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(QS World University Rankings 2027)

Ranked **18th in the UK**
(The Complete University Guide 2027)

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LEEDS INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE

FOR PROGRESSION TO THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS

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LEEDS INTERNATIONAL STUDY CENTRE

90% of students

who completed their pathway programme at Leeds International Study Centre were eligible to progress to a degree course at the University of Leeds in 2025.

Leeds International Study Centre works in collaboration with the University of Leeds to prepare students from outside the UK for successful degree study. Our programmes offer students the opportunity to study abroad in the UK, while providing additional support to settle in to life in the UK.

Build your confidence

Our pathway programmes are designed to ease you into life in the UK. Small classes, attentive teaching styles and tailored modules for international students are combined with a focus on improving your English language skills. You will also take part in lectures, seminars and tutorials, so that you know what to expect when you progress to your degree at the University of Leeds.

Career development

Leeds International Study Centre starts your university life with a focus on employability. This gives you a chance to practice and build employability skills, preparing you for success beyond university. This is reinforced by the strong business links that the University of Leeds has to offer, which you will have access to once you progress to a degree.

Great locations and facilities

At Leeds International Study Centre, you will benefit from modern learning and social spaces with access to the resources you need to succeed. Whilst studying at Leeds International Study Centre, you will also have access to select facilities at the University of Leeds, including the Students' Union clubs and societies and the library. This means that you can make Leeds your home away from home in a safe and supportive community where you can make new friends.

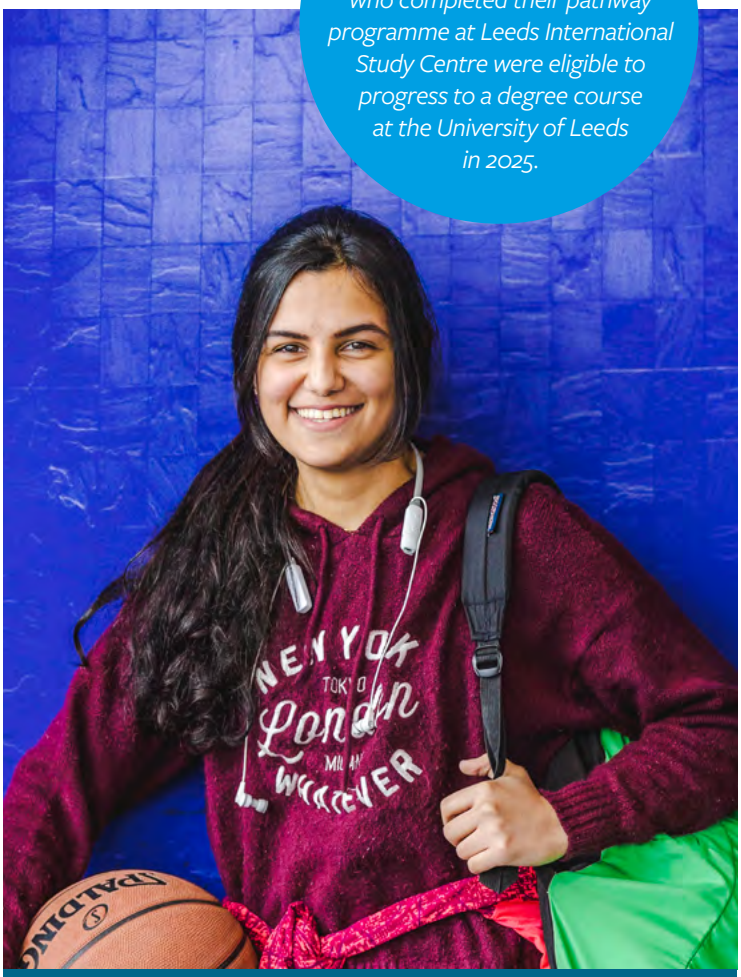
Prepare for Success

Covering three essential areas of life, language and learning, Prepare for Success is a free online preparation course you can join before the start of your academic programme at Leeds International Study Centre. It will empower you with the confidence, skills, and knowledge needed to thrive academically and culturally in your new environment.

Enhanced Induction

For students who want to settle into their new environment and become familiar with the International Study Centre prior to starting their main academic programme in January, the Enhanced Induction starts in November and consists of three additional weeks of life, learning and language skills, at no additional tuition fee.

