THE BEST START

By choosing one of the longest-running International Foundation Programmes in the UK, you can be reassured you’re giving yourself the best possible start to your undergraduate studies.

On the Warwick International Foundation Programme (Warwick IFP), you’ll learn a subject that you love, based on an exciting, safe and welcoming campus. It’s an environment where you’ll feel settled and supported as you start your studies. Through intensive academic and English language teaching, you can develop confidence far beyond the classroom and be prepared to enter the university degree of your choice.

Our team will help you every step of the way, making your transition to UK education as exciting, engaging and enjoyable as possible.

More than 75% of our students progress to leading UK universities each year, so you can be confident in the quality of the course, with many of our students entering some of Warwick’s most competitive degrees.

And as well as developing your skills through our academic programme, you’ll broaden your world view by living and studying alongside students from over 40 countries.

Your degree starts here.
WHAT CAN I STUDY?

BUSINESS STUDIES AND ECONOMICS
Our Business Studies and Economics course can lead to some of our most popular undergraduate degrees within the Warwick Business School, such as BSc Accounting and Finance and BSc Management. Past students have also progressed to degrees offered by a number of other departments at the University.

MATHEMATICS AND ECONOMICS
Our Mathematics and Economics course will give you the skills to gain entry to courses such as BSc Economics, in addition to a range of degrees offered by the Warwick Mathematics Institute. Students enrolled on this course demonstrate strong analytical and data management skills and have progressed to a wide range of maths-related programmes.

SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING
Our Science and Engineering course lets you tailor your learning to your own progression aspirations, giving you the opportunity to choose modules across a range of scientific disciplines. Students have progressed to courses such as BSc Chemistry, BSc Biomedical Sciences and BSc Computer Science. The course can also be an excellent springboard into a wide range of engineering programmes, including BEng Engineering within the School of Engineering.

LAW
Our Law course is designed to develop and enhance your analytical and critical thinking skills, particularly in preparation for studying Law at degree level. Students have progressed to a number of courses within the Warwick Law School, including LLB Law, BA Law and Business Studies and BA Law with Humanities.

SOCIAL SCIENCE
Our Social Science course gives you a wide degree of flexibility, allowing you to tailor your studies to match your interests. The course provides progression opportunities across the Faculties of Arts and Social Sciences, including BA Politics and International Studies, BA History, BA Sociology and BA Film Studies.
ACADEMIC SKILLS

Our Academic Skills module will draw all of your learning together - requiring you to develop and deploy critical thinking and cross-disciplinary understanding that will prepare you for your future studies.

“The lecturers here are very positive in the way they teach. If you get a question wrong, they won’t embarrass you, they help you find the right answer. That makes me more motivated to learn.”

Kingsley,
Law IFP student, Singapore

The Academic Skills module is a core, tailored part of your course, enabling you to develop deep analytical skills alongside key study skills relevant to your chosen field.

You’ll start this module by considering the different types of learning styles, which will allow you to identify your own learning preferences and challenges. During the module, you will develop your critically-reflective reading and writing skills, as well as being encouraged by your tutors to make your own sense of what you are reading, so that you can communicate lines of argument based upon your own analysis.

Assessments on the module will allow you to demonstrate a range of skills, including presentation and effective communication, data analysis and project planning.

DEVELOPING YOUR ENGLISH SKILLS

The English Language Certificate aims to develop and enhance your English language skills, regardless of your ability when you join the course.

The module is compulsory for those with an IELTS below 7.0 (each component must be 6.5 or higher). Even if you already meet this requirement, the English Language Certificate is open for you to complete, and will allow you to further improve your language skills. You will study between two and five hours per week, depending on your individual needs.

As well as preparing you for an IELTS examination, the English Language Certificate is designed to improve your conversational skills and develop academic language skills relevant to your course of study.

Assessment on the English Language Certificate will be in the form of a portfolio of work, including a variety of essays, reports and presentations, allowing you to showcase all aspects of your English language ability.
SOCIAL SCIENCE

How has religion shaped the world we live in? How do different ideologies influence UK and international politics?

These are some of the questions you will be able to consider by choosing Social Science on the Warwick IFP. With the option to study topics as diverse as Communism and Fascism in Europe, the UK political system, and the nature of economic markets, you will develop the analytical and problem-solving skills needed to enter undergraduate courses such as Politics, International Relations, Psychology, History and Sociology.

Through case studies, modelling and project work that complement your lectures and seminars, you will develop a strong grasp of the social sciences in readiness for your future studies.

CORE MODULES
History or Sociology
Academic Skills

ELECTIVE MODULES
(students must select two of the following)
Criminology
Politics and International Relations
Constitutional Law and Human Rights
Economic Theory
Psychology

“The course gives you a broad understanding of social science, but you get in-depth knowledge as well. It’s difficult at first, but you gain confidence and it becomes really enjoyable.”

