We are delighted that you are interested in studying economics at Nottingham. Our School of Economics is one of Europe’s top economics departments, combining excellence and innovation in teaching with an international reputation for rigorous and topical research of the highest quality. The school attracts the very best students from the UK and abroad, and provides a stimulating environment for learning, without losing the friendly and informal atmosphere for which Nottingham is renowned.

We offer broad programmes of study which combine all of the core analytical and quantitative techniques required by modern economics graduates. You will have the opportunity to choose from a very wide range of specialist and applied areas of economics, taught by staff with strong external reputations and considerable research and policy experience. Economics graduates from Nottingham are highly sought after in the job market, and are well placed to progress to postgraduate study.

Our research-led approach to teaching and learning will make your experience at Nottingham exciting and challenging, and provide you with the skills required for a rewarding and successful career.

Whatever your plans and ambitions, we hope this brochure tells you all you need to know about economics at Nottingham, and that your interest is the start of a longer-term association with us.

Professor Kevin Lee
Head of the School of Economics

Don’t forget to watch our videos to hear from staff and students from across the Faculty of Social Sciences: www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/watch-socialsciencesfaculty

Front cover image: The Trent Building is an iconic landmark at the centre of our University Park Campus.

Students working in Portland Baguette Bar, Portland Building, which is the hub of student life on University Park Campus.
Why study economics at Nottingham?

What is economics?
Life is about choices. However, individuals, firms and governments cannot have everything they want; their desires are constrained by both time and resources, and therefore they must choose from a range of possible options.

Does an individual want more leisure time or a higher income? Does a government want to spend more money on hospitals or more on defence? Does a firm cut prices or advertise more to increase sales?

Economics studies the way in which these choices are made, and can inform policy in areas as diverse as education, the environment, commerce, transport, globalisation and health. At Nottingham, economists analyse issues such as economic development, international trade and public policy, including health, labour markets, food and the environment, the macroeconomy and the European Union.

We are proud to be one of the largest, liveliest and most welcoming schools of economics in the UK, at the cutting edge of contemporary economic thinking and analysis, carrying out world-changing research and consistently receiving top scores for teaching quality.

The school
You will benefit from being taught by globally renowned academics. The School of Economics is also a large and culturally diverse department, including:

• around 60 full-time academic staff from the UK and all over the world
• 130 masters students
• 900 undergraduates
• 60 PhD students
• 11 support staff

The school is housed in the Sir Clive Granger Building, named in honour of the winner of the 2003 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences, a former student and member of academic staff at Nottingham. We are situated in the idyllic surroundings of the beautiful 380-acre University Park Campus – the perfect location for studying, accessing first-class facilities, and the hub of student life.

Student satisfaction
The school is highly regarded and established as one of the best in the UK. It has a strong commitment to teaching and research of the highest quality. In the National Student Survey 2014, our best areas included the enthusiasm of staff and their ability to explain theories clearly, and the organisation and smooth running of the degrees.

Our rankings speak for themselves:
• consistently ranked in the top 10 of The Times Good University Guide
• placed in the top 100 of the world’s elite institutions for economics and econometrics in The QS World University Rankings by Subject 2015
• ranked in the top 40 in the Tilburg University Top 100 Worldwide Economics Schools (6th in the UK)
• top 10 placement in The Complete University Guide 2016

In the latest independent review of teaching quality carried out by the Quality Assurance Agency, Nottingham was awarded the highest possible score.

Flexible study
Our flexible modular system allows freedom of study – our wide range of specialist modules and study abroad opportunities allows you to tailor your degree to your own interests and develop a global perspective of economics. A key advantage of the modular system is that you may switch from one degree to another, providing you have taken the necessary compulsory modules. For example, it is common for students enrolled on BA/BSc Economics, who have taken modules in mathematical economics and econometrics as options, to switch into the BSc Economics and Econometrics degree at the end of the first year.

Personal tutoring
At the start of your course you will be assigned to an academic member of staff who will be your personal tutor throughout your degree. Your personal tutor can offer guidance and advice on general academic matters such as module choice, as well as pastoral care while you are at university. Through a series of regular scheduled meetings they will get to know you well and will typically write your reference for prospective employers when you graduate.

Peer mentoring
New first-year students can choose to be allocated a second-year peer mentor who will guide them through the academic side of life as an economics student in the first semester.

High-quality research
High-quality research feeds into and inspires our teaching: in the most recent Research Excellence Framework, the school was ranked 6th among the UK’s economics departments for research power.

“I wanted to study economics at university because it seemed like the perfect balance between a mathematical degree and a more humanities-based subject.”

Alex Ferguson
BSc Economics

The school also has six research centres with specialisms in economic theory and econometrics, and hosts Europe’s largest group of researchers in experimental and behavioural economics. This wealth of knowledge ensures that our students are taught by lecturers who are experts in their field.

Notable alumni
By studying here, you will be continuing in the footsteps of some truly exceptional people, including the late Sir Clive Granger, winner of the 2003 Nobel Prize in Economic Sciences; Sir Andrew Witty (BA Economics, 1985), Chief Executive Officer of GlaxoSmithKline, who was appointed as the 7th Chancellor of The University of Nottingham in 2013; and John Rishton (BA Economics, 1979) Chief Executive Officer of Rolls Royce plc. Broadcaster and Journalist Jeff Randall (BA Economics, 1979) and Ladies Hockey Bronze Medalist in London 2012 Anne Panter (Mathematics and Economics 2009) are also among the list of our illustrious alumni.

Prizes
A successful Nottingham economics alumni, Martin Totty, has generously provided funds for a range of prizes to be awarded each year. These awards of £1,000 are given to the best student in each year and for the best final-year dissertation. In addition, there is a prize of £1,000 for Innovation and Entrepreneurship, for which nominations are invited throughout the year, and which recognises extra-curricular initiative. In 2014, this was awarded to Sandy Tain for setting up Pulp Friction Ice Cream, a Nottingham-based business with a sound commercial basis and strong social dimension.

