

Programme Title: BSc Accounting and Management with Integrated Foundation Year



## Programme Specification (UG)

Awarding body / institution:	Queen Mary University of London
Teaching institution:	Queen Mary University of London
Name of final award and programme title:	BSc Accounting and Management with Integrated Foundation Year
Name of interim award(s):	Foundation Certificate (FdCert)
Duration of study / period of registration:	4 years
QMUL programme code / UCAS code(s):	
QAA Benchmark Group:	General Business and Management, Accounting and Finance
FHEQ Level of Award :	Level 6
Programme accredited by:	Chartered Institute of Management Accountants (CIMA) Association of Certified Chartered Accountants (ACCA) Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (ICAEW)
Date Programme Specification approved:	17 Dec 2020
Responsible School / Institute:	School of Business & Management

Schools / Institutes which will also be involved in teaching part of the programme:

School of Languages, Linguistics & Film

School of Geography

School of Politics and International Relations

Collaborative institution(s) / organisation(s) involved in delivering the programme:

N/A

### Programme outline

The programme combines two existing QM Programmes: the International Foundation Programme (IFP) in Business and Management offered by the Language Centre in the School of Languages, Linguistics, and Film, and the School of Business and Management's BSc Accounting and Management. The one-year IFP in Business and Management was created as bespoke preparation for SBM degree programmes to provide smoother transition from foundation year to undergraduate study.

Studying BSc Accounting and Management you will examine key issues surrounding how firms /organizations deploy their resources across various business sectors including corporate and non-corporate sectors to sustain their activities going forward. Level 5 modules focus on developing a range of functional skills and students will learn about the social, economic and political

context within which organizations operate. In levels 5 and 6 students will take 8 compulsory modules (4 at level 5 and 4 at level 6). This set of compulsory modules will develop a students' understanding of accounting and financial management within organisations. Specifically, how accounting and financial data can be processed to critically assess the deployment of corporate (and non-corporate) resources in terms of performance outcomes, risk and governance.

In addition to the compulsory modules students are able to select 4 electives at level 5 and 4 electives at level 6. These electives draw from a broad choice offered to undergraduates within the School of Business and Management.

The content of modules will be informed by research within our School focuses on the connections between economic, social, political and cultural aspects of modern business and management and these resources will critically inform the modules taken by students on this programme.

## **Aims of the programme**

The Accounting and Management degree with Integrated Foundation Programme aim is to provide a comprehensive undergraduate degree which will prepare students for careers in business and public organisations, in particular providing students with appropriate and relevant skills in accounting and financial management that will prepare them for careers in corporate, public and third sector organisations.

Another specific aim is to provide students with an appreciation of the changes to the institutional, regulatory and political context that governs the technical aspects of accounting and financial management.

The broader aim of this programme is to develop a students creativity, critical analysis and breadth of knowledge. Providing a general appreciation of how accounting and financial knowledge are affected by wider institutional and political conditions that govern and impact upon organisations and society.

## **What will you be expected to achieve?**

In compulsory modules students will be expected to achieve technical competence in accounting and financial management techniques and a critically informed understanding of accounting as a technical process that is located in an institutional, regulatory and political context.

Students will be expected to develop and demonstrate a critical understanding of the nature of 'financial information' as the product of complex broad stakeholder relationships and how these evolve and adapt over time to impact upon financial performance and the management of resources.

In the elective modules students will enhance their understanding of the complexity of business and be capable of making reasoned and substantiated judgments about the broader contexts within which financial information is generated and utilized for resource management, risk taking and governance.

## **Please note that the following information is only applicable to students who commenced their Level 4 studies in 2017/18, or 2018/19**

In each year of undergraduate study, students are required to study modules to the value of at least 10 credits, which align to one or more of the following themes:

- networking
- multi- and inter-disciplinarity
- international perspectives
- enterprising perspectives.

These modules will be identified through the Module Directory, and / or by your School or Institute as your studies progress.

Academic Content:	
A 1	Understand the key technical and regulatory aspects that determined the process of recording, processing and interpreting financial information and its use in the financial management process.
A 2	Enhance knowledge and awareness of a range of theories and approaches applicable to business and management of resources in organisations.
A 3	Develop a critical understanding of the economic, social and political environments which affect human relations in an organisation and the implications for its structure and culture.

