

A photograph of a classical building facade with a portico supported by four columns. The building is made of light-colored stone and has several windows with white frames. The sky is blue with some light clouds. The image is partially obscured by an orange diagonal overlay in the bottom left and a grey diagonal overlay in the bottom right.

# BATH ACADEMY

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"TEACHERS USE EFFECTIVE TEACHING METHODS. THEY PROVIDE APPROPRIATE LEVELS OF CHALLENGE, MANAGE CLASS TIME AND BEHAVIOUR WELL (SO) PUPILS ARE INTERESTED IN THEIR WORK, REGULARLY APPLY CREATIVE EFFORT AND ARE SELF-MOTIVATED."

*ISI INSPECTION,  
APRIL 2024*

**BATH  
ACADEMY**



## WELCOME TO BATH ACADEMY

Welcome to Bath Academy! I hope what you find here will inspire you find out more about the special way in which we help young people to make the most of their education and progress to personally meaningful and rewarding careers.

Bath Academy is an independent college and language school that specialises in a personalised, tailored education. We offer tutorial support in both Academic and English Language courses to match individual needs of students, helping them to achieve their academic potential in any direction they may choose.

Students are individuals with varied abilities, interests, quirks and personalities. In large mainstream schools it is often difficult to take account of these differences and build upon them. At Bath Academy there is only one meaningful criterion for joining us: "Do you really want to learn?"

Like many students and parents, you may be seeking teachers who will know you as individuals, care about you as individuals and work with you as individuals. Our experience has been that knowing students well leads to good teaching, better learning and a positive day-to-day community experience. Our aim is to encourage young people to move from a 'felt minus' to a 'felt plus', to direct their lives in ways that creatively express their abilities, interests and personalities.

With tailored teaching and support, we give students the best chance to apply successfully to high quality universities by offering flexible options for GCSEs and A-Levels, as well as Resit courses for those who need a second chance.

As Bath's only independent college to offer both academic and English Language courses, we provide unique opportunities to both local and international students looking for a school that takes their individual needs into consideration, and are able to provide achievable, alternative academic routes to higher education.

At Bath Academy, we believe that our students' passion and commitment together with our interactive approach to teaching, close monitoring of academic progress and focus on individual support, will help them to reach their full potential.

**Tim Naylor BA (Hons) MSc PGCE**  
Principal

# ABOUT OUR COLLEGE

Bath Academy has three locations in the centre of Bath very near each other, all located on one of the main squares in the city - Queen Square - where students have access to:

-  Popular tourist attractions
  -  Cafes and restaurants
  -  Shopping
  -  Bath Central Library
  -  Victoria Park
  -  Museums and Galleries
- All are no more than 10 minutes walk from the school!*

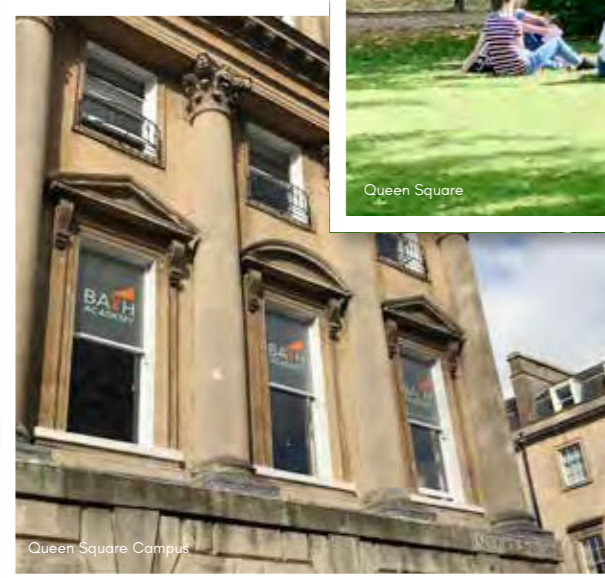
## QUEEN SQUARE

Our main college building is housed in a Grade II listed building on the corner of Queen Square near the main attractions of Bath including the Jane Austen Museum and The Royal Crescent.

Along with our main office and classrooms, this location has a Student Common Room, IT facilities, and a Study Centre where our formative assessments and quiet, focused study takes place.

## CHAPEL ROW

Our second location at Chapel Row is just a few minutes walk across lovely Queen Square. In another Georgian building, here we have 5 more classrooms, another administration office, a Student Café, and a private garden where students can relax in the open air in between classes.



# WHAT THE STUDENTS SAY

What our students say is the best testimony to what we do at Bath Academy. They have first-hand experience of everything from course work, quality of teaching, college environment, student life, what studying in Bath is like, and so much more.



"I cannot thank Bath Academy enough for this life changing experience. Believe me if I can do it, I am confident you most certainly can. If you are willing to put the work in you will almost definitely achieve your desired results."

**Åke Wiberg**  
Åke achieved two As in Mathematics and Psychology and is now at Durham University studying Accounting

"You're allowed to express your individuality. The focus isn't on representing the school, it's on you."

*GSCE Student*



"We are so happy for Charlotte having secured a place at Exeter to study Medicine as she wanted.

A huge thanks to Bath Academy for supporting her in her achievements."

