



University of Brighton

INTERNATIONAL PATHWAYS GUIDE

STUDY ABROAD AND SHAPE YOUR
FUTURE WITH A UK DEGREE

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WELCOME

Follow your path to the University of Brighton in the UK, a progressive, modern university in one of Britain's most exciting, lively cities.

With Kaplan Pathways, you can gain entry to a degree here by taking a pathway course on campus at the University of Brighton International College.



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Learn more about the simple application process, and use the accompanying **course booklet** to find a study option that's right for you.

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A CREATIVE SPIRIT

The University of Brighton is a place where minds meet to inspire each other and innovate. Read on to discover just what it is that makes Brighton so special.

Emmanuella
from Nigeria

POTENTIAL AND POSSIBILITY

At its heart, the University of Brighton is an inventive institution, with a 50creative spirit. In fact, the university can trace its roots back to the Brighton School of Art in the 19th century, which operated in the city's stunning Royal Pavilion. Much like the university, the city of Brighton itself has a unique and forward-thinking atmosphere. This means you'll have the chance to discover new things, and enjoy a fun and memorable student experience.

The university now offers degrees in subjects as diverse as Engineering, Fashion, Law, Medicine and Sociology. However, this creative, artistic spirit persists, and it can be seen in everything from Brighton's approach to inclusive learning to the topics it focuses its research on.

A big part of the academic culture at the University of Brighton is about unlocking each student's unique potential. Brighton emphasises the importance of looking at who you are, and not just your grades, to really empower you to do something you love and succeed at it.

This means that degrees at Brighton are typically quite flexible, and you'll often be able to choose optional modules, work placements and volunteering opportunities that work to your strengths. The university's network of employer relationships, state-of-the-art facilities and commitment to preparing you for a career will ensure you have a world of possibilities to look forward to.

See more:

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WHY CHOOSE THE UNIVERSITY OF BRIGHTON?



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4th
in the UK for
aerospace engineering
Guardian University Guide 2026

Students and staff from
150+
countries
Source: University of Brighton

Connections with
1,800+
businesses
Source: University of Brighton

Top 30
in the UK for
student-to-staff ratio
Guardian University Guide 2026

Top 250
young university
in the world
Times Higher Education Young University
Rankings 2024

1. Study at the Moulsecoomb campus
2. Join a great university for Fashion
3. Choose from a wide range of subjects
4. Benefit from engaging teaching
5. Make use of excellent facilities
6. Enjoy living and studying by the seaside



EXPLORE YOUR CAMPUS

The University of Brighton has three campuses in the city of Brighton itself and one in Eastbourne, a town along the coast. Wherever you spend your time studying, you can be assured you'll have access to superb facilities and a truly inspiring student lifestyle.

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A SOCIETY FOR YOU
At Brighton, there are more than 100 student societies you can join. Being part of a society is a fantastic way to expand your interests, meet like-minded people and do something you love. And, in keeping with Brighton's experimental spirit, it can be a great way to try something new!

- There are available societies for:
- Animation
 - Drama
 - Feminism
 - Games
 - Music
 - Photography
 - Veganism
- and many more!

Campus locations

1. City

This campus is right in the heart of Brighton, and it will be where Arts and Design students spend most of their time. Here you can find fantastic specialist facilities, including the world-class Design Archives. This is a campus where you are encouraged to unleash your creativity!

See what Brighton is like:
youtu.be/Scbo7vghkMQ

2. Moulsecoomb

This is the university's biggest campus, with 8,000+ students and many facilities. A wide variety of subjects are based here, including Architecture, Business, Computing, Engineering, Humanities and Social Sciences. You can enjoy the new gym, bar and cafés as well as easy access to central Brighton thanks to handy transport links.

Watch a campus tour:
youtu.be/Vgkpaw3vMhQ

3. Falmer

On the edge of the South Downs National Park, the Falmer campus has modern facilities for students of our Sport and Health related courses, including Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedic Science. There are excellent sports facilities, including a floodlit football pitch, a sports centre, tennis courts and new sport and exercise labs. Brighton city centre is only a short bus or train ride away.

Explore the Falmer campus:
youtu.be/LkH7SUtlxv4



Brighton and Sussex Medical School

You also have the option of studying a Bachelor of Medicine, Bachelor of Surgery (BM BS) degree at the Brighton and Sussex Medical School, a short walk from the university's Falmer campus. The school is run jointly by the University of Brighton and the University of Sussex, and it's in the top 20 in the UK for Medicine (Guardian University Guide 2026).

WELCOME TO BRIGHTON

The city of Brighton is a truly special place: just a short distance from London, it's an artistic, bustling, sunny city. No matter who you are or where you're from, you'll be very welcome in Brighton.

Sifon
from Nigeria

Hikari
from Japan

FEEL AT HOME

Brighton is famous for its friendly, inclusive nature. People of all cultures and backgrounds live in Brighton, so wherever you're from, or whatever you believe in, you'll feel at home here. There's a variety of natural landscapes to explore, such as the beach, pleasant green spaces and parks, and the beautiful South Downs National Park is just a short journey away.

