

Programme Specification (Level 6 Direct Entry)

BA (Hons) Business Management

<i>School:</i>	York St John Business School
<i>Subject area:</i>	Business Management
<i>Entry from academic year:</i>	2020-21
<i>in the month(s) of:</i>	October January, May
<i>Awarding institution:</i>	York St John University
<i>Teaching institution:</i>	IEG, Malaysia
<i>Delivery location:</i>	IEG, Malaysia
<i>Programme/s accredited by:</i>	Not applicable
<i>Exit awards:</i>	BA (Hons) Business Administration
<i>UCAS code / GTTR / other:</i>	
<i>Joint Honours combinations:</i>	Not applicable
<i>QAA subject benchmark statement(s):</i>	Business and Management (2015)
<i>Mode/s of study:</i>	Undergraduate periods of study ¹ for full-time
<i>Language of study:</i>	English
<i>Paired with foundation year</i>	No
<i>Study abroad opportunities:</i>	No
<i>Placement year opportunity:</i>	No

Introduction and special features

As the global business environment continues to become increasingly competitive and challenging, businesses need to be more innovative, take more risks and develop sustainable business models that serve their customers and have a positive impact on society. The BA (Hons) Business Management programme aims to provide you with a critical understanding of the management of organisations and the role of business in contemporary society.

Studying the BA (Hons) Business Management award is a great opportunity to gain a degree that is clearly focused on your long-term career prospects in a wide variety of contexts. Whether you are thinking of setting up your own business, working in a large corporation, the public sector or the ever-growing tourist industry you will need to possess an understanding of how businesses operate and how skilled managers can contribute to their success.

Importantly Management is also about people, and we will enable you to develop your own skills as a team player, a group member and ultimately as a manager of other people. Our Business Management degree allows you to specialise in management and gain an insight into how managers work to meet organisational objectives. Alongside this knowledge you will also develop the skills you will need to be effective in a managerial role.

¹ The standard period of study will apply unless otherwise stated

Special features

- A focus on the management of organisations which will provide the knowledge and skills you will need as a manager. This includes the management of people, resources and business activities
- Throughout the course there is regular opportunity to engage with a range of practising managers, organisations, employers and entrepreneurs and take part in work related experiences and internships
- Programme of guest speakers which will enhance your learning and links with the business community
- Use of 'real life' (live) projects in assessments giving you practical application of the theory
- Access to a range of specialist resources including, Financial Information Database (FAME) and Financial Times Interactive to support learning and research.

Excellent personal and academic support. You will be allocated an academic tutor to support you throughout the programme

Admissions criteria

You must meet the University's general entry criteria for [undergraduate](#) study.

If your first language is not English, you need to take an IELTS test or an equivalent qualification accepted by the University (see <https://www.yorksj.ac.uk/international/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/>).

If you do not have traditional qualifications, you may be eligible for entry on the basis of [Accredited Prior \(Experiential\) Learning \(APL/APEL\)](#). We also consider applications for entry with advanced standing.

Programme aim(s)

The BA (Hons) Business Management programme is based on the philosophy that management development should be incremental.

The programme encourages you to develop the skills and competences of a future manager. To do this, you should be capable of making management decisions at both a strategic and at a tactical level, emphasising the complexity and dynamics of business and management and taking cognisance of the integrative nature of the various factors which impinge upon business decisions. The programme incorporates frameworks for reviewing, reflecting, analysing and critiquing existing individual and organisational practices.

The outcome of this process will be a critical appreciation of management theory and practice, in order to: make justified decisions; apply those decisions in a variety of contexts; communicating the decisions and make integrative links between disciplines and across organisations.

The aims of the programmes are to:

1. Prepare you for a career in a rapidly changing business and social environment with the skills needed to adapt and develop as the environment changes.
2. Provide a challenging, integrated programme of study that equips you with a sound general knowledge of organisations, their management and the global environments in which they operate, within the context of the guiding principles for responsible management education (PRME).
3. Provide a vocationally relevant degree with professional recognition.
4. Provide you with the opportunity to focus on particular aspects of management relevant to their backgrounds, interests and career aspirations through a choice of final independent research activity.
5. Facilitate the development and demonstration of your intellectual skills of information-processing, analysis, synthesis, critical appraisal, creativity and innovation and the ability to manage and make decisions in situations of ambiguity and uncertainty.

6. Enable you to develop business and management competences and research skills to enhance employability and support career advancement.
7. Enable you to be a graduate who is able to improve the quality of management decision-making, leadership and business practice across a range of organisations and in a variety of contexts.

Programme learning outcomes

Upon successful completion of the programme students will be able to:

Level 4

Knowledge and Understanding

- 4.1 Describe and explain a range of relevant concepts, theories and models to the solution of business and management problems.
- 4.2 Describe and identify decisions in a variety of organisational contexts.

Cognitive and Thinking Skills

- 4.3 Demonstrate the ability to apply a range of academic and intellectual skills relevant to Level Four study including, information-gathering, analysis and problem identification.

Practical/Professional Skills

- 4.4 Exhibit the development of skills in relation to communication, organisation and working with others from organisational and national cultures and backgrounds.
- 4.5 Demonstrate the use of research skills to gather information.

Key Transferable Skills

- 4.6 Develop your own learning with guided support to explore a wide variety of learning sources and opportunities.

Level 5

Knowledge and Understanding

- 5.1 Compare and Contrast a range of relevant concepts, theories and models to the solution of business and management problems.
- 5.2 Analyse and discuss tactical decisions in a variety of organisational contexts.

Cognitive and Thinking Skills

- 5.3 Demonstrate the ability to apply a range of academic and intellectual skills relevant to Level Five study including, information-gathering, problem-solving, analysis, and evaluation.