Dorsa, Social Science IFP student, Iran
Law plays a fundamental part in our everyday lives. Have you ever considered, for example, how many contracts you form each year, or even each week?

Our core Constitutional Law and Human Rights module will introduce you to the English legal system and the European Convention on Human Rights. You’ll explore how the legal system intersects with politics at a national and an international level.

Alongside this core module you will tailor the course to match your interests. You’ll focus your learning on either Criminal Law or Tort and Contract Law, giving you the opportunity to explore two distinct areas of the discipline that affect everyday life.

To complement your legal studies you have the option of studying History or Politics and International Relations - both enabling you to place law in context to enhance your understanding of the subject.

A combination of lectures, seminars and class discussions will be complemented by other activities such as case studies, open-ended questions and critical reasoning. In total, you’ll benefit from 18 hours of contact time with staff, as well as up to five hours per week of English language.

**CORE MODULES**

- Constitutional Law and Human Rights
- Tort and Contract Law
- Academic Skills

**ELECTIVE MODULES**

*(students must select one of the following)*

- History
- Politics and International Relations

“I checked the ranking of universities in the UK for law, and Warwick was pretty outstanding… I can’t wait to complete my foundation course and start my degree.”

Kingsley, Law IFP student, Singapore
Successful businesses need to be able to respond to a diverse range of external influences that could impact their organisation’s success.

On the Business Studies and Economics course you’ll learn to analyse and understand these influences, through our core modules of Foundations of Business, and Business Mathematics and Statistics.

You’ll also have the opportunity to choose an elective module from a range of subjects designed to complement the core modules, such as Economics, Psychology and Sociology.

Following a curriculum devised in conjunction with academics based in Warwick Business School and our Department of Economics, you’ll study and research alongside experts in the fields of business and economics.

You’ll have up to 18 hours per week of contact time with teaching staff, as well as up to five hours per week of English language. This will leave any remaining time for independent learning, researching and preparing for assessments, lectures and seminars. Assessments will take a variety of forms, allowing you to demonstrate the range of skills in which you are both confident and competent.

**CORE MODULES**
- Foundations of Business
- Business Mathematics and Statistics
- Academic Skills

**ELECTIVE MODULES**
- Applied Economics
- Psychology
- Sociology

“In my first few weeks I met a lot of people from other courses, not just IFP, and all of them are so nice. If I have any questions, they’re always ready to help me.”

Sabrina
Business Studies and Economics IFP student, Russia
MATHEMATICS AND ECONOMICS

Studying Mathematics and Economics on the Warwick IFP will give you a thorough grounding in mathematical tools and techniques, as well as core economic principles.

So if you're keen to develop your mathematical skills, as well as learning how economics applies to our daily lives - from banking to education and health sciences - our course will help you realise your ambition.

Through your 18 hours per week of contact time – and up to five hours per week of English language – you’ll develop confidence and competence in a range of skills which will help you in your future studies.

But studying Mathematics and Economics won’t limit your future study choices. The logic and reasoning skills developed by studying Pure Mathematics provides the foundation for further studies in a wide variety of undergraduate subjects, while previous students have progressed to courses such as Statistics, Computer Science and Business Studies at some of the UK’s top universities.

CORE MODULES
Pure Mathematics
Academic Skills

ELECTIVE MODULES
(students must select two of the following)
Computer Science
Economic Theory
Mathematics and Statistics

“It’s really interesting and challenging. I’m attending seminars and lectures that are similar to what I’ll be doing in my undergraduate course, so I feel mentally prepared.”

Lia, Mathematics and Economics IFP student, Azerbaijan
SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING

Our Science and Engineering course will allow you to consider some of the biggest problems facing the world today, such as renewable energy, healthcare and climate change.

You’ll develop confidence and skills in ranging areas, from experimental methods to the role of mathematics in science.

The course is built around lectures and seminars, combined with a strong practical element. Alongside these, you’ll use activities such as case studies, problem solving and project work to reinforce and further your understanding. With 18 hours of contact time and up to 5 hours per week of English language, you’ll also learn to research and prepare independently.

The flexibility of the Science and Engineering course provides you with plenty of options for continuing study and will equip you with the skills needed to enter undergraduate courses in areas such as Engineering, Biomedical Sciences or Neuroscience, depending on the options you choose.

CORE MODULES
- Mathematics for Science
- Academic Skills

ELECTIVE MODULES
(students must select one from each group)

Group A
- Biology
- Physics
- Computer Science

Group B
- Chemistry
- Psychology
- Physics

“Back home, I didn’t get the chance to do the practical experiments - it was all just theory. It’s been really good to have the chance to apply what I’ve learned in practice here.”

Doruk, Science and Engineering IFP student, Turkey
WHERE NEXT?

