

INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE GUIDE  
POSTGRADUATE PATHWAYS

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# WHY CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF ABERDEEN?

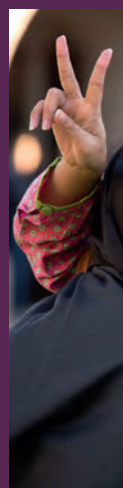
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OLDEST  
UNIVERSITY  
*in the UK*

*Scotland's*  
**safest**  
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Provident - Unbroken Britain Survey,  
Sep 2017

**75%**  
*of the University's  
research*  
IS RANKED AS EITHER  
INTERNATIONALLY EXCELLENT  
OR WORLD LEADING

Research Excellence  
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The University of Aberdeen is a world top 160 university\* with more than 500 years of academic excellence. It combines a long history with a modern approach to teaching, and a reputation for world-class research.

### WHY STUDY FOR YOUR MASTERS HERE?

Boost your career potential at a world-ranking university with leading researchers in your field. Cutting-edge resources, links with industry and diverse study options allow you to focus on your interests, make connections and strive for excellence. Start your Masters in January or September, and join a community of more than 130 nationalities.

### LIVING IN ABERDEEN

An inspiring place to study, Aberdeen is a global centre of excellence and an important UK business hub. As a world-class energy city, it plays a key role in driving the world's emerging renewable energy industries.

You'll be living in a small and friendly city with historic buildings and exciting cultural attractions – from theatres and museums to music venues. Just outside Aberdeen, you can experience stunning countryside, coastlines and mountains.



Since 1495, we have offered life changing opportunities for all of our students.

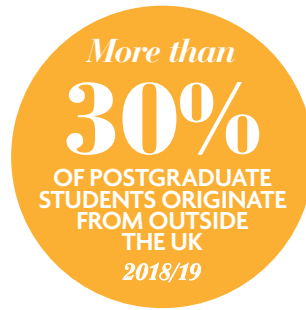
\*The Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2019

# THE INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE



Many Masters degrees offer a January start as well as September, allowing you to arrange your study around your career plans.





The University of Aberdeen International Study Centre provides the skills and support you need to challenge yourself and strive for success in your postgraduate degree.

### **WHY STUDY A PRE-MASTERS AT THE INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE?**

Our Pre-Masters Programme prepares you with academic knowledge, study skills and English language training, tailored to your chosen degree.

#### **Fast-track**

The Pre-Masters Programme is a fast-track to a top-ranking university. Develop or refresh your academic knowledge and English language skills, then progress to your postgraduate degree at the University of Aberdeen.

#### **Boost your career**

Enhance your career prospects and salary potential, or change career direction completely – with our support, you can build on your existing knowledge, or study a different field to your undergraduate studies.

#### **Exceptional support**

Our tutors are experts in their fields and are highly experienced in teaching international students. You'll receive full support from the start, and we'll monitor your progress through regular assessments.

#### **Flexible entry**

We offer a choice of flexible start dates, depending on your level of English language. When you complete the Pre-Masters Programme, you will feel confident and ready to succeed in your degree.

#### **SKILLS FOR SUCCESS**

Each of our Pre-Masters Programme pathways offer an integrated careers service called CareerAhead. Alongside your regular lessons, you will spend time developing your employability skills to ensure you graduate with what you need to succeed. We will work with you to build upon your teamwork, problem solving and communication abilities, helping you both at university and beyond.

#### **YOUR HOME FROM HOME**

Accommodation for postgraduate students will be on or near the main Old Aberdeen campus. You will have an offer for a single occupancy bedroom with either ensuite or standard facilities as well as a kitchen area.







93%

OF ALL POSTGRADUATE  
GRADUATES WENT  
ON TO WORK AND/OR  
FURTHER STUDY

DHLE survey, HESA 2018

Progression scholarships are available  
for students who excel in their  
postgraduate pathway programme.

To find out more visit [abdn.ac.uk/isc](http://abdn.ac.uk/isc)

# PRE-MASTERS PROGRAMME

Our Pre-Masters Programme deepens your academic knowledge and improves your English language skills through university-style tuition. You'll also develop your career skills, gain international experience and gain practical tools for professional success.

## WHY CHOOSE A MASTERS DEGREE?

A postgraduate degree is an excellent way to learn more about your chosen field, or even switch career paths by discovering a new subject. A Masters degree shows potential employers that you are dedicated to learning as much as possible about your subject.

## WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF THE PRE-MASTERS?

At the International Study Centre, depending on your English language level, you will study either twelve, seventeen or twenty-two weeks with us.

The twelve week Pre-Masters Programme is a combination of academic and English language modules designed to ensure you gain the skills to succeed at a high ranking UK university.

If you need more support in raising your English language levels, the five or ten week Pre-session English course will give you intensive English language training so that you are ready to move to the academic part of the programme after five or ten weeks, providing you successfully complete the Pre-session course.

