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature and Politics	 LQ23	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA English Literature and Theatre	 QW35	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA Creative Writing and Film	 WW86	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA Creative Writing and Film & Theatre	 WW48	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
BA Creative Writing and Theatre	 WW84	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject [†]
Environment		
BSc Ecology and Wildlife Conservation/ with Professional Experience	 CD94/CD96	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Biology, Geography, Environmental Science or Maths
BSc Ecology and Wildlife Conservation with Foundation	 CD95	A level: BBB–CCD
BSc Environmental Management/ with Placement Year	 F750/D447	A level: BBB, Geography or Biology A level preferred GCSE: Biology, Chemistry or Combined Science at grade C (or 4) if not taken at AS or A level
BSc Environmental Management with Foundation	 F751	A level: BBB–CCD

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BSc Environmental Science/ with Professional Experience	 F851/F852	A level: BBB, including grade B in one of Maths, Physics, Chemistry, Biology, Geography, Environmental Studies or Geology
Film, Theatre & Television <i>See also Art and English Literature</i>		
BA Film & Television	  W600	A level: BBB, plus interview
BA Film & Theatre	  W480	A level: BBB, plus interview
BA Theatre & Performance	  W400	A level: BBB, plus interview
Food and Nutritional Sciences		
BSc Food Science/ with Industrial Training	  D610/D615	A level: ABB, including two science subjects (including at least one of Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Maths)*
BSc Food Science with Foundation	 D611	A level: BBB–CCD
BSc Food Technology with Bioprocessing/ with Industrial Training	  D622/D621	A level: ABB, including two science subjects (including at least one of Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Maths)*
BSc Food Science with Business/ with Industrial Training	  D690/D691	A level: ABB, including grade B in one core A level science subject (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Maths)
BSc Nutrition/ with Professional Training	  B5D7/B5D8	A level: ABB, including two science subjects (including at least one of Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Maths)*
BSc Nutrition with Food Consumer Sciences/ with Professional Training	  B4D6/B4DP	A level: ABB, including grade B in one core A level science subject (Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Maths)
BSc Nutrition and Food Science/ with Professional Training	  BD46/BDK6	A level: ABB, including two science subjects (including at least one of Chemistry, Biology, Physics, Maths)*
Geography		
BSc Geography (Human)/ with Professional Experience	 L722/L723	A level: BBB
BSc Geography (Human and Physical)/ with Professional Experience	 F841/F842	A level: BBB

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BSc Geography (Physical)/ with Professional Experience	 F840/F839	A level: BBB
BSc Geography and Archaeology/ with Professional Placement/ with Study Year Abroad/ with Placement and Study Abroad	 FV80/ FV82/ FV83/FV81	A level: BBB
BSc Geography and Economics (Regional Science)/ with Professional Experience	 LL17/LL18	A level: BBB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
Graphic Communication		
BA Graphic Communication	  W213	A level: BBB, plus portfolio and interview
History		
BA History	 V100	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
BA History with Foundation	 V101	A level: CCD
BA History and Economics	 LV11	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BA History and English Literature	 QV31	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation and grade B in A level English Literature or related subject*
BA History and International Relations	 VLC2	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
BA History and Philosophy	 VV15	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
BA History and Politics	 VLD2	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
International Development <i>See also Modern Languages</i>		
BSc International Development/ with Placement Year	 L900/L901	A level: BBB
International Foundation Programme (IFP)		
International Foundation and Language Programme (IFLP) – July start	NQ13	A UKVI IELTS of between 4.5 and 5.0 (depending on your intended degree course) with no skill below 4.0 GCSE: Grades A*–C in five subjects