For more information about the International Study Centre, please visit **leedsisc.com/international-study-centre**



"I think the International Study Centre prepares us for what it is like to be at the University. I think I am more prepared by doing the International Foundation Year before going to the University of Leeds, as I can learn more. Moving from high school to university is a big difference, so you want that step in-between, where people can support you and tell you what it is like to be at university, and you can actually experience it."

Dalal from Kuwait
Studied International Foundation Year
Progressed to Physics with Astrophysics MPhys at the University of Leeds

WHY CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS?

91% of international students
feel prepared to meet their career goals
(International Student Barometer 2025)

After you successfully complete your programme at Leeds International Study Centre, you will progress to the University of Leeds - a university that is internationally recognised for its research-based curriculum, pioneering approach to teaching, fantastic student experience, state-of-the-art facilities and excellent graduate prospects.

Outstanding teaching

Teaching at the University of Leeds is designed to develop your knowledge and skills, so that you can be a part of the next generation of highly skilled critical thinkers and graduate with a globally-recognised degree.

You will be taught and inspired by internationally renowned academics who are experts in their fields. Additionally, University of Leeds staff have been awarded more National Teaching Fellowships than any other university in the UK, which reflects the high quality of teaching.

Research-based learning

Whichever subject you choose to study, research will be at the heart of your learning at the University of Leeds. You'll be close to breakthroughs that are having a real impact in the world, and have the opportunity to get involved in research that is happening on campus.

Excellent subject rankings

The University of Leeds has numerous subjects in the top 10 of The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2027, including Accounting and Finance, Business, Management and Marketing, Civil Engineering and Electrical and Electronic Engineering.

Study and live in Leeds

Leeds is a vibrant, affordable and multicultural city, known for its arts, sports, leisure, entertainment and nightlife. With over 80,000 students living within the city boundaries, there's a lively student community, making it an exciting place to live and learn.

For more information about the University of Leeds, please visit **leedsisc.com/university-of-leeds**

LIFE IN LEEDS

10 of the best things to do in Leeds

Your programme will be taught at our Leeds International Study Centre (ISC), which is located in the heart of Leeds, just a 5-minute walk from the train station. The centre features modern, purpose-built classrooms designed to create a dynamic and engaging space for all of our students.

ISC location: Leeds International Study Centre, 8 Park Row, Leeds, LS1 5HD

"Leeds is really beautiful and I love this city so much. I actually love how it is small, but it is not small. The people are really friendly. You honestly can walk up to anyone and just ask for directions and they will give you a smile and direct you."

Ivy from Kenya
Studied International Foundation Year

Progressed to International Business and Marketing BSc at the University of Leeds

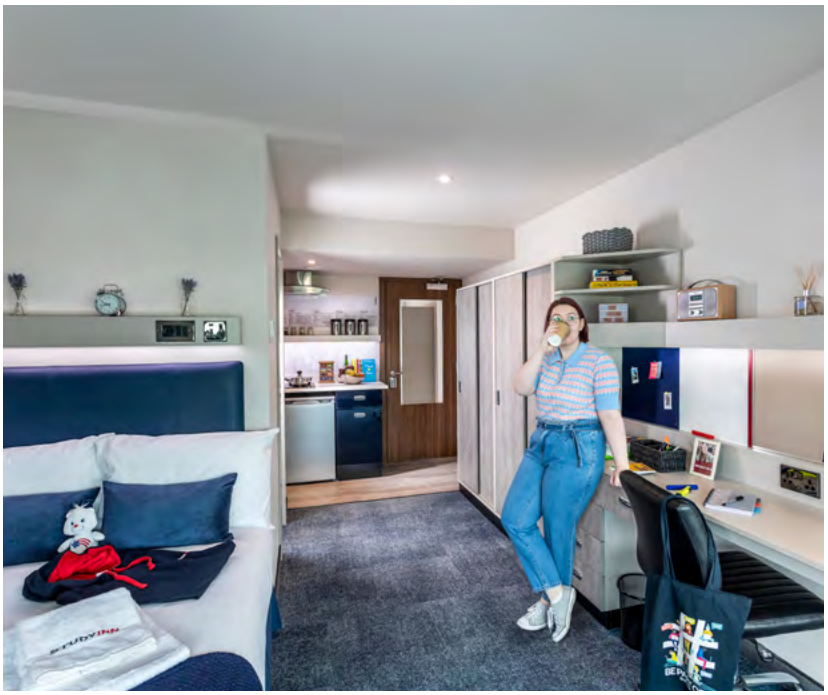
ACCOMMODATION

Living in student accommodation is the best way to experience student life. You'll make friends from around the world, have fun and learn to live on your own in the wonderful and exciting city of Leeds.