**Charlotte's Mother**  
One Year A-Level student's Mother, 2024



"When you have an issue and ask for help, they will do everything in their power and adapt to your way of learning, if you still don't get it, they'll use another approach. They are patient and precise, focused, accept your flaws and work with them to get the best out of you."

**Ben**  
A-Level student now studying Urban Planning at University of Newcastle

"The smaller class sizes suit me because students get more individual input from teachers."

**Ciara**  
A-Level Student

More of our students' testimonials can be found on our website: [www.bathacademy.co.uk](http://www.bathacademy.co.uk).

# WHY BATH ACADEMY?

## HIGH QUALITY TEACHING

Our tutors are qualified teachers and academics who are passionate and knowledgeable about their subjects. The small school community environment at the college enables them to focus on the targeted teaching and individualised learning of each student, without the constraints of mainstream institutions. Many of our teaching staff have postgraduate qualifications in their specialised subject and some are senior examiners for examination boards.

## EXCELLENT EXAMINATION RESULTS

As an independent college, our A-level students' value-added progress is above average, largely due to our personalised approach and system of weekly Formative Assessments which allows students to target specific weak areas and strengthen knowledge. The average grade improvement by re-sit students is two grades, with some achieving up to a 10 grade improvement across their grade profile. Our results for all courses are especially impressive with students from diverse backgrounds, some joining part way through the year on short, intensive courses.

## A NON-SELECTIVE SCHOOL

We strive to ensure that the academically confident are still challenged and those who need further support and time are also encouraged. We do not admit students on the basis of academic ability but focus on whether we are able to provide an appropriate individual programme of studies to encourage the student's potential achievement. We have been able to support students with a wide range of backgrounds and abilities to progress to the best universities.

## A DIVERSE AND INTERNATIONAL STUDENT BODY

We embrace diversity in all its forms, welcoming students from all over the world who benefit from our focused teaching, our expert tuition, and our personal approach. As class sizes are so small, international students are placed with students of a similar level academically and within their language fluency, enabling swift and effective progress in their studies.

## SMALL CLASS SIZES

Our classes are very small, sometimes one-to-one. No academic class has more than eight students and the average class size is three, allowing tutors to focus their teaching on the thinking processes of the student. Careful questioning, regular assessment and follow-up allow students to take ownership of their learning and be able to focus their work where they need to improve.

## INDIVIDUAL ATTENTION, WITH FRIENDLY AND SUPPORTIVE STAFF

We work hard at the enquiry and application stage to ensure that students have all the information they need and we support them in making the best choices to secure the best options for the future. Each student's course structure is negotiated on a bespoke basis and every student is on a personalised programme designed just for them.

"LEADERS AND STAFF MAINTAIN AN EMOTIONALLY WARM, SUPPORTIVE AND RESPECTFUL LEARNING ENVIRONMENT AND PROVIDE PUPILS WITH PRAISE AND ENCOURAGEMENT, WHICH DEVELOPS THEIR SELF ESTEEM AND SELF-CONFIDENCE."

ISI INSPECTION, APRIL 2024



# THRIVE IN THE SMALL SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT

## A SMALL SCHOOL ENVIRONMENT WHERE EVERYONE IS KNOWN

A fundamental part of our student experience is that each student is known and cared for, either by our admissions and welfare staff, or by our tutors and our management team. There is always an approachable adult at hand to follow up questions or concerns. The informal atmosphere at our college is one of the things students like best as it puts them at ease, whilst we ensure their overall well-being is looked after.

## EXCELLENT SUPPORT FOR UNIVERSITY ENTRY AND UCAS ADVICE

Student support at Bath Academy is of the highest priority to ensure our students' happiness and fulfilled ambitions. To effectively meet the personal, academic, and social wellbeing of students is paramount to the framework of our college, and this is achieved through our one-to-one personal tutoring programme, individual student guidance with psychometric assessments and UCAS application support, our Learning Support Specialists for those with learning difficulties, and our enrichment programme which focuses on wellbeing and career guidance.

## LIVE AND STUDY IN THE BEAUTIFUL CITY OF BATH

Bath is one of the most beautiful and safe cities in the world. Our UNESCO World heritage city is full of impressive architecture, green spaces and a rich diversity of museums, galleries and activities. The world-famous Roman Baths, Royal Crescent and Circus make the city a popular destination for tourists, but the range of leisure facilities, cinemas, theatres and shops make it an equally attractive place in which to live and study.

## A NON-SELECTIVE SCHOOL

We strive to ensure that the academically confident are still challenged and those who need further support and time are also encouraged. We do not admit students on the basis of academic ability but on their motivation to learn. We focus on whether we are able to provide an appropriate individual programme of studies to encourage the student's potential achievement. We have been able to support students with a wide range of abilities to progress to the best universities.

The Royal Crescent



# STUDENT JOURNEYS

Our students not only have the choice of this world-class selection of universities, but they also have the support of our academic team and freedom of preferred choice with any other institution in the UK, giving them the best chance possible to obtain a university place with the most options available.