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
International Foundation Programme (IFP) – September start (On campus/Online)	N1Q3/NQ15	A UKVI IELTS of between 5.0 and 5.5 (depending on your intended degree course) with no skill below 4.5. We will accept a non-UKVI IELTS or GCSE/IGCSE English Language at grade C if you do not require a visa to study in the UK or you study the IFP online. GCSE: Grades A*–C in five subjects
International Foundation Programme (IFP) – January start (On campus/Online)	Q3N1/Q3N2	A UKVI IELTS of 6.0 with no skill below 5.0. We will accept a non-UKVI IELTS or GCSE/IGCSE English Language at grade C if you do not require a visa to study in the UK or you study the IFP online. GCSE: Grades A*–C in five subjects
Law		
LLB Law	 M100	A level: AAB
LLB Law with International Foundation Year	M1Q3	Minimum IELTS of 5.5 (no skill below 4.5). We will accept a non-UKVI IELTS or GCSE/IGCSE English Language at grade C, or equivalent GCSE: Five subjects at grade B (or 6)
Marketing <i>See also Business & Management</i>		
BSc Consumer Behaviour and Marketing/with Placement Year	 CN85/NC58	A level: BBB
BSc Food Marketing and Business Economics/with Placement Year	 D670/DL61	A level: BBB
Mathematics		
BSc Mathematics/with Placement Year	 G100/G101	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
MMath Mathematics/with Placement Year	 G103/G104	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
BSc Mathematics and Statistics/with Placement Year	 GG13/GG17	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
BSc Mathematics with Computer Science/with Placement Year	 GG14/GG41	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
BSc Mathematics and Economics/with Placement Year	 GL11/GL12	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
BSc Mathematics with Finance and Investment Banking/with Placement Year	 G1N3/G1N4	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BSc Mathematics and Meteorology/with Placement Year	 GF19/GF20	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
MMath Mathematics and Meteorology/with Placement Year	 GFC9/GFC8	A level: ABC, including grade A in A level Maths
Medical Science		
BSc Biomedical Sciences/with Professional Experience	 C741/C743	A level: BBB, including Biology and a second science subject at grade B
BSc Biomedical Sciences with Foundation	 C742	A level: BBB–CCD
BSc Medical Science/with Professional Experience	 C750/C752	A level: ABB, including Biology and a second science subject, both at grade B
BSc Medical Science with Foundation	 C751	A level: BBB–CCD
MPAS Physician Associate Studies	 BB96	A level: ABB, including Biology and Chemistry at grade B
Meteorology and Climate <i>See also Mathematics</i>		
BSc Meteorology and Climate	 F790	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Maths
MMet Meteorology and Climate with a Year in Oklahoma	 F791 	A level: AAB, including grade A in A level Maths and grade B in Physics, plus interview
Modern Languages <i>See also Business & Management</i>		
BA Modern Languages	 R900	A level: BBB
BA Modern Languages and Business	 R9N1	A level: BBB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 5). Physics or IT is acceptable in lieu of Maths
BA Modern Languages and Economics	 R9L1	A level: BBB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BA Modern Languages and English Language	 RQ93	A level: BBB
BA Modern Languages and English Literature	 R9Q3	A level: BBB, including English Literature or a related subject*
BA Modern Languages and History	 R9V1	A level: BBB including grade B in A level History, Ancient History, or Classical Civilisation
BA Modern Languages and International Relations	 R9L2	A level: BBB

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BA Italian and Classical Studies	QR83	A level: BBB
BA French and International Development	LR08	A level: BBB
BA Spanish and International Development	LR09	A level: BBB
Pharmacy and Pharmacology		
BSc Pharmacology/with a Year in Industry	B210/B211	A level: BBB, including Biology and Chemistry at grade B
BSc Pharmacology with Foundation	B212	A level: BBB–CCD
MPharm Pharmacy	B230	A level: ABB, including grade B in A level Chemistry and a second science. Eligible applicants will be invited to complete an online aptitude test (values and numeracy)
MPharm Pharmacy with Foundation	B231	A level: BBB–CCD
Philosophy <i>See also Art, History, and Psychology</i>		
BA Philosophy	V500	A level: BBB
BA Philosophy with Foundation	V501	A level: CCD
BA Ethics, Value and Philosophy	V590	A level: BBB
BA Philosophy and Classical Studies	QV85	A level: BBB
BA Philosophy and English Literature	VQ53	A level: BBB, including grade B in A level English Literature or related subject*
BA Philosophy and International Relations	VL52	A level: BBB
BA Philosophy and Politics	LV25	A level: BBB
BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics	LV12	A level: ABB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
Politics and International Relations <i>See also English Literature, History, Modern Languages, and Philosophy</i>		
BA Politics and International Relations/with Placement Year	L258/ L259	A level: BBB
BA War, Peace and International Relations/with Placement Year	L252/ L253	A level: BBB

