



international foundation year programmes

City College Brighton and Hove
Sussex Coast College Hastings
Sussex Downs College

Partner colleges of



University of Brighton

University of Brighton

Great range of courses

- Arts and architecture
- Business
- Computing
- Engineering
- Education and sport
- Management and Information science
- Environment and technology
- Travel, tourism and hospitality management

Great location

On the south coast of England

- One hour from London by train
- Three campuses in Brighton, one in Eastbourne and one in Hastings
- Ranked third 'modern university'
- Third friendliest university in UK
- High graduate employment rate (94 per cent)

Great student support

- Guaranteed accommodation in halls of residence for international students*
- Free orientation programme
- Free English language support
- Specialist welfare service
- Career and work placement advice
- Full and varied social programme

*subject to certain conditions

Great scholarships

75 scholarships worth £2,000 for each year of study at the University of Brighton

- Students can apply during the foundation year programme at the partner college
- Fixed fees for duration of University of Brighton course
- Five per cent discount for early full payment of fees

What is the Brighton Partner College (BPC) International Foundation Year?

The BPC International Foundation Year is one of the best routes for international students, who may not have sufficient qualifications to apply for university, to obtain entry onto a University of Brighton undergraduate degree programme.

Your initial application will be considered by the partner college and the University of Brighton.

If you are a suitable candidate, the partner college will make a firm offer for the foundation year and the university will make a conditional offer for the following year at the same time.

You will then have a guaranteed place on your chosen University of Brighton course, providing that you successfully complete your partner college international foundation year, and meet IELTS requirements and any other entry requirements.

You will not need to apply again through UCAS.

Key features

- 1 year programme (36 weeks) September–June
- Several study options based on recognised UK qualifications
- Extra English Language Study Skills
- IELTS preparation
- University of Brighton progression advice and support including campus visits.

Conditions of entry

Brighton partner college international foundation year:

- You must be a national of a non-EU country and be at least 17 years old
- You must have successfully completed 12 years of education up to upper secondary level or the equivalent of 5 GCSEs at grade C or above
- For art and design a portfolio of work will need to be assessed
- A minimum of IELTS 5.0 including a 5.0 in writing, or Cambridge First Certificate in English grade C, or TOEFL 500+, or TOEFL Computer 173+ or equivalent.

University of Brighton

- Successful completion of BPC International Foundation Year programme (60 per cent merit to be achieved for bachelor degree entry, 55 percent for foundation degree entry) plus IELTS 6.0 overall with 6.0 in writing
- For art and design an additional portfolio of work will need to be assessed during the BPC International foundation year by University of Brighton staff, normally at the end of the first term
- For some programmes, minimum grades must be achieved in specified subjects.

All applications must be sent initially to the partner college which offers the BPC International Foundation Year relevant to your proposed subsequent undergraduate study.

	City College Brighton and Hove	Sussex Coast College Hastings	Sussex Downs College
Art and design	✓	✓	
Business	✓	✓	✓
Computing/IT	✓		✓
Data communication and network technology		✓	
Electronic engineering		✓	
Engineering	✓	✓	
Mechanical engineering		✓	
Science		✓	✓
Telecommunication		✓	
Travel and tourism	✓		

our locations



South-east England



City College Brighton and Hove

City College Brighton and Hove has a long tradition of welcoming international students. With students from 117 countries currently studying with us, the college is a cosmopolitan, vibrant, multicultural place to learn. Our English language programmes are accredited by the British Council and the college also has English UK membership which all works towards ensuring that we are able to offer you quality education.

You are able to study several courses that can help you to improve your English, while preparing you for a degree at university. During your time with us, we will guide and advise you through the university application process and ensure that you are able to make informed choices.

Accommodation

Together with selecting the correct course, one of the most important parts of your stay is your accommodation while you are in Brighton. We can help you to make the choice of accommodation which will best suit your needs. Note: City College does not have its own halls of residence.

Homestay accommodation is arranged for you by the college when you choose to study here. All our hosts are carefully selected to understand the needs of students from other countries. They can provide you with the perfect opportunity to experience British life and practice using your English in everyday situations.