Disciplinary Skills - able to:	
B 1	Understand the main current technical language, practices, theories and conceptual framework of accounting (for example, recognition, measurement and disclosure) the nature of financial statements; managerial accounting; auditing; taxation.
B 2	Appreciate the financing arrangements and governance structures of financial reporting entities, and how theory and evidence can be combined to assess the effectiveness of financial management of resources.
B 3	The ability to create, evaluate and assess a range of options together with the capacity to apply ideas and knowledge to a range of business situations.
B 4	Be able to communicate effectively (oral and in writing), using a range of media which are widely used in business such as the preparation and presentation of business reports.

Attributes:	
C 1	Apply analytical skills to investigate problems, use numbers confidently and competently, identify information needs appropriate to different situations whilst also grasping theoretical principles and practices in the field of accounting and financial management.
C 2	Develop knowledge and analytical skills that are transferable into employment. Produce analyses (numbers and narratives) which are grounded in evidence utilizing technologies to access and interpret information effectively and critically evaluate the reliability of different sources of information.
C 3	Acquire new learning in a range of ways, both individually and in collaboration and possess the skills to influence, negotiations and respond appropriately to criticism.

### How will you learn?

SLLF and SBM both promote active learning within a context of clear learning objectives. Students are encouraged to take responsibility for their own learning. Most modules have a weekly course element and in some this will require collaborative group work. We expect informal work groups to emerge particularly in the more numerically based subjects. Clear guidance on basic and supplementary reading is given.

We recognise the value of independent work at final year level for undergraduates. We consider it important to develop the ability of students to undertake basic research through both practical and theoretical means and to develop the ability to write sustained, coherent narratives. In order to enable students to develop their skills we will offer extensive modules requiring independent work using written and presentational skills.

### How will you be assessed?

Level 3 modules will be assessed by the annual School of Languages, Linguistics and Film exam board. Level 4, 5 and 6 modules

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are assessed by the School of Business and Management's Examination Board which considers all student academic profiles and agrees classifications and progression routes. Modules are assessed by a combination of coursework, presentation, in-course tests and a final examination. Clear guidance on coursework requirement is given, emphasising approaches to coursework of various types and how to avoid plagiarism, together with rules and procedures. Examinations are typically of a two hour paper undertaken in the May/June diet of exams. Examination papers will be reviewed by an Internal Moderator and then by External Examiners. All exam papers go through a moderation marking procedure. A selection of first class and failed scripts together with a representative sample of intermediate scripts are sent to the External examiners for quality control and approval of marks.

**How is the programme structured?**

Please specify the structure of the programme diets for all variants of the programme (e.g. full-time, part-time - if applicable). The description should be sufficiently detailed to fully define the structure of the diet.

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BSc Accounting and Management is a three year degree, taught within the University's modular system.

Each academic year comprises of eight 15 credit modules per year, each of which is normally assessed by a combination of coursework and/or an examination in May/June.

Level 3 students must take 75 credits of compulsory modules and 45 credits of elective modules in the International Foundation Programme.

Progression requirements from level 3 to 4: pass the foundation year, with an average of 60 across semester two modules, a mark of at least 60 (%) in IFP3018 Management and a mark of at least 60 (%) in IFP3020 Independent Study Project.

Students must pass 105/120 credits. Resits cannot be carried forward to level 4.

If students pass 105 out of 120 credits at level 3, but fail to achieve the required grades as specified above, they can be offered the FdCert as an exit award.

Level 4 students must take 120 credits of compulsory modules.

At level 5 students take 4 compulsory modules (2 per semester) and 4 Electives (2 per semester).

At level 6 students take 4 compulsory modules (2 per semester) and 4 Electives (2 per semester).

Any level 6 student wishing to study the BUS314 Dissertation module (30 credits spread evenly across semester 1 & 2) available in the final year, must also study BUS007 Research Methodology at level 5 and must achieve above 60% on the module, and above 65% across all level 5 module assessments.