Here are a few examples of our recent student university destinations:

2024 A-LEVEL UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS	COURSE(S) TAKEN
UNIVERSITY OF EXETER	MEDICINE
UNIVERSITY OF SURREY	VETERINARY MEDICINE & SCIENCE
KING'S COLLEGE LONDON	ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE
UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL	ENGLISH
DURHAM UNIVERSITY	EDUCATION STUDIES - PSYCHOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF BATH	POLITICS & INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS
LEEDS UNIVERSITY	JAPANESE

2024 UFP UNIVERSITY DESTINATIONS	COURSE(S) TAKEN
UNIVERSITY OF BATH	MECHANICAL ENGINEERING
UNIVERSITY OF EXETER	PSYCHOLOGY
UNIVERSITY OF LEEDS	LAW
UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH	OCEAN SCIENCE & MARINE CONSERVATION
ISTITUTO MARANGONI	FASHION DESIGN & ACCESSORIES



**Charlotte**

Now studying **Education Studies in Psychology** at the **University of Durham** after improving by 2 grades to A\* and A in Chemistry and Sociology.



**Harry**

Harry's final grade profile on leaving Bath Academy was A\*A\*A and an A\* in his EPQ. He will be going on to study **Politics and International Relations** at **Exeter**.



**Harriet**

Harriet, who came from Bishop Wordsworth's, gained a place to read **Psychology** at **Surrey** after improving her A-Level grade profile from DUU to ABC: an impressive 10 grades.

**85%** of our students gained places at their first-choice university

**54%** of our A-Level students progressed to Russell Group and Times Top 30 universities

# STUDENT SUPPORT

We want our students to feel secure in the knowledge that they are valued members of a community that participates in giving and receiving encouragement, guidance and support. Through our quality of teaching and learning, and the nature of the relationships amongst students, teachers and tutors, we aim to promote students' personal and social development, fostering positive attitudes within a global community.

## PASTORAL CARE

At Bath Academy, we focus on the whole student (personal, social, and academic aspects) by engaging all members of the school community as providers of pastoral care. We promote open lines of communication between staff, teachers, tutors, and students to ensure all student concerns are covered. Student support is of the highest priority to ensure our students' happiness and fulfilled ambitions.

## PERSONAL TUTORS

Students meet regularly with their personal tutors to discuss their progress. These meetings are an opportunity to affirm their strengths and work with them to remove any obstacle to achieving their best. Discussion may include concern for their well-being, (both physical and emotional), learning skills and disabilities, or simply the steps encountered to being an independent university student.

For international students, regular reviews of their progress and the close liaison between the specialist English teachers and academic teachers ensures support is directed to the individual student's needs.

## UNIVERSITY GUIDANCE

Applying for university courses through the UCAS system requires realistic reflections on dreams, ambitions, abilities and personality. We use the Futuresmart careers service to prepare a psychometric profile for each student. This gives them a positive and helpful starting point which is supported throughout their university application process by their personal tutor.

## INDEPENDENT LISTENER

Need someone to talk to? At Bath Academy, we have an independent listener available for those who wish to speak to someone outside of the college. Please ask our Welfare Officer for contact details.

## #SupportingAchievement

FOR ALL INFORMATION REGARDING STUDENT SAFETY & WELFARE, PLEASE SEE OUR WEBSITE



"THROUGH BEING A GREAT TEACHER AS WELL AS MY PERSONAL TUTOR, I THINK YOU'RE LARGELY ACCOUNTABLE FOR THE INCREASE IN CONFIDENCE IN MY OWN ACADEMIC ABILITIES, WHICH HAS 100% HELPED THIS EXAM SEASON. I WAS FAR LESS NERVOUS THAN I HAVE BEEN BEFORE AND WHICH HOPEFULLY WILL BE VISIBLE IN MY RESULTS. I COULDN'T HAVE GONE THROUGH THE UCAS PROCESS WITHOUT YOUR SUPPORT."

MADDIE  
A LEVEL STUDENT NOW STUDYING  
MARINE BIOLOGY WITH COASTAL ECOLOGY  
AT UNIVERSITY OF PLYMOUTH

# GCSEs

Our GCSE Academic Programme at Bath Academy is designed to ensure students progress onto an A-Level course equipped with the academic and language skills required to achieve the top grades necessary for entry to the best universities.

Our GCSE classes are small to give students the optimum chance for personalised tuition in a relaxed, yet structured atmosphere. Teachers set regular tests and homework to ensure that all students reach their full potential. Our aim is to help students gain a firm academic foundation before moving on to higher education.

We offer two options for GCSEs:

## CORE GCSE PROGRAMME

- Two-year programme beginning in September
- For students aged 14+ who have not studied GCSEs before

## INTENSIVE GCSE PROGRAMME

- One-year intensive programme beginning in September
- For students aged 15+ and over who have studied GCSEs before and need to improve their existing grades, or for whom the two-year programme is not appropriate.
- Suitable for those forced to move school due to illness, family circumstances such as relocation, and those needing to retake their GCSEs after disappointing results first time round.
- These courses also work well as a preparation for GCSE exams after time out of education.

This broad curriculum ensures that all students of compulsory school age are well prepared for advanced studies both academically and psychologically. Throughout the course the student is also given guidance on their options for further study and future career choices.

## WHAT DOES OUR GCSE PROGRAMME INCLUDE?

Personal Tutor - weekly one-to-one mentoring meetings to discuss academic progress and general well-being.