If you’re unsure whether economics is for you, take a look at the host of information and advice now available at www.whystudyeconomics.ac.uk
“I enjoy the variety. When people think of economics, they automatically think of finance, money, that kind of thing. But recently I’ve been studying health economics and I’m looking forward to studying development economics in the next semester.”

Kay Li/BA Economics with Chinese Studies

Find out more about Kay’s experience at www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/kayli

Kay is catching up with her studies between lectures in the Sir Clive Granger Building on University Park Campus.

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**Degree courses**

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**Single honours**

Single honours students will take the majority of their modules in economics but may choose a small number from outside the department.

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**Major/minor honours**

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**Joint honours**

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Applicants should not be deterred by the small number of places on some degrees as this does not lessen the likelihood of an offer.

* For more information on these courses, please see the relevant pages on our online prospectus under the Schools of Mathematical Sciences and Politics and International Relations: www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy
Single honours

BA/BSc Economics
This degree, which offers the greatest flexibility in terms of non-compulsory modules, leads to competency in a wide range of techniques and skills much sought after by employers.

Macroeconomics, mathematics, microeconomics and statistics form the core of the degree, around which you will study modules in a wide range of topics. You will also have the flexibility to select modules offered by other schools in the University. The mathematical and statistical modules in years one and two are available as either econometrics or quantitative economics. The former is available only to those with A level maths or equivalent (and is taken by BSc Economics and Econometrics students), while the latter is available to everyone, allowing you to tailor the mathematical content of the degree to your aptitude and interests. If you wish you may switch from econometrics to year one to quantitative economics in year two.

The degree is offered as a BA or a BSc, reflecting the modules taken during the course. Students without A level maths may graduate with a BSc providing they select the required modules in years two and three.

By the end of your course, you will have a thorough knowledge of a broad range of economic theory and how it is applied to the real world. You will also be familiar with the key analytical techniques that economists use in practice.

Year one
In the first year the emphasis is on providing a rigorous grounding in introductory economic theory and mathematics/statistics (as either econometrics or quantitative economics), and on emphasising the relevance of such methods to the study of economic questions of cultural, political or social importance. This is achieved by a range of modules that explore current economic issues and perspectives. In your first year you also take a year-long module in Writing Economics to ensure that the transition from school to university is a smooth and efficient one.

Year two
You will develop your analytical skills and knowledge of the core disciplines of economics, quantitative methods and the major sub-disciplines of economics. As in year one you select either the econometrics or quantitative economics pathway. You will also take a year-long module that focuses on career skills and employability, including guidance on preparing your CV, interview techniques and applying for internships.

Year three
In the final year you will examine the major themes in economics at an advanced level, building on the topics covered in previous years. A wide range of specialist modules are available, reflecting our academics’ research expertise in both theoretical and applied aspects of the discipline. You will also undertake a year-long dissertation on a topic of your own choosing. Under the guidance of your tutor, you will obtain experience of the research process, involving the identification of a research question, a review of relevant literature and the analysis of economic data. You may also take appropriately advanced modules from other schools.

Optional economics modules
The following modules are applicable to all degrees listed in this brochure, and demonstrate a selection of around 20 modules on offer in any one year:
- Advanced Econometric Theory
- Advanced Macroeconomics
- Advanced Time Series Analysis
- Development Economics
- Environmental and Resource Economics
- Experimental and Behavioural Economics
- Financial Economics
- Health Economics
- Industrial Economics
- International Trade Policy
- Labour Economics
- Monetary Economics
- Numerical Methods in Economics
- Political Economy
- Public Sector Economics
- Topics in Econometrics

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<td>• Introduction to Microeconomics</td>
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BSc Economics and Econometrics

This degree follows the same structure as BA/BSc Economics (see page 8), but as its title suggests, modules in econometrics form part of the core. The course offers a rigorous analysis of advanced mathematical and statistical methods used in economics, and has been designed to provide you with the analytical and discursive skills of a well-trained economist with a focus on advanced econometric analysis.

By the end of your course, you will have the skills to analyse complex economic problems using state-of-the-art mathematical and statistical modelling techniques. You will have a thorough knowledge of a broad range of economic theory and how it is applied to the real world. Market research, management consultancy and government economic and statistical services are obvious fields of employment, along with banking and finance.

Compulsory modules in econometrics form part of all three years of the degree; however, there is the opportunity to take modules outside the school in years one and two if you wish.

**Year one**

Your first year follows the same structure as for BA/BSc Economics, except that modules in mathematical economics and econometrics are compulsory for BSc Economics and Econometrics students. You will also take a module in Writing Economics.

**Year two**

In year two, you will advance your knowledge of micro and macroeconomics in a core that also includes modules in econometrics. These modules focus on econometric theory, providing a rigorous grounding in the matrix algebra of the general linear regression model and the statistical properties of time series data, models and forecasts.

**Year three**

In your final year, the core accounts for half of the degree, and involves studying advanced level modules in both theoretical and applied aspects of econometrics. These modules provide a detailed and rigorous treatment of the models and techniques used in the analysis of time series, panel and cross section data. Many of the themes covered are those pioneered by the 2003 Nobel laureate, Sir Clive Granger. A dissertation forms part of the core.

For the remaining half of your final year, you select modules from a wide range of advanced level economics options, reflecting the research specialisms of the academic members of staff.

For more information on the optional modules available from the School of Economics, please see the list on page 9.

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BA/BSc Economics and International Economics
This course is particularly well suited to those of you who wish to study international trade and international aspects of financial economics. It will provide you with core training in economics, combined with a special focus on a range of aspects of international economics, including international trade, development and monetary economics, in which the school has a worldwide reputation.