**Academic Year of Study**     FT - Year 1

Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
English Language and Study Skills	IFP/IFJ3000	15	3	Compulsory	1	Semester 1
Introduction to Business and Management	IFP/IFJ3015	15	3	Compulsory	1	Semester 1

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Applied Mathematics for Business	IFP/IFJ3016	15	3	Compulsory	1	Semester 1
Independent Study Project	IFP/IFJ3020	15	3	Compulsory	1	Semester 2
Management	IFP/IFJ3018	15	3	Compulsory	1	Semester 2
Accounting for Business Decisions	IFP/IFJ3017	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
Marketing	IFP/IFJ3019	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
The History of the UK since 1956	IFP/IFJ3024	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
Twentieth-Century History II	IFP/IFJ3002	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
Introduction to Politics	IFP/IFJ3003	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
Introduction to International Relations	IFP/IFJ3004	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
Introduction to Human Geography	IFP/IFJ3005	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
The Human Geography of London	IFP/IFJ3006	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
Introduction to English Literature	IFP/IFJ3007	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
Introduction to American Literature	IFP/IFJ3008	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
French Language and Culture I (a) for IFP	IFP4011	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
French Language and Culture I (b)	LAN4012	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
Spanish Language and Culture I (a)	LAN4021	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
Spanish Language and Culture I (b)	LAN4022	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
Japanese Language and Culture I (a)	IFP4041	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1

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Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Japanese Language and Culture I (b)	LAN4042	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2
German Language and Culture 1 (a)	IFP4001	15	4	Elective	1	Semester 1
German Language and Culture 1 (b)	LAN4002	15	4	Elective	1	Semester 2
Modern Arabic Language and Culture 1 (a)	IFP4051	15		Elective	1	Semester 1
Modern Arabic Language and Culture 1 (b)	LAN4052	15	4	Elective	1	Semester 2
Italian Language and Culture 1 (a)	IFP4071	15	4	Elective	1	Semester 1
Italian Language and Culture 1 (b)	LAN4072	15	4	Elective	1	Semester 2
Liberal Arts 1 : Understanding the Modern World	IFP/IFJ3021	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 1
Liberal Arts 2 : Understanding Modern Britain	IFP/IFJ3022	15	3	Elective	1	Semester 2

**Academic Year of Study**     FT - Year 2

Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Applied Economics	BUS128	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 1
Accounting Skills	BUS155	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 1
Business in Social and Historical Context	BUS130	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 1
Introduction to Financial Accounting	BUS139	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 1
Organisation Studies	BUS133	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 2
Quantitative Analysis for Business	BUS135	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 2

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Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Introduction to Management Accounting	BUS140	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 2
Fundamentals of Management Studies & Skills	BUS141	15	4	Compulsory	2	Semester 2

**Academic Year of Study**    FT - Year 3

Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
International Corporate Reporting	BUS224	15	5	Compulsory	3	Semester 1
Management Accounting for Decision Making	BUS239	15	5	Compulsory	3	Semester 1
International Financial Accounting	BUS238	15	5	Compulsory	3	Semester 2
Taxation	BUS250	15	5	Compulsory	3	Semester 2
Operations Management	BUS002	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Research Methodology	BUS007	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Business Law	BUS205	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Microeconomics for Managers	BUS208	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Ethics and Business	BUS212	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Technologies in the Work Place	BUS223	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Introduction to Finance	BUS245	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 1
Human Resource Management	BUS014	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 2
Corporate Finance and Strategy	BUS225	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 2

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Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Quantitative Analytics	BUS260	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 2
Managing Under Regulation	BUS249	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 2
Responsible Leadership	BUS243	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 2
Professional and Academic Development (PAD)	BUS264	0	5	Elective	3	Semesters 1 or 2
Entrepreneurship	BUS025	15	5	Elective	3	Semester 2

**Academic Year of Study**    FT - Year 4

Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Macroeconomic Modeling and Policy	BUS330	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 1
Firm Governance and Strategy in the Institution Context	BUS338	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 1
Dissertation	BUS314	30	6	Elective	4	Semesters 1 & 2
Innovation & Entrepreneurship	BUS300	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2
Corporate Law and Governance	BUS329	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2
Company Valuation	BUS331	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2
Business Computing	BUS337	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2
Mentoring and Coaching	BUS344	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2
Gender at Work	BUS349	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2
Business Internship Project	BUS351	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 2



