

Foundation pathway: Spring 2026 intakes

Social Sciences, Business and Law Foundation Pathway

Progress to the 1st year of an undergraduate degree at the University of Birmingham

Minimum English entry requirement	Enrolment starts	Teaching starts	Course ends	University intake when degree starts	Foundation pathway tuition fees	Tuition deposit	Study plan / CAS setup	Course notes
IELTS 5.5 (at least 5.5 in all skills) or accepted equivalent*	5 January 2026	12 January 2026	28 August 2026	September 2026	£23,660	£5,000	Integrated foundation and degree on a single CAS	Students who meet the English entry requirement for this integrated study plan are obliged to follow it and aren't eligible for the separate foundation listed below. The following degrees have a higher minimum English entry level for the foundation pathway: English, Drama and Creative Studies Faculty and Law (IELTS 6.0 with at least 5.5 in all skills). Law Degrees: IELTS 6.0 (at least 5.5 in all skills)
UKVI IELTS 5.5 (at least 5.0 in all skills) or accepted equivalent*	5 January 2026	12 January 2026	28 August 2026	September 2026	£23,660	£5,000	Separate foundation and degree on two different CAS	Degrees in English Language, English Literature and Law are not available through this route.

^{*} IELTS alternatives: we can accept alternative tests as proof of English language. Contact us to find out more: kaplanpathways.com/birmingham-contact

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Engineering and Physical Sciences Foundation Pathway

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Medical, Life and Geo Sciences Foundation Pathway

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