

THE BATH MBA OFFER HOLDER GUIDE 2024/25

MBA

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR OFFER

AMBITION CHANGES EVERYTHING.

WELCOME TO THE BATH MBA

Congratulations on your offer to study The Bath MBA at the University of Bath School of Management.

We set high standards for our candidates but know that this leads to excellent outcomes. As with all of our incoming class you have demonstrated that you have what it takes to be a Bath MBA graduate and we cannot wait to welcome you in person to start this amazing and exciting next step in your professional development.

When you join the University of Bath, you also become part of a vibrant, international community of students, academics, staff, alumni and organisations, who all want to contribute to your success.

Embarking on an MBA is a life-changing moment that will stay with you forever. We want to make sure you've got all the information you need, so we have created this guide to help you as you plan for your commencement in September.

YOUR SUCCESS STARTS HERE

The MBA programme at Bath provides a comprehensive and engaging educational experience that will help to accelerate your career in today's dynamic business environment.

Over the coming weeks and months, you will have the opportunity to meet and engage with our community, take part in taster lectures, alumni insight events and career workshops, all designed to support you and expand your business network. If you have any questions that aren't answered here, or if you'd like to arrange a visit before you start, please don't hesitate to contact our MBA Admissions team, we are here to help.

A TOP BUSINESS SCHOOL AT A TOP TEN UNIVERSITY

By studing at Bath, you are joining one of the UK's leading busines schools and a top ten UK university*. Your MBA programme is ranked in the top 150 globally*, ensuring you of the very best in research and teaching.

Whatever your goal, The Bath MBA is an exciting and challenging programme designed to give you the knowledge, experience and skills you need to accelerate your career to new heights.

The whole team looks forward to welcoming you here very soon and for you to start your MBA journey with us.

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Dr Jane Ellis-Brush Director of Teaching, The Bath MBA

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AN MBA TO BE PROUD OF

BUILT WITH BUSINESS IN MIND

Practical learning is key to <u>The Bath MBA</u>. As well as meeting employers through your project work, you will regularly hear from business speakers and learn from academics who are experts in their field. Your learning will be enriched by their leading research and collaborations, keeping the content fresh and relevant.

We've designed the MBA with input from global employers to make sure you get the knowledge and skills you need to achieve your career goals. Our distinctive Multi-Project Suite will let you apply what you learn in the real world. Whatever your ambitions, our globally ranked MBA will provide you with an exciting and challenging year full of opportunity.

SMALL COHORTS. BIG IMPACT.

At Bath, you'll become part of a vibrant, international community of students, academics, staff and alumni. Our postgraduate students come from more than 50 different countries and our faculty have a wealth of international experience. Our supportive alumni network includes more than 27,000 graduates living in more than 130 countries and working across a range of industries.

We carefully select our MBA students and keep the class sizes small to create a dynamic and energetic learning environment. Our class size allows for more personalised attention, focused interaction and stronger bonds among your peers, leading to greater success and impact.







"The Bath MBA has helped me to build new networks, identify my leadership strengths, and fine-tune my personality traits to become a stronger leader. Now that I've found a clear path forward, I feel more motivated than ever to advance both personally and professionally."

Adarsh Murugan, class of 2022.

AN MBA TO BE PROUD OF

MAKE YOUR CAREER HAPPEN

Employers want MBA graduates with well-developed leadership and management skills. Skills training forms an integral part of the Bath MBA. Get the tools, coaching and practical experience you need to grow professionally with our Professional Development Programme.

As part of your degree, you may wish to consider optional benefits such as a paid internship at the end of the course. Internships are an ideal way to further your career in a specific industry or get experience of a new career option.

Our dedicated MBA Careers Team will provide you with a full year of activities and tailored support. One-to-one coaching and guidance will help you maximise your potential. They will also support you in finding a job after your MBA, and will be there for you for three years after you graduate.



The University of Bath is ranked among the world's best for sustainability (Top 100 QS World University Rankings for Sustainability 2024). You will gain the knowledge and skills necessary to create positive change within organisations and communities.

Through practice-based learning, you will navigate complex and ethical dilemmas and make decisions that align with the values and principles of corporate social responsibility, enabling you as a business leader to contribute to a more equitable, just and sustainable world.