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Module Title	Module Code	Credits	Level	Module Selection Status	Academic Year of Study	Semester
Social and Environmental Accounting	BUS363	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 1
Strategic Management: Concepts and Cases	BUS361	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 1
Contemporary Issues in Accounting and Ethics	BUS365	15	6	Compulsory	4	Semester 2
Financial Institutions and Markets	BUS340	15	6	Elective	4	Semester 1

**What are the entry requirements?**

Minimum of IELTS 6.0, with no lower than 5.5 in each element.

**Academic requirements by country**

**Albania**

Maturity Diploma (General Secondary Education)

An overall mark of 8

**Algeria**

Baccalaureat de l'Enseignement Secondaire

An overall grade of 'bien'

**Azerbaijan**

Attestat (Certificate of Complete Secondary Education)

Marks of 4 or above for all subjects

**Bahrain**

Tawjahiya (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

80% overall

**Bangladesh**

Higher Secondary Certificate (HSC)

GPA of 4.0 out of 5.0

**Brazil**

Certificado de Ensino Medio

An overall average of 7

**Brunei**

Brunei-Cambridge General Certificate of Education Advanced Level (BC-GCE A level) examination

Grades of C or above for all subjects

**Bulgaria**

Diploma za zavarsheno sredno obrazovanie

(Diploma of Completed Secondary Education)

Marks of 5 or above for all subjects

**China**

High School Diploma/'Gāozhōng bìyè wénpíng' or Gāozhōng bìyè Zhèng'

An overall average of 80

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**Columbia**

Bachillerato General

Grades of C or above for all subjects

(or marks of 8 or above depending on marking system)

**Cyprus**

Greek Cypriot System

Apolytirion (School Leaving Certificate)

Marks of 12 or above for all subjects

Turkish Cypriot System

Devlet Lise Diploması (State High School Diploma)

Bitirme Diploması (Private High School Finishing Diploma)

Marks of 5 or above for all subjects

**Czech Republic**

Maturitní Zkouška/Maturita

Marks of 2 or above for all subjects

**Egypt**

Thanaweya A'ama (General Secondary School Certificate Examination)

80% overall

**France**

Baccalaureat General

An overall average of 11

**Greece**

Apolytirion

Marks of 15 or above for all subjects

**Hong Kong**

Hong Kong Diploma of Secondary Education (HKDSE)

Marks of 4, 3, 3, for core subject English Language + two relevant electives (any combination)

**India**

Indian Certificate of Secondary Education (ICSE)

+ all Central Board of Secondary Education examinations

60% overall

**Iran**

Diplom-Motavasatsh (National High School Diploma)

An overall average mark of 16

**Iraq**

Adadiyah (Sixth Form Baccalaureate)

80% overall

**Italy**

Diploma di esame di Stato conclusivo dei corsi di istruzione

(formerly Diploma de Maturita)

65% overall

**Japan**

Kotogakko Sotsugyo Shomeisho (Upper Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

B/4 or above for all subjects

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**Jordan**

Tawjihi General Secondary Education Certificate

80% overall

**Kazakhstan**

Attestat/Svidetel' stvo o Srednem Obrazovanii

(Certificate of Secondary Education)

Marks of 4 or above for all subjects

**Kenya**

Kenyan Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)

Grades of B – or above for all subjects

**Korea (South)**

Ilbankye Kodung Hakkyo (General High School Diploma)

Grades of 'mi' (70-79%) or above for all subjects

**Kuwait**

Shahadat-al-thanawia-al-a'ama (General Secondary School Certificate)

80% overall

**Latvia**

Atestats par visparejo videjo izglitibu

(Certificate of General Secondary Education)

Marks of 7 or above for all subjects

**Lebanon**

Lebanese Baccalaureate

An overall average of 14

**Lithuania**

Brandos Atestatas (Maturity Certificate)

Marks of 7 or above for all subjects

**Malaysia**

Sijil Pelajaran Malaysia (Certificate of Education/Unified Examination Certificate)

Marks of 1 – 6 for all subjects

Sijil Tinggi Persekolahan (Malaysia Higher School Certificate)