Personal Development Programme - GCSE students attend enrichment sessions each week. The aim is to provide students with a variety of support and learning opportunities beyond the classroom to develop academic and life skills.

\*International students should have an IELTS score of at least 5.0 before starting (with no less than 4.5 in any skill).

I'VE REALLY ENJOYED IT. I RECKON I LEARNT MORE IN FIVE WEEKS AT BATH ACADEMY THAN I DID IN TWO YEARS AT MY PREVIOUS SCHOOL!

*TOM, GCSE RE-SIT STUDENT*

## GCSE SUBJECTS AVAILABLE TO STUDY:

OUR COURSES	
ART	HISTORY
BIOLOGY	MATHEMATICS
BUSINESS	GEOGRAPHY
CHEMISTRY	PHYSICS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	PSHE (PERSONAL, SOCIAL, HEALTH & ECONOMIC EDUCATION)
ENGLISH LITERATURE	PSYCHOLOGY
FRENCH	SOCIOLOGY

\*For information about any other subject, please contact the college.

## A-LEVELS

"THERE ARE VERY FREQUENT ASSESSMENTS OF STUDENTS' WORK WHICH PROVIDES THEM WITH VERY GOOD INSIGHTS INTO HOW WELL THEY ARE DOING AND WHAT THEY NEED TO DO NEXT TO IMPROVE."

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"PUPILS DEVELOP AN EXCELLENT UNDERSTANDING OF HOW TO IMPROVE THEIR OWN LEARNING. THIS IS BECAUSE FEEDBACK FROM THE TEACHERS, BOTH IN LESSONS AND IN THEIR ASSESSMENTS, ENABLES PUPILS TO REFLECT ON THEIR LEARNING AND BUILD UPON THEIR KNOWLEDGE."

ISI INSPECTOR, FEBRUARY 2020

## A-LEVELS

Bath Academy offers a range of A Level courses including:

- 2 year
- 18 month
- 1 year intensive

### COURSE GUIDANCE

Choosing what to study at A-Level can be difficult. Our experienced tutors are here to guide you with making the right choice according to your strengths and interests. We help you to understand the full details of each subject you are considering, and the implications for your future career choices.

### SMALL CLASS SIZES

Our A-Level students are taught in small tutorial groups and have weekly mock examinations under invigilated conditions to monitor their progress against the grades necessary for them to progress to their desired university course. Our small classes are one of our biggest strengths when it comes to studying A-levels. Students receive more personalised teaching which focuses specifically on the areas where they need improvement.

### UCAS PROGRAMME

Our personal tutors guide A-Level students effectively through the UCAS programme, assisting them through the application, interview and personal statement process. Students are further assisted with comprehensive guidance when making the final choices for subjects and university destinations.

### STUDY CENTRE

We have a designated study centre for A-Level students where they have supervised study sessions including formative assessments. These assessments provide consistent progress updates, enabling students to focus on their weak areas and improve knowledge and exam techniques in these areas. Practice Exam Papers are also given at regular intervals to allow students to gain confidence in exam skills and perfect their exam techniques with tutor feedback. International students should have an IELTS score of at least 6.0 (with no less than 5.0 in any skill) before starting A Level study and must take the Academic English course alongside their A Level courses.



"STAFF ARE VERY SUPPORTIVE IN HELPING STUDENTS TO PREPARE FOR EXAMINATIONS AND IN EXPLAINING IN DETAIL HOW THEY CAN GAIN MOST MARKS AND ATTAIN THE HIGHER GRADES."

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# WHICH A LEVEL COURSE IS FOR YOU?

## 2 YEAR

This is the most common route to studying at a UK university:

- Study 3 or 4 subjects over a 2 year period
- Course begins in September

## 18 MONTH COURSE

This intensive course is ideal for international students whose academic year ends in December, and those who want to get a head start on their pre-university studies before September.

- Study 3 or 4 subjects over 18 months
- Course begins in January

## 1 YEAR COURSE

This is an intensive course designed for students who have already taken A Levels. It's also suitable for students who;

- have completed A Levels and need an additional subject
- need to retake a full A Level within a year
- wish to transfer from their school to Bath Academy part way through their A Level studies (to be discussed and agreed with Principal)

## RESITS

Students who have already completed their A Levels may wish to resit one of their subjects if they have missed their required grades, or perhaps they need to take an additional subject for entry into their chosen university. We also run bespoke courses for students with extra requirements.

## RESIT OPTION A - SEPTEMBER TO JUNE

- Suitable for A Level students who wish to improve their grades through comprehensive coverage of the exam specification with weekly exam practice.
- Suitable for students who need to study an additional subject.
- Students may study between one and three subjects.

This course includes full in-depth coverage of the specification, weekly exam technique practice, and two sets of mock examinations in the spring term.

## RESIT OPTION B - JANUARY TO JUNE

- Suitable for those needing to make only a one grade improvement in a subject.
- This is an intensive revision course rather than a course covering gaps in a student's knowledge
- If students have not been studying other courses since September the UCAS application will not need to depend on evidence of academic progress made during the revision course.
- In the appropriate circumstances, January to June courses allow students to undertake at least part of the gap year activities they may already have planned to start in the Autumn term.
- Students cover the specification during the course of the six months. Each week there are formal one-hour progress assessments for each A level.
- Includes two sets of mock examinations in the spring term.

