2018/19 Programme Fact Sheet

This pathway encompasses those degree subject areas within our College of Arts and Law and the College of Social Sciences, which includes the highly ranked Birmingham Business School. Both colleges are at the forefront of research and innovation, generating new knowledge about society and transforming this in ways that improve wellbeing. Our programmes in the social sciences, arts and humanities explore every facet of human society and culture, from literary criticism to economics and religion to social policy.

The Social Sciences, Business and Law Pathway will lead you towards a programme in one of the following:

- Accounting and Finance
- African Studies
- American and Canadian Studies
- Ancient History
- Archaeology
- Business Management
- Classics
- Drama and Theatre Arts
- Economics
- Education
- English Language and Literature
- Geography
- History of Art, History
- International Relations
- Law
- Modern Languages
- Money, Banking and Finance
- Music
- Philosophy
- Political Science
- Social Policy
- Sociology
- Theology and Religion

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<td>Award:</td>
<td>Foundation Certificate</td>
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<td>Duration:</td>
<td>7 months – January start</td>
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| Annual Tuition Fee: | Home/EU: £9,250  
Overseas: £15,720 |

Students progressing onto the first year of an undergraduate programme following completion of their foundation year will pay fees at the rate charged for the year in which they begin their main programme of study, not the year in which students begin their foundation year. If your programme contains either a year abroad, year in industry or clinical years, please contact your Programme Office for a full breakdown of your tuition fees across all years of your programme.

For additional information on your tuition fees, please consult the attached appendix entitled Tuition Fees Information Sheet

<p>| Additional Course Costs: | No mandatory additional course costs associated with this programme |</p>
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### Learning Outcomes:
Students are expected to have knowledge and understanding of:

1. How to write in an accepted academic style. This includes an awareness including grammatical accuracy, organisational effectiveness and other academic conventions such as referencing

2. The skills and strategies needed by effective undergraduate students

3. The idea of the modern state, the historical conditions in which it developed, and the contemporary political context within which it operates.

4. The causes and dynamics of conflict and responses to it.

5. International organisations and modes of cooperation in the contemporary world.

6. The structure and practice of key aspects of domestic and international law

7. Exhibit a foundational grasp of core legal skills such as critical thinking, case analysis and treaty/statute interpretation

8. The practice and political/philosophical context of individual legal mechanisms

9. Demonstrate the capacity to engage critically with a range of primary and secondary legal sources

10. Basic concepts in Business and Economics

11. Quantitative methods for business and economics

### Accredited By:
This programme has no outside accreditations

### Accreditation Dependency:
This programme has no outside accreditations

### Awarded By:
The University of Birmingham

### Regulatory Body:
The University of Birmingham is regulated by the Higher Education Funding Council for England (HEFCE) and its successor body, the Office for Students (OfS)
Assessment Methods and Contact Hours

Course Title: Foundation in Social Sciences, Business and Law

The below data provides an indication of the type of activity a student is likely to undertake during a typical pathway on their chosen programme of study.

The balance of assessment by examination and assessment by coursework depends to some extent on the optional modules you choose. The approximate percentage of the course assessed by coursework is set out below.

Assessment Methods

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<th>Year</th>
<th>% Coursework</th>
<th>% Written Exam</th>
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<td>Year 1</td>
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Contact Hours

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<th>Year</th>
<th>% Lectures, seminars or similar</th>
<th>% Independent Study</th>
<th>% Time on Placement</th>
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<td>Year 1</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>60</td>
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For a detailed breakdown of the contact hours associated with each module available on this programme, please visit https://intranet.birmingham.ac.uk/as/registry/policy/programmemodule/handbook/index.aspx.
Programme Requirements

The modules listed below are compulsory. Optional modules are regularly reviewed to ensure they are up-to-date and informed by the latest research and teaching methods. For example optional modules please visit the respective course web page on our website.

Any changes to compulsory modules will only be made in consultation with all registered students and offer holders.

**Course Title: Foundation in Social Sciences, Business and Law**

**Programme Code: 390B**

**Year: 1**

Students will take the following modules:

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<td>Politics in a Changing World</td>
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Students will also take one of the following modules:

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Appendix: Tuition Fees Information Sheet

Important information about tuition fees for Home/EU students

For UK students beginning their studies in September 2018, the University of Birmingham will charge the maximum approved tuition fee per year. The fees for your first year of study will therefore be £9,250.

The University will review tuition fees each year. If Parliament agree on an increase in tuition fees, the University will increase fees for each year of study normally in line with these changes. Student fees loans would also be expected to rise in line with any increase in the fee, to ensure that higher education remains affordable to all.

Year abroad and placement fees

If you are classed as Home for tuition fee purposes and you are spending the whole of the academic year studying abroad or on an Erasmus industrial placement, then you will pay 15% of your agreed tuition fee for the placement year. If you are classed as Home for tuition fee purposes and you are spending the whole of the academic year on a non-Erasmus industrial placement (either abroad or in the UK), then you will pay 20% of your agreed tuition fee for the placement year.

International students who spend an entire year studying abroad or on an industrial placement (either abroad or in the UK) will pay 50% of their agreed tuition fee for the placement year.

Fee information for Channel Islands students

Undergraduate students from the Channel Islands or the Isle of Man will in most cases pay the same fee as Home students. There are two significant exceptions, both of which are due to the different governmental funding arrangements for Islands students:

1. Islands students on Clinical Medicine or Clinical Dentistry programmes will pay £19,000 per year.

2. Islands students on placement years will pay 50% of their agreed tuition fee for the placement year.