Course title	UCAS code/s	Typical offer
BA Politics and Economics/with Placement Year	LL12/ L2L1	A level: BBB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
BA International Relations and Economics/with Placement Year	LL21/ LL22	A level: BBB GCSE: Maths at grade B (or 6)
Psychology <i>See also Art</i>		
BSc Psychology/with Professional Placement	C800/C810	A level: ABB GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
BSc Psychology with Foundation	C802	A level: CCC
BSc Psychology with Neuroscience	C8B1	A level: ABB GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade B (or 6)
BSc Psychology and Language Sciences	C820	A level: ABB GCSE: English at grade B (or 6) and Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
MSci Applied Psychology (Clinical)	C801 	A level: AAB, plus interview GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade B (or 6)
BA Psychology and Philosophy	CV85	A level: ABB GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade C (or 4)
Real Estate and Planning		
BSc Investment and Finance in Property	N380	A level: ABB GCSE: English and Maths at grade B (or 5)
BSc Real Estate	N231	A level: ABB GCSE: English and Maths at grade B (or 5)
BSc Real Estate with MSc/Diploma in Urban Planning and Development	K400	A level: ABB GCSE: English and Maths at grade B (or 5)
Speech and Language Therapy		
MSci Speech and Language Therapy	B62M	A level: AAB GCSE: English, Maths and Science at grade B (or 6) Other requirements: Demonstrable understanding of speech and language therapy and awareness of the clinical populations therapists typically work with. This can be gained through, for example, personal research, experience (voluntary or paid) of working with children or adults with or without communication disorders, or observing therapists in clinical settings

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Surveying and Construction		
BSc Building Surveying	K230	A level: BBB
BSc Construction Management	K220	A level: BBB
BSc Construction Management and Surveying	K290	A level: BBB
BSc Quantity Surveying	K240	A level: BBB

FOUNDATION PROGRAMMES FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

We offer a wide range of integrated four-year programmes for international applicants. These combine a foundation year with your chosen three-year undergraduate degree, enabling you to apply for a single four-year visa that covers the whole duration of your studies.

Programmes are available in a variety of subject areas such as agriculture, food science, consumer behaviour and marketing, meteorology, mathematics, psychology, museum studies and archaeology, environmental science, architecture, surveying and construction, economics, politics and international relations, and law. For the full list, visit www.reading.ac.uk/ifp.

* For Animal Science courses, acceptable science subjects are: Chemistry (preferred), Physics, Maths, Further Maths, Statistics, Psychology, Geography, Environmental Studies, Applied Science, Geology.

* For Food and Nutritional Sciences courses, acceptable science subjects are: Biology, Chemistry, Maths, Physics, Further Maths, Statistics, Psychology, Geography, Environmental Studies, Applied Science, Geology, Computer Science, ICT.

**Contact individual colleges for application information. See www.reading.ac.uk/education/dept/ioe-foundation-degree for our partner colleges' details.

† For all English Literature courses, the related subjects are: English Language, English Language and Literature, Drama & Theatre Studies, and Creative Writing.



NEXT STEPS

HOW TO APPLY IN EIGHT EASY STEPS

1

FIND A COURSE

Browse the courses in this guide and on our website to identify which course(s) you'd like to apply for.

2

BEGIN YOUR APPLICATION

Register at www.ucas.com and complete the application pages online, using the UCAS codes in the course list and the institution UCAS code **R12**.

