

Programme Specification

BSc Finance and Business Management - September Entry

For students entering Part 1 in September 2022

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This document sets out key information about your Programme and forms part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.

Awarding Institution	University of Reading
Teaching Institution	University of Reading
Length of Programme	3 years
Length of Programme with placement/year abroad	
Accreditation	Malaysian Qualifying Agency (MQA)

Programme information and content	
The programme aims to provide you with an in-depth understanding of the interrelationships between the areas of finance and business management.	
Part 1:	Introduces you to the fundamental concepts and practical tools that you will need to progress your studies in the business world more broadly and the financial industry more specifically.
Part 2:	Provides you with the core vocational knowledge and necessary transferable skills required for a career in international business, marketing, corporate finance and financial modelling.
Placement/Study abroad year:	Student Mobility: Students at the University of Reading Malaysia have the option to spend time at our UK campus studying on the same degree programme. Students may study for a term or a full academic year in either Part 1, Part 2 and/or Part 3. Transfer to the UK is dependent on the student successfully completing all required assessments in the prior year. Costs of study in the UK will be notified in advance.
Part 3:	Gives you the opportunity to steer your studies towards the most exciting areas of finance or management according to your own preferences and professional aspirations

Module information

Each part comprises 120 credits, allocated across a range of compulsory and optional modules as shown below. Compulsory modules are listed.

Part 1 Modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
IC101	Introductory Securities and Markets	20	4
IC102	Introductory Finance/Trading Simulation I	20	4
IC103	Introductory Economics for Business and Finance	20	4
IC104	Introductory Quantitative Techniques for Business and Finance	20	4
IC105	Ethics in Investment Management	20	4
MM1F27	Business in Practice: Accounting for managers	20	4

Part 2 Modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
AC201	Management Accounting	20	5
IC201	Corporate Finance	20	5
IC204	Portfolio Management	20	5
IC212	Financial Modelling	20	5
MM218	Marketing Essentials	20	5
MM296	Building competitive advantage: Business Strategy and Operations	20	5

If you take a year-long placement or study abroad, Part 3 as described below may be subject to variation.

Part 3 Modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
IC303	Management of Risk	20	6
IC312	Islamic Banking Practices	20	6
IC316	Fintech and Cryptocurrencies	20	6
IC317	Derivative Securities	20	6
MM303	Strategy and International Business	20	6
MM335	International Marketing	20	6

Optional modules:

The optional modules available can vary from year to year. An indicative list of the range of optional modules for your Programme is set out in the Further Programme Information. Details

of optional modules for each part, including any Additional Costs associated with the optional modules, will be made available to you prior to the beginning of the Part in which they are to be taken and you will be given an opportunity to express interest in the optional modules that you would like to take. Entry to optional modules will be at the discretion of the University and subject to availability and may be subject to pre-requisites, such as completion of another module. Although the University tries to ensure you are able to take the optional modules in which you have expressed interest this cannot be guaranteed.

Additional costs of the programme

For University of Reading Malaysia students who study in the UK additional costs may be associated with the selection of optional modules.

Additional costs for the programme may be incurred for the purchase of textbooks and/or for site visits or field trips in Malaysia. Students will be notified of all additional costs.

Placement opportunities

Teaching and learning delivery:

You will be taught through lectures and seminars.

Total study hours for each Part of your programme will be 1200 hours. In addition to your scheduled contact hours, you will be expected to undertake guided independent study. Information about module contact hours and the amount of independent study which a student is normally expected to undertake for a module is indicated in the relevant module description.

Assessment

The programme will be assessed through a combination of written examinations, coursework, and practical examinations.

Accreditation details

The BSc Finance & Business Management programme has been approved by the Malaysian Ministry of Higher Education via the [Malaysia Qualification Agency](#) (MQA).

Progression Requirements:

Part 1

To be considered to have achieved a threshold performance at Part 1, a student shall normally be required to:

- i. achieve an overall average of 40% over 120 credits taken in Part 1; and
- ii. achieve a mark of at least 30% in individual modules amounting to not less than 100 credits taken in Part 1.

In order to progress from Part 1 to Part 2, a student must achieve a threshold performance, and:

- i. obtain at least 40% in 100 credits in all Part 1 modules, with the exception of IC105 in which a mark of at least 35% must be obtained;

The achievement of a 'threshold performance' at Part 1 qualifies a student for a Certificate of Higher Education if they leave the University before completing the subsequent Part.

Part 2

To be considered to have achieved a threshold performance at Part 2, a student shall normally be required to:

- i. achieve an overall average of 40% over 120 credits taken at Part 2; and
- ii. achieve a mark of at least 40% in 80 credits taken in Part 2; and

- iii. a marks of at least 30% in 120 credits taken in Part 2, except that a mark below 30% may be condoned in no more than 20 credits of modules owned by the Department of Mathematics and Statistics.

In order to progress from Part 2 to Part 3, a student must achieve a ‘threshold performance’, and:

- i. marks of at least 30% in individual modules amounting to 120 credits.

For further reference on Progression Rule: <https://www.reading.ac.uk/cqsd/-/media/project/functions/cqsd/documents/cqsd-old-site-documents/15-progression.pdf?la=en&hash=7E3908D204E1AA76089BFCAD01D03C3A>

Those students studying this programme at the University of Reading Malaysia, are additionally required to complete the Mata Pelajaran Umum (MPU) programme prior to graduation, in accordance with Act 555 of the Malaysian Office for Education.

Classification

Bachelors’ degrees

The University’s honours classification scheme is based on the following:

Mark	Interpretation
70% - 100%	First class
60% - 69%	Upper Second class
50% - 59%	Lower Second class
40% - 49%	Third class
35% - 39%	Below Honours

0% - 34%

Fail

The weighting of the Parts/Years in the calculation of the degree classification is:

Three-year programmes:

Part 2 one-third

Part 3 two-thirds

Four-year programmes, including placement year:

Normally:

Part 2 one-third

Placement Year not included in classification

Part 3 two-thirds

(where students fail a placement year which does not contribute to classification they transfer to the three-year version of the programme)

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For further information about your Programme please refer to the Programme Handbook and the relevant module descriptions, which are available at <http://www.reading.ac.uk/module/>. The Programme Handbook and the relevant module descriptions do not form part of your Terms and Conditions with the University of Reading.

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