

#### BUSINESS MANAGEMENT





# International Year Two in Business Management

Programme and Module Overview 2025-26

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## Seamless progression to the final year of a business management degree

#### **Overview**

The International Year Two in Business Management is a second-year undergraduate programme designed to equip students with essential knowledge and skills in business management. This programme ensures a smooth transition into the final year (FHEQ Level 6) of a business management degree.



#### **Benchmarking statement**

The International Year Two in Business Management is at FHEQ<sup>11</sup> Level 5.

#### **Entry requirements**

- An overall Pass grade on the NCUK International Year One in Business Management
- An NCUK EAP grade C / IELTS 6.0
- Other FHEQ Level 4 qualifications may also be used for entry on a case-by-case basis.

#### Programme structure

The programme comprises 1,200 total study hours, divided into 600 guided learning hours and 600 independent study hours. Students will complete six compulsory modules: three modules in each semester.

Standard delivery example:

**Teaching hours:** 20 hours per week

**Total:** 600 hours of guided learning + 600 hours of independent study (1,200 learning hours)

**Duration:** 30 weeks (divided into two 15-week semesters)

#### **Modules**

 Human Resource Management (20 credits): Explores key issues and practices in HRM, combining theoretical knowledge with practical approaches to HRM, including workforce planning, recruitment, performance management, and employee relations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>II</sup> Framework for Higher Education Qualifications. The FHEQ is published by the Quality Assurance Agency (QAA), which is the organisation responsible for assuring the quality of university degree provision in England, Wales and Northern Ireland.



- Information Systems (20 credits): Introduces the role of Information Systems
  in enhancing organisational competitiveness, focusing on business information
  management, securing data, and leveraging systems to improve decision-making and
  business processes.
- Operations Management (20 credits): Explores theories and concepts in Operations Management, focusing on optimising business operations to meet strategic objectives, including supply chain management, quality control, and process design.
- Entrepreneurship & Small Business (20 credits): Enhances understanding of entrepreneurship and small businesses, developing practical skills and the ability to evaluate business opportunities and factors influencing the creation, success, and growth of start-ups.
- **Financial Management (20 credits):** Covers financial management techniques, focusing on working capital, investment appraisal, financing, business valuations, and managing foreign currency risk to support organisational objectives.
- Research Methods (20 credits): Introduces essential research methods for solving business problems, focusing on data analysis, research design, and project management skills, preparing students for future dissertations or research projects.

#### Assessment, grading & certification

The assessment for each module will be via a combination of coursework and exam, except for Research Methods which is 100% coursework. 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 100 credits
- Fail: Less than 40% overall or fewer than 100 credits

#### **Progression**

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



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