Practical/Professional Skills

- 5.4 Exhibit the development and achievement of skills in relation to communication, organisation and working with others from organisational and national cultures and backgrounds.
- 5.5 Demonstrate the use of research and enquiry to further their understanding.

Key Transferable Skills

- 5.6 Develop independence and own learning to explore a wide variety of learning sources and opportunities.

Level 6

Knowledge and Understanding

- 6.1 Apply a range of relevant concepts, theories and models to the solution of business and management problems.
- 6.2 Synthesise and evaluate strategic and tactical decisions in a variety of organisational contexts.
- 6.3 Critically evaluate management thinking through an extended piece of research.

Cognitive and Thinking Skills

- 6.4 Demonstrate the ability to apply a range of academic and intellectual skills relevant to undergraduate level study including, information-gathering, problem-solving (incorporating creativity and innovation) and the skill to critically analyse, synthesise, and evaluate information and data to aid management decision-making.

Practical/Professional Skills

- 6.5 Exhibit the development and achievement of skills in relation to communication, organisation and working with others from organisational and national cultures and backgrounds in a professional manner.
- 6.6 Conduct research and enquiry to further your understanding and to inform management decision-making.
- 6.7 Demonstrate the use of management skills (e.g. delegation, negotiation and leadership).

Key Transferable Skills

- 6.8 Manage your own learning to explore a wide variety of learning sources and opportunities.

Programme structure

Code	Level	Title	Credits	Module Status
1BMB08	4	Organisational Behaviour in the Digital Age	20	C
1BMB09	4	Ethics, Scandal and Business Decisions	20	C
1BMB02	4	Responsible Business	20	C
1BMB10	4	Business Operations	20	C
1BMH01	4	Managing Employee Performance	20	C
1BMB04	4	Ventures in Entrepreneurship	20	O
1BMB05	4	The Politics of Business	20	O
2BMB01	5	Management and Leadership	20	C
2BMB02	5	Managing Finance	20	C
2BMB03	5	Research Methods and Project Management	20	C
2BMB04	5	People Management	20	C
2BMH01	5	Employee Resourcing	20	O
2BMM01	5	Strategic Marketing Planning	20	O
2BMA01	5	Business and Commercial Law	20	O
2BMH02	5	Developing Talent in Organisations	20	O
2BMF02	5	Corporate Finance	20	O
2BMM03	5	Integrated Marketing Communications	20	O
2BMB10	5	Professional Practice	20	O
3BMB01	6	Operations and Project Management	20	CA
3BMB04	6	Leadership, Innovation and Change	20	CA
3BMB02	6	Organisational Strategy and Decision Making	20	C
3BMB03	6	Business Ethics and CSR	20	O
3BMM02	6	International Marketing	20	O
3BMH02	6	Globalisation and Contemporary HR	20	O
3BMA02	6	Corporate Governance	20	O
3BMI03	6	Contemporary Issues in the Technological Era	20	O

¹ Students must take 40 credits from *either*: a) 3BMB10
or b) 3BMB16
or c) 3BMB11 and 3BMB12
or d) 3BMB13 and 3BMB14

3BMB10	6	Dissertation	40	C ¹
3BMB16	6	Business Creation Project	40	C ¹
3BMB11	6	Developing a Business Research Project	20	C ¹
3BMB12	6	Business Research Project	20	C ¹
3BMB13	6	Developing an Organisation Based Project	20	C ¹
3BMB14	6	Organisation Based Project	20	C ¹

Learning, teaching and assessment

All modules are delivered utilising a range of teaching, learning and assessment strategies including lectures, seminars, guest speakers, tutorials, workshops and a range of events and learning activities.

You are supported initially in the use of guided learning strategies in Level 4 developing towards autonomous, well-judged use of collaborative and independent learning strategies in Levels 5 and 6.

Throughout the programme you will be introduced to a range of different teaching and learning strategies. For example, in Level 4 you will undertake simulation-based learning (*Ventures in Entrepreneurship*) in which we use a computer-based simulation to develop your business skills through developing your awareness of market forces and the decision making process you may require as a manager. At Level 5 (for example) there will be evidence of practice based learning (*People Management*) in which you will be expected to engage in practical based activities as you develop your skills in managing people, while also developing skills in managing projects (*Research Methods and Project Management*). Finally, at Level 6 you will demonstrate your skills through practice and enquiry-based learning giving you the opportunity to develop creative and innovative solutions to problems through *Operations and Project Management*, and *Leadership, Innovation and Change*.

You will undertake a variety of assessments which include the use of written assignments (often in the form of reports), individual and group presentations, exams and tests, and practical activities. An essential part of the assessment is to encourage both learning and the development of skills as well as preparing you for the requirements of the workplace.

You will have opportunities for formative assessment and feedback to inform your work prior to submission and you will receive detailed feedback on assessments to help you develop and continuously improve your performance whilst on the programme. Advice will be provided in relation to development, further areas for research and guidance on how to enhance your knowledge of business and practice.

You will have the opportunity for study support including academic writing and research skills to enhance employability and career development in the field of Business Management.

Progression and graduation requirements

The University's general [regulations](#) for undergraduate awards apply to this programme.

Any modules that must be passed for progression or award are indicated in the Programme Structure section as non-compensatable.

In addition, the following programme-specific regulations apply in respect of progression and graduation:

- Students who do not achieve the award requirements for BA (Hons) Business Management but meet the standard University requirements for an honours degree through compensating either the mark in BMN6001M or BMN6002M will be awarded the exit award of the degree of BA (Hons) Business Administration.

Internal and external reference points

This programme specification was formulated with reference to:

- [Strategic Plan 2015-20](#) [see page four]
- [QAA subject benchmark statement](#)
- [Framework for Higher Education Qualifications](#)

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