

# ABOUT THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

The University of Southampton has a global reputation for academic excellence, attracting students and researchers from across the world.

## The University

With over 24,000 students and 6,500 staff, life at the University is lively and exciting. In addition to our six UK campuses, five libraries and 21 halls of residence, the University has a Students' Union for social events and advice, a modern sports complex and indoor swimming pool, a theatre, concert hall and an art gallery. There are over 300 student societies, including 90 sports clubs, as well as a number of cultural and religious societies. You will study on the Highfield and Avenue campuses, which are just outside the city centre in a safe residential area next to a large green park, 'the Common'.



## The City

Southampton is one of the most lively and dynamic cities in the South of England. It is a top 20 retail destination in the UK, with the third largest theatre outside of London. Southampton Football Club plays at the purpose-built 32,000-seat St Mary's Stadium, close to the city centre. Direct trains link Southampton to London, with journey times of less than 80 minutes. Southampton has excellent road, rail, sea and air links with the rest of the UK and the world. The University's own award-winning unilink bus service connects Southampton's campuses with the city, train stations and Southampton Airport.



## Support Available

- **Meet and Greet:** Our representatives meet you at Heathrow or Gatwick Airport and transport you directly to your accommodation. You can register for this service online: [www.southampton.ac.uk/international/welcome](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/international/welcome)
- **Welcome Programme:** Designed to help you settle into life at the University and in the UK before your studies begin, we offer a range of talks and the opportunity to meet other students and explore the University and city so that you know where to study, relax and worship. For more information, visit: [www.southampton.ac.uk/international/welcome](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/international/welcome)
- **Visas:** Our website provides information on student visas, police registration, working in the UK and has links to other useful websites. For more information, visit: [www.southampton.ac.uk/visa](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/visa)
- **Enabling Services:** Our expert team offers advice and support with any additional needs you may have relating to your studies, both while you are preparing for University and throughout your time here. For more information, visit: [www.southampton.ac.uk/edusupport](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/edusupport)
- **Careers and Employability Service:** Our specialist team are dedicated to helping to enhance your employability by providing internship opportunities, workshops and career fairs. For more information, visit: [www.southampton.ac.uk/careers](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/careers)
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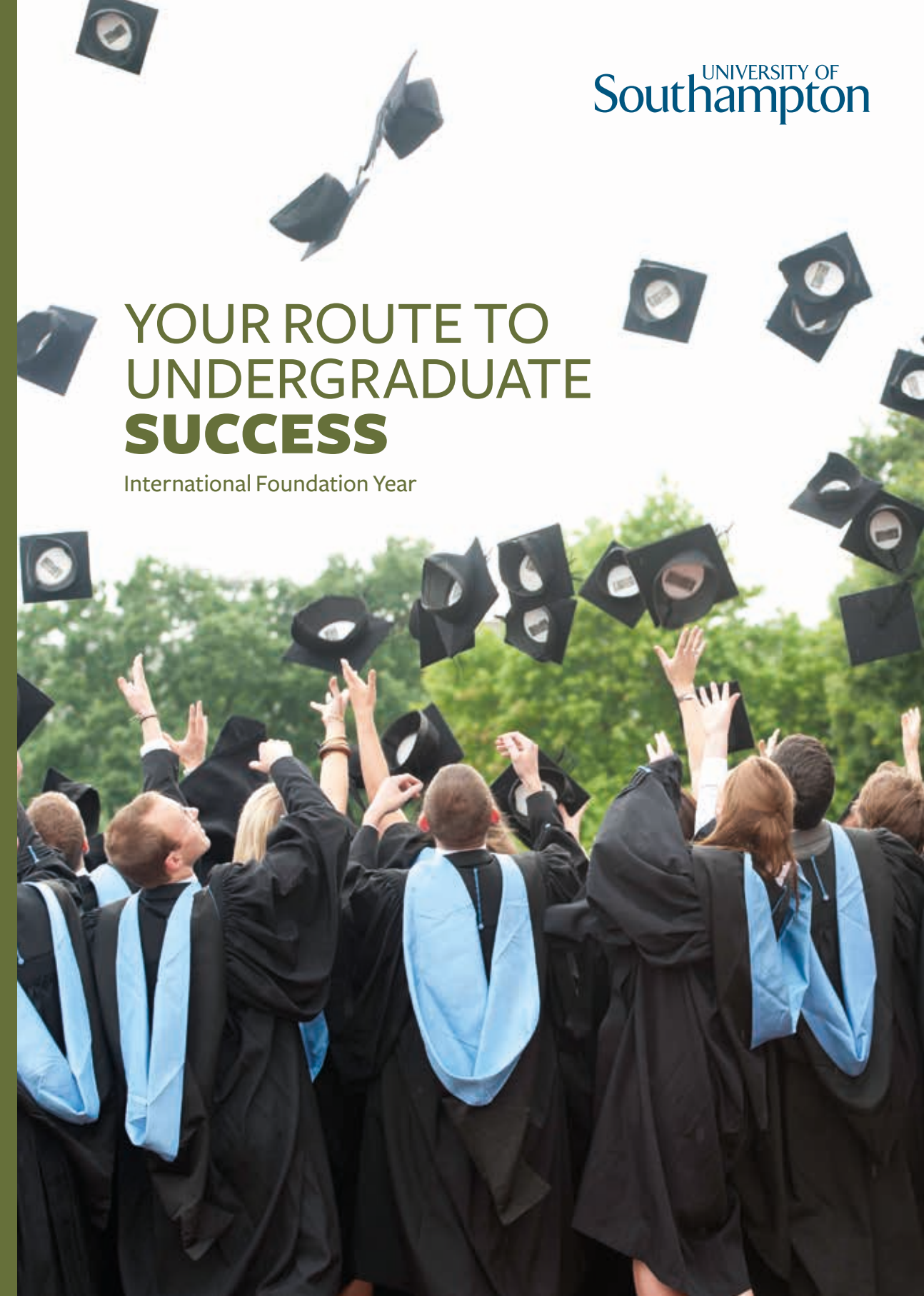
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# DEGREE PROGRAMMES