WE PROVIDE EXPERT ADVICE ON THE COMBINATION OF SUBJECTS MOST LIKELY TO LEAD TO A SUCCESSFUL UNIVERSITY APPLICATION FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL STUDENT. THIS ADVICE IS INVALUABLE FOR MANY OF OUR STUDENTS WHO ARE AIMING TO PROGRESS TO RUSSELL GROUP AND OTHER PRESTIGIOUS UNIVERSITIES, AS WELL AS FOR COMPETITIVE ENTRY COURSES SUCH AS MEDICINE, DENTISTRY, VETERINARY SCIENCE, LAW, ECONOMICS AND ENGINEERING.



A LEVEL SUBJECTS AVAILABLE TO STUDY:	
ART	HISTORY
BIOLOGY	MATHS
BUSINESS	FURTHER MATHS
CHEMISTRY	MEDIA STUDIES
ECONOMICS	PHYSICS
ENGLISH LANGUAGE	POLITICS
ENGLISH LITERATURE	PSYCHOLOGY
FILM STUDIES	RELIGIOUS STUDIES
FRENCH	SOCIOLOGY
GEOGRAPHY	SPANISH

\*Minority subjects currently available (subject to change): Accounting, Classical Civilisation, German, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Classical Greek. For information about any other subject, please contact the college.

For alternative routes to university, please see our UFP page.

OUR RESIT STUDENTS IMPROVE BY AN AVERAGE OF TWO GRADES

# UNIVERSITY FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

Our University Foundation Programme (UFP) has an excellent success rate in placing international students at top British universities. Our team has a wealth of experience in preparing students for entry into the top British universities and we have excellent relationships with many UK and international universities.

**THE COURSE BRIDGES THE GAP BETWEEN THE DIFFERENT INTERNATIONAL EDUCATION SYSTEMS AND THE SIXTH FORM EDUCATION OF THE UK.**

## WHAT IS THE UFP?

- A one-year intensive course that prepares students to attend top UK universities.
- An A-Level or International Baccalaureate equivalent
- An alternative route to degree-level studies
- A programme that allows you to enter a UK University if you are a UK, EU or international student who has completed secondary school outside the UK.
- Students can choose between a variety of pathways, allowing entry into almost all undergraduate degree courses

## DIVERSE, SMALL CLASSES

Our small class sizes contain a diverse range of nationalities and allow us to focus more on students' needs, resulting in personalised tuition and exceptional academic performance leading to chosen places at desired universities.

## INDEPENDENT

The UFP is independent of any particular university allowing our UFP students freedom of choice to apply at any university. We offer extensive academic guidance based on our students' preferences, from the start of the course all the way through to their UCAS application and personal statement.

## SUCCESSFUL

We are proud to say that all of our UFP students have received places at their chosen university, many within the highly regarded Russell Group.

## PERSONALISED

With our various Extended Programme options, we offer more flexibility than most foundation courses.

## ACCREDITED

The UFP is recognised as an RQF Level 3 qualification, equivalent to A-Levels or the International Baccalaureate. The quality of the UFP is moderated by academics from UCL, Brunel University, City University and Southampton University. It has articulation agreements with a wide range of universities.

## COURSE STRUCTURE

Students study 6 subjects within their chosen pathway, 3 compulsory minor modules and 3 elective major modules.

3 MINOR MODULES (STUDIED BY ALL STUDENTS)	
MATHEMATICS	IT COMMUNICATION SKILLS/IELTS*
3 MAJOR MODULES IN SUBJECTS THAT ARE RELEVANT TO THE STUDENT'S INTENDED DEGREE COURSE	
BUSINESS AND FINANCE	ACCOUNTING BUSINESS ORGANISATION AND MARKETING ECONOMICS FURTHER MATHEMATICS QUANTITATIVE METHODS
SOCIAL SCIENCES	ART (MUST BE TAKEN FOR ARCHITECTURE DEGREES) BUSINESS ORGANISATION AND MARKETING MEDIA STUDIES POLITICS / PSYCHOLOGY
ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY	CHEMISTRY FURTHER MATHEMATICS PHYSICS ART MUST BE TAKEN FOR ARCHITECTURE DEGREES
SCIENCE	BIOLOGY CHEMISTRY FURTHER MATHEMATICS PHYSICS

All students apply to British universities through the Universities and Colleges Admission Service, known as UCAS. The student's Personal Tutor carefully assesses their academic record and future career ambitions before advising which universities and courses would be most suitable. The Personal Tutor helps each student to complete their UCAS application form, and writes an academic reference to accompany each application based on the student's performance.

## EXTENDED UFP:

Our Extended University Foundation Programme (UFP) is a four-term intensive course that prepares students to attend top UK universities. The Extended UFP gives you the opportunity to improve your knowledge and academic English skills before joining a UFP course and is especially suitable for those who require additional Academic English Language Support.

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS:

Successful completion of secondary schooling; good level of proficiency in English (IELTS 5.5 with at least 5.0 in each component).