3

WRITE YOUR PERSONAL STATEMENT

You'll be asked to submit a personal statement to support your application. This is your opportunity to tell us more about why you want to study the course and what interests, skills and experience you have that demonstrate your passion for the subject.

4

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION

When you're happy with your application and have added the required information such as qualifications, personal statement and reference, you can submit your application.

A small charge is made by UCAS for applying to university. The application fee for 2021 entry was £20 to apply for a single course and £26 for multiple courses (and for applications submitted after 30 June).

5

OUR ASSESSMENT

Our Admissions Team will assess your application and decide whether we can offer you a place. The way we assess your application varies from course to course, but we will use the information supplied in your application form, including your personal statement, predicted and achieved grades, and the reference supplied by your school or college.

We carefully consider every application, so please don't worry if you don't hear back straight away. In the meantime, you can track the progress of your application on UCAS Track.

6

RECEIVE A DECISION

You may be invited to interview before we make a decision. If your application is successful, you'll receive an offer from us. There are two types: conditional and unconditional. A conditional offer means your offer is subject to achieving your grades or providing further information. An unconditional offer means that you have already met the course requirements.

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ATTEND A VISIT DAY

Visit Days for Reading Offer Holders normally include a tour of the campus and facilities, a visit to a hall of residence, and the chance to meet academic staff and current students. They usually take place during February and March in your year of entry.

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RESPOND TO YOUR OFFER

Once you have heard from all the universities that you have applied to, you can decide which offer you want to accept. Most people choose two: a 'firm' (or first) choice; and an 'insurance' (or second) choice. If you meet the conditions of your offer, you'll automatically be accepted onto your firm choice course.

Questions about COVID-19?
www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates

KEY DATES

September 2021	UCAS open for applications for 2022 entry
15 January 2022¹	UCAS deadline for UK applicants
February–March 2022	Visit Days for Reading Offer Holders
Early May 2022¹	Standard deadline for confirming firm and insurance choices on UCAS
End June 2022¹	UCAS closes standard cycle. Applications submitted after this will be made via Clearing. It is also the UCAS deadline for international applicants
July 2022	International Baccalaureate results published
August 2022	A level results released
1 August 2022	Deadline for University of Reading accommodation applications
31 August 2022	Terms of academic offer must be met in order to receive a guaranteed place in halls
19 September 2022	University of Reading Welcome Week begins

VISIT US

Come and see what the University of Reading has to offer.

OPEN DAYS

Get a taste of what life here is like: explore our campuses, meet students and tutors, attend talks, lectures and demonstrations, check out accommodation, and find out about extra-curricular opportunities.

Check our 2021 Open Day dates and register your interest at www.reading.ac.uk/opendays.

CAMPUS TOURS

Find out when we are running our student-led and self-guided tours at www.reading.ac.uk/campus-tours.

You can also explore the University of Reading through our Virtual Experience Hub at www.reading.ac.uk/virtual-experience.

SUBJECT TASTERS

These free sessions allow you to explore your chosen subject at degree level. They can include lectures and practical sessions, and allow you to meet academics and other students. See what's on offer at www.reading.ac.uk/subject-tasters.

MEET US IN THE UK AND WORLDWIDE¹

Where possible, we attend events all over the UK and around the world each year. Visit www.reading.ac.uk/meet-us or contact the Global Recruitment Team, details on page 77.

If you're an international student and would like to visit the University, get in touch with us before your trip so we can discuss arrangements to meet with you. See www.reading.ac.uk/international.

LOCAL AREA

Reading is well connected by rail and road, and our two main campuses are close to the town centre.

We aim to be a leading university in environment and sustainability. In fact, we have been ranked as a 'first class university' for environmental and ethical performance in the 2019 People & Planet University League. Where possible, we encourage staff, students and visitors to travel to our campuses using sustainable modes of transport. We want to minimise our environmental impact, including traffic congestion and parking in the local area.

TRAVEL BY TRAIN

Reading train station is easily accessible from most other places in the UK. London Paddington is 30 minutes away by train, and direct rail links exist for many other major cities, including Birmingham, Manchester, Glasgow, Cardiff, Bristol and Exeter.