Location

Brighton & Hove is the most enchanting, exciting, extraordinary seaside city in Britain and City College is lucky enough to be right in the heart of it. Brighton has always been an attractive seaside resort but in the past 20 years, it has become a cosmopolitan cultural hub for those wanting the variety offered by London – without the crowds.

City College is on the edge of the very fashionable North Laine where you can find many independent shops, cafes and restaurants. Different from the more commercial shopping mall just 10 minutes away, the North Laine gives you the option of buying everything from vegetarian shoes to exotic herbal smoothies.

If you do feel that you miss the bright lights and big city atmosphere of London, the train station is a five minute walk from the College and you can get to London in less than an hour.

Student support

The Student Support team at City College Brighton and Hove is available to help you with everything while you are a student with us. This includes issues such as visa renewal, finding accommodation and bank accounts.

To make your arrival into Brighton easier, we are able to arrange a taxi to pick you up when you arrive at Heathrow or Gatwick. The car will then drop you at your chosen location in the Brighton. This is a free service.

Student life

Being a student in the heart of the City of Brighton offers you plenty of things to take part in when you are not in class. For those wishing to participate in college activities, the Students Union arranges regular events including a Freshers Fair, Talent Show, trips to Amsterdam, New York, skiing in the French Alps and many sporting activities such as inter-college football and basketball matches. The International Office also has a monthly newsletter full of events.

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Sussex
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Hastings

Sussex Coast College Hastings



Sussex Coast College Hastings is a medium-sized college of further education funded by the UK government. The college offers a wide range of vocational and academic programmes at all levels up to postgraduate level.

Location

Hastings is situated on the south coast of England with a mild climate and low levels of air pollution. It is a lively town with a rich history and is less than two hours by train from London and one hour from Brighton. There are also good rail links to France (two hours by train from Ashford to Paris).



Facilities

The college offers spacious, well-equipped classrooms, a listening lab, self-access centre and computer rooms. In addition, all students have access to a multimedia learning resource centre, an open access computer centre, a study centre, a well-stocked library, videos, CD ROMs, email and internet.



Welfare and accommodation

The college has a full-time Welfare and Accommodation Officer who dedicates her time to looking after international students.

Students have a choice of accommodation when attending the college. We strongly recommend the use of college inspected and approved home-stay accommodation. Local English host families are carefully chosen for the standard of rooms and their commitment to the student experience. The college uses over 200 host families; many of them have taken our students for over 15 years.

Some students choose to stay in house-share or self-catering accommodation. Lists of these are available from the college accommodation officer.

Student support

The college has a Student Activities Co-ordinator who deals with all aspects of cultural and social visits. Students have free-of-charge access to the internet and free email facilities. Students are registered with doctors via their host family after a settling in period.

Sussex Downs College

Sussex Downs College has over 400 international students from more than 40 different countries studying alongside 5,000 full-time UK students. Sussex Downs College has a long tradition of helping international and European students achieve their learning goals. In 2006, Sussex Downs College was awarded a prestigious Beacon Award for International Student Support in recognition of their outstanding work in supporting and guiding international students. They pride themselves on their excellent courses, facilities, results and above all, the supportive and welcoming environment that you would expect from a top further education college.

Location

The college is located on two campuses in Eastbourne and Lewes in the south east of England. It is perfectly placed in the heart of the beautiful Sussex countryside. Both Lewes and Eastbourne enjoy easy access to major cities such as London and Brighton, whilst allowing you to study in a safe and peaceful environment.

Accommodation

Sussex Downs College has the following accommodation options:

- Campus residence (Caburn House)
- Homestay with meals
- Homestay without meals.

Caburn House is an on-campus purpose built residence designed for students who wish to live in a secure environment with other international students. Students enjoy a private en suite room and shared kitchen facilities.

Our accommodation is checked and monitored by our experienced accommodation staff in accordance with the standards set by the British Council's Accreditation UK scheme.