\*All international students are required to take English Language tuition as part of the course programme, either to prepare them for the IELTS examination or, to ensure that all UFP students meet university English Language entry requirements. Students who are mother-tongue English speakers or have an IELTS score of at least 6.5 study Communication Skills instead of IELTS to help them prepare for the demands of university academia.



You can also study the UFP at David Game College in London, close to iconic buildings such as the Tower of London, the Gherkin, the Bank of England and the Shard.

SUPPORTING ACHIEVEMENT



*"MY TIME STUDYING AT BATH ACADEMY WAS VERY MEMORABLE. I REALLY LIKED THE CITY BECAUSE IT WAS SO PRETTY AND IT HAD A BIT OF EVERYTHING. THE TEACHERS HERE WERE REALLY HELPFUL AND PATIENT. I HAVE MET A LOT OF FRIENDS HERE. I HAD A REALLY AMAZING EXPERIENCE."*

*OUMAIMA 'MIMI', UFP STUDENT FROM MOROCCO, STUDIED THE FRENCH BACCALAUREATE BEFORE JOINING BATH ACADEMY IN SEPTEMBER 2022.*

*MIMI IS NOW STUDYING MEDICINE AT THE UNIVERSITY OF NICOSIA, CYPRUS*



# INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME

Our **International Medical Foundation Programme** is a 1-year programme specifically designed to provide students with the best possible grounding for application to Medical and Dental schools.

The Medical and Dental professions are among the most difficult disciplines to gain entry to, and it is imperative to have a comprehensive grounding in the relevant knowledge before progressing to further stages of education.

Completion of the Medical Foundation Programme provides students with several pathways to Medical or Dental schools. Students can follow more than one of these routes to maximise their individual chances of successful progression:

## 1st Route **direct application to medical programmes at -**

### The Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland

- Internationally recognised medical qualification
- Each year RCSI have 220 non-EU places available

### The University of Central Lancashire

- Clinical placements in UK NHS hospitals and clinics start in Year 1
- Taught in small, diverse groups by expert, experienced staff

### St George's University, Grenada, West Indies

- A medical degree taught in the Caribbean
- Problem-based learning in small groups
- 4, 5, 6 or 7 year Medical Degree options

## 2nd Route

- **Application to EU Medical schools teaching in English language, e.g. University of Nicosia**
- **Application to Pre-Medical Degree at UK Institutions, e.g. University of Buckingham**
- **Application to Biomedical Degrees at UK Institutions, e.g. Brunel or UCL**

SPECIFICALLY DESIGNED TO PROVIDE STUDENTS WITH THE BEST POSSIBLE BASIS FOR APPLICATION TO MEDICAL AND DENTAL SCHOOLS.

## WHY STUDY THE MEDICAL FOUNDATION PROGRAMME?

- The course provides students with an alternative to A-Levels as a route to medical and dental school.
- Students study Biology, Chemistry, Further Mathematics, Physics or Psychology, as well as having introductory sessions in topics such as: Pathology, Physiology, Genetics and Pharmacology.
- The course is taught by highly skilled and experienced teachers in a specialised medical and dental school stream.
- Specialist staff provide support with UCAS applications, personal statements, university entry research, UCAT\* / BMAT preparation and interview preparation.

\*The UCAT stands for University Clinical Aptitude Test, (previously named UKCAT, UK Clinical Aptitude Test), and is required for entry to a medical/dentistry degree at many UK universities. As of 2019, the UCAT replaces UKCAT.

## WHO IS IT FOR?

- International students who currently hold high school diplomas or A-levels, but would like to strengthen their application for medical school.
- International students who do not currently meet the academic requirement to apply to medical school through UCAS.
- International students who did not pass the UCAT/BMAT examinations and would like to build on their existing knowledge before re-applying for medical school.

## COURSE SUMMARY

TERMS:	MODULES:	SUBJECTS:
Term 1	Minor Modules	Core Mathematics Core ICT IELTS Preparation or Communication Skills Medical Sciences
Term 2 & 3	Major Modules	Biology Chemistry Medical Sciences and one elective module in either Psychology or Quantitative Methods

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

In order to be considered for our Medicine pathway, students need to have graduated from High School. Check the tables below for the grade/score requirements for your qualification type. In addition, students will need to have an overall IELTS score of 6.5, with a minimum of 6 in reading/writing.

### QUALIFICATIONS

QUALIFICATION TYPE:	GRADE/SCORE REQUIREMENT:
GCSE/High School Equivalent	5 A - B with the following: Chemistry A; Biology B; Maths B
Baccalaureate/High School Diploma	Overall 16* with at least the following: Chemistry 16*; Biology 16*; Maths 16*; (*score of 17 for Iranian students)
Qualifications graded out of 100	Overall 85% with at least the following: Chemistry 85%; Biology 80%; Maths 80%

### ENGLISH LEVEL

QUALIFICATION:	SCORE:
IELTS	Overall 6.5 with a minimum of 6 in reading/writing

# INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Bath Academy welcomes students from all over the world to join our diverse and global college. The smaller campus atmosphere gives a feeling of unity across our varied student body, creating a sense of a family community - a home away from home.

We are proud of our global reach from such a small academy and our team of vibrant international staff who all work hard to ensure each student feels supported in all aspects of their student life at Bath Academy.