The International Foundation Year will prepare you for the following undergraduate subject areas:

Accounting	Fashion Marketing	Marketing
Archaeology	Film Studies	Music
Business and Management	Healthcare	Philosophy
Design and Art	History	Politics
Economics	International Relations	Psychology
English	Law	Sociology and Social Sciences

## Programme structure

Each week you will have approximately 20 hours of tuition including lectures, seminars and tutorials. You will also spend at least 15 hours a week studying independently with the guidance of your tutors and personal academic advisor.

By the end of the IFY you will have gained:

- effective academic study skills
- the English language skills you need for your undergraduate degree
- an understanding of the demands and requirements of British university life
- an introduction to your chosen field of academic study



# HOW TO APPLY

You can apply for the IFY through one of the University's approved representatives or independently via:

- the application form downloaded from our website
- the UCAS website

[www.ucas.com/apply](http://www.ucas.com/apply) (using course code LMV0)

You will need to provide the following:

- your High School Graduation Certificate
- your High School transcripts (translated into English) or proof of academic qualifications for the past three years
- an academic reference
- your personal statement
- your IELTS certificate or other official evidence of your English language level

All applications should be submitted by 1st August.

## Entry requirements

Detailed information about the entry requirements for the IFY can be found on our website.

Please note, there are specific entry requirements for some degree programmes including Business, Accounting and Economics, and Law.

## English language requirements

You will need a minimum level of IELTS 5.5 or equivalent with at least 5.5 in each component to join the IFY. If you have an IELTS score of at least 5.0 in each component or approved equivalent but need more English language tuition to reach the entry requirement for the IFY, you may apply for a place on our summer pre-sessional course.

For full details about the pre-sessional course please visit the website: [www.southampton.ac.uk/ug-pre-sessional](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/ug-pre-sessional)

## Fees and scholarships

Visit our Fees web pages to find out about tuition fees and scholarship opportunities:

[www.southampton.ac.uk/international/fees](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/international/fees)

In addition to tuition fees, students are advised to budget £7,200-£8,800 per year for their living costs, which includes accommodation, transport and food.

## Accommodation

International students who apply for accommodation before 1st August are guaranteed accommodation in the University's modern halls of residence for the duration of their studies\*.

More information is available on our website: [www.southampton.ac.uk/accommodation](http://www.southampton.ac.uk/accommodation)

## The University of Southampton's International Foundation Year gives you the skills needed to start your chosen undergraduate degree.

The International Foundation Year (IFY) is for talented students from outside the UK who have had at least 11 or 12 years of full-time education, but who do not have the appropriate qualifications for direct entry to an undergraduate degree programme in a British university.

The IFY programme provides a direct route for students onto a variety of undergraduate degree programmes, from Business to Music and Law.

At the end of the IFY programme, you will automatically progress to your chosen degree, provided you achieve the required grades.

As an IFY student you will be taught by University tutors and lecturers and have access to all of the many benefits the University's students receive.

IFY students are eligible for a four-year visa to study in the UK. Successful completion of the IFY programme guarantees that you can progress to your undergraduate degree without applying for a new visa.



Find out more

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