¹ We continue to monitor and follow UK government guidance around the coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. In-person guided and self-guided campus tours, Open Days, general visits to our campuses, and other events typically held on campus will be subject to this advice, as will our attendance at events across the UK and worldwide. See www.reading.ac.uk/meet-us for a range of opportunities to engage with us.

* Deadlines for 2022 entry need to be confirmed by UCAS. The dates given here are indicative of past UCAS deadlines, but you should check the UCAS website for confirmation.

TRAVEL BY CAR

Our Whiteknights (RG6 6UR) and London Road (RG1 5AQ) campuses are just a few miles from the M4 motorway.

TRAVEL BY BUS

Getting to our campuses from the centre of town is easy. The following buses leave from Reading train station at regular intervals, 24 hours a day. Please note: the 21a only runs during term time.

To Whiteknights main entrance: 21 and 21a

To Whiteknights Earley Gate entrance: 17, 19a, 19b and 19c

To London Road campus: 21 and 21a.

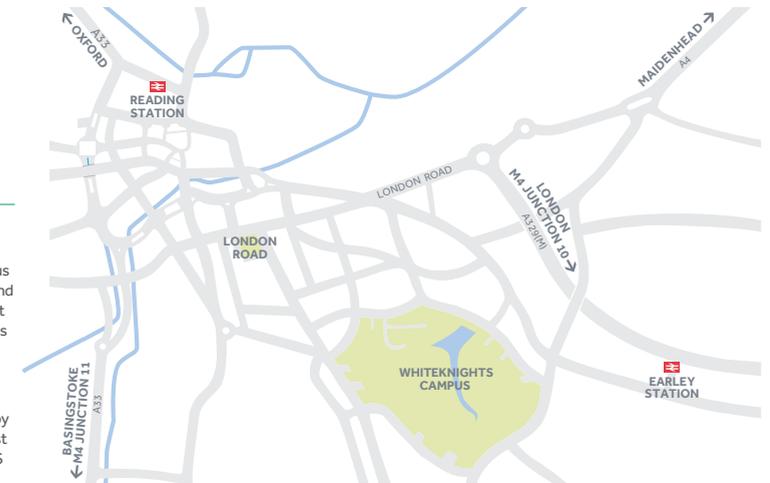
TRAVEL BY PLANE

Direct train and coach services run between Reading and London's international airports at Heathrow and Gatwick. Coaches to Heathrow take around 45 minutes and you can reach Gatwick in less than two hours.

STUDENT PARKING

Campus parking spaces are extremely limited, and therefore spaces are only allocated to students with particular needs. For more information, please visit www.reading.ac.uk/student-parking.

Our facilities are within easy walking distance and we are well served by public transport. We run lots of initiatives to help you with your travel – from free bike checks and bike security marking, to a car club scheme on campus.





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USEFUL INFORMATION

GETTING IN TOUCH

If you have any questions about studying at the University of Reading, the best way to get in touch is at www.reading.ac.uk/question.

CONTACT NUMBERS

Accommodation Team

For information about our university accommodation.

+44 (0) 118 378 4203

Admissions Office

For advice about entry requirements and the application/admissions process.

+44 (0) 118 378 8372

Careers Centre

For information about student work and experience opportunities.

+44 (0) 118 378 8359

Disability Advisory Service

For advice about support for students with additional needs.

+44 (0) 118 378 4202

Student Advisory Team

For advice on immigration.

+44 (0) 118 378 8038

Student Financial Support Team

For advice on funding, including scholarships and bursaries.

+44 (0) 118 378 5555

Reading University Students' Union

For information about students' union events, activities, clubs and societies and welfare support.

+44 (0) 118 378 4100

Global Recruitment Team

For general enquiries from UK prospective students.

UK Recruitment and Outreach

+44 (0) 118 378 3880

For general enquiries from prospective students outside the UK.

