

Admission Requirements for Undergraduate Programmes

1 Admission of Students

In order to be considered for entry to an undergraduate course of the University candidates must comply with (1), (2) and (3) below:

- (1) Candidates for the degrees of Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Laws, Bachelor of Engineering, Bachelor of Science, Bachelor of Physics, Master of Chemistry, Master of Computing Science, Master of Engineering, Master of Mathematics, Master of Natural Sciences, Master of Pharmacy, Master of Physics, Master of Science, and Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery.**

Such candidates must have satisfied the general requirements for admission (Regulations 2 and 3) and the course requirements (Regulation 5).

- (2) Candidates Aged Under 18 at Registration**

Whilst the University has no minimum or upper age limits on admission to the University, those applying for schemes of study who will be under 18 years of age at the point of intended registration will be required to comply with University procedures designed to satisfy existing child protection and other relevant legislation. Owing to current UK Visa and Immigration requirements we are not able to sponsor any student under 16 for degree level study.

- (3) Candidates with Criminal Convictions**

Any candidate with an unspent criminal conviction (as defined under the terms of the Rehabilitation of Offenders Act) will be required to make a relevant declaration and comply with University procedures in relation to this area. Note that all programmes offered in the Faculty of Medicine and Health Sciences and the BA Social Work are exempt from the Act and *all* convictions must therefore be declared when making an application to these courses.

- (4) Candidates requiring a Tier 4 visa**

Such candidates must have obtained leave to remain or leave to enter, under the University of East Anglia's Tier 4 licence. They must also undertake to comply with all UK Visas and Immigration (UKVI) and University requirements regarding their duties and any associated immigration conditions as a visa holder.

All candidates must provide documentary evidence of their qualifications before the point of registration. Candidates who cannot satisfy the requirements in (1) above may, in some cases be admitted to the University in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 4 below. Those applicants who fail to comply with stated University procedure in respect of (2) and (3) are refused entry to the University.

2 General Requirements for Admission

In order to satisfy the general requirements for admission candidates should have one of the qualifications shown below.

UK Qualifications

(1) Certificates showing passes in General Certificate of Education (GCE) Advanced or Advanced Supplementary level examinations, Vocational Certificate of Education (VCE) Advanced level examinations, and in General Certificate of Secondary Education (GCSE) examinations in different subjects in one of the following patterns:

- (a) GCE A-level/GCE AS-level/VCE Advanced/GCSE passes in a minimum of five subjects, of which at least two subject are at Advanced/A-level (or equivalent))
- (b) GCE A-level/GCE AS-level/VCE Advanced passes/GCSE in a minimum of four subjects, of which at least three subjects are at Advanced/A-level (or equivalent).

The certificates must be awarded by one of the examining bodies approved by the Department for Education or, in the case of certain overseas examining bodies, by the University.

Passes at GCE Ordinary level will be acceptable on the same basis as GCSE passes.

The passes in GCSE or at GCE Ordinary level must be of Grade C or Grade 4 or above if taken in or after 1975. The subjects must be acceptable to the University.

A pass at grade 1 in the Certificate of Secondary Education, or a pass at Grade 1, 2 or 3 in the Certificate of Extended Education awarded by an approved authority is accepted as the equivalent of a pass at Grade C or 4 or above in the same subject in GCSE for the purpose of fulfilling the general and course requirements.

Passes at Advanced VCE must be six or twelve module awards.

- (2) A School Certificate or Higher School Certificate awarded by an approved authority, on the same basis as the GCE or GCSE. A credit in a School Certificate or a pass at subsidiary standard in a Higher School Certificate, counts as a GCSE pass of Grade C or 4 or above. A pass at principal standard in a Higher School Certificate counts as a GCE pass at Advanced level.
- (3) A Higher National Certificate or Diploma.
- (4) An Ordinary National Certificate or Diploma, provided that the average performance in at least three of the subjects in the final examination is 60 per cent or better, and that these subjects are acceptable to the University.
- (5) An EDEXCEL Foundation/Business and Technician Education Council (BTEC) National Diploma, Higher National Certificate, (BTEC) Extended Diploma with merit grades in a minimum of three second or third year

modules.