## BE PART OF OUR INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

The best part of being an international student at Bath Academy is the opportunity to study alongside British students and experience all aspects of British life. By studying and socialising together, international students are part of a rich, diverse environment, incorporating a unique life experience with a comprehensive education both inside and outside of the classroom.

## WE HAVE THE ACADEMIC ADVANTAGE

International students get to experience first-hand what learning at an academic college is like which is a great foundation for university. Our small classes enhance their learning experience and allow for more interaction with our academic tutors as well as other students. Many of our students go on to gain university places at esteemed universities such as University of Bath, University of Exeter, Queen Mary (University of London), and many others.

## PERSONAL TUTOR & ADMISSIONS SUPPORT

Each student is appointed a personal tutor who closely and regularly works with them to discuss their academic strengths and challenges, as well as their physical and emotional well-being. Expert advice and personalised support is given with university applications to ensure they are making the best choices for their individual goals and learning styles.

Students who require a Tier 4 Visa to study at Bath Academy will be assisted by the admissions team during their application.

## FUN & FRIENDLY COLLEGE CULTURE

Studying in the UK can be daunting, but also very exciting! Making new friends, experiencing a new culture and new places is all a part of the international student experience. We encourage our students to embrace this by:

- organising specific events for international students, such as international parties and celebrations
- organising social events throughout the year which include the whole college
- organising team-building and enrichment activities with their British classmates
- offering day trips to explore the UK and expand their learning beyond the classroom

Our smaller college culture makes getting to know each other easier, and our friendly, supportive front office is always ready to listen and help.



## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SUCCESS

### Alessia - Italy

A-Level student Alessia ranked in the top 10% in Biology, Chemistry and Logic at University San Raffaele in Milan where she is now studying Medicine.

### Kenechukwu - Nigeria

Kenny studied Chemistry (A), Economics (B), Physics (C), and Maths (A), now studying Chemical Engineering at University of Manchester.

### Chi - China

Chi studied Biology, Chemistry, Maths and Further Maths with us to go on to University of Nottingham to study a Medical Physiology with Therapeutics degree.



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“THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROGRAMME IS A STRENGTH OF THE ACADEMY. STUDENTS ARE CAREFULLY ASSESSED ON ENTRY AND THIS ENABLES STAFF TO PLAN APPROPRIATELY CHALLENGING WORK TO SUPPORT THE STUDENT’S LEARNING.”

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# INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMME

## COURSES AVAILABLE (WITH ENGLISH LEVEL REQUIREMENTS)

All applicants to British university and pre-university courses need to have a level of proficiency in English language appropriate to their course of study. This is demonstrated by taking a recognised English language test such as IELTS (International English Language Testing System). Below are a list of our available courses and the required levels for entry:

- A-Level courses - IELTS 6.0 (with no less than 5.5 in any skill)
- September UFP - IELTS 5.5 (with no less than 5.0 in any skill)
- January UFP - IELTS 5.5 (with no less than 5.0 in any skill)
- GCSE courses - IELTS 5.0 (with no less than 4.5 in any skill)
- Medical Foundation Programme - IELTS 6.5 (with at least 6.0 in each component)
- Pharmacy - IELTS 6.0 overall and in all disciplines

At Bath Academy we prepare our students for the IELTS exam and help them achieve the high scores required by British universities. How do we do this?

- At the start of the course every student takes an IELTS assessment test to determine their level of English and place them in appropriate classes.
- Each class works through a syllabus designed to improve current abilities and address weaknesses. The syllabus improves students’ abilities in speaking, reading, writing and listening.
- The course focuses on grammar and vocabulary and helps students with techniques and approaches for the exam.
- Regular mock tests ensure that students are progressing towards the level needed for university entry.
- Class work is assessed and graded according to IELTS standards, which gives students a realistic view of their current level and progress.

UK universities specify an IELTS level in all offers made to EU and International Students. Until a student has met the conditions of their university choice, we require them to take an Academic English Course alongside their studies.



# ACCOMMODATION



We believe that a comfortable, clean and safe place to stay whilst students study is extremely important, therefore we provide high standard accommodation options for students to make the most of their time studying in Bath.

## STUDENT RESIDENTIAL HOUSE

Our accommodation for long-term students consists of a charming, Georgian residential house set in the heart of the city.

Oxford House offers:

- Full board accommodation for students who are 14+ years of age
- Both single and shared rooms (allocated on a strictly 'first come, first served' basis)
- Well-furnished bedrooms with central heating
- Weekly cleaning (including new bed linen)
- Security alarms and cameras on all entry and exit points to ensure our students safety at all times.
- An ideal location in a residential area with a 10 minute walk to school and city centre.

All houses are non-smoking. Resident members of staff are always present to ensure students' safety, happiness and progress.

## HOMESTAY ACCOMMODATION

Bath Academy arranges accommodation in Bath with caring and responsible homestay providers. Living in homestay accommodation, students are able to learn more about British customs and traditions and gain additional conversational practice.

