

Programme Specification

BSc Investment and Finance in Property

For students entering Part 1 in September 2023

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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
Accreditation	Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors, Board of Valuers, Appraisers, Estate Agents and Property Managers Malaysia (BOVAEP), EQUIS, AACSB

Programme information and content	
<p>The programme aims to provide you with the knowledge and skills necessary for a successful career; to enable you to engage confidently with market and development processes; to emphasise the value of interdisciplinary working; to provide you with a structured but flexible learning framework; and to ensure that the skill areas covered apply to a range of occupational and professional needs. The programme also provides you with 60 credits of option modules that will enable you to customise your degree toward an optional concentration in ‘climate resilience management, business management, rural land or data technology.</p>	
Part 1:	<p>Introduces you to the fundamental principles of core subject areas including building, economics, law, investment appraisal, data analysis and planning. A series of projects in real estate and planning will then enable you to develop skills and apply the knowledge gained through the taught modules.</p>
Part 2:	<p>Provides you with a deeper knowledge of core topic areas and a more specific application of those areas to real estate and planning practice. Areas covered include real estate valuation, real estate and urban economics, and real estate and planning law and real estate finance and investment. An additional module in entrepreneurship and technology will enable you to further develop your skills in teamworking and to apply the knowledge gained through the taught modules. An elective module enables you some degree of flexibility over what you learn in this second year.</p>
Placement/Study abroad year:	<p>Students have the option to do a Study Abroad Year.</p>
Part 3:	<p>Gives you the opportunity to further apply your knowledge on this programme. Areas covered are real estate portfolio management and real estate securities, with support from additional training in quantitative</p>

techniques and statistical analysis. A project module in finance and investment will complement your learning with in-depth project work.

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
IC103	Introductory Economics for Business and Finance	20	4
LW101F	Introduction to Property Law	10	4
LW1A05	General Introduction to Law	10	4
RE1IAP	Investment Appraisal	20	4
RE1INDA	Introduction to Data Analysis	10	4
RE1IPB	Introductions to Planning and Building	20	4
RE1PROJ	Projects in Real Estate and Planning	30	4

Part 2 Modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
RE2ECON	Real Estate and Urban Economics	20	5
RE2ENT	Real Estate Entrepreneurship and Technology	20	5
RE2FIN	Real Estate Finance and Investment	20	5
RE2LAW	Real Estate and Planning Law	20	5
RE2REV	Real Estate Valuation II	20	5

Remaining credits will be made up of optional modules available in the Henley Business School and modules from elsewhere in the University.

Modules during a placement year or study year (if applicable):

Module	Name	Credits	Level
MM200	Study Abroad Year	120	5

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Part 3 Modules:

Module	Name	Credits	Level
RE3FINP	Project in Real Estate Finance	20	6
RE3QTS	Quantitative Techniques and Statistics	20	6
RE3RES	Real Estate Securities	20	6

RE3RPM	Real Estate Portfolio Management	20	6
Remaining credits will be made up of optional modules available in the Henley Business School and modules from elsewhere in the University.			

Optional modules:

The optional modules available can vary from year to year. An indicative list of the range of optional modules for your programme can be found online in the Course Catalogue. 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

Costs are indicative, but will vary according to module choice and are subject to inflation and other price fluctuations. The estimates were calculated in 2019.

During your programme of study you will incur some additional costs.

For textbooks and similar learning resources, we recommend that you budget approximately £200 a year. Some books may be available second-hand, which will reduce costs. A range of resources to support your curriculum, including textbooks and electronic resources, are available through the library. Reading lists and module specific costs are listed on the individual module descriptions.

Subject to your module selection, you may be required to purchase sundry materials (i.e. printing). Many students find it advantageous to have their own personal computing facilities though there are central facilities available.

Placement opportunities

Study Abroad:

You may be provided with the opportunity to undertake a Study Abroad Year during your Programme. This is subject to you meeting academic conditions detailed in the Programme Handbook, including obtaining the relevant permissions from your School, and the availability of a suitable Study Abroad. If you undertake a Study Abroad, further arrangements will be discussed and agreed with you. A Study Abroad at the University of Reading Malaysia - UoRM (BSc Real Estate) - requires no alteration to your enrolment; all compulsory modules for RICS accreditation in the UK are co-convened by academic staff at UoRM.

Placement Year:

The Department of Real Estate and Planning does not provide a sandwich course. However, you may be provided with the opportunity to undertake employment. This is subject to you meeting academic conditions detailed in the Programme Handbook, including obtaining the relevant permissions from your School, as well as the suitability of the employment opportunity.

Teaching and learning delivery:

You will be taught through seminars and lectures.

Total study hours for each Part of your programme will be 1200 hours. The contact hours for your programme will depend upon your module combination; an average for a typical set of modules on this programme is approximately 250 hours per year. 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.

Accreditation details

Henley Business School is accredited by the EQUIS and AACSB.
BSc Investment and Finance in Property is accredited by the Royal Institution of Chartered Surveyors (RICS) for the purpose of graduate membership.

Assessment

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

Progression Requirements:**Part 1**

The University-wide rules relating to 'threshold performance' are as follows:

- (i) Obtain an overall average of 40% over 120 credits taken in Part 1; and
- (ii) Obtain a mark of at least 30% in individual modules amounting to at least 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) achieve at least 40% in modules totalling 100 credits and at least 35% in the remaining 20 credits
- (ii) obtain marks of at least 40% in RE1IAP and RE1IPB

Marks below 35% in Part 1 modules will not be condoned.

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 gain a threshold performance at Part 2, a student shall normally be required to:

- (i) Obtain a weighted average of 40% over 120 credits taken at Part 2;
- (ii) Marks of at least 40% in individual modules amounting to at least 80 credits; and
- (iii) Marks of at least 30% in individual modules amounting to not less than 120 credits, 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 not less than 120 credits.

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 Standard

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 Year Abroad:

Part 2 one-third

Year Abroad not included in classification

Part 3 two-thirds

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

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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