## PROGRESSION TO YOUR DEGREE

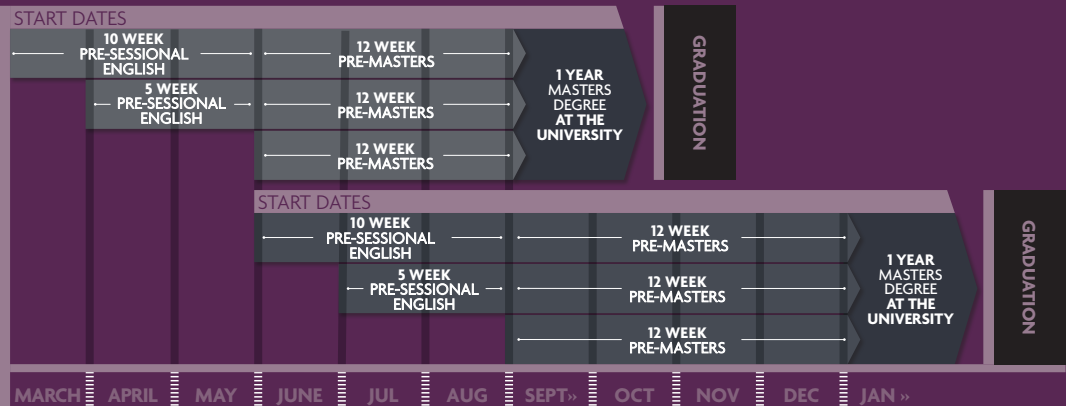
Following successful completion of the programme, and achieving the required grades, you can progress to your chosen Masters. For the grades required, visit [abdn.ac.uk/isc](http://abdn.ac.uk/isc)

## Choose your route from...

Choose between two Pre-Masters routes at the International Study Centre:

- Business and Law
- Science and Engineering

## YOUR POSTGRADUATE JOURNEY



# BUSINESS AND LAW



This is your pathway to a choice of Masters degrees in business and law. Develop your research and analysis skills, focus on the academic areas you're interested in most, and prepare for ongoing success in your career.

## KEY FACTS

**Programme length:** 12 weeks

**Start date:** June (start Masters in September) or September (start Masters in January)

### Entry requirements:

#### Academic:

**Business:** A good recognised degree or advanced diploma in any discipline. Some programmes e.g. MBA require two years' post-degree relevant work experience.

**Law:** A good undergraduate degree or advanced diploma in Law (or a related discipline).

#### English:

##### Pre-Masters

– 12 weeks: overall Academic IELTS for UKVI 6.0 (minimum 6.0 in writing and no skills below 5.5)

##### Pre-sessional English

– 5 weeks: overall Academic IELTS for UKVI 5.5 (minimum 5.5 in all skills)

– 10 weeks: overall Academic IELTS for UKVI 5.0 (minimum 5.0 in all skills)

**Age:** 20+

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## CORE MODULES

### • Academic English Skills

## DESIGNATED MODULES BY ROUTE

### • Finance

Mathematics and Statistics for Business (Quantitative Methods)

Business Economics

Accounting and Finance

### • Management, Energy and Real Estate

Business Economics

Accounting and Finance

International Business and Management

### • Law

Law: the UK Context Fundamentals of

Contract Law

Contemporary Issues in Law

## PROGRESSION DEGREES

### ONE YEAR TAUGHT MASTERS

#### SEPTEMBER START

##### Finance route

MScEcon Accounting and Finance

MScEcon Finance and Investment

Management

MScEcon Finance and Real Estate

##### Management route

MSc International Business and Finance

MSc International Business Management

MSc Marketing Management

MSc International Human

Resource Management

MBA

MBA Finance

##### Energy route

MScEcon Petroleum, Energy Economics and Finance

MBA Energy Management

##### Law route

LLM Business Law and Sustainable Development

LLM Criminal Justice

LLM Criminal Justice and Human Rights

LLM Energy Law

LLM Energy and Environmental Law

LLM General Law

LLM Human Rights

LLM Human Rights and Criminal Justice

LLM Intellectual Property Law

LLM International Commercial Law

LLM International Law

LLM International Law and International Relations

LLM International Law and Strategic Studies

LLM International Trade Law

LLM International Trade Law and Treaty Negotiation

LLM Natural Resources Law

LLM Oil and Gas Law

LLM Public International Law

#### JANUARY START

##### Management route

MSc International Business and Finance

MSc International Business Management

MBA

##### Energy route

MBA Energy Management

##### Law route

LLM Criminal Justice

LLM Criminal Justice and Human Rights

LLM Energy Law

LLM Energy and Environmental Law

LLM General Law

LLM Human Rights and Criminal Justice

LLM Intellectual Property Law

LLM International Commercial Law

LLM International Law

LLM International Trade Law

LLM International Trade Law and Treaty Negotiation

LLM Natural Resources Law

LLM Oil and Gas Law

LLM Public International Law

## WHY STUDY BUSINESS OR LAW AT ABERDEEN?

### Professional accreditation and experience

The city of Aberdeen has links to local and global businesses. whilst Masters degrees at the University are recognised by industry leading bodies. Business degrees are recognised by the Chartered Institute of Marketing and the Chartered Management Institute, with Law degrees accredited by the Law Society of Scotland and Society of Advocates.



# SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING



This Pre-Masters Programme leads to a choice of postgraduate science and engineering degrees. You'll study a range of core and specialist modules that give you the knowledge and skills for postgraduate study and career success.

## KEY FACTS

**Programme length:** 12 weeks

**Start date:** June (start Masters in September) or September (start Masters in January)

### Entry requirements:

**Academic:** A good, recognised undergraduate degree or advanced diploma in Engineering or Science. Applicants who do not meet this requirement may also be considered if they can demonstrate significant relevant work experience, in addition to a good degree.

### English:

#### Pre-Masters

– 12 weeks: overall Academic IELTS for UKVI 6.0 (minimum 6.0 in writing and no skills below 5.5)

#### Pre-sessional English

– 5 weeks: overall Academic IELTS for UKVI 5.5 (minimum 5.5 in all skills)

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## CORE MODULES

- **Academic English Skills**
- **Quantitative Skills for Science and Engineering:** (Mathematics and Statistics)

## DESIGNATED MODULES BY ROUTE

- **Engineering**  
Advanced Engineering Methods  
Research Project for Engineering
- **Computer Science and Mathematics**  
Computational Mathematics  
Business Economics
- **Geoscience**  
Research Methods in Geosciences  
Introduction to Mathematical Analysis
- **Science**  
Computational Mathematics  
Introduction to Mathematical Analysis

## PROGRESSION DEGREES

### ONE YEAR TAUGHT MASTERS

#### SEPTEMBER START

##### Engineering route

MSc Advanced Mechanical Engineering  
MSc Advanced Structural Engineering  
MSc Decommissioning  
MSc Offshore Engineering  
MSc Oil & Gas Engineering  
MSc Petroleum Engineering  
MSc Renewable Energy Engineering  
MSc Safety & Reliability Engineering  
MSc Subsea Engineering

##### Science route

MSc Data Science  
MSc Artificial Intelligence  
MSc Information Technology  
MSc Financial Maths

#### Geoscience route

MSc Integrated Petroleum Geoscience  
MSc Geographical Information System  
MSc Oil & Gas Enterprise Management

#### JANUARY START

##### Engineering route

MSc Advanced Structural Engineering  
MSc Oil & Gas Engineering  
MSc Petroleum Engineering

##### Science route

MSc Information Technology

##### Geoscience route

MSc Geographical Information Systems  
MSc Oil & Gas Enterprise Management

## WHY STUDY SCIENCE OR ENGINEERING AT ABERDEEN?

### World-class teaching and research

Students at Aberdeen benefit from a range of world-class facilities. Our University laboratories allow you to dedicate yourself to important areas of work. Whilst our University staff have won national awards for their work.

Our experience of delivering energy-related degree programmes, coupled with world-class energy-related research, and our geographical location in "Europe's Energy Capital" means we can truly bring our students closer to energy.

# APPLY

## FOR A PRE-MASTERS PROGRAMME



### COMPLETE YOUR APPLICATION FORM

To apply for a Pre-Masters Programme at the University of Aberdeen International Study Centre, you need to complete an application form and submit the relevant documentation.



### APPLY VIA YOUR LOCAL EDUCATION AGENT OR OUR WEBSITE

You can apply through your local education agent or directly via our website.

Visit [abdn.ac.uk/isc](https://abdn.ac.uk/isc)



### HERE TO HELP

Our Student Enrolment Advisors are happy to answer any questions you have about studying with us and coming to the UK. They speak a variety of languages and understand several more.

### STUDENT INSURANCE

We strongly recommend that international students have the protection of personal insurance whilst in the UK. To cover you as a student at the International Study Centre, you may wish to purchase our "StudyCare Insurance Plus" cover. This policy will cover you for loss of personal possessions, travel delay, as well as providing medical

insurance until the end of your International Study Centre academic programme. You can purchase StudyCare Insurance Plus as part of the application process. If you prefer, you may take out insurance cover with another provider.

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“The University of Aberdeen provided me with connections to key industry players, which enabled me to gain a greater insight when choosing my first job. I had the opportunity to acquire technical, analytical and business skills, as well as gain a deeper understanding of the capital market world, understand clients, and adapt to challenging situations.”

*Lynette Otit,*  
*Kenya*  
MSc Finance and  
Investment Management



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