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Our Courses

The University of Birmingham is a member of the Russell Group of universities. Often described as 'elite' they have a reputation for academic excellence and highly rated research.It has been named University of the Year 2014 in 'The Times' and 'The Sunday Times Good University Guide'.

The School of Education is ranked 46th in the QS World University Ranking and has a history of 5 star rated research with 80% of its work is recognised as being of international quality. Its professional training programmes for teachers are the most innovative in the country and are officially rated 'Outstanding' in every category. It's staff are highly committed and enthusiastic, delivering outstanding education and training experiences for both undergraduate and postgraduate students.

Our Courses

Undergraduate

If you have completed your high school education to a high standard and you would normally require a foundation year, before being eligible for first year undergraduate entry to universities in the UK. You may wish to consider the Birmingham Foundation Academy which offers you pathways in each of the five colleges, including Social Science, with progression to almost any undergraduate programme upon successful completion.

Postgraduate

We have a large number of postgraduate programmes in the School of Education (called 'graduate education' in North America). Popular programmes include **International Studies in Education (/postgraduate/courses/taught/edu/international-studies-education.aspx)** (with specialisms in **Management and Policy**, **Citizenship Education**, **Intercultural Communication**and **Education and Development), Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (/postgraduate/courses/taught/edu/special-educational-needs-disabilities.aspx)** and the **TEFL programme (/postgraduate/courses/taught/edu/teaching-english-foreign-language.aspx)** .

Opportunities to study may also be found on other courses within the school, particularly on many of the campus based **Professional Development programmes (/schools/education/courses/cpd.aspx)** which have progression pathways leading to Masters level. Many of these courses are unique and may be found in few other places in the UK.

If you are interested in doctoral research, please view the **Postgraduate Research (/schools/education/courses/postgraduate-research/index.aspx)** pages. There is also an opportunity to embark on a **joint PhD programme (http://www.universitas21.com/article/research/details/109/joint-phds)** if you are a student at one of the participating universities which will enable you to live and work in two countries.

Entry requirements

Our International website will provide information on country specific entry requirements, the admissions policy and English language requirements **www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/entry-requirements.aspx (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/students/entry-requirements.aspx)**

VISA Requirements

Obtaining a visa can be a lengthly process. Please allow sufficient time to obtain your visa. **Find out more on the visa requirements and process (/International/students/index.aspx)**

Scholarships

There are a number of university and school available to overseas students. Please view the school **Scholarships (/schools/education/scholarships/index.aspx)** page for information on scholarships specific to the School of Education or the university **scholarships for international students (/International/students/finance/scholarships/ibdscholarships.aspx)** page for details of other potential souces.

Meet us in your country

Our university staff travel widely to other countries to meet applicants. Find out which **countries (http://www.birmingham.ac.uk/international/meet/index.aspx)** staff will be visiting in 2014.

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