

# UK PATHWAYS GUIDE

Blessing  
from Nigeria



# Find the right route

Many of Kaplan's UK study centres are on university campuses, but if you prefer to study online, we offer Digital Pathways. Whichever route you choose, you will receive flexible, high-quality preparation and support.

## Study options

### Foundation Certificate

For students who don't yet meet the entry requirements to start a bachelor's degree.

### International Year One (IYO)

Perfect for students who want to fast-track into Year 2 of a bachelor's degree.

### Pre-Master's

Suitable for students who have a bachelor's degree and want to pursue a master's.

### Pre-Sessional English

Appropriate for students who want or need to improve their English before a degree.

### Pre-Doctorate

Right for students who want to prepare for applying for a doctoral degree.

### Digital Pathways

#### Available for:

- Foundation Certificate for Business, Law and Social Sciences
- Foundation Certificate for Science and Engineering
- International Year One in Business
- Pre-Master's for Business, Economics and Finance
- Pre-Master's for Law and Social Sciences
- Pre-Master's for Science and Engineering
- Digital Pre-Sessional English
- Digital Pre-Pathways course

## Latest study routes

### New partners:

- ASU London — entry via degree admission or Foundation Certificate for Business, Law and Social Sciences or Science and Engineering

### New Digital Pathways routes:

- Digital IYO leading to Bournemouth University, Nottingham Trent University, University of Nottingham and UWE Bristol

# Accommodation

Where you live is a key part of your experience. That's why, at all our UK partners, we provide access to a range of accommodation options including Kaplan Living residences, university housing, and selected private providers.

## Why book through Kaplan?

College-affiliated housing is designed to meet the unique needs of international students. Benefits include:

- Easy application process (no UK-based guarantor required)
- Flexible contract dates aligned with pathway course dates
- Dedicated accommodation team and college support network
- Increased success — higher pass, progression, and completion rates
- Social engagement — opportunities to build lasting friendships with classmates
- Budgeting — fixed costs, including utilities, help to reduce financial stress.

## Did you know?

All our accommodation options have:

- Free standard bedding pack — ready in student's room on arrival
- Free airport transfer from selected airports on specific arrival dates
- All bills included
- Safe, convenient locations close to classes

Kaplan Living Liverpool is on site with the International College



Check live availability via our website!



## Book early!

You can explore accommodation options straightforwardly, and book as soon as you accept your offer and have paid the deposit or secured a financial guarantee.



Enjoy parks and green spaces close to the campus



## ASU LONDON

ASU London offers project-based learning in three careers-focused subjects: Business, Computer Science and Engineering. Students who complete a bachelor's degree will receive a guaranteed offer to study an optional master's at Arizona State University in the USA.



### Two degrees in two countries

and double the opportunities, in just four years



### Guaranteed master's

admission at Arizona State University in the USA when you graduate from a bachelor's with a 2:2 or above



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student city in the world  
QS Best Student Cities 2026

## UNIVERSITY OF BIRMINGHAM

Established in 1900, the University of Birmingham is a leading UK public research university. A founding member of the prestigious Russell Group, Birmingham graduates rank as the most popular among UK employers.



Top 15

in the UK  
Complete University Guide 2026



#1

most-targeted UK university by employers  
High Fliers Research 2024



10,000+

international students from approximately 150 countries



"Something I found really cool was the 3D printers. You can literally make anything out of them, like little boxes would be made in just 5 hours. You get taught all the machines."

Alison from Germany



"The best thing about the career support at Birmingham is how it integrates with the University. They offer career services that guide us at every step, from building CVs and enhancing LinkedIn profiles to developing key skills."

Mohammed from Saudi Arabia

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Degree admission	✓		
Foundation Certificate		✓	✓
International Year One			
Pre-Master's			



Find out more about ASU London  
[kaplanpathways.com/asu-london](http://kaplanpathways.com/asu-london)

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓	✓	✓
International Year One		✓	
Pre-Master's		✓	✓
Pre-Sessional English	✓		



Find out more about the University of Birmingham  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-birmingham](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-birmingham)



## BOURNEMOUTH UNIVERSITY

Bournemouth is a dynamic, modern institution with a strong reputation for providing industry-specific teaching, helping students prepare for a range of exciting careers. Located on the beautiful south coast of England, it's a great place to live, learn, and grow.



### Top 50

in the UK

Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025



### Work placement

opportunities for every undergraduate student



### 19,000+

students representing 120 nationalities



"The University offers exceptional facilities, resources and opportunities, which was a key reason why I decided to study here."

**Qin from China**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		✓
International Year One	✓		✓
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English	✓		

Find out more about Bournemouth University  
[kaplanpathways.com/bournemouth-university](http://kaplanpathways.com/bournemouth-university)



## UNIVERSITY OF BRIGHTON

Known for being a forward-thinking institution, the University of Brighton gives students a high-quality career-focused education. As a champion of academic excellence for 150+ years, it has a strong record of industry engagement and graduate success.