Highlights of Homestay:

- Hosts are genuinely interested in learning more about different cultures.
- Students have their own room which includes a bed, a wardrobe, and space for studying.
- located within the city of Bath and can be reached either by walking or public transport.
- full board (breakfast, packed lunch and dinner) with normal laundry requirements

## PRIVATELY ARRANGED STUDIO APARTMENTS

For students aged 18+ spacious and modern self-catering studio apartments are available in nearby private student halls of residence. This is an excellent choice for those who value their own independence along with access to a social space and weekly social activities.

- 15 minute walk from the college.
- Each studio comes with a double bed, a mini-kitchen, ensuite bathroom, loads of storage space, and a great work area.
- Features vary between accommodation options; city views, natural light, balcony access and en-suite showers.
- TV lounge, pool table and outdoor social space.

THEY RECEIVE GOOD CARE AND SUPPORT IN A SAFE, HOMELY ENVIRONMENT, WITH STUDENTS CONFIRMING THAT THEY ARE WELCOMED AS FAMILY MEMBERS.

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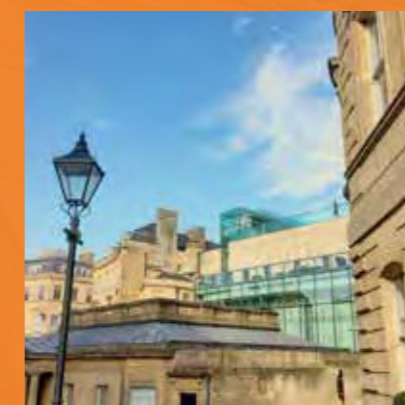
# LIVING IN BATH

Bath is an exquisite Georgian city located in the South-West of England. The city is full of fine architectural treasures and a rich diversity of museums, galleries, gardens and as well as sporting attractions. It is a busy university town with a thriving and vibrant community, which has much to offer to students both socially and academically. There is a year-round variety of festivals, theatre and music events, and plenty of sporting and cultural activities available locally to balance the pressures of study.

Bath is an ideal place to study as it's small enough to navigate easily but bustling with activity to keep students occupied outside of college.

DISCOVER WHY YOU'LL LOVE BATH...

Bath is full of fun things to do, as well as cultural and historical activities, and a huge variety of entertainment. There are also many beautiful parks & gardens and many sporting options for the adventurous.



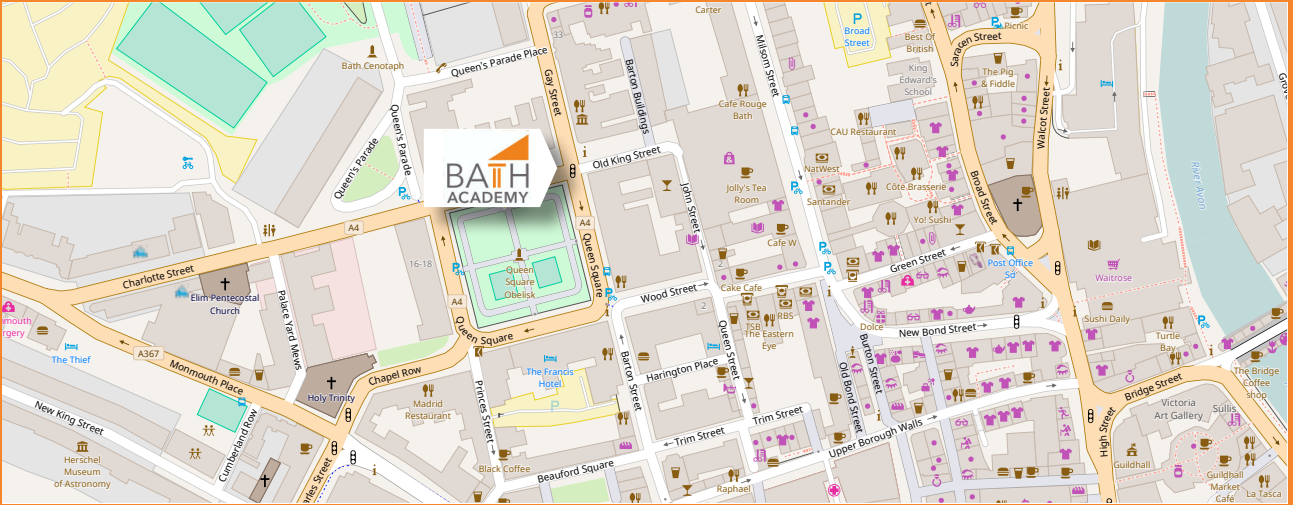
## STUDENT FAVOURITES:

- Bath Thermae Spa
- Bath Abbey Tower Tour (best view of the city)
- Bath Rugby Games
- Stand-up Paddleboarding on the River Avon
- The Roman Baths
- Shopping in Southgate
- Boating & Cycling along Avon Canal
- Picnics at the Royal Crescent

Named one of the safest cities in the UK



# How to find us



Bath Academy is located in the historical centre of the small, but vibrant, city of Bath, in the South West of England. Shops, museums, two universities, parks and all the Roman and Georgian sites are located within walking distance of the College. The city also has excellent bus and railway links with the larger town of Bristol, which is only 11 minutes away by train.

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Bath is located only one and half hours from London by train and is well served by road and rail networks. The public bus system is easy to navigate, though the city is easily walkable.

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