Living with other students is a great way to make friends which will help you settle into life away from home. We work with Study Inn, a student accommodation provider in the UK. Located in Leeds city centre, Brotherton House offers convenient and modern premium student accommodation and the following is included in your fees:

- All utility bills
- Regular bedroom cleaning services
- Regular towels and bedlinen replacement
- Onsite gym and yoga room
- Wellness and spa facilities
- Entertainment area
- Bowling lanes
- Study rooms
- Bike storage
- Superfast WiFi
- Kitchen and bedding essentials
- 24/7 security and CCTV
- Building controlled entry system
- Regular social events
- Concierge and postal service

For more information on accommodation, please visit **leedsisc.com/international-study-centre/accommodation**



Bowling at Brotherton House

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR

The International Foundation Year, a two-semester programme offered in four subject pathways, focuses on preparing you to join the first year of an undergraduate degree at the University of Leeds.

Why the International Foundation Year?

This programme aims to fully prepare you for the challenges of degree study, helping you develop the skills and knowledge you need to succeed at university and beyond.

What you will learn

You will study a combination of core and subject-specific modules that focus on teaching you the academic English, study skills and subject areas most relevant to the degree you plan on studying at the University.

Your assessment

Teachers will monitor your progress closely and support you in working towards your progression requirements. You will take part in exams, group projects, presentations and essays as part of your overall assessment.

Your degree at the University of Leeds

Once you complete the International Foundation Year and meet all the necessary requirements, you can start the first year of your chosen undergraduate degree at the University of Leeds.

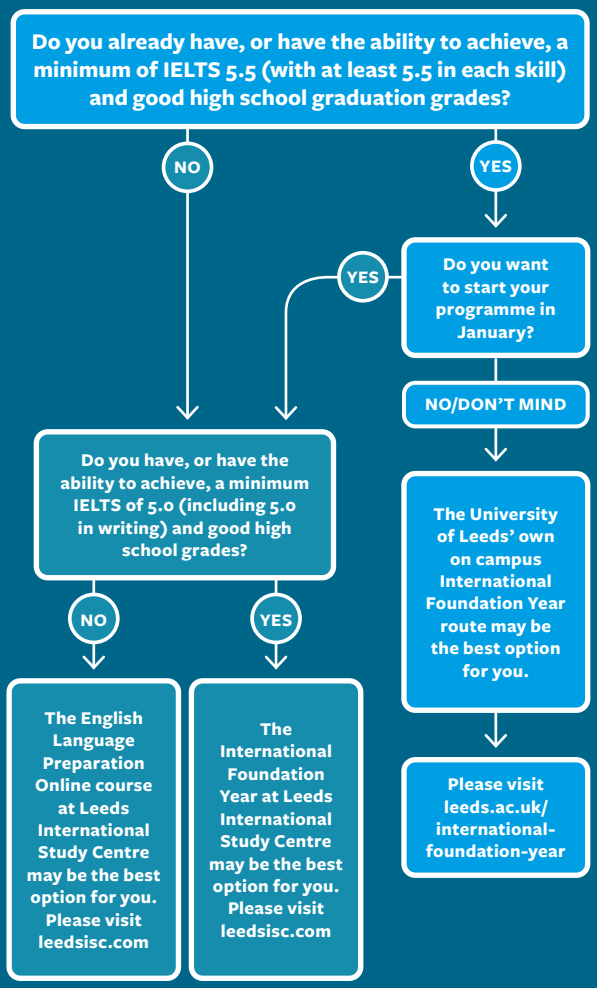
Improve your English

If you need to improve your English language skills before you start your programme, you can join our English Language Preparation programme delivered fully online.