As a student on the Warwick IFP, you will receive a guaranteed offer of a place on a related undergraduate programme at the University of Warwick when you apply to Warwick through UCAS during your time on the programme.

You’ll receive personalised guidance as you take your next steps towards undergraduate study. Your Personal Tutors, the Director of Student Experience and Progression, and the IFP Placement Team are all focused on supporting you through your UCAS application to Warwick or other UK universities.

Full information on progression from all our IFP courses — including a breakdown of grades for progression to our undergraduate courses — is available on our website: warwick.ac.uk/ifp

OVER 75% of Warwick IFP students progress to a Russell Group university

Warwick IFP students typically progress to

MORE THAN 800 students have progressed to the University of Warwick over the last 10 years

Warwick IFP students progressed to

OVER 35 different universities last year

“Warwick’s Foundation Programme was the best for me, I knew that from studying on the Warwick IFP you can go on to top UK universities.”

Tianshun, Mathematics and Economics IFP student, China

LIFE ON CAMPUS

ACCOMMODATION

Joining the Warwick IFP probably means moving to a new country for the first time — an exciting, but potentially daunting step.

We’ll help you settle in as quickly as possible, starting with accommodation in beautiful green surroundings on campus at Sherbourne, our newest halls of residence. Sherbourne offers modern self-contained flats for groups of 9 - 14 students, all providing en-suite facilities and access to a large shared kitchen, dining and social room.

Life on campus means enjoying a safe, inclusive and welcoming atmosphere, to help you feel at home and succeed in your studies.

You’ll have access to all our facilities — many within 10 minutes’ walk of your accommodation. And you’ll be welcomed by our Residential Life Team, who’ll be available for support throughout the year.

If you have an offer to study the Warwick IFP in 2017/18, you’ll be eligible to apply for prioritised accommodation within Sherbourne Halls on the University of Warwick campus. Applications must be received before 31 July 2017. You’ll also need to meet all outstanding academic conditions before 31 August 2017 in order to be allocated accommodation.

Please note that if you apply after the deadline of 31 July, you will be provided information to find alternative accommodation off campus.

“There are eight people in my flat, and we’re just like a small family.”

Lia, Mathematics and Economics IFP student, Azerbaijan
STUDENT SUPPORT

As part of your studies, we’ll support you at every stage to help you develop your full potential. As well as weekly lectures and seminars, you’ll meet with your personal tutor regularly for support in learning from the feedback you’ve received in your academic modules.

You’ll also have access to a Senior Tutor within the department, as well as academic support from your module tutors. Through our active Student-Staff Liaison Committee (SSLC), you can also actively contribute to the review and development of our courses.

“The SSLC meets regularly to discuss how we can make students’ experience better, and give them really good memories five or ten years from now.”

Nathan, Business Studies and Economics IFP student, China

STUDENT SUPPORT

As part of your studies, we’ll support you at every stage to help you develop your full potential. As well as weekly lectures and seminars, you’ll meet with your personal tutor regularly for support in learning from the feedback you’ve received in your academic modules.

You’ll also have access to a Senior Tutor within the department, as well as academic support from your module tutors. Through our active Student-Staff Liaison Committee (SSLC), you can also actively contribute to the review and development of our courses.

“The SSLC meets regularly to discuss how we can make students’ experience better, and give them really good memories five or ten years from now.”

Nathan, Business Studies and Economics IFP student, China

SPORT

When you’re not hard at work, you can make the most of our 65 sports clubs, plus courses, leagues, pay-and-play sessions, and special events. You might think you don’t enjoy sport. But university is a chance to try new things, and we have a huge range of sports you’ve probably never tried before, from dodgeball to ultimate frisbee. Whether you’re an absolute beginner or a world-class competitor, you can join in at whatever level you feel comfortable.

“I love sports, but I didn’t expect myself to be joining any clubs. When I learned about the facilities Warwick has to offer, it really got me interested. I did Thai boxing before I arrived and they even have a club here, which I joined!”

Kingsley, Law IFP student, Singapore

SOCIETIES

As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.

“I love sports, but I didn’t expect myself to be joining any clubs. When I learned about the facilities Warwick has to offer, it really got me interested. I did Thai boxing before I arrived and they even have a club here, which I joined!”

Kingsley, Law IFP student, Singapore

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”

“Societies Being part of the Warwick IFP means you’ll have full access to student life at Warwick – from a 24-hour library, to more than 250 student-run societies. As a student at Warwick, you’ll also be a member of our Students’ Union, which supports all our societies and sports clubs. So whether you’re interested in food, films, faith, or something completely different, there’s bound to be something for you. And if you can’t find a society that catches your interest, you can always create your own.”
LOCATION

With city lights and countryside both within easy reach, our campus is perfectly positioned in the Heart of England – giving you fast and easy access to local history, beautiful countryside and thriving cities.

