# **Programme Specification** (Level 6 Direct Entry)

## **BA (Hons) Business Management**

School: York St John Business School

Subject area: Business Management

Entry from academic year: 2021-22

in the month(s) of:

Awarding institution:

October January, May

York St John University

Teaching institution: IEG, Malaysia
Delivery location: IEG, Malaysia
Programme/s accredited by: Not applicable

Exit awards:

UCAS code / GTTR / other:

Joint Honours combinations: Not applicable

QAA subject benchmark statement(s): Business and Management (2015)

Mode/s of study: <u>Undergraduate periods of study</u>¹ for full-time

Language of study: English
Paired with foundation year No
Study abroad opportunities: No
Placement year opportunity: 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.

#### **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

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The standard period of study will apply unless otherwise stated

- 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 <a href="https://www.yorksj.ac.uk/international/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/">https://www.yorksj.ac.uk/international/how-to-apply/english-language-requirements/</a>).

If you do not have traditional qualifications, you may be eligible for entry on the basis of <u>Accredited Prior</u> (<u>Experiential</u>) <u>Learning (APL/APEL</u>). 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 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 decisionmaking.
- 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
3BMB01	6	Operations and Project Management	20	CA
3BMB04	6	Leadership, Innovation and Change	20	CA
3BMB02	6	Organisational Strategy and Decision Making	20	С
3BMB03	6	Business Ethics and CSR	20	0
3BMM02	6	International Marketing	20	0
3BMH02	6	Globalisation and Contemporary HR	20	0
3BMA02	6	Corporate Governance	20	0
3BMI03	6	Contemporary Issues in the Technological Era	20	0
<sup>1</sup> Students must take 40 credits from <i>either:</i> a) 3BMB10 or b) 3BMB16 or c) 3BMB11 <b>and</b> 3BMB12 or d) 3BMB13 <b>and</b> 3BMB14				
3BMB10	6	Dissertation	40	C¹
3BMB16	6	Business Creation Project	40	C¹
3BMB11	6	Developing a Business Research Project	20	C¹
3BMB12	6	Business Research Project	20	C¹
3BMB13	6	Developing an Organisation Based Project	20	C¹
3BMB14	6	Organisation Based Project	20	C¹

## 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.

Throughout the programme you will be introduced to a range of different teaching and learning strategies. 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 compulsory for award (CA).

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 3BMB01 or 3BMB04 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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