For further information about English language courses, including semester dates, fees, and entry requirements please visit **leedsisc.com/programmes/english-language-courses**

FIND THE RIGHT FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

EXPLORE THE OPTIONS BELOW TO FIND THE ONE THAT MEETS YOUR NEEDS



Key facts

Duration: 2 semesters (one academic year)

Start dates: September, November (with Enhanced Induction) or January

English language entry requirements: Minimum of IELTS 5.0 overall (including 5.0 in writing)*

Academic entry requirements: Good high-school graduation grades, or equivalent

Age: 17+

*Academic IELTS for UKVI. If you do not need a Student visa, or are exempted in another way, we can accept equivalent proof of English.

Study plan options

Leeds International Study Centre					University of Leeds
Duration	Sept - Oct	Nov - Dec	Jan - May	May - Aug	September
September intake	Semester 1		Semester 2		Start your degree
November intake (Enhanced Induction)		Enhanced Induction (3 weeks)	Semester 1	Semester 2	
January intake			Semester 1	Semester 2	

International Foundation Year

#1 in the UK *for Civil Engineering* (The Guardian University Guide 2027)

3rd in the UK *for Architecture* (The Guardian University Guide 2027)

8th in the UK *for Accounting and Finance* (The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2027)

8th in the UK *For Business and Management* (The Guardian University Guide 2027)

INTERNATIONAL FOUNDATION YEAR SUBJECT PATHWAYS

Business, Finance and Management

This route prepares students for undergraduate degrees in business, finance, management and related fields. Students will develop essential academic, analytical, and communication skills needed for university study.

Modules

- Academic English Skills
- Accounting and Financial Management
- Business Management
- Statistics with Project Skills

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Foundation Year, you will be ready to start your degree at the University of Leeds. Undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include (but are not limited to):

- Business Management BA
- Economics BSc
- Environment and Business BA
- International Business and Finance BSc
- International Business and Marketing BSc

Engineering, Science and Computing

This route prepares students for degrees in engineering, computer science and computing-related subjects. Students will strengthen their mathematical, technical, and problem-solving skills for university study.

Modules

- Academic English Skills
- Chemistry (elective module)
- Mathematics
- Physics (elective module)
- Statistics with Project Skills

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Foundation Year, you will be ready to start your degree at the University of Leeds. Undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include (but are not limited to):

- Aeronautical and Aerospace Engineering BEng
- Architectural Engineering BEng
- Chemical Engineering MEng/BEng
- Civil Engineering BEng
- Computer Science (Artificial Intelligence) MEng
- Data Science BSc
- Electronic and Electrical Engineering BEng
- Mathematics and Statistics BSc
- Mechatronics and Robotics Engineering BEng

For the full range of International Foundation Year progression degrees and module descriptions, please visit **leedsisc.com/programmes/international-foundation-year**

Health and Life Sciences

This route leads to a wide range of degrees at the University of Leeds, in health and life sciences areas such as biology, chemistry, psychology, pharmacology and more. You will study modules which are carefully tailored for your academic development and chosen area of study. The programme aims to improve your academic and English language skills, as well as honing your academic voice, helping you successfully enter a world top 100 university.

Modules

- Academic English Skills
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Statistics with Project Skills

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Foundation Year, you will be ready to start your degree at the University of Leeds. Undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include (but are not limited to):

- Biological Sciences BSc
- Biomedical Sciences BSc
- Environmental Science BSc
- Food Science BSc
- Genetics BSc
- Nutrition BSc
- Pharmacology BSc
- Sport and Exercise Sciences BSc
- Sustainability and Environmental Management BSc

Law, Social Sciences and Humanities

This route is designed for students interested in subjects such as law, politics, psychology, and international relations. It helps students develop critical thinking and academic skills for university success.

Modules

- Academic English Skills
- Law
- Project Skills
- Social Science

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Foundation Year, you will be ready to start your degree at the University of Leeds. Undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include (but are not limited to):

- Childhood Studies BA
- Criminal Justice and Criminology BA
- Education BA
- International Relations BA
- Law LLB
- Politics BA

Please note our modules and progression degrees are subject to change - we regularly review content in collaboration with the University, making changes to enhance the learning experience and to further improve prospects for student progression and employability.

INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE

The International Year One, a two-semester programme that covers four subject pathways, will prepare eligible students to progress to the second year of a degree in their chosen subject.

Why the International Year One?