Modules in international economics form a significant element of this course but there is also ample opportunity to take modules offered by other schools in the University. As with the BA/BSc Economics degree, there are two quantitative pathways through the degree: econometrics or quantitative economics. This course is available as either a BA/BSc; the choice is yours and is determined by the modules you select in years two and three.

As a graduate, you will have a thorough knowledge of economic theory and how it is applied to the real world, particularly in relation to international trade, monetary economics and globalisation. You will also be familiar with the key analytical techniques that economists use in practice.

Year one
In year one, the core of BA/BSc: Economics is augmented with modules in the economics of integration, which focus on the principles of integration and the experience of the largest customs union in the world: the EU. If you have A level maths, you may choose either econometrics or quantitative economics (those without cannot take econometrics). As with all our single honours degrees, you will take a year-long module in Writing Economics.

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- Economic Integration I and II  
- Introduction to Macroeconomics  
- Introduction to Microeconomics  
- Writing Economics  
Either:  
- Mathematical Economics and Introductory Econometrics  
- Quantitative Economics I and II  | Core modules:  
- Careers and Employability for Economists  
- International Trade  
- Macroeconomic Theory  
- Microeconomic Theory  
- Monetary Economics  
Either:  
- Econometrics I and II  
- Quantitative Economics III and IV  | Core modules:  
- Advanced International Trade Theory  
- Advanced Monetary Economics  
- Dissertation  
- International Money and Macroeconomics  
- International Trade Policy  
- 30 credits mostly from a list of economics modules.  |
| At least one of:  
- Current Economic Issues  
- Economic Perspectives  
- Growth and Development in Long-Run Historical Perspective  | Plus 10 credits of approved economics modules.  
Plus 20 free credits from economics or other schools.  | For more detailed module information, please visit the individual course listings at [www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy](http://www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy)  |
| Plus 20 credits to use either on further economics modules or modules from any other school (most optional modules are 10 credits each).  |  |  |

For more information on the optional modules available from the School of Economics, please see the list on page 9.
Major/minor honours

BA Economics with Chinese Studies
This course reflects the growing interest in, and importance of, China in the global economy.

At the end of your course, you will have a thorough knowledge of economic theory and how it is applied to the real world, coupled with an in-depth understanding of contemporary China. If you have chosen to study Mandarin, your language skills will be at degree level. You will also be familiar with the key analytical techniques that economists use in practice. Employers will value your understanding of these concepts and techniques as well as your specialist knowledge of the Chinese economy.

Economics modules form two-thirds of the degree and the remainder is made up of modules in Chinese studies. Study of the Mandarin language is popular but purely optional.

Year one
In year one you will study: Business and Economy of China; Current Economic Issues and Perspectives; Foundations of Macroeconomics; Foundations of Microeconomics; Introduction to Contemporary China; Mathematical Economics and Econometrics or Quantitative Economics; and optional modules taken from Chinese studies and other schools.

Year two
In year two you will study: Principles of Macroeconomics; Principles of Microeconomics; Econometrics or Quantitative Economics; careers skills and optional modules, including Chinese Society, Inter-Faculty Mandarin, and Political Economy. Some students choose to take their first semester at The University of Nottingham’s China Campus, deepening their experience of Chinese culture (see page 22 for details) while taking the same modules as their counterparts back in Nottingham.

Year three
In year three you will choose a selection of modules from a wide range of third-year economics and Chinese studies options, including Mandarin. A minimum of 60 credits is taken from the list of modules available in economics and the remainder from the list of Chinese studies modules, which includes a dissertation in Chinese studies.

For more information about the Chinese studies element of this course, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/chinese

For more information on the optional modules available from the School of Economics, please see the list on page 9.

“The lecturers at Nottingham keep the topics very current, so even if we are doing something very theoretical, like macroeconomics, they link it back to current affairs. That makes it very interesting for me.”

Maria Wilson/BA Economics (graduate)
BA Economics with French/German/Hispanic Studies/Russian

The aim of these degrees is to produce high-quality economic analysts who are fluent in a foreign language, rather than linguists with some training in economics.

The language component represents around one-third of the modules taken, and includes a variety of formal language instruction (available from both beginners or advanced standard) and modules on the culture and society of the country in question. You will also spend a year abroad in your third year improving your language skills, returning to Nottingham for your fourth and final year.

As a graduate, you will have a thorough knowledge of a broad range of economic theory and how it is applied to the real world. You will also be familiar with the key analytical techniques that economists use in practice. You will have perfected your command of your chosen language and will have had the opportunity to practise it extensively during the year abroad.

Optional language modules

The following modules demonstrate a selection of those on offer in any one year:
- Confronting the Past in Contemporary Austrian Literature and Film
- Contemporary France: Economy and Society
- Hispanic Visual Culture
- Intellectuals in Post-War France – Ideas and Debates
- Introduction to Literature in Spanish
- Literature and Film under Franco
- Myths and Memories: Histories of Russia’s Second World War
- National Socialist Germany
- The Golden Age of French Cinema
- Tolstoy’s Fiction

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For more information about the French element of this course, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/french

For more information about the German element of this course, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/german

For more information about the Hispanic studies element of this course, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/splas

For more information about the Russian element of this course, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/slavonic

The year abroad

BA Economics with French

Spent either at university in Toulouse, Lille or Poitiers, or on a work placement in France or a French-speaking country, or a mixture of the two.

BA Economics with German

Spent either at university in Gottingen or Mannheim, or on a work placement anywhere in Germany or a German-speaking country.

BA Economics with Hispanic Studies

Spent either at university in Granada, or on a work placement anywhere in Spain or a Spanish-speaking country. Those taking modules in Portuguese can spend part of their year in Portugal or a Portuguese-speaking country.

