

ACCOUNTING & FINANCE





International Year One in Accounting & Finance

Programme and Module Overview 2025-26

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Overview

The International Year One in Accounting & Finance is a first-year undergraduate programme that equips students with essential knowledge and skills in accounting, finance, and business. This programme provides a strong academic base, ensuring a seamless transition into the second year (FHEQ Level 5) of an accounting and finance-related undergraduate degree.

Benchmarking statement

The International Year One in Accounting & Finance is at FHEQ Level 4.

Entry requirements

- NCUK International Foundation Year: At least two 'D' grades and an EAP 'D' grade, OR
- GCE A-levels: A minimum of grade 'D' in two relevant UK-recognised 'A' levels and IELTS 5.5 (or equivalent), OR
- Country-specific⁶ entry requirements that are similar.
- · All applicants must also hold IGCSE Mathematics grade '5' or equivalent

Programme structure

The programme comprises 1,200 total study hours, divided into 560 guided learning hours and 640 independent study hours. It is delivered over two semesters of 15 weeks, during which students complete eight compulsory modules, with four modules per semester.

Standard delivery example:

- **Teaching hours:** 20 hours per week
- Total: 560 hours of guided learning + 640 hours of independent study (1,200 learning hours)
- Duration: 30 weeks (divided into two 15-week semesters)

Modules

- Business Economics (15 credits): Explores economic principles and their application in business contexts, including market structures, regulation, and macroeconomic influences.
- Business Operations and Technology (15 credits): Covers core business operations, emerging technologies, performance metrics, and sustainability practices within applied operational scenarios.
- Financial Accounting 1 (15 credits): Introduces foundational financial accounting principles, including ledger bookkeeping and final accounts.

⁶ Country-specific entry requirements for the NCUK International Year One: https://www.ncuk.ac.uk/ncuk-programmes/international-year-one



- **Financial Accounting 2 (15 credits):** Advances understanding of company financial statements, reporting standards, and financial analysis.
- Leadership and Management in Business (15 credits): Explores leadership and management concepts, including ethical leadership, change models, and applied leadership in business contexts.
- **Management Accounting (15 credits):** Focuses on cost analysis, budgeting, and performance management for decision-making.
- Organisational Behaviour (15 credits): Examines organisational structures, leadership, motivation, and change management.
- Quantitative Methods for Business (15 credits): Teaches statistical and mathematical techniques for business decision-making and data analysis.

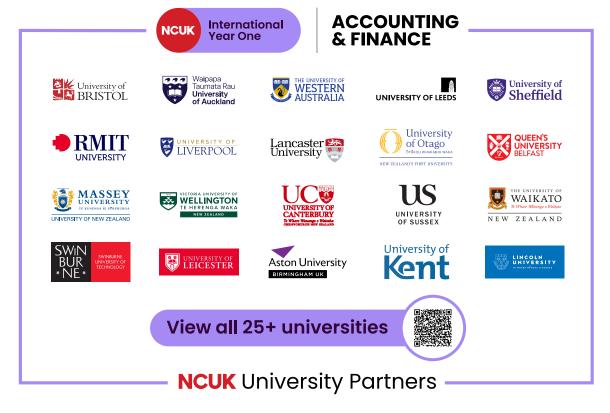
Assessment, grading & certification

The assessment breakdown is generally 45% coursework and 55% exam. Each module requires a minimum pass mark of 40%. The programme awards classifications as follows:

- Distinction: 70%+ overall mean mark with 120 credits awarded
- Pass: 40%+ overall mean mark with at least 90 credits
- Fail: Less than 40% overall or fewer than 90 credits

Progression

Students who complete the programme successfully are certified for progression to the second year of appropriate undergraduate degree courses at NCUK's university partners.









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