Get ready for BSc(Hons) Information Technology

A warm welcome to BSc(Hons) Information Technology. I hope that you are enjoying your summer and looking forward to starting at UWE Bristol in the autumn.

This one-year top-up programme will enable you to turn your IT, ICT or Computing Higher Diploma or equivalent qualification into a full BSc(Hons) degree. You'll develop vital professional skills in areas like programming, security, data analytics, web technologies, and business. Through a computing project or information systems dissertation, you'll have the opportunity to apply what you learn to real-world challenges.

Upon graduating, a broad range of IT career paths will be open to you, including systems analysis, database administration, software engineering, network administration, web development, e-commerce and more. The business-oriented aspects of the programme also make careers in management consulting, training and similar roles an option.

I'm sure you're eager to build on your existing IT education and take this major step towards an exciting and rewarding technology career. We look forward to welcoming you to UWE Bristol and supporting your success.

The information below will help you prepare for when you start with us. I'm sure you're looking forward to it as much as I am.

Dr Yasmine Rosunally
Programme Leader

Before you start

We are looking forward to welcoming you in the week commencing 15 September for Starting Block and the beginning of your programme.

Starting Block will help you settle into university and to help you get to know your teaching team and course mates. We will help you find your way around, get used to our systems, and practise the skills you need to make a strong start. Look out for further emails and explore the Starting Block website with more details.

Your timetable will be available to you via MYUWE (login required) once you have started

the registration process. Please visit the 'Understanding your teaching timetable' website to find out when your timetable will be published.

Preparing and arrival

You can find everything you need to know about registration, Starting Block and the start of teaching, on our Preparing and Arrival webpage. Take a look at our website to familiarise yourself with our facilities and services such as the library, study skills, academic support, health and wellbeing support and much more.

Our study skills workbook introduces you to essential services as well as key skills.

You can also explore our support for careers and enterprise. UWE Careers & Enterprise provide a range of workshops, appointments and a huge range of online resources to support students in realising their future ambitions. The Careers Toolkit is our online portal to finding vacancies, booking onto events and accessing a range of resources.

Registration

Once you have satisfied all admissions requirements, we'll send you your login details for our IT systems to enable you to activate your university email account. Once your account has been activated, you'll gain access to the MYUWE platform where you can register. You can find guidance and further information on our Registration website.

ID card - upload your photo now

We can only print your ID card if you have added your photo to MYUWE. To avoid delays, upload your photo as soon as you receive login details. For help, go to our student card guidance.

Engage with your programme

Start your learning – We have curated a list of useful resources that you are encouraged to go through ahead of your start in September. Depending on the module options that you choose on this programme, you could be learning any of the following: web development, data analysis, programming, interaction design and security.

YouTube Resources

- Crash Course – Computer Science Playlist
- Relational Databases
- What is Interaction Design?
- Understanding Design Playlist
- Coding Tech

Open Education Resources

- Python for Everybody
- UX Guidelines
- English for Developers
- Programming in Python

- [Data Analysis with Python](#)

Be prepared

Access support

Check the information on our [Disability web pages](#) so you know what you need to do. If you need any urgent additional mobility or other support to fully access all activities during your studies, contact me as your programme leader.

Get equipped

The University has computers on all our campuses for you to use during your studies. These provide access to our core digital learning tools and any specialist software required for your course. You may have scheduled sessions in computer labs or other specialist facilities, and you will be able to use open-access PCs for self-study.

UWE Bristol licenses many specialist software packages for use on personal laptops for the duration of your course. If you're struggling to meet the financial demands of your course, please contact the Student Money Service team for advice and guidance.

The software used in your course includes will depend on your option choices.

You may be considering buying a new computer for your studies, and your choice will depend on many factors, including your budget. See the UWE website, [Choosing the right IT equipment for university](#) for advice. For Software Engineering we recommend a recent Mac, or a PC laptop with at least the Enhanced Specification. If you already have a laptop with a reasonable spec, my advice is not to rush to purchase before you join UWE and have a chance to try out your existing machine with our systems.

International students

[The Global Student Support Team](#) offer information and advice to ensure you receive all the support you need to get the best from your time at UWE Bristol. They are here to help you to settle in when you first arrive at UWE Bristol and organise social events to help you to adapt to your new environment.

Who to contact if you have questions

For any questions about the programme, please contact me: **Yasmine Rosunally** via email at yasmine.rosunally@uwe.ac.uk.

Please note: this information has been provided on the assumption that you will meet the conditions of your offer and be eligible to take up your place.

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