BA Economics with Russian

Spent in Russia or a Russian-speaking country, either at a language school or on a work placement.

Typical modules (BA Economics with French/German/Hispanic Studies/Russian)

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For more detailed module information, please visit the individual course listings at www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy
Joint honours

BA Economics and Philosophy
This joint honours degree offers you the opportunity to develop your understanding of these two distinct, yet related, disciplines. Both economics and philosophy look at fundamental aspects of human society. The combination allows a deeper understanding of how societies work and the course will provide a unique blend of knowledge from the two disciplines.

On this course you will divide your time equally between the two subjects. You will study the central aspects of each discipline in the first two years, and in year two you will also take the module Careers and Employability for Economists.

Optional philosophy modules
The following modules demonstrate a selection of those on offer in any one year:
- An Introduction to Contemporary Metaethics
- Being, Becoming and Reality
- Environmental Ethics
- Freedom and Obligation
- Free Will and Action
- Knowledge and Justification
- Mind and Consciousness
- Naming and Necessity
- Philosophy of Art
- Philosophy of Film and Literature
- The Nature of Meaning
- Truthmaker Theory

For more information on the optional modules available from the School of Economics, please see the list on page 9.

In your final year you will select modules from a variety of specialist subjects offered by the two departments – 60 credits from economics and 60 credits from philosophy, with the possibility of a dissertation in philosophy.

Employment opportunities for graduates of this degree are varied: destinations include journalism, teaching, management, mainstream economics professions and postgraduate study.

For more information on the philosophy element of your degree, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/philosophy

For more detailed module information please visit the individual course listings at www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy

BA Philosophy, Politics and Economics
Combining three core disciplines of social science, our philosophy, politics and economics (PPE) degree offers a holistic approach to the understanding of the world around us. Students of PPE apply the complementary analytical frameworks of philosophy, political science and economics to gain a rich understanding of the roots of, and solutions to, real world problems. It is probably no coincidence that many world leaders – our own Prime Minister among them – have studied PPE.

At Nottingham, PPE students spend one-third of their time studying modules in each discipline. The modules offered are tailored to the interdisciplinary nature of the course, binding the three elements into a coherent and rigorous programme of study. Modules in mathematics and statistics form part of the first year allowing PPE students to take a wide selection of economics modules in their final year. Modules in Writing Economics (first year) and Career and Employability for Economists (second year) are also core to this programme.

Year one
- Elementary Logic
- Foundations of Macroeconomics
- Foundations of Microeconomics
- Introduction to Comparative Politics
- Introduction to Ethics
- Quantitative Economics
- Reasoning and Argument
- Writing Economics
- Appearance and Reality
  Or
- Self, Mind and Body

Plus one optional politics module.

Year two
- Careers and Employability for Economists
- Principles of Macroeconomics
- Principles of Microeconomics

Plus two from:
- Being, Becoming and Reality
- Freedom and Obligation
- Knowledge and Justification
- Mind and Consciousness
- Normative Ethics
- Social Philosophy
- Special Topic in the History of Philosophy
- The Nature of Meaning

Plus chosen modules from:
- Approaches to Political Studies
- British Party Politics; Civilisation and Barbarism
- Democracy and Its Critics; Global Security
- IPE and Global Development
- Politics and Society in Europe
- Social and Global Justice
- The Government and Politics of the USA

Year three
You can take either 40 credits' worth of politics, philosophy and economics modules, or 60 credits of modules from any two of these disciplines.

Please note: course information was correct at the time of printing, but the modules listed are subject to change. For more information on the optional modules available, please see our course listings: www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy
How will I study?

Course structure
Our courses are three years full-time, with the exception of our economics courses with a language, which are four years with the third year abroad.

Design your own degree course
What makes our degrees stand out from those at many other institutions is the flexibility we allow our students – you can tailor-make your own degree right from year one.

All students must complete modules totalling 120 credits each year. Modules range from 10-20 credits each. All economics degrees have the same core compulsory economics modules, but for single honours courses you will have plenty of flexibility and choice.

With your non-compulsory credits you can either choose to take more modules from the School of Economics, or you can select modules from virtually any school in the University. This means you can broaden your knowledge and skills by, for example, learning or extending your fluency in a foreign language.

In the final year, you will normally take all your credits in the school in modules reflecting specialisms of the academic staff. You will select 10 modules from a list of over 20 available at any one time. Please see the list on page 9 for more information.

Teaching
The majority of teaching is delivered through lectures, tutorials, seminars and computer laboratory classes. You will normally have around 12 contact hours each week in year one, including eight to 10 hours of lectures. Outside taught hours, you will be expected to spend time reading and researching for written assignments. Independent study is a fundamental part of an economics education.

Study and careers skills
Studying economics at university is different; that’s why we provide a compulsory module in Writing Economics in your first year, which provides useful information and advice on how to get a head start at university. Second year students take a compulsory careers skills module, which aims to get you thinking about your future career and offers valuable information on applying for summer placements and internships.

Library and computing services
At Nottingham, you will benefit from access to an extensive collection of printed and online library resources. In addition, you will have both on and off-campus access to a very wide range of databases, ejournals and ebooks, relevant both to your subject and any subsidiary modules in other subjects.

Key Information Sets
Key Information Sets (KIS) are comparable sets of information about full or part-time undergraduate courses and are designed to meet the information needs of prospective students. All KIS data is published on the Unistats website: www.unistats.com

For Nottingham’s KIS data, please see individual course entries at www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy

How will I be assessed?

The teaching year
The teaching year is divided into two semesters. The first semester lasts for 14 weeks, with 12 weeks for teaching and revision and two weeks for assessment. The second semester follows the same pattern, but there are an additional two weeks at the end to complete the assessment process and to enable returning students to discuss their results with tutors and begin to plan the next session’s work.