### Top 30

in the UK for student-to-staff ratio  
Guardian University Guide 2026



### 91.4%

of graduates in work or further study  
Graduate Outcomes Survey 2023



"The Student Support team is very helpful, and gives students the opportunity to get involved with activities and meet new people. The facilities are also great and students have access to these throughout their time at the College."

**Yadeth from Cambodia**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		✓
International Year One	✓		
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English	✓		

Find out more about the University of Brighton  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-brighton](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-brighton)





## UNIVERSITY OF BRISTOL

Ranked as one of the world's top universities, the University of Bristol is a premier UK study destination. Students benefit from world-class teaching, a highly diverse environment, and a strong reputation among graduate employers in the UK and overseas.



### Top 10

in the UK

QS World University Rankings 2026



### Top 60

in the world

QS World University Rankings 2026



### 5th

most-targeted university  
by top UK employers

High Fliers 2024



"Kaplan played a crucial role for preparing me for my International Business Management degree. Along with giving me the necessary academic skills, it also helped me adjust to the UK's education system, which differs from the one in Kazakhstan."

**Dariga from Kazakhstan**

## CITY ST GEORGE'S, UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

City St George's is where students can realise their ambitions. Thanks to its strong industry connections, award-winning employability initiatives and focus on diversity, students can benefit from excellent graduate prospects and a powerful global alumni network.



### Triple accredited

Bayes Business School

AACSB; AMBA; EQUIS



### 5th

in London for  
graduate prospects

Complete University Guide 2026



### 170+

nationalities represented  
on campus

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓	✓	
International Year One			
Pre-Master's			
Pre-Sessional English			



Find out more about the University of Bristol  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-bristol](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-bristol)

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate		✓	✓
International Year One		✓	
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English			

Find out more about City St George's, University of London  
[kaplanpathways.com/city-university](http://kaplanpathways.com/city-university)





## CRANFIELD UNIVERSITY

This specialist, research-intensive postgraduate university brings together industry experts and global partners in its mission to transform knowledge into action. Cranfield stands out for its real-world impact, innovation-led learning, and close industry engagement.



**2nd**  
in the UK for Logistics  
and Supply Chain  
Management  
QS World Business Master's  
Rankings 2025



**1,500+**  
industry links including  
Airbus, Rolls-Royce,  
and Unilever



**4th**  
in the UK for  
international  
student ratio  
Times Higher Education World  
University Rankings 2025



"I chose Cranfield because I researched their degrees and they focus on teaching practical skills. For me, I felt like learning about the practical theories would help me prepare for my future career."

**Lucy from China**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate			
International Year One			
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English			

Find out more about Cranfield University  
[kaplanpathways.com/cranfield-university](http://kaplanpathways.com/cranfield-university)



## University of Essex

## UNIVERSITY OF ESSEX

A modern, diverse university, the University of Essex is a place where change happens. Located near London, it offers a beautiful campus and personalised teaching that helps students become independent critical thinkers.



**Top 15**  
in the UK  
Guardia University Guide 2026



"I had the opportunity to make a lot of friends who were international students. This is because the College organised a variety of activities and events for us during Welcome Week."

**Sarah from Senegal**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		✓
International Year One	✓		
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English	✓		

Find out more about the University of Essex  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-essex](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-essex)





## UNIVERSITY OF GLASGOW

Founded over 550 years ago, the University of Glasgow has a centuries-long tradition of academic excellence. With its world-leading research, high rankings, and established status as a Russell Group member, it's a truly prestigious destination.



### Top 10

in the UK  
Times Higher Education World University Rankings 2025



### Top 20

most targeted UK university by graduate employers  
High Fliers Research 2024



### 30,000+

students from 140 countries



"The classes are interactive, so there would always be debates, group presentations, and team-building challenges. We could also speak to our Learning Support Tutor (LST) and university mentors every week!"

**Cici from China**



## UNIVERSITY OF LIVERPOOL

A member of the Russell Group, the University of Liverpool is known for its wide network of international partnerships. Its diverse, modern campus is in the heart of Liverpool — a vibrant student city with so much to do!



### Top 12

in the UK  
Shanghai Academic Ranking of World Universities 2024



### Top 15

in the UK for £ spent by university on facilities and resources per student  
Guardian University Guide 2026



### 8,000+

international students

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		
International Year One			
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English			



Find out more about the University of Glasgow  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-glasgow](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-glasgow)

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		✓
International Year One			
Pre-Master's		✓	✓
Pre-Sessional English			

Find out more about the University of Liverpool  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-liverpool](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-liverpool)





# UNIVERSITY OF NOTTINGHAM

Ranked among the top global universities, the University of Nottingham offers a first-class education. This Russell Group university has an award-winning UK campus and further international campuses in China and Malaysia, making it a truly global university.