"The resources and facilities at Bath were beyond my expectations. The Programme Officers consistently checked if there was anything I want to talk through, from academic support to leisure activities in Bath, helping me to enjoy during break time from studying and coursework."

Sivanun Panseekhae, class of 2022.

Comprising distinguished academics, industry experts and leading scholars, the MBA faculty is dedicated to providing you with a world-class education in business and leadership management. Their collective expertise spans across a wide range of areas such as finance, supply chain management, strategy and entrepreneurship, enabling them to deliver a well-rounded curriculum that will prepare you for the challenges of leadership in the business world.



DIRECTOR OF TEACHING Dr Jane Ellis-Brush

Dr Jane-Ellis Brush is an accomplished business leader, academic and passionate educator who serves as the Director of Teaching for MBA programmes at the University of Bath. With over three decades of experience in commercial leadership roles across the globe, she has established herself as a distinguished academic and leader of distinctive practice-based MBA programmes.

Responsible for overseeing the design and delivery of both the full-time and Executive MBA programmes at Bath, she works closely with faculty members to deliver effective teaching practices, aligned with real business experiences, that engage students and enhance their learning outcomes.

"Studying an MBA at Bath is a fantastic choice for ambitious individuals who want to really take their career and give it an injection of knowledge and energy that is unlike any other. You will go on an incredible journey in just one year, embracing new research or contemporary business thinking and connect with a diverse range of businesses and networks. The MBA is an opportunity for you to grow, personally and professionally, supported by a team of dedicated professionals and academics who want to share in your success."

DIRECTOR OF STUDIES, FULL-TIME MBA PROGRAMME Professor Richard Jackson

Professor Richard Jackson is the Director of Studies for the full-time MBA programme at the University of Bath School of Management. He is a Professor of Accounting and Finance in the School's Division of Accounting, Finance and Law, a Fellow of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, and a former Trustee and Chair of the British Accounting and Finance Association. Prior to his academic career, Richard enjoyed rapid advancement through a range of roles in financial and professional services with Ernst & Young, NatWest Group and Accenture, working and studying overseas as well as in the UK. He earned his own MBA at Cranfield University (UK) and Carnegie Mellon University (USA). Richard's own research interests are in corporate earnings' dynamics and quality, the development of econometric methodology and the impact of prudential regulation. As Director of Studies, he provides the academic lead for the full-time MBA Programme.

"For me, the ideal MBA student is someone who brings experience and ideas into classroom, is fully committed to their own development and that of their team, and is intent on shaping the future for good, whatever their sphere of interest. For such students, the full-time MBA programme at the University of Bath provides an outstanding opportunity to think and grow with peers whilst being well-supported with the guidance of inspiring faculty."



MEET OUR TEAM

Throughout your time with us, you will be supported by a team of dedicated and highly experienced professionals who will play a critical role in your success and help you to bridge the gaps between theory, practice and your future career on graduation.



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ADMISSIONS & APPLICATIONS

The Admissions and Recruitment team are available to support you with all aspects of your commencement on the MBA programme. They can advise on practical challenges, like accommodation or visas, as well as help you acclimatise to life in a new city and possibly a new country.

Ahead of September, they will host regular cohort meet-ups and one-to-one consultations to help you to grow your network and answer any questions you may have.

CAREERS & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Whether you want introductions to other MBA graduates in our network, a review of your CV or a career planning chat, the MBA Careers Team are on hand for advice, guidance and information. With their experience and resources, you'll have all the tools you need to plan your career.

MBA PROGRAMME TEAM

The Programme Team organise your MBA Programme for you. They manage all aspects of scheduling, logistics, administration and assessment. They also provide welfare and pastoral support, and arrange social activities to ensure that you have a fun time away from the classroom.

EXPLORE YOUR NEW HOME



THE CITY OF BATH

The beautiful city of Bath is just a few minutes from campus, surrounded by the rolling green hills of the Somerset countryside. It's famous for its natural hot springs and Georgian architecture, but it's also a great place to live, learn and work. Hear from our students what they like about living in Bath. For more views of the city take a look at the official tourism information site:

Visit Bath's virtual tour.

If you're a Bridgerton fan, have a look at the backdrops to the series Lady Whistledown's Bridgerton Guide to Bath.