Assessment methods
At the end of each semester you will be examined on the modules you have taken. All modules have some exam-based assessment, with the exception of a dissertation in the third year, and some modules also contain seminar or essay-based elements.

Exams
Most exams consist of compulsory and optional questions. Compulsory questions allow you to write for 15 or 30 minutes on a particular topic, briefly defining or explaining a concept or theory.

Long answers allow you 45 to 60 minutes (depending on the module) to write an essay on a particular issue. Online multiple choice mid-term examinations are used for Introduction to Macroeconomics and Microeconomics in year one.

Workshops
The school operates a system of workshops for quantitative modules. These are generally larger in size than tutorial groups (typically 18 students) and are intended to act as a means of working through set exercises and problem sheets with your module tutor.

Your final degree classification
First-year results count only for progression into the second year, and your final degree classification is based on your second and third-year results. The second-year exams make up 40% of the final degree, with the remainder in the third year.

“...I have really enjoyed studying at the University of Nottingham. The lecturers are engaging and they explain how the theory is pertinent to the real world.”

Sham Teli
BA Economics with Hispanic Studies
Study abroad

There are several exciting opportunities available to you if you wish to spend one semester of your second year studying similar economics modules in a university abroad, where all modules are taught in English. This forms part of your degree and does not increase the length of your course.

Benefits of studying abroad
The benefits of studying abroad are numerous. It’s a chance to see your subject from a new perspective while experiencing a different culture and making friends from all over the world. You’re likely to find that living abroad increases your sense of independence and that you return to Nottingham with broader horizons and a clearer sense of what you’d like to do with your degree. When it comes to applying for jobs, your experience will show employers that you’re capable of taking the initiative and adapting to new situations.

Applications are made during year one and places are allocated according to academic performance in year-one examinations.

Students taking economics with French, German, Hispánico Studies and Russian will spend their third year abroad (see individual course profiles for more information).

Dedicated support
If you do decide to apply to study abroad, the University’s International Office will offer support from the application stage right through to your return to the UK, with advice on everything from immigration to possible sources of financial support. Find out more: www.nottingham.ac.uk/studyabroad

You can apply to study in the following institutions:
• Concordia University, Montreal
• Monash University, Melbourne
• Nihon University, Tokyo
• The University of British Columbia, Vancouver, Canada
• The University of New South Wales, Sydney
• The University of Nottingham Malaysia Campus
• The University of Nottingham Ningbo China

“Study abroad was amazing; an opportunity that I would recommend everyone to apply for! The course out there is very similar and there are always people who you can speak to if you need help. Living in Sydney was amazing and there was so much to do, whether it was whale watching, climbing a pirate ship on the harbour, visiting the zoo to see kangaroos and koalas, watching an AFL game or taking a ferry to Manly Beach. The main thing about study abroad is about having new experiences and just enjoying yourself.”

Jake Walker
BA Economics
Career and employment prospects

The University of Nottingham is consistently named as one of the most targeted universities by Britain’s leading graduate employers*. In addition, we were ranked as the number one university for job prospects at the 2015 Whatuni Student Choice Awards. In 2014, 92% of first-degree graduates in the school who were available for employment had secured work or further study within six months of graduation**.

Transferable skills
The growth of economic awareness has increased the demand for economics graduates and a degree from Nottingham really will give you a head start in your career. At Nottingham you will acquire a strong academic foundation and a range of excellent economic and transferable skills, such as the ability to study independently and communicate effectively, both orally and in writing. You will also have the capacity to grasp complicated economic concepts, whether they are mathematical or philosophical in nature.

Graduate career destinations
Our graduates opt for a wide variety of careers, including investment banking, accountancy, tax consultancy, working in government offices, auditing, derivatives trading, management consultancy, mergers and acquisitions, and many more. Research shows that that a record 31% of graduate jobs in 2015 will be taken up by students who have worked previously for their organisation***. For this reason the school works with students to help them obtain internships and work experience with top employers.

The top 12 employers of Nottingham economics graduates in 2013 were:
1. PwC
2. Deloitte
3. KPMG
4. EY
5. Bank of America
6. Mazars
7. Barclays
8. Centrica
9. Goldman Sachs
10. Citibank
11. Grant Thornton
12. RBS

Average starting salary
In 2014, the average starting salary for first-degree graduates in the school was £29,639 with the highest being £32,000**. Starting salaries are among the highest in the University.

Recent graduates
Katie Barrie – BlackRock; Dominic Childs – Barclays; Becky Corker – Merrill Lynch; Adam Cudworth – J P Morgan; Sabrina Mistry – Unilever; Saiful Salihuddin – Central Bank of Malaysia.

Famous alumni
The building in which the School of Economics is based, is named after Sir Clive Granger, who was a Nobel Prize-winner and Nottingham alumnus. Sir Clive was a professor at Nottingham in Time Series Econometrics.

The University’s Careers and Employability Service
Our Careers and Employability Service, which is based on University Park Campus, offers an extensive range of careers-oriented services, including CV-writing sessions, interview advice, presentations by major employers and general career advice. As a University of Nottingham graduate, you will receive lifelong support from the service. This means that you can ask a careers adviser to look over your job application by email, Skype, or in person, and you can also access a database of graduate vacancies.

The School of Economics also works actively with the service to help students develop their skills for future employment and ultimately find a good career. As part of this we run a programme of employability skills sessions and arrange presentations by employers and alumni. This programme, and other careers initiatives, is developed by our Employability Working Group, comprising both staff and students. For more information see www.nottingham.ac.uk/careers

The Nottingham Advantage Award
The University’s Advantage Award is a programme of activities developed to recognise and reward extracurricular responsibilities. It allows you to gain recognition for participating in a wide range of activities accredited by the University and shows employers that you have gained valuable skills. For further information, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/careers/advantage

Postgraduate opportunities
The School of Economics has a large and vibrant postgraduate community, and as one of the largest schools of economics in the UK, we offer a wide range of taught postgraduate courses and expert PhD supervision across a range of areas. In a typical year we have about 130 students taking taught postgraduate courses, and about 60 students enrolled on the PhD programme.