This programme is equivalent to the first year of an undergraduate degree, so you can directly progress to the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds. Our teachers work closely with students to bring you a tailored, personal studying experience which enables you to seamlessly enter the second year of an undergraduate degree.

What you will learn

You will study a combination of core and subject-specific modules that focus on teaching you the academic content relevant to the degree you plan on studying at the University. You will also build upon your pre-existing English language skills and develop the study skills you need to succeed in your degree.

Your assessment

You will participate in exams, group projects, presentations and essays as part of your overall assessment. Teachers will monitor your progress closely and support you in working towards your progression requirements.

Your degree at the University of Leeds

Once you successfully complete the programme and meet all the necessary academic and English language requirements, you will join the second year of your chosen undergraduate degree at the University of Leeds.

Improve your English

If you need to improve your English language skills before you start your programme, you can join our English Language Preparation programme delivered fully online.

Key facts

Duration: Two semesters (one academic year)

Start dates: Biological Sciences , Business Management and International Relations - September, November (with Enhanced Induction) or January; and Civil Engineering - September only

English language entry requirements:

Biological Sciences, Civil Engineering and International Relations – Minimum of IELTS 5.5 overall (minimum of 5.5 in writing)* or equivalent

Business Management – Minimum of IELTS 5.5 overall (minimum 5.5 in writing, with no skill lower than 5.0)* or equivalent

Academic entry requirements: Good high-school graduation grades (or equivalent) plus one year of further study. Subject-specific academic entry requirements may apply. Please visit our website for full details.

Age: 17+

*Academic IELTS for UKVI. If you do not need a Student visa, or are exempted in another way, we can accept equivalent proof of English.

For further information about English language courses, including semester dates, fees, and entry requirements please visit **leedsisc.com/programmes/english-language-courses**

Study plan options

Leeds International Study Centre					University of Leeds
Duration	Sept - Oct	Nov - Dec	Jan - May	May - Aug	September
September intake	Semester 1		Semester 2		Start your degree
November intake (Enhanced Induction)		Enhanced Induction (3 weeks)	Semester 1	Semester 2	
January intake			Semester 1	Semester 2	

International Year One

INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE SUBJECT PATHWAYS

Biological Sciences

Studying this pathway allows you to progress to the second year of an undergraduate degree from the Faculty of Biological Sciences at the University of Leeds.

Modules

- Academic Skills*
- Human Physiology, Neuroscience and Pharmacology
- Microbial Science
- Molecular, Cellular Biology and Genetics
- Studying and Research in Biological Sciences

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds.

The undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include:

- Biological Sciences BSc
- Biological Sciences (Biotechnology with Enterprise) BSc
- Biomedical Sciences BSc
- Genetics BSc
- Microbiology BSc
- Neuroscience BSc
- Pharmacology BSc

Business Management

This pathway leads to the second year of a selection of Business degrees at the University of Leeds.

Modules

- Academic Skills*
- Business Management
- Exploring your Potential in Business and Marketing
- Introduction to Entrepreneurship
- Introduction to Management and Financial Accounting
- Introduction to Marketing
- Organisational Behaviour

Progression degree

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of Business Management BA, Business Management and Human Resources BA, or the Business Management with Marketing BA at the University of Leeds.

*To help you succeed, you will study one of two Academic Skills routes based on your IELTS score, ensuring the right level of challenge and support.

Academic English Skills
For students with IELTS 5.5 (5.5 in all skills)

Designed for students developing confidence in academic English and university study. You'll build core academic and study skills, helping you prepare successfully for Year 2.

Applied Critical Skills for University
For students with IELTS 6.5+ (no skill below 6.0)

Designed for students with strong English skills who are ready for degree-level study. You'll develop critical reading, academic writing and analytical skills to support progression into Year 2 with confidence.

Civil Engineering and Architecture

Studying this pathway allows you to progress to the second year of an undergraduate degree from the School of Civil Engineering at the University of Leeds.

Modules

- Academic Skills*
- Architecture and Design Project
- Engineering Mathematics and Modelling
- Engineering Surveying, Construction Technology and Sustainability
- Structures and Materials

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds.

The undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds include:

- Architectural Engineering MEng, BEng
- Architecture MEng
- Architecture MEng, MArch
- Civil and Environmental Engineering MEng, BEng
- Civil and Structural Engineering MEng, BEng
- Civil Engineering MEng, BEng

International Relations and Global Development

This International Year One pathway will prepare you to progress to the second year of an undergraduate degree in international relations or global development at the University of Leeds.

Modules

- Academic Skills*
- British Politics
- Introduction to Global Development
- Introduction to International Relations
- Studying and Research in International Relations

Progression degrees

Once you successfully complete the International Year One, you will be ready to start the second year of your degree at the University of Leeds.

The undergraduate degrees you can go on to study at the University of Leeds are:

- Global Development BA
- Global Development with Quantitative Research Methods BA
- International Relations BA
- International Relations with Quantitative Research Methods BA

Please note our modules and progression degrees are subject to change - we regularly review content in collaboration with the University, making changes to enhance the learning experience and to further improve prospects for student progression and employability.

For up-to-date lists of all International Year One progression degrees and module descriptions, please visit **leedsisc.com/programmes/international-year-one**

PRE-MASTERS PROGRAMME IN BUSINESS

The Pre-Masters Programme in Business at Leeds International Study Centre offers international students a structured pathway to postgraduate study at the University of Leeds. This programme is designed to support students in developing the academic and language skills necessary for success in a master's degree.

- **The triple-accredited Leeds University Business School** is known for its strong industry links and research-led teaching. Students benefit from opportunities to engage with experts and develop skills that align with employer expectations.
- **More than 650 national and international employers** visit the university each year to connect with students, including well-known companies such as PwC, Unilever, Jaguar Land Rover, Marks & Spencer, and Teach First.

The programme helps students transition smoothly from undergraduate to postgraduate study by focusing on essential academic skills, research techniques, and language development.

Key aspects include

- Developing study and research skills essential for postgraduate success.
- Strengthening English language proficiency and building confidence in academic communication.
- Experiencing student life in Leeds, a diverse and vibrant city in the UK.

Upon successful completion, students will progress to a master's degree at Leeds University Business School, an institution recognised for its teaching and research excellence with Triple Accreditation (AACSB, AMBA, EQUIS), demonstrating its high academic standards.

Key facts

Duration: Two semesters (one academic year)

Entry dates: September, November (with Enhanced Induction), or January

English language entry requirements:
Academic IELTS for UKVI 5.5 overall (minimum 5.5 in each skill) or equivalent*

Academic entry requirements: An undergraduate degree – and some subject-specific requirements may apply. Check website for full details.

Age: 20+

*If students do not need a Student visa, or are exempted in another way, we can accept equivalent proof of English.

2nd in the UK
for Marketing
(Complete University Guide 2026)

Top 10 in the UK
for accounting and Finance, and for Business, Management and Marketing
(The Times and The Sunday Times Good University Guide 2027)

For more information on our Pre-Masters Programme please visit **leedsisc.com/programmes/pre-masters**

Modules

Academic English Skills
Advanced Mathematics
Business Management and Economics
Personal and Professional Development
Quantitative Methods
Research Project

Progression degrees

Accounting and Finance MSc
AI for Business MSc
Banking and Finance MSc
Business Analytics and Decision Sciences MSc
Consumer Analytics and Marketing Strategy MSc
Corporate Communications, Marketing and Public Relations MA
Digital Human Resource Management and Data Analytics MSc
Economics MSc
Economics and Finance MSc
Enterprise and Entrepreneurship MSc
Finance and Investment MSc
Financial Risk Management MSc
Global Strategy and Innovation Management MSc
Global Supply Chain Management MSc
Human Resource Management MSc
International Business MSc
International Marketing Management MSc
Management MSc
Management of Information Systems and Digital Innovation MSc
Marketing Management with Advertising MSc
Organisation Psychology and Business MSc
Quantitative Finance MSc
Strategic Management and Business Consulting MSc
...and more.

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Apply

If you would like to apply to study at Leeds International Study Centre for progression to the University of Leeds, you will need to complete an application form and submit the relevant documentation.

You can apply through your local education agent. Alternatively, you can apply directly via our website and one of our dedicated Student Enrolment Advisors will be happy to provide support through every step of the application process.

For more information on how to apply, fees, entry requirements and more, please visit leedsisc.com/how-to-apply.

Manchester Airport and Leeds Bradford Airport are the closest international airports to Leeds.

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