- (6) The Cambridge Pre-U Diploma
- (7) A pass in an Open University Foundation Course.
- (8) Successful completion of any access course validated by an Authorised Validating Agency recognised by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA).
- (9) Successful completion of any Foundation Programme approved by the University.
- (10) A degree from a UK or Commonwealth University, or such other university as may be recognised for this purpose.
- (11) Qualifications which satisfy the general entrance requirements of any Scottish university.
- (12) Qualified teacher status, provided that the candidate has passed with distinction in at least one general subject in a recognised certificate examination.
- (13) The Army Special Certificate of Education, the Passing-out Examination of the Royal Naval College, Dartmouth, or the Forces Preliminary Examination.
- (14) A pass in the Technological Baccalaureate offered by City and Guilds.
- (15) A minimum of a pass in the Advanced General National Vocational Qualification.
- (16) The Republic of Ireland Leaving Certificate with passes at Grade H4 or better in 6 approved Higher Level subjects (including English)..
- (17) Successful completion of any High School Leaving Certificate approved by the government of a European Union country which is regarded by the University as being equivalent to 12 modules of GCE Advanced level study (please consult the Admissions Service). English language may be required as an element of the final examination or the candidate should obtain one of the English language qualifications set out in Regulation 3 below.

International Qualifications

- (18) The International Baccalaureate or the European Baccalaureate Diploma.
- (19) Successful completion of any High School Leaving Certificate approved by the government of a non-EU country which is regarded by the University as being equivalent to twelve modules of GCE Advanced level study (please consult the Admissions Service). Candidates with international qualifications may be required to have one of the English Language qualifications set out below in Regulation 3.
- (20) A pass in the Advanced International Certificate of Education
- (21) The Hong Kong Examinations Authority HKDSE and the Malaysian SPM and STPM examinations are recognised as equivalents to GCE/GCSE and School Certificate examinations respectively and the International General Certificate of Secondary Education set by the University of Cambridge Local Examinations Syndicate is recognised on the same basis as the General Certificate of Secondary Education.
- (22) The Matriculation Certificate of a Commonwealth University or of an approved foreign University, provided that the candidate also has an acceptable English Language qualification.

3 English Language requirements

All International students entering study on a Tier 4 visa must satisfy the minimum requirement for English language, as laid out by the UK Visas and Immigration (see Home Office website for current details). Please consult with the Admissions Service for exact acceptable criteria.

European and other non-Tier 4 students must also meet a minimum English language requirement. As the exact requirement differs from course to course, please consult with the Admissions Service for exact acceptable criteria.

4 Special Cases

The Head of the School of Study concerned may deem the following to have satisfied the general and course requirements for admission:

- (1) candidates who do not satisfy any of the requirements listed in Regulations 2 and 5, but who submit satisfactory evidence of having passed examinations which are deemed equivalent to any of those listed.
- (2) candidates who hold a full practicing professional qualification obtained by examination.
- (3) candidates who do not satisfy any of the requirements listed in Regulations 2 and 5, but who submit satisfactory evidence of the capacity and attainments requisite to enable them to pursue the course proposed.

The Head of School may similarly make these exceptions for Regulation 3 – English Language Requirements where they relate to a non-Tier 4 sponsored student.

For all Tier 4 sponsored students the UKVI regulations are absolute and no exceptions can be applied.

5 Course Requirements

In addition to the general requirements listed above, the following special requirements are prescribed for admission to particular courses. Candidates offering qualifications listed in Regulation 2 other than GCE A-level and GCSE which satisfy the general entry requirement shall be deemed to have satisfied the course requirements provided they offer appropriate subjects in those qualifications.

All students should have achieved at least Grade C or Grade 4 in both GCSE Mathematics and English Language.