Student support

All international foundation year students have a personal tutor who will support and guide you during your time at the college. Your personal tutor will help ensure that you have an appropriate programme of study, monitor your progress, help with any academic or personal problems and provide information on college events. You will also be able to get expert advice on university and college course applications, counselling advice and help on visa applications and renewal, accommodation, and medical and dental care. In recognition of the excellence in supporting our students we were awarded the Beacon Award for International Student Support.

Student life

International students can integrate into college life through an exciting social programme:

- An active Students' Union that organises discos, parties, theatre and musical outings
- Regular events and activities for you to meet UK and international students
- Film evenings
- International music concerts
- Art and design, fashion and hairdressing shows
- Day excursions to important historical and cultural parts of the UK
- Wide range of sports teams and levels.



Application form Brighton Partner College (BPC) International Foundation Year

Part A

Application Ref No:

Solely for applications not handled by the Universities and Colleges Admissions Service (UCAS) or other clearing houses.
Please read the Notes for Guidance before completing this form, at www.brighton.ac.uk/international

1 Personal details

Title Ms/Miss/Mr etc	Surname/family name (BLOCK CAPITALS)	
First name (s)	Previous surname, if changed	
Address	Correspondence address	
Postcode	Postcode	
Daytime telephone number	Evening telephone number	
Mobile telephone number	Email address	
Gender Male (M) Female (F)	Date of Birth (DD/MM/YY)	

2 Details of course(s) to which you wish to apply

Partner College
International Foundation year title
University of Brighton degree course title
IFY start year

3 Fee status

Country of birth	Nationality
Country of permanent residence	

4 Disabilities and special needs (Please see Notes for Guidance at www.brighton.ac.uk/international)

Please enter appropriate number here. If none enter 0	Description
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Application form

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5 Work experience Give details of relevant work experience, training and employment. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Job title	Name of organisation	Full time or part time	From MM/YY	To MM/YY

6 Last two educational establishments attended

Name and address of the two most recent educational establishments attended	Full time or part time	From MM/YY	To MM/YY

7 Qualifications

Applicants should list all subjects taken, whatever the result, in chronological order. If you are waiting for the result of any examination recently taken write PENDING in the result column. Please attach transcript of all results if known. Where examinations are still to be taken, please list all modules with value and level of each. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary.

Qualification	Subject	Date MM/YY	Place of Study	Results (grades or bands)

8 English language

Is English your first language? Yes No If no, what is your first language?

Please give details of English language course taken/to be taken (eg IELTS, TOEFL)

Qualification	Date taken and location	Overall score	Written score

9 Personal statement

10 Referees' names and addresses (Please include references)

Name	Name
Address	Address
Postcode	Postcode
Telephone number	Telephone number

11 Ethnic origin (to be completed only if country of permanent residence is in the UK)

This information is not used in the selection process and is used for statistical purposes only.

Ethnic origin is not the same as nationality, place of birth or citizenship, but about your colour and broad ethnic group.

Please describe, as far as possible, your ethnic origin:

Ethnic origin codes

White	Black or Black British	Asian or Asian British	Mixed
11. British	21. Black Caribbean	31. Indian	41. White and Black Caribbean
12. Irish	22. Black African	32. Pakistani	42. White and Black African
19. Other White	29. Other Black	33. Bangladeshi	43. White and Asian
		34. Chinese	48. Other mixed
		39. Other Asian	80. Other ethnic group

12 Disclosure of criminal convictions

If you have a relevant criminal conviction, enter X in the box

13 Declaration

I confirm that the information I have given in this form is true, complete and accurate and no information requested or other material information has been omitted. I have read the notes of guidance, in particular those relating to this section. I understand what they say and I agree to abide by the conditions set out there. I acknowledge that the information on this form will be used in accordance with the Data Protection Act 1998 and will be used to form the basis of my student record. I give my consent to the processing of my data by the university. I accept that, if I do not fully comply with these requirements the university shall have the right to cancel my application and I shall have no claim against the university in relation thereto.

Signed

Date

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