THE SCHOOL OF MANAGEMENT

Building on over half a century of experience, we have recently opened our new School of Management building. The student experience has been transformed, with beautiful spaces and resources to inspire our students to do great things.

FIND YOUR WAY AROUND CAMPUS

<u>Download our campus map</u> and have a look at our <u>virtual</u> <u>tour</u> to find your way around the University. For accessibility advice have a look at our <u>campus accessibility webpage</u>.

Check out our <u>travel advice page</u> for information about getting to campus.





EXPLORE YOUR NEW HOME





LIFE AS AN MBA STUDENT

At Bath you become part of a vibrant, international community of students, academics, staff and alumni. We want to help you get the most of your university experience, and throughout your MBA programme a huge range of activities, trips and opportunities will be available to you.

To help you picture yourself at Bath, watch videos about our recent graduates sharing their experience of the Bath MBA:

- MBA alumna Luiza shares how the Bath MBA has prepared her to take a leading position in her family's organisation.
- MBA alumnus Krish discusses the impact the MBA has had on his career and the new opportunities he's discovered.
- MBA alumna Siyanun shares how studying at the School of Management helped to develop her as a senior leader.

SUPPORT WHILE YOU STUDY

We have a dedicated Student Experience Officer to support you. They provide a confidential advice service and can help with any personal or academic issues you might have. They also organise social events to help you get to know other students and enjoy life outside of the classroom.



LET'S CONNECT



ALUMNI INSIGHT SERIES

Join us for a series of online talks showcasing some of the successful journeys of Bath MBA graduates. We will explore specific case studies, provide details of career support services at Bath, and will be joined by alumni working in a range of sectors, from finance to social media.

CAREER INSIGHTS SERIES

Join Head of MBA Operations and PGT Careers, Matt Rusling for an insight into the post programme career journeys of Bath MBA students, from internships to support with job applications. In the Careers Insight Series, you will learn of recent career destinations of our alumni, as well as information about the post-programme MBA careers support service available upon completion of the programme.

For more information or to register for our Alumni and Career Insight series visit School of Management events

MBA FACEBOOK GROUP

Join our online community in our Facebook group for the incoming 2024 cohort. This is a great way to connect and develop future networks with people who may be studying with you in 2024. The forum is moderated by our MBA Admissions and Recruitment Team who will also be on hand to answer any questions you may have, support you with practical challenges like accommodation or visas, as well as help you acclimatise to life in a new city or even a new country.

"The Bath MBA programme has an extensive curriculum and a huge network to connect with.
They are always pushing us to take the leap."

Sambhavi Gami, class of 2022.



TIMELINE

Preparing for your arrival



Once you have accepted your offer and paid your deposit, the next exciting stage of your MBA journey starts!

Here are some key dates to help you prepare for your year at Bath.

13 March to 1 July

Apply for University accommodation.

April to September

We'll contact you about your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS).

3 June

Deadline for applying for the 10 week pre-sessional English course

4 July

Deadline for applying for the 5 week presessional English course

8 July to 13 September

10 week pre-sessional English course

31 July

Deadline for confirming you've met the conditions of your offer.

8 August to 13 September

5 week pre-sessional English course

1 to 23 September

Register with the University

23 September 2024

Programme start date

September 2025

Completion of studies

Autumn 2025

Optional Internship

Winter 2024/5

Graduation ceremony



"The MBA has given me the broad knowledge I wanted, giving me an oversight of multiple business areas and an understanding of aspects of business to which I was previously unsighted."

Dan Tope, class of 2022.

MBA OFFER HOLDER NEXT STEPS

You need to accept your offer to study at Bath before the deadline detailed in your offer letter. Here are the other key dates you need to be aware of before your course begins.

Check key dates before the start of your course - see page 10

Pay your deposit to accept your offer - see page 12

Upload your documents to show you've met the conditions of your offer - see page 12

Check what you need for your visa preparations - see page 14

Check when to pay your tuition fees - see page 15

Apply for your accommodation - see page 16

If you have any questions you can book an appointment with one of our teams:

- Admissions
- Careers
- Disability Support



ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER

ACCEPT YOUR OFFER VIA OUR APPLICATION TRACKER

You can use Application Tracker to:

- · follow the progress of your application
- · upload important digital documents
- · review your offer letter
- · pay deposit
- · accept your offer.

