

Business

FdA

This course gives students a practical grounding in a range of business disciplines such as accounting, human resource management, operations management and marketing.

Course content

This two-year course is a nationally recognised qualification in the UK offering a broad-based and practical set of business modules. For the Foundation Degree award students must complete work-based modules and therefore need to secure suitable part-time work before studying. Students unsure about which course to study should apply for the HND Business so that they can transfer once suitable employment in the locality has been secured.

Throughout the programme emphasis is placed on the development and assessment of practical skills relevant to a wide range of business careers. Assignments and activities undertaken are designed to simulate real world situations.

The Foundation Degree course allows students to substitute a maximum of two class-based modules per year with work-based modules, allowing more time for the student to work in approved employment.

Stage one

In stage one, core subjects include human resource management, finance, marketing, business in context and enterprise and opportunity.

Stage two

In stage two, students build on many of the stage one modules. In addition emphasis is placed on student competencies as well as knowledge, for example, management skills development and the use of computer packages in accounting.

Special course features

- Focused preparation on the work of functional areas of business
- Designed to build on BTEC National Level 3 work



Course level

Undergraduate

Modes of study

Full time

UCAS or UKPASS details

UCAS code: N101

UCAS description: FdA/Bus

School

Northampton Business School

Location

Park Campus

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- Chance to progress on to a top-up honours degree
- Studying the Foundation Degree enables students to earn whilst learning

Middle management careers will be possible in a range of business areas including marketing, sales, administration, accounting and HRM.

Typical modules

Click here for a [detailed list of modules](#).

Typical modules include:

- Accounting and Finance
- Human Resource Management
- Marketing
- Operations Management
- Management Skills
- Reflections of Work
- Learning through Work

Types of assessment

A wide variety of assessment methods are employed on this programme including assignments, group work, presentations, projects and examinations.

Entry requirements

Standard entry requirements apply. All students must attend an interview. Applicants should have a BTEC National, AVCE or one A level. Relevant work experience and training will be considered in addition to any formal qualifications. For the FdA, applicants must be in suitable part-time employment by the commencement of the course and interviews may be required. A typical offer would be around 120-140 UCAS tariff points.

Courses for progression

- [Business and Management \(top-up\) BA \(Hons\)](#)
- [Marketing Management \(top-up\) BA \(Hons\)](#)

Career opportunities

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