

Get ready for BSc(Hons) Building Surveying

As your Programme Leader, I warmly welcome you onto our BSc(Hons) in Building Surveying Degree here at UWE, Bristol. I hope that you are looking forward to beginning your journey to becoming a Chartered Building Surveyor, and eager to get started upon this exciting career path! I've provided information below that I hope you will find useful in getting started.

Graham Webb
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. Note that your login details for MYUWE are different to those used for the UWE Welcome website. Registration for September programmes will only be open from August onwards. 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

Have a go at these activities to start preparing for your programme:

- Start taking a closer look at your house or those of friends and family – take some photos and make some notes on the types of materials and construction that you see. We will explore these in our induction activities and in your first year modules.
- Start looking at the built environment around you - take photos of buildings or building elements (such as windows, doors, roofs etc.) that interest you or that you dislike, and note down your reasons why. We will utilise these in our induction activities!
- Watch these videos to see some snippets on being a building surveyor: [Surveying using drone technology](#) and [Building surveying project ideas](#)

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 core software used in your course includes:

Autodesk: AutoCAD, REVIT and Google sketchup

See the UWE website for detailed information on [choosing your IT equipment](#) including [recommended specifications](#).

We recommend that you have access to a device with minimum Enhanced Specification.

You will also need the following:

- Safety **Boots** (with rating of S1 P SRA) preferably **not** rigger boots as certain sites may not allow students on in this type of footwear due to the lack of ankle support they provide.
- A range of soft pencils for sketching (HB, B, 2B) and an eraser
- **A scale ruler** (the cheapest place to buy one is probably in our project room shop on campus)
- A4 size clipboard (plywood and a bulldog clip is fine!)
- The ability to take digital photographs either on your phone or a camera
- Scientific Calculator

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: **Graham Webb** via email at graham2.webb@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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