As well as the PhD research programme, we offer nine taught MSc courses and a Diploma (Conversion), which offers a route into the MSc programme for those who did not specialise in economics at undergraduate level.

Data sources:
* The Graduate Market in 2013, 2014 and 2015, High Fliers Research.
** Known destinations of full-time home and EU first-degree graduates, 2013/14.
*** The Graduate Market 2015, High Fliers Research.

“The opportunity to study at an internationally recognised university and a department with strong careers advice were key factors in choosing Nottingham.”

Andrew Peretti
BA Economics with French
“Coming to Nottingham to study economics was one of the best decisions of my life. Apart from thoroughly enjoying studying the depths of macroeconomic issues and historical economic perspectives, I have had the opportunity to learn so many things that go way beyond education. I’ve met so many interesting people from around the globe and certainly improved my career prospects during and after university. Even though I’m an international student, I feel right at home at Nottingham.”

Ayesha Khan
BA Economics (year one)

“I’m a second-year economics student, and so far I’m loving life at Nottingham! I chose my degree because I was interested in all areas of economics from my A level studies, and the course at Nottingham allowed me the flexibility to study many different areas. With some compulsory modules, and many optional choices, the course is structured really well. I also love the campus at Nottingham – it’s so green and open, and in the summer it’s beautiful!”

Josh Martin
BA Economics (year two)

“I chose to study at The University of Nottingham and am following the footprints of my brother, Rokas, now an alumnus of the School of Economics. One of the main reasons why we chose this university is because it provides high-end education, especially in the field of economics. And you can spend a semester in one of the campuses in either China or Malaysia. I loved the global University of Nottingham even before I came here!”

Martynas Isciukas
BA Economics (year one)

“I chose to pursue economics at The University of Nottingham for its high calibre of education and its great academic faculty. There are a multitude of opportunities available to mould students into a well-equipped individual. In addition to lectures, there are public lectures by well renowned advocates of the subject. They are a great insight into the practical world of economics. Studying economics at this university ensures students graduate with key skills as well as an enriched student experience.”

Raghavi Naidu
BSc Economics (year three)
Your student experience

You’ve read lots about the degree programme you’re interested in, now it’s time to explore life outside the lecture theatre. There’s so much for you to get involved in and explore at the University and around the city. We are proud to be one of the leading universities for student experience in the UK*, which will ensure that you have a university experience you’ll never forget.

Your University of Nottingham – at home and around the world
We are proud of our stunning campuses and are continually investing in our grounds, buildings and amenities to ensure that you only have the best surroundings in which to live and study. Our main UK campuses have a mix of state-of-the-art facilities, including sports centres, places to eat and excellent learning facilities on every campus. We’ve made getting from campus to campus as easy as possible and students can benefit from our free inter-campus Hopper Bus, so you’re never far away from the striking architecture and innovative technology of Jubilee Campus, the rolling parkland and period buildings at University Park, or the cutting-edge features of Sutton Bonington.

The University of Nottingham is Britain’s global university with campuses in the UK, China and Malaysia. We also have links with more than 300 universities in over 40 countries, adding a truly global flavour to your degree and giving you the chance to explore the world.

Find out more:
www.nottingham.ac.uk/about/campuses

Your support network
Throughout your university journey there will be numerous people on hand to support you, including tutors and dedicated staff who will be able to advise you on various aspects of life as a student. We have Student Services Centres on all three of our UK campuses, which provide a range of support, information and specialist services to enhance your student experience. This support includes:

• Academic Support – can provide practical advice on areas of academic study; the service also provides specialist academic support for students with dyslexia, dyspraxia and other specific learning difficulties
• Disability Support – coordinates support and access arrangements for students with a disability or long-term medical condition
• Financial Support – provides information on the sources of finance available from government agencies and the University itself, and gives advice about financial matters
• Student Services – also advise on issues ranging from childcare, counselling and health to international student support, chaplaincy and faith support, as well as offering advice on paying your tuition and accommodation fees

Whatever you may need support with, they will either be able to help or point you in the direction of someone who can.

Find out more:
www.nottingham.ac.uk/studentservices

** Providing you submit your returners’ application in line with the requirements of the accommodation providers.
Getting involved in your Students’ Union
As soon as you start at The University of Nottingham, you are automatically enrolled as a member of our Students’ Union, which is considered to be one of the best in the country. There are hundreds of activities that you could be part of, providing you with the perfect opportunity to take up a new hobby or pursue existing interests. Choose from over 200 student-run societies, covering all interests and abilities, as well as local and national volunteering projects, to which you can commit as much or as little time as you wish.

Our Students’ Union is home to a number of award-winning student-run media groups, which give you the chance to gain practical work experience both behind the scenes or centre stage as a presenter, actor or journalist. The Nottingham New Theatre, Impact magazine, Nottingham Student Television (NSTV) and University Radio Nottingham (URN) have all been recognised as the best in their field, winning a clutch of awards for outstanding achievements.

However you decide to become involved in the Union, you can be sure you will make new friends and learn new skills, all while having a lot of fun! Find out more: www.su.nottingham.ac.uk

Sports
We offer sport at all levels and an excellent all-inclusive student membership offer, so whether you enjoy sport as a hobby or are an elite athlete we will have just what you need. We have over 70 sports clubs, which means we have the 2nd highest number of sports clubs of any UK university. If you’re not interested in joining a team but want to stay fit, we have sports centres on all of our main UK campuses.