Degree Course Required Subjects

BA Degrees

American History

A-level History at Grade B preferred

American Literature

A-level English Literature at Grade B

American Studies

A-level English Literature and/or History at Grade B

Art History	-
Archaeology	-
Anthropology, Art History	
Culture Literature and	
Politics	A-level English Literature Grade B
Education	-
International Development	GCSE Modern Language Grade B or 5 (for
(language programmes)	
Drama	A-level English Literature or Drama or
	Theatre Studies
English Literature	A-level English Literature; A-level History also
	preferred for joint programme combined with
	History
English and Philosophy	A-level English Literature Grade B
Film	-
Geography	A-level Geography
Geography and International Development	
History	A-level History preferred
International Relations	
International Relations and	
Modern Language	Minimum grade B or 5 in GCSE in your
	chosen language
International Development	-
Media	-
Modern Languages	Single Honours programmes require any
	modern language at GCSE grade B or 5.
	Double Honours courses require A-level
	grade B in your first chosen language. 3-
	year programmes require grade A in the
	chosen language.
Philosophy	A-level in relevant subject required only for
	programmes combined with English or
	History
Philosophy, Politics and	
Economics	GCSE Mathematics Grade B or 5
Physical Education	GCSE Science Grade C or 4
Politics	-
Scriptwriting and	
Performance	A-level English Literature or Drama or
	Theatre Studies
Social Work	-
LLB Degrees	
Law	A-Level in relevant language (European
	Programmes)

**BSc, BEng, MChem, MEng, MMath,
MComp, MSci, MNATSci,
MPharm and MPhys degrees**

Accounting	-
Actuarial	A-level Mathematics at Grade A and GCSE English Language and Maths at Grade B or 5
Biochemistry	A-level Chemistry; GCSE Maths at Grade B or 5
Biology	A-level Biology; GCSE Maths at Grade B or 5
Biomedicine	A-level Biology; GCSE Maths at Grade B or 5
Business Economics	GCSE Mathematics B
Business Information Systems	A-level science, Mathematics, Economics, Computing or Business Related
Business Finance and Economics	GCSE Mathematics B or 5
Business Management	-
Chemistry	A-level Chemistry GCSE Mathematics B or 5
Chemical Physics	A-level Chemistry & Mathematics
Computing Science	A-level Science, Economics or Mathematics (Year Abroad Programmes) and GCSE Mathematics Grade B or 5
Climate Change	A-level, from Mathematics, a science, Geography, Geology or Economics GCSE Language (Europe programmes)
Computer Graphics, Imaging and Multimedia	A-level Science, Economics or Mathematics (Year Abroad Programmes) and GCSE Mathematics Grade B or 5
Computer Systems Engineering	A-level Science, Economics or Mathematics (Year Abroad Programmes) and GCSE Mathematics Grade B or 5
Engineering	A-level Mathematics and GCSE Mathematics Grade B or 5
Economics	GCSE Mathematics B or 5
Economics with Accountancy	GCSE Mathematics B or 5
International Development - Ecology	A-level Biology; GCSE Maths Grade B or 5
Energy Engineering	A-level Mathematics; GCSE Maths Grade B or 5
Energy Engineering with Environmental Management	A-level Mathematics; GCSE Maths Grade B or 5

Engineering	A-level Mathematics; GCSE Maths Grade B or 5
Environmental Sciences	A-level, from Mathematics, a science, Geography, Geology or Economics GCSE Language (Europe programmes)
Environmental Sciences, Geography and International Development	A-level Mathematics, science, Geography, Geology, Economics or World Development
Geophysics	A-level Mathematics GCSE Language (Europe programmes)
Geography	A-level Geography
Geology with Geography	A-level, from Mathematics, a science, Geography, Geology or Economics GCSE Language (Europe programmes)
Mathematics	A-level Mathematics
Meteorology and Oceanography	A-level Mathematics GCSE Language Europe programmes
Natural Sciences	2 x A-level from Mathematics, a science, Geography or Environmental Science; GCSE Grade B or 5 Language (Europe programmes)
Nursing	-
Midwifery	GCSE science subject
Occupational Therapy	GCSE science subject
Paramedic Science	A-level Biology, PE or Chemistry
Pharmacology and Drug Discovery	A-level Chemistry
Pharmacy	A-level Chemistry; GCSE Mathematics Grade B or 5
Physics	A-level Mathematics and Physics
Physiotherapy	A-level Biology, Human Biology or PE and GCSE Science
Politics and Economics	GCSE Mathematics B or 5
Psychology	-
Speech and Language Therapy	GCSE science
MB/BS Degree	
Medicine	A-level Biology and Physics or Chemistry, six GCSE's at Grade A or 7 inc. English, Mathematics and Science