Grades of C or above for all subjects

(equivalent to A Level passes)

**Mexico**

Bachillerato General

Grades of C or above for all subjects

(or grades of 8 or above depending on marking system)

**Morocco**

Baccalaureat

An overall average of 12

**Nigeria**

West African Examinations Board Senior School Certificate of Education

(WAEC SSCE)

B3 or higher for all subjects Note – the SSCE must be WAEC

**Oman**

Thanawiya Amma (Secondary School Leaving Certificate)

80% overall

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**Pakistan**

Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSSC)

60% overall

American /International Schools in Pakistan: High School Diploma with a cumulative GPA of 2.3 or above

**Poland**

Matura/Swiadectwo Dojrzalosci (Secondary School Certificate)

An overall mark of 60% + 60% in 3 subjects studied at advanced/extended level

**Portugal**

Diploma de Ensino Secundario (previously known as

Certificado do 12º ano)

An overall average mark of 'bom' (14-17)

**Qatar**

Thanawaya Aa'ma Qatari (Qatar General Secondary Certificate)

80% overall

**Russia**

Attestat o (Polnom) Srednem Obshchem Obrazovanii

(Certificate of Secondary Education)

Marks of 4 or above for all subjects

**Saudi Arabia**

Tawjihyah (General Secondary Education Certificate)

85% overall

**Singapore**

Singapore/Cambridge GCE Advanced Level

Grades of C or above for all subjects

**Slovakia**

Vysvedcenie o Maturitnej Skuske/Maturita

Marks of 2 or above for all subjects

**Spain**

Titulo de Bachiller

An overall average of 6

**Sri Lanka**

Sri Lanka Advanced Level

Grades of C or above for all subjects

**Taiwan**

Senior High School Diploma

An overall average of 70

**Thailand**

Mathayom Suksa 5/6 (M5/6)

Marks of 3 or above for all subjects

**Tunisia**

Baccalaureat

An overall grade of 'assez bien' (12-13)

**Turkey**

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Devlet Lise Diplomasi (State High School Diploma)  
Lise Bitirme Diplomasi (Private High School Diploma)  
A final year (not cumulative) GPA of 70 or above

Ukraine  
Atestat pro Povnu Zagal'nu Sersdnu Ovitsu  
(Certificate of Complete General Secondary Education)  
Grades of 'good' (7-9) or above for all subjects

United Arab Emirates  
Tawjihyya (Secondary School Certificate)  
80% overall

Uzbekistan  
Attestat o srednem obrazovanii  
(Certificate of Secondary Education)  
Grades of 'good' (71-85) or above for all subjects

Venezuela  
Bachillerato /Titulo de Bachiller  
Grades of C or above for all subjects

Vietnam  
Tot Nghiep Pho Thong Trung Hoc  
(Upper Secondary School Graduation Certificate)  
Grades of 'good' (7.0 – 8.0) or above for all subjects

**Other Qualifications**

American High School Diploma  
A final year GPA of 3.0

**How will the quality of the programme be managed and enhanced? How do we listen to and act on your feedback?**

Programme lead and members of SBM Undergraduate Teaching and Learning Committee (TLC) will meet regularly to work together to monitor quality using student feedback and reports from the SBM Quality Assurance administration team. Remedial action and modifications to the programme or its modules will be formally approved by the TLC.

The Staff-Student Liaison Committee provides a formal means of communication and discussion between schools/institutes and its students. The committee consists of student representatives from each year in the school/institute together with appropriate representation from staff within the school/institute. It is designed to respond to the needs of students, as well as act as a forum for discussing programme and module developments. Staff-Student Liaison Committees meet regularly throughout the year.

Each school/institute operates a Learning and Teaching Committee, or equivalent, which advises the School/Institute Director of Taught Programmes on all matters relating to the delivery of taught programmes at school level including monitoring the application of relevant QM policies and reviewing all proposals for module and programme approval and amendment before submission to Taught Programmes Board. Student views are incorporated in the committee's work in a number of ways, such as through student membership, or consideration of student surveys.