International

+44 (0) 118 378 3838

UNIVERSITY TERM DATES 2022/23

Autumn term: Monday 26 September

(Monday 19 September for new students) – Friday 9 December 2022

Spring term: Monday 9 January – Friday 24 March 2023

Summer term: Monday 17 April – Friday 9 June 2023

Questions about COVID-19?
www.reading.ac.uk/covid-updates

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

This guide was printed in February 2021 and is aimed at prospective undergraduate students wishing to apply for a place at the University of Reading (the University) and start a programme in autumn 2022.

The guide describes in outline the programmes and services that the University anticipates offering in the 2022/23 academic year. The University makes every effort to ensure that the information provided in the guide is accurate and up to date at the time of going to press. However, it may be necessary for the University to make some changes to the information presented in the guide following publication. These reasons may include, by way of example, operational and/or academic reasons, which reflect changes in practice or theory in an academic subject as a result of emerging research, if an accrediting body requires certain changes, or if the UK Government introduces legislation and/or public health measures that require us to make changes to any of the published information.

Prospective students are therefore advised that, prior to applying to study at the University, they should review and familiarise themselves with the most up-to-date information by visiting www.reading.ac.uk/ready-to-study or by contacting us at www.reading.ac.uk/question.

The current version of the terms and conditions that will apply if you accept an offer at the University can be found at www.reading.ac.uk/coming-to-reading. The terms and conditions set out a range of important information, including for example, when we might make changes to your programme, and your cancellation rights. You are advised to read these before making an application. Please note that these are usually updated/amended for each academic year. The current version of our Student Protection Plan can be found at www.reading.ac.uk/support.

JOINT COURSES

Our joint courses may have extra requirements, including English language requirements. Please check the individual course pages on our website for further details.

FIRM DROP OFFER

Most of our courses are part of a firm drop offer scheme. If you apply for a participating subject area and select Reading as your firm choice on UCAS, we will guarantee you a place if you achieve one grade lower than the published offer.

If you receive an offer from us, we will make it clear what the offer conditions are, as well as the alternative conditions should you make Reading your firm choice.

EXTENDED PROJECT QUALIFICATION (EPQ)

In recognition of the excellent preparation for higher education that the EPQ provides, several of our subject areas now include achievement in the EPQ as part of a formal offer.

If you are taking an EPQ and applying for a participating subject area, you will receive two offers: our standard offer, and an alternative offer of one grade lower in your A level subject, on the condition that you achieve a B in your EPQ.

CONTEXTUALISED OFFER

We recognise that some students are more likely than their peers to face barriers to higher academic achievement at school. The University of Reading is committed to ensuring that none of our applicants are disadvantaged in accessing our degree programmes because of their background.

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STUDY ABROAD

Unless it is a compulsory part of the course, Study Abroad is an option that students may choose to apply for, but it is a competitive process. The number of places available at partner institutions can vary year-on-year. While efforts are made to secure sufficient places at partner institutions to meet demand, the University cannot guarantee every applicant the possibility to study abroad, or that it will be possible to study abroad at a particular institution or in a particular country. Further, certain courses and/or institutions may require you to satisfy specific eligibility criteria. To ensure your safety, travel and study overseas will also depend upon Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) guidance, as well as government and institutional policies in the host country.

Following its departure from the EU, the UK will not be participating in the next Erasmus+ programme for 2020–2027. The UK Government has confirmed that a new scheme (the Turing Scheme) will be set up to replace Erasmus+ for UK institutions. For up-to-date Study Abroad information, please refer to www.reading.ac.uk/studyabroad or contact studyabroad@reading.ac.uk.

PROFESSIONAL PLACEMENT YEAR

Courses with a Professional Placement Year (also known as Placement in Industry or Research, or Placement Year) are fully dependent on students securing their own placement opportunity, normally through a competitive recruitment process. The University provides career and application support that is available to placement year students. Students who do not secure a placement, or who are unable to complete the placement year due to extenuating circumstances, are able to transfer to a three-year variant of their course following consultation with the University.

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