## Top 20

in the UK  
QS World University Rankings 2026



## 3rd

most targeted UK  
university by employers  
High Fliers 2024



## 9,000+

international students



"From mental and emotional support hubs, to financial living and support networks, and a variety of sports and clubs, the University of Nottingham has it all. I'm happy I chose to study here."

**Bashaer from Saudi Arabia**

## Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		✓
International Year One			✓
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English			

Find out more about the University of Nottingham  
[kaplanpathways.com/university-of-nottingham](http://kaplanpathways.com/university-of-nottingham)



# NOTTINGHAM TRENT UNIVERSITY

A multi-award-winning university, Nottingham Trent University is a modern study destination with top-rated teaching and work experience opportunities on every degree. It's one of the UK's largest and most inclusive universities, with 160+ countries represented on campus.



## Top 25

in the UK  
Guardian University Guide 2026



## UK 'University of the Year'

5 times from 2017-2023  
THE Awards; The Guardian Awards;  
The Times and Sunday Times;  
Whatuni Student Choice Awards



## 100+

societies, student  
communities, and  
academic groups



"I still stay in touch with the friends I made at the College and University over fourteen years ago, many of whom have become lifelong friends."

**Muriel from Nigeria**

## Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓	✓	✓
International Year One	✓		✓
Pre-Master's	✓	✓	✓
Pre-Sessional English			

Find out more about Nottingham Trent University  
[kaplanpathways.com/nottingham-trent-university](http://kaplanpathways.com/nottingham-trent-university)





## QUEEN MARY UNIVERSITY OF LONDON

Located in the heart of London, Queen Mary University of London is one of the UK's leading research institutions. With 170+ nationalities represented among its 32,000+ students, it provides a diverse and welcoming campus community.



### Top 20

in the UK

QS World University Rankings 2026



### 3rd

in the UK for  
international outlook

Times Higher Education World  
University Rankings 2025



### #3

student city in the world  
QS Best Student Cities 2026



## UWE BRISTOL

Ranked among the UK's most international universities, UWE Bristol offers students a career-focused education and superb industry partnerships. It's located in a friendly, popular student city — a UK hub for technology, business, and the creative industries.



### Top 20

most international  
UK university

Hotcourses Diversity Index 2023



### 90%

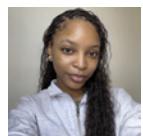
of graduates in  
employment or further  
studies 15 months  
after graduation

Graduate Outcomes Survey 2024



### Top UK location

for quality of life  
Sunday Times Best Places to Live  
2023



"Kaplan's supportive environment made it easier to adapt to university life at Queen Mary and take on new challenges outside of school."

**Cyrielle from Cameroon**



"The check-in sessions with my tutors were useful for me and made me feel like I had a community that I could rely on if I needed to. So that was absolutely fantastic for me."

**Stephanie from Nigeria**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate		✓	✓
International Year One		✓	
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English			



Find out more about Queen Mary University of London  
[kaplanpathways.com/queen-mary-university](http://kaplanpathways.com/queen-mary-university)

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓		✓
International Year One	✓		✓
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English	✓		✓

Find out more about UWE Bristol  
[kaplanpathways.com/uwe-university](http://kaplanpathways.com/uwe-university)





## UNIVERSITY OF WESTMINSTER

Known for its strong international student community and industry connections, the University of Westminster is a top UK study destination. Students get real-world learning experiences that prepare them for career success, all while living in one of the world's best cities.



**#3**

student city in the world  
QS Best Student Cities 2065



**Top 250**

young university  
in the world  
Times Higher Education Young  
University Rankings 2024



**200+**

societies and clubs  
to join



"Studying at Westminster was both enriching and advanced. The staff were always there to help me develop my legal skills and give guidance on my career path."

**Rustam from Azerbaijan**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate		✓	✓
International Year One		✓	
Pre-Master's	✓		✓
Pre-Sessional English			

Find out more about the University of Westminster  
[kaplanpathways.com/westminster](http://kaplanpathways.com/westminster)



## UNIVERSITY OF YORK

A highly ranked Russell Group member, the University of York is a top UK research institution with first-class teaching and facilities. Located on a beautiful campus near a safe and friendly city, it's a popular choice for international students — and respected among employers!



**Top 15**

in the UK  
Complete University Guide 2026



**94%**

of graduates are  
employed or in further  
study within 6 months  
York 2024 employability report



"Now that I'm studying here, it's easy to see why the University ranks so highly for Film Production! It's been really nice learning from academics who are just as passionate about Film and Television Production as I am."

**Dana from China**

### Study options

	On campus	Off campus	Digital Pathways
Foundation Certificate	✓	✓	✓
International Year One	✓	✓	✓
Pre-Master's	✓	✓	✓
Pre-Sessional English	✓		

Find out more about the University of York  
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