All schools/institutes operate an Annual Programme Review of their taught undergraduate and postgraduate provision. APR is a continuous process of reflection and action planning which is owned by those responsible for programme delivery; the main document of reference for this process is the Taught Programmes Action Plan (TPAP) which is the summary of the school/institute's work throughout the year to monitor academic standards and to improve the student experience. Students' views are considered in this process through analysis of the NSS and module evaluations.

## What academic support is available?

The induction week before the start of Semester A provides introductory talks on all the services and support mechanisms available within the school and college. The level 3 induction week is organised by SLLF. The level 4 induction is organised by SBM and will help students transition to the School of Business and Management.

Level 3 students are also invited to SBM welcome week activities and receive SBM communications throughout their level 3 year. In addition, there are taster sessions to which level 3 students are invited to help with the transition to level 4.

The virtual learning environment (QMplus) has information on the different modules and supervisory advice for dissertations as well as personalised teaching timetables.

Module talks are held at the start of the module selection process to enable students make informed choices when selecting their electives for the following academic year.

The School of Business and Management allocates all students an academic advisor. Academic advisors are able to support students through their studies. If students encounter any difficulties of a personal nature which are having an impact on their studies they can meet with their academic advisor.

### Office Hours

All academics have dedicated office hours published on the website so students may visit them to discuss any aspect of their learning on specific modules.

### PASS Scheme

The Peer Assisted Study Support (PASS) scheme aims to increase students' understanding of concepts central to their academic lives. In addition, the scheme seeks to develop leadership, management, and communication skills of students who serve as PASS mentors.

## How inclusive is the programme for all students, including those with disabilities?

Queen Mary has a central Disability and Dyslexia Service (DDS) that offers support for all students with disabilities, specific learning difficulties and mental health issues. The DDS supports all Queen Mary students: full-time, part-time, undergraduate, postgraduate, UK and international at all campuses and all sites.

Students can access advice, guidance and support in the following areas:

- Finding out if you have a specific learning difficulty like dyslexia
- Applying for funding through the Disabled Students' Allowance (DSA)
- Arranging DSA assessments of need
- Special arrangements in examinations
- Accessing loaned equipment (e.g. digital recorders)
- Specialist one-to-one "study skills" tuition
- Ensuring access to course materials in alternative formats (e.g. Braille)
- Providing educational support workers (e.g. note-takers, readers, library assistants)
- Mentoring support for students with mental health issues and conditions on the autistic spectrum.

## Programme-specific rules and facts

During the foundation year, students will be covered by the Academic Regulations and programme regulations for the year in which they commence the foundation year. Students who progress to the BSc section of the programme will be covered by the Academic Regulations and programme regulations for the year in which they begin the BSc section of the programme; where appropriate (notably in the cases of module diet, progression, and award requirements) these latter regulations will then apply for the remainder of the programme.

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If students pass 105 out of 120 credits at level 3, but fail to achieve the required grades as specified above, they can be offered the FdCert as an exit award.

All second year (level 4) students are automatically registered for level 4 modules.

Third year students must study 8 level 5 modules (4 compulsory and 4 elective modules). Any second year student wishing to study the BUS314 Dissertation module in their 3rd year must also study BUS007 Research Methodology in the second year, achieve above 60% on the module and above 65% across all second year module assessments (where module assessments have been completed and marks are available at the time of enrollment).

Final year students can take any 4 of the level 6 modules on offer in addition to the 4 compulsory modules or 6 modules, 3 in each semester plus the BUS314 Dissertation module.

The School has locked academic levels to developmental years (L4 in Y1, L5 in Y2 and L6 in Y3). This restricts final year students from taking any level 5 modules in the final year.

**Links with employers, placement opportunities and transferable skills**

Graduates from this programme will have developed a range of cognitive and practical skills together which will be applicable to context beyond academia.

SBM offers a range of internships available to students throughout their academic programme of study. The School also works closely with the Careers Service and has an Employer Engagement Officer located in the SBM office to locate possible placements, internships and to help create effective CVs to reach potential employers.

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**Programme Specification Approval**

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**Person completing Programme Specification:**

Aktar Hussain

**Person responsible for management of programme:**

**Date Programme Specification produced / amended by School / Institute Learning and Teaching Committee:**

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