PAY YOUR DEPOSIT

You will need to pay a deposit of £3,750 to secure your place using Application Tracker.

Instructions on how to pay will be included on your offer letter.

We will deduct the $\mathfrak{L}3,750$ deposit payment from your course tuition fee when you register at the University.

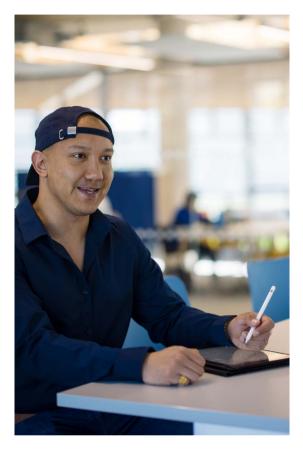
The deposit is non-refundable unless:

- · You fail to meet the conditions of your offer
- · You fail to get a visa (if required)
- · You cancel within 14 days of payment

If you have any questions, you can email us at mbaadmissions@bath.ac.uk



ACCEPTING YOUR OFFER



ENGLISH LANGUAGE CONDITIONS

If English isn't your first language, you need to meet our minimum English language requirements before you can start your MBA.

Your English language pass date must be less than 24 months before the start of the MBA course.

If you need a visa to study in the UK, submit your English language test results as early as possible.

If you've already taken an English language test but haven't met the course's minimum English language requirement, you can either resit the test or take one of our pre-sessional courses, if you are eligible.

If you have met the minimum English language requirements but would like to improve your English skills before you start your course, you can still apply for a pre-sessional course.

NEXT STEPS

Once you have met all the conditions set out in your offer letter you will receive an unconditional offer and information about preparing to study at Bath.

"It had been an enriching journey, meeting new friends who became lifelong friends and focusing on making myself better professionally and personally. MBA is not without its own challenges, but the world class lecturers and MBA staff have made it easier through their endless support."

Suri Kasbon, class of 2022.



INFORMATION FOR INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

UK VISAS & IMMIGRATION (UKVI) REOUIREMENTS

If you're an international student, you might need a visa to study in the UK. If you're studying for a full-time degree, you will most likely need a student visa to study at Bath.

To apply for the student visa, you need to hold an offer of an unconditional place and have met the other eligibility requirements.

Read about the different types of visas and how to apply for yours.

Before you apply for your Student Visa, it is important that you make sure that you have all of the required documents prepared in advance. This will ensure that you can progress your application as soon as you have received your Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies (CAS).

Student visa applications are usually processed within 3 to 4 weeks (8 weeks, if applying in the UK), but they can take longer if extra checks are required. Therefore, we strongly advise you to submit your Student visa application as soon as you can meet all requirements of the visa. If you submit your application early, your newly granted visa will be valid from 1 month before your course start date. This additional time will allow you to prepare for our travel to Bath.

Information about Student Visas

If you have any questions, you can also contact Student Immigration Services (SIS) by emailing studentimmigrationservice@bath.ac.uk

GRADUATION VISA

The Graduate visa is for graduates who want to work, or look for work in the UK. The visa is granted for two years if you have completed an undergraduate or masters level course, and three years for PhD or other doctoral qualifications.

Information about the Graduate Visa



GRADUATION DOCUMENTS

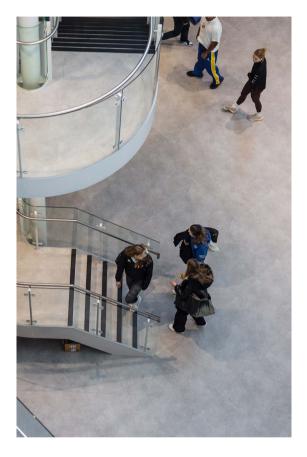
You must provide official digital copies of your degree certificate(s) and transcripts.

If the awarding university issues official documents in English, they will be acceptable for Confirmation of Studies (CAS)/visa purposes. Find out more about your **Confirmation of Acceptance for Studies**.

If your official graduation documents are in a language other than English you must provide:

- official copies of the original documents
- official English translations of the original documents

TUITION FEES



PAYING TUITION FEES

You will receive an email inviting you to register online with the University in September, you will not be able to register until you have received this e-mail.