Find out more: www.nottingham.ac.uk/sport

Exploring your new city
With Nottingham city centre just a 10-minute bus ride away from University Park Campus, our students are always close to the action. Buses run through campus regularly and many run late-night services too, which is handy if you’re a night owl.

For music lovers, you can take your pick from the world-famous Rock City, Capital FM Arena or one of the smaller gig venues for a more intimate live show. Nottingham is rich in performance venues, with comedy clubs and theatres catering for lovers of drama, musicals, ballet and panto. We are very proud of our sporting heritage, and with football clubs Nottingham Forest and Notts County in the city, as well as Trent Bridge cricket ground and the National Ice Centre on your doorstep, you might just become a sports fan if you’re not one already.

History and culture can be found in all corners of the city, with Nottingham Castle, Nottingham Contemporary arts centre, the Galleries of Justice Museum, Nottingham Lakeside Arts – the University’s public arts centre located on our University Park Campus – arthouse cinemas and three of the world’s oldest pubs all providing points of interest. If you enjoy shopping, Nottingham is perfect for you; independent boutiques and vintage shops in the bohemian area of Hockley mix with high street names in our large shopping centres to make Nottingham a veritable shopping haven.

Find out more: www.nottingham.ac.uk/nottinghamlife

Download our city guide: www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/cityguide
Applying for a place

We are looking for students who have the ability and motivation to benefit from our courses, and who will make a valued contribution to the department and the University. Candidates for full-time admission are considered on the basis of their Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) form. For more information on how to make your application stand out, have a look at our online prospectus: www.nottingham.ac.uk/ugstudy/applying.

It is important to find out as much as possible about the course, the school and the University before applying. Our website provides further details, but if you have any other queries, please contact jo.morgan@nottingham.ac.uk.

Application process
All applications for an undergraduate place to study at The University of Nottingham (including applications by overseas students) must be made through UCAS. Applications should be made online at www.ucas.com. Candidates will be notified of decisions through UCAS Track at track.ucas.com.

The selection procedure
When considering your application, we will look for evidence that you will be able to fulfil the objectives of the programme of study and achieve the standards required. We will take into account a range of factors additional to, and in some cases instead of, formal examination results. Selection of those applicants to whom we will make an offer will be based upon a combination of the candidate’s academic record and an assessment of all the information provided in their UCAS application form, their academic reference and their personal statement.

Entry numbers
For information on how many students the school plans to admit on each course, please see the table on page 7.

Your personal statement
This is the section of your UCAS form that tells us the most about you, and you should make the best use of it. Be as specific and detailed as you can – we would like to see that you are a student who can work hard, be self-motivating and make the best possible use of the opportunities this course might have to offer you.

Interviews
We do not interview applicants. The selection process is based entirely on the UCAS application.

Required grades
- We require A levels at A*AA-AAA grades, not including general studies. Applicants taking four A levels in one year, and completing them in the same year, will be asked for A*ABB.
- Maths A level is only required for BSc Economics and Econometrics. For all other economics courses, maths is our preferred subject, but not essential.
- An A in GCSE maths is the absolute minimum requirement for all economics courses unless you are taking AS or A level maths.

Required subjects
- Applicants for BA Economics with French, German, Hispanic Studies or Russian need a GCSE grade B in a modern foreign language. All the above languages can be started from beginners’ level, or from more advanced level if you have taken it at A level or equivalent.

Alternative qualifications
In this brochure you will find our A level entry requirements but we accept a much broader range of qualifications. These include:

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This list is not exhaustive; we will consider applicants with other qualifications on an individual basis. The entry requirements for alternative qualifications can be quite specific – for example you may need to take certain modules and achieve a specified grade in those modules.

For information about entry with other qualifications not listed, please contact jo.morgan@nottingham.ac.uk.

International applicants
We welcome applications from international students and recruit about 50 international students from at least 25 different countries, studying with us at undergraduate and postgraduate level. All international candidates for undergraduate courses should apply through UCAS. The University’s International Office offers guidance and advice on matters such as visa and immigration regulations, working and living in the UK, entry requirements and preparing for their academic studies and are taught by experienced, professional tutors.

Entry requirements for those with international fees status are as follows:

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English language requirements
If you have not studied using the medium of English for your entire secondary education, or do not have GCSE English or equivalent at grade B, you will be asked to achieve IELTS 7.0, including 7.0 in both reading and writing and no less than 6.0 in speaking and listening.

For more information and a list of the alternative English language requirements we accept, please see www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/alternativerequirements.

Preparing to study in English – academic English preparation and support
The University of Nottingham Centre for English Language Education (CELE) offers high-quality academic English and study skills (presessional) programmes to prepare you to study your degree in English. Our programmes are designed to give international students excellent preparation for their academic studies and are taught by experienced, professional tutors.

CELE provides a range of programmes throughout the year, including five-week subject-specific courses (in some subjects) and a four-week course in September for students with unconditional offers, with a focus on academic study skills.

You can continue to benefit from academic English support with free classes and one-to-one consultations throughout your study (insessional programmes).

For more information about CELE, please visit www.nottingham.ac.uk/cele.

www.nottingham.ac.uk/economics
Mature applicants
We encourage applications from mature students (which means all those aged 21 or over when the course begins). You should apply in the normal way through UCAS (unless you want to study part-time, in which case you should apply directly to the school). While we accept a range of qualifications, you should check our specific requirements on UCAS course entry profiles.

If in doubt, please contact the admissions tutor, who will be happy to answer any specific queries you have about applying as a mature student. Please email your questions to jo.morgan@nottingham.ac.uk

For more information about being a mature student, please see www.nottingham.ac.uk/mature

Equal opportunities policy
The University aims to create the conditions whereby students and staff are treated solely on the basis of their merits, abilities and potential, regardless of gender, race, colour, nationality, ethnic or national origin, age, socio-economic background, disability, religious or political beliefs, trade union membership, family circumstances, sexual orientation or other irrelevant distinction.

