

# C104: Biological Sciences with Foundation



Undergraduate BSc 2020

## Essentials

<b>UCAS code</b>	C104
<b>Degree</b>	BSc
<b>Mode of study</b>	Full Time
<b>Duration</b>	4 years full-time
<b>Location</b>	Durham City ( <a href="http://www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/durham.city">www.durham.ac.uk/study/location/durham.city</a> )
<b>Alternative qualifications</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Other UK qualifications (<a href="http://www.dur.ac.uk/resources/undergraduate/UKequivalencies2017-18.pdf">www.dur.ac.uk/resources/undergraduate/UKequivalencies2017-18.pdf</a>)</li> <li>• EU qualifications (<a href="http://www.dur.ac.uk/resources/undergraduate/apply/EUequivalencies2017-18.pdf">www.dur.ac.uk/resources/undergraduate/apply/EUequivalencies2017-18.pdf</a>)</li> <li>• International qualifications (<a href="http://www.dur.ac.uk/international/country.information/">www.dur.ac.uk/international/country.information/</a>)</li> </ul>
<b>Department(s) Website</b>	<a href="http://www.durham.ac.uk/foundation.programme">www.durham.ac.uk/foundation.programme</a>
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## Course Summary

### Description

### Foundation Programme (Year 0)

The Foundation Year contains a number of compulsory and discipline-specific modules. Compulsory modules are designed to develop higher level learning skills and familiarise you with studying and assessment at degree level. Discipline-specific modules help lay a foundation of knowledge that you will build upon as you progress to your chosen degree course. On successful completion of the Foundation Year, you will progress to the first year of your degree, once you have achieved the grade required for progression.

### Foundation Modules

- Foundation Skills
- Foundation Statistics
- Foundation Biology 1
- Foundation Biology 2
- Foundation Chemistry
- Foundation Maths A1
- English for Scientists with Science Project
- Advanced Foundation Chemistry
- Further Foundation Chemistry
- Advanced & Further Foundation Biology
- Foundation Maths A2

### Years 1, 2 and 3

As per Years 1, 2 and 3 of C100 BSc Biological Sciences.

([www.dur.ac.uk/courses/info/?id=18171&title=Biological+Sciences+with+Foundation&code=C104&type=BSC&year=2020](http://www.dur.ac.uk/courses/info/?id=18171&title=Biological+Sciences+with+Foundation&code=C104&type=BSC&year=2020))

## Admissions Process

### Subject requirements, level and grade

All students are requested to contact the Foundation Programme for an Information, Advice and Guidance discussion before applying.

We welcome applications from:

- Mature learners (over 21) with no formal qualifications\*, but whose experience since leaving full-time education may have helped to equip them for further study.
- Mature learners (over 21) with A levels (or equivalents) which were obtained over three years ago
- Young learners (under 21) with adverse circumstances which could not be mitigated by their academic provider (evidence will be required)
- Young learners (18 to 21) who have not engaged in post-16 education, but whose experience since leaving full-time education may have helped to equip them for further study.
- Learners with strong A level (or equivalent) results in subjects that are not suitable for their chosen degree subject (Conversion students). A level results should be in line with entry requirements for the degree programme, and priority will be given to students from under-represented groups. EU learners who have not had the opportunity in their home country to study qualifications suitable for direct entry to their chosen degree course at Durham University
- Non-native English speakers with suitable IELTS (or University recognised equivalent).

\*Some programmes require GCSE Maths at grade 4 (or grade C).

Formal qualifications are not normally required for UK students. Evidence of academic qualifications is required for EU students. It is desirable for candidates to have achieved a grade 4 (or C) or greater in GCSE Maths (or equivalent). For a complete list of subject requirements visit [www.durham.ac.uk/foundation.programme](http://www.durham.ac.uk/foundation.programme)

### English Language requirements

Please check requirements for your subject and level of study ([www.durham.ac.uk/learningandteaching.handbook/1/3/3/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/learningandteaching.handbook/1/3/3/))

### How to apply

[www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply](http://www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/apply)

### Information relevant to your country

[www.durham.ac.uk/international/country.information/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/international/country.information/)

## Fees and Funding

### Full Time Fees

<b>EU Student</b>	£9,250.00 per year
<b>Home Student</b>	£9,250.00 per year
<b>Island Student</b>	£9,250.00 per year
<b>International non-EU Student</b>	£25,800.00 per year

The tuition fees shown for **home and EU** students are for one complete academic year of full time study and are set according to the academic year of entry. Fees for subsequent years of your course may rise in line with an inflationary uplift as determined by the government.

The tuition fees shown for **overseas** students are for one complete academic year of full time study, are set according to the academic year of entry, and remain the same throughout the duration of the programme for that cohort (**unless otherwise stated**).

Please also check costs for colleges and accommodation ([www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/accommodation/costs/](http://www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/accommodation/costs/)).

### Scholarships and funding

[www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/finance](http://www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/finance)

## **Career Opportunities**

### **Foundation Programme**

Students successfully completing a Foundation Year course will progress directly to their chosen degree programme at Durham University. Our graduates enter a wide range of occupational areas both in the public and private sector, including science, teaching, business and finance. Durham has an excellent graduate employment record, and the skills acquired during study serve as a valuable preparation for life after university.

We have been expanding the range of progression routes to other Durham degrees for Foundation Year students and provide routes into all Durham University departments.

## **Open days and visits**

### **Pre-application open day**

Pre-application open days are the best way to discover all you need to know about Durham University. With representatives from all relevant academic and support service departments, and opportunities to explore college options, the open days provide our prospective undergraduates with the full experience of Durham University.

Please see the following page for further details and information on how to book a place:  
[www.durham.ac.uk/opendays](http://www.durham.ac.uk/opendays)

### **Discover Durham Tours**

Discover Durham tours offer a brief introduction to the University. The tour begins at one of our undergraduate colleges, where you will receive an introductory talk from a member of college staff, followed by a tour of the college by current students.

[www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/live/visit/discoverdurham](http://www.durham.ac.uk/undergraduate/live/visit/discoverdurham)

### **Overseas Visit Schedule**

[www.durham.ac.uk/international/office/meetus](http://www.durham.ac.uk/international/office/meetus)

## Department Information

### Foundation Programme

#### Overview

We offer specially tailored study programmes to prepare students for degree-level study, specialising in helping mature learners return to education and preparing EU students who are unable to study to a sufficient level in their own country for direct entry to university courses in the UK. We can also support students who are changing between academic fields.

Our students come to us from diverse educational and cultural backgrounds; many have had a long break from formal education. We help students to realise the skills and personal qualities they each possess and to apply these in developing the academic knowledge they will need as they progress through their studies.

Foundation Programme courses are fully integrated with Durham University degree programmes, counting as Year 0 of a full undergraduate degree. Students will progress directly on to their degree at Durham, once they have achieved the grade required for progression.

#### Rankings

- Over 90% of Durham's subjects are ranked within the top 10 in the UK (Complete University Guide 2019).

#### Staff

For a current list of staff, please see the Centre web pages. ([www.dur.ac.uk/foundation.programme/aboutus/](http://www.dur.ac.uk/foundation.programme/aboutus/))

#### Website

[www.durham.ac.uk/foundation.programme](http://www.durham.ac.uk/foundation.programme)

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