During the registration process you must arrange the payment of your tuition fees.

You can pay your tuition fees with a student loan, through an approved sponsor or by one of the University accepted payment methods.

For full details of accepted payment methods go to bath.ac.uk/guides/paying-your-tuition-fees/

"The multi project suite exposed me to real life, actionable, and useful projects which have enhanced my real time knowledge. Similarly, due to their short, dynamic nature, the learning has never stagnated, and I have remained focused and engaged."

Carla Hadfield, class of 2022.



ACCOMMODATION

What's on offer and how to apply



Bath is a great place to study, live and work and it will be your new home during your MBA.

We offer accommodation specifically for postgraduate students. Living in a University-managed building means that everything is included in your rent and your accommodation is looked after by our experienced housekeeping team, leaving you more time to really focus on your studies. The main shops, restaurants, bars and cafés are all located within a short distance.

It is our goal to make University accommodation feel like home by creating a sense of community, belonging and security.

WHEN TO APPLY FOR ACCOMMODATION

You can apply for accommodation here.

Applications for postgraduate student accommodation for September 2024 open on 13 March 2024. Before you can apply for accommodation you need to have:

- Completed your MBA application before 1 July 2024
- Have firmly accepted and have the offer status 'unconditional' before 31 August – you can check your course status in <u>Application Tracker</u>.

If you've firmly accepted but your offer status is still 'conditional' after 31 August, you'll still be eligible for accommodation, but it will be subject to availability when your course status becomes 'unconditional firm'

TYPES OF ACCOMMODATION

You can apply for university accommodation to suit your budget and lifestyle. The types of accommodation you can apply for include:

- · Self-catered accommodation
- · Single or double rooms
- · Rooms with shared bathrooms or en-suite rooms
- Accommodation for couples

OUR POSTGRADUATE ACCOMMODATION

You can apply for University accommodation in:

<u>Canal Wharf student</u> accommodation – is next to the scenic Kennet and Avon Canal and just a short walk from the city centre.

<u>Clevelands Building</u> student accommodation – has a peaceful location by Bathwick Hill. The city centre is a short walk away, and the accommodation is on a regular bus route to campus.

<u>Pulteney Court</u> student accommodation located near the Kennet and Avon Canal, Pulteney Court is close to the local shops of Widcombe Parade and just five minutes' walk from the city centre.

Thornbank Gardens student accommodation is a ten minute walk from the city centre, while also being close to the local shops and cafes of popular Moorland Road.

<u>Polden</u> student accommodation on the west side of campus, Polden is our newest, highest-specification accommodation.

Green Park House student accommodation overlooks Green Park in the heart of Bath, with a variety of rooms to suit all budgets.

Eastwood Terrace student accommodation is on the east side of campus, a short walk from the Library, teaching buildings and food outlets.

POSTGRADUATE STUDENTS FROM THE UK

If you are a UK postgraduate, we have a limited number of rooms subject to demand and availability.

IF YOU MISS THE DEADLINE

If you don't apply for accommodation before 1 July 2024, you can apply on 20 August 2024. We'll then put you on a waiting list, meaning your accommodation won't be guaranteed and will be subject to availability when you have firmly accepted and your offer status is 'unconditional'.

CONNECT WITH MBA STUDENTS

CHAT WITH OUR STUDENTS

If you have any questions about life at Bath, you can <u>chat</u> <u>online with our Student Ambassadors.</u>

Our MBA Unibuddy Ambassadors are also here to help and can tell you about their own experiences of studying on The Bath MBA and living in Bath.

To connect with our alumni, or any of our student ambassadors, search for our Postgraduate MBA programme on Unibuddy and chat online.

We can also introduce you to alumni and students from across the world who will be able to share their experiences and advice on starting your MBA at Bath. To be connected to our international network, please email mbaadmissions@bath.ac.uk





EXPLORE THE UNIVERSITY AT A POSTGRADUATE EVENT

In addition to our calendar of MBA events, we also run <u>virtual events</u> throughout the year so you have lots of opportunities to connect with us and get the information you need about postgraduate study at Bath. This includes live webinars on accommodation, visas, language requirements and our pre-sessional programmes.



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WELCOME TO BATH

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Find out more about our Rankings and Reputation