Opportunities to visit
There are plenty of opportunities to visit us before applying. As well as the University-wide open days in June and September each year, once you have received an offer, you will be invited to a School of Economics UCAS visit day in March.

If you are unable to attend any open days, please contact Jo Morgan, who will be pleased to arrange an individual visit: jo.morgan@nottingham.ac.uk

Flexible admissions policy
In recognition of our applicants’ varied experience and educational pathways, we employ a flexible admissions policy. If we judge that your situation has adversely affected your achievement, then we will consider this when assessing your academic potential. If you wish to mention information about your experiences in your personal statement, then you should ask the teacher or tutor writing your reference to confirm what you have written. We may ask for further evidence and may consider a range of factors. For more information, please see www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/admissionspolicies

Deferred entry
Applicants who wish to defer their entry by a year will not be at a disadvantage. If you have good reasons for deferring, and worthwhile plans for your year out, then we will be happy to allow this. Please tell us something about your plans for your gap year in your UCAS personal statement.

An economics degree will give you the opportunity to develop a range of skills, including the ability to deliver presentations.
How much maths does the course involve?
As much or as little as you choose, beyond the compulsory Quantitative Economics or Mathematical Economics and Econometrics modules in the first two years. Although economics necessarily contains an element of mathematics, you can choose the more applied modules to make up your 120 credits if you wish.

What is the difference between a BA and a BSc?
All L100 and L160 students begin the course on the BA degree. If you wish to graduate with a BSc, you will be guided during your course as to which modules you will need to study in order to do this. Those without A level maths or equivalent can still graduate with a BSc if they wish, and if they choose the right modules.

I am not taking maths at A level. Will that affect my chances of getting an offer?
We do not insist on maths A level (apart from for the BSc Economics and Econometrics). However, maths is our preferred subject, which means that if, as is usual, we have many more AAA applicants than we need, we will take you on provided you have good grades in other subjects. We do not ask for a specific number of A*s at GCSE. Your GCSE performance gives us an impression of the breadth of your academic ability, but we realise that many students underperform at GCSE and go on to achieve top grades at A level and beyond, so it is not the most crucial factor.

An applicant with one or two A*s may receive an offer if their application is extremely strong in other areas. Likewise, an applicant with eight or nine A*s may be unsuccessful if they fail to impress in the personal statement or reference.

Once I have chosen my course, can I change it if I decide it is not the right one for me?
It is almost always possible to change course within the School of Economics if you have good reason to do so. For example, some students begin on BA/BSc Economics and switch into specialist degrees such as the BSc Economics and Econometrics after the first year. Providing that you have taken the required modules, transfer is always possible.

Is a year in industry part of the course?
We do not offer a year in industry as part of the course. However, many of our students take up internships for the summer vacation at the end of the second year, and many large city firms will come to Nottingham each year to recruit our students for this.

If a degree has very few places available on it, does that mean it is very hard to get an offer for it?
Not at all. A small number of places should not put you off applying because very often the competition for those places is actually a little less tough.

How many GCSE A*s do I need to have?
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Who will help me if I have any problems at University?
Within the school, you will be allocated a personal tutor in the first few days. You will usually keep the same tutor for the whole of your course and they will help you with any pastoral concerns as well as giving you your examination results. You can also choose to have a second year peer mentor if you like. There is also a team of friendly support staff on hand to offer advice in any area. Outside the school, there is a University Counselling Service, trained to help you with any problems you may have. Cripps Health Centre, with which you will register when you arrive, provides full dental and medical services.

What can I do if I don't get the grades you have asked for?
If you have just missed the grades, you can phone us on results day to see what our situation is. We would certainly consider you again for the following year, though, if you are prepared to retake the necessary modules.

How much are the fees?
Fees for students from outside the EU vary from £9,000 to £16,000. For more information please see www.nottingham.ac.uk/fees and are earning at least £21,000. For more information please see www.nottingham.ac.uk/fees

What support is available for students with children?
There are a range of services provided to support students with children, including a University day nursery, a playscheme and playcentre day care. There is also a scheme to help students fund childcare. For more information, see www.nottingham.ac.uk/childcare.

What support do you offer for students with a disability or dyslexia?
The school is committed to promoting access for students who have a disability, dyslexia or a long-term medical condition. Services provided by the University aim to enable students to fulfil the inherent requirements of the course as independently as possible.

We would advise you to contact the school before applying to find out what kind of support is available. The School of Economics has its own disability officer, Mrs Karina Terry, who can be contacted at karina.terry@nottingham.ac.uk

The University’s Disability Statement, which lists services, facilities and opportunities available throughout the University can be viewed at www.nottingham.ac.uk/disability
Visiting and contacting us

Open days
If you’re considering applying to The University of Nottingham, we recommend that you try to attend one of the University-wide open days, which are held in June and September each year. Find out more: www.nottingham.ac.uk/opendays

Mini open days
Mini open days are much smaller than the main open days but offer the same opportunities to attend various talks and tours as well as speak to current students and academics. Find out more: www.nottingham.ac.uk/go/minipendays or call +44 (0)115 951 5559.

Virtual open day
If you can’t attend one of our open days in person, or would like to explore our campuses before visiting, take a look at our virtual open day: www.nottingham.ac.uk/virtualnottingham

UCAS visit days
Once you’ve been offered a place at Nottingham, you may be invited to attend a UCAS visit day, which is an opportunity for you to visit the school and to find out more about your chosen course. You will also be given a short tour of the campus by current students.

Other visits
If you wish to make an informal visit to the University prior to applying here, you are welcome to do so, but you should contact us in advance if you wish to visit the school or speak to an admissions tutor and we will do our best to oblige.

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