A THRIVING CITY

We’re located in Coventry, a modern and cosmopolitan city with a rich history. Much of the city had to be rebuilt after the Blitz in World War II but areas of the old city remain, so old and new now sit side-by-side. This means that you’ll find major high-street shops, restaurants, nightclubs and bars within a five minute walk of medieval monuments such as St Mary’s Guildhall, which once served as a prison to Mary Queen of Scots, a theatre for Shakespeare and an inspiration to George Eliot. The cathedral city was built up around motor manufacture and engineering, and still has strong links with the motor industry.

But there’s more to Coventry than cars. You only have to set foot in areas such as the revamped Fargo Village, with its vintage clothes and gift shops, American diner, chocolate and macaroon maker, and handmade jewellery boutiques to see that the city is buzzing with new experiences to explore.

WARWICKSHIRE TOWNS

The elegant 18th century town of Royal Leamington Spa is also within easy reach of campus by public transport. It’s smaller than Coventry but still lively with plenty of bars, cafés and shops to explore.

If you’re looking for somewhere to discover history and heritage, nearby Kenilworth, Warwick and Stratford-upon-Avon have plenty of both. From the beautiful thatched cottage where Shakespeare courted his wife-to-be, to Warwick and Kenilworth castles, there’s plenty to appeal to your cultural side.

Or you could just make the most of the beautiful Warwickshire countryside to get some fresh air and escape the crowds.

WELL CONNECTED

Of course, your Warwick IFP experience wouldn’t be complete without a visit to the UK’s capital city, London, which is just one hour away from Coventry by train.

With trips and events organised as part of your studies, you’ll be able to make the most of your time here and see the best the UK has to offer. Previous events enjoyed by our students have included trips to the Houses of Parliament and Blenheim Palace, as well as Lunar New Year celebrations on campus.

“I love all the greenery in Leamington Spa, and I like to go to Kenilworth when I have a gap between lessons. It’s very peaceful.”

Tianshun, Mathematics and Economics IFP student, China

“We learn about UK politics in a practical way. We even had a trip to London to see a live debate in parliament - it was a great experience for me.”

Zen, Social Science IFP student, China
HOw to apply

To consider your application, we’ll need...

- A copy of your most recent school transcript
- A £50 application assessment fee
- Your personal statement

Your personal statement should highlight...

- Why you want to study with us
- Your intellectual curiosity
- Your awareness of progression
- Any relevant extracurricular activities
- Your awareness and appreciation of social and cultural diversity

After you apply...

If we’ve got everything we need from you, we’ll aim to respond within five working days

In some circumstances, we might need more information from you, such as:

- A reference from your current or most recent teacher
- A short interview (either at one of our overseas offices or via Video Conference) to assess your eligibility for the course

If you’re successful in receiving an offer for the programme, you must show that you have met the terms of your offer by no later than 31 August 2017.

Entry requirements

We receive a high volume of applications each year, and places are offered on a competitive basis. So you’ll need to show that you meet the minimum entry requirement for your chosen course.

In most cases, we require strong high school grades of around 80-90% or higher, as well as demonstrating that your English language ability meets our minimum requirements. In some circumstances you may be required to provide further information to support your application, such as a reference from your current or most recent teacher. You may also be asked to complete a short interview (either at one of our overseas offices or via Video Conference) to assess your eligibility for the course.

Details of our entry requirements for a range of different countries is available on our website, warwick.ac.uk/ifp. If you can’t find information for your specific country or qualification, you can contact us directly using the details on the next page.

Fees

- Application fee: All applications are subject to a non-refundable £50 (GBP) assessment fee.
- Course fee: Course fees for the 2017-18 academic year are £17,425 (GBP).
- Academic deposit: A deposit of £2,000 (GBP) is needed upon acceptance of the course offer in order to secure your place; this should be paid as soon as possible and no later than 4 August 2017.
- Accommodation fees: Accommodation fees are payable directly to the University through Warwick Accommodation. Full information on fees and dates for payment will be sent to offer-holders via email in May. Warwick IFP students will apply for accommodation through the Warwick IFP website and not via the Warwick Accommodation website.
- Visas: It is important that you ensure you have an appropriate visa or immigration permission for studying in the UK.

Further information about obtaining a visa, as well as some of the most frequently asked questions, is available on our website, warwick.ac.uk/immigration.
KEY DATES

Application Deadline 31 July 2017
Offer Acceptance Deadline 31 July 2017
Academic Deposit Payment Deadline 4 August 2017
Terms of Offer Deadline 31 August 2017

CONTACT US

Warwick IFP Team
Warwick Foundation Studies
University of Warwick
Coventry
CV4 7AL UK

+44(0)24 7652 3003
or
+44(0)24 7657 5780

For a full list of our contacts around the world, please see our website
warwick.ac.uk/ifp