ART CULTURE

Alongside the city's friendliness and tolerance, Brighton is well known for its artistic community. In fact, it hosts the annual Brighton Festival, the largest arts festival in England. You'll also find events dedicated to pursuits like photography, comedy and dance all throughout the year, so you'll never be bored!

HIGH FASHION

Brighton is a famously fashionable city. You can easily shop for everything you need here, with luxury fashion at Flannels on Western Road, high street chains at the Churchill Shopping Centre, and a huge variety of quirky, independent stores in the trendy Lanes and North Laine areas. If all that's not enough, you'll be just one hour away by train from London, one of the world's shopping capitals!

Explore the city of Brighton:

kaplanpathways.com/university-of-brighton

SEE AND DO

THERE'S SO MUCH TO DISCOVER

There's always something happening in Brighton, so it's impossible to get bored! It's a safe and friendly city, and it's the perfect place to go out with friends and discover something fun and exciting.

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1 Admire the beautiful architecture of the nearly 240-year-old Royal Pavilion.

2 Explore independent shops and narrow alleyways in North Laine.

3 Eat traditional British fish and chips by the sea on the pebble beach.

4 Have some seaside fun on the amusements at Brighton Palace Pier.

5 See a show or concert at the historical Brighton Dome.



6 Take in the views from the futuristic British Airways i360 Viewing Tower.

7 Take in a bit of culture at one of Brighton's many art galleries.

8 Go hiking in the beautiful countryside of the South Downs National Park.

9 Experience music, theatre, film, art and more at the Brighton Festival in May.

10 Get your adrenaline going with a jet ski ride.

ACCOMMODATION IN BRIGHTON

Kaplan Living Brighton is the ideal place to live while studying at the University of Brighton International College.

Located right in the heart of the city, it offers a vibrant student community, modern facilities and everything you need to make the most of your time in Brighton.



Serine from Algeria

Kaplan Living Brighton

Kaplan Living Brighton is a state-of-the-art student residence that's perfect for living and learning by the sea. You'll be living just a short distance from the college, the university campus and the beach, and you'll have dozens of shops and restaurants nearby.

The rooms are comfortable and modern, with all the conveniences you'll need to live and study. Some even have stunning views out across the sea! Overall, it is ideal for both studying and enjoying the vibrant lifestyle on offer in Brighton.



WHEN YOU BOOK YOUR ACCOMMODATION WITH KAPLAN, YOU CAN EXPECT:

- Competitive weekly pricing
- Flexible contract lengths
- Dedicated support
- Choice of ensuite and studio rooms
- Room options for under-18s and single-gender flats
- Additional products and services available

AT KAPLAN LIVING BRIGHTON, YOU'LL GET:

- Private bedroom and bathroom
- All bills, maintenance and WiFi included
- Shared or private kitchen facilities
- Social spaces with entertainment facilities and regular events
- On-site laundry (usage charges apply)
- Free bedding pack with essentials

KAPLAN LIVING SPECIAL SUPPORT

This extra support package adds another layer of care for your wellbeing. You'll get 24-hour access to Wellbeing Coordinators, who can answer any questions you or your parents have and help you feel at home. This service is mandatory for students under 18, but other students can add it for peace of mind.

ACCOMMODATION DURING YOUR DEGREE

After your pathway course, you can extend your stay in Kaplan Living Brighton or stay in one of the university's own halls of residence.

1. Example of a shared kitchen in a cluster flat
2. Make use of comfortable social spaces
3. Use places designed for study
4. Have fun gaming with your new friends
5. Example of a bedroom

DEGREE PREPARATION

Based on campus, the University of Brighton International College offers you the ideal path to starting a Brighton degree. It's here that you'll study your pathway course, preparing you for studying at the university.

Nitsa
from Georgia

Saif
from Bahrain

TAKE A PATHWAY COURSE

As an international student, you might need, or benefit from, a pathway course. Sometimes a pathway course is necessary because of differences in national education systems, or to help you improve your academic or language qualifications to the level needed for degree entry. In short, a pathway course will prepare you for university study.

You'll study the course at the University of Brighton International College, with access to all of the university's excellent facilities from the moment you start. Our expert staff will help you work to improve your English, academic skills and subject knowledge, while also helping you make the most of living in Brighton. When you pass your pathway course at the required level, and with good attendance, you are guaranteed entry to your degree! Additional conditions apply for progression to the Medicine BM BS degree at Brighton and Sussex Medical School.

STUDY OPTIONS

You have a number of study options at the international college, all designed to help you start a degree.

While a Foundation Certificate or International Year One will enable you to enrol on an undergraduate degree, a Pre-Master's will help you enrol on a postgraduate degree.

FOUNDATION CERTIFICATE

For entry to the first year of a bachelors degree

For students who have finished high school

English language entry requirements: minimum UKVI IELTS 4.0 in all skills*

INTERNATIONAL YEAR ONE

For entry to the second year of a bachelors degree

For students who have finished high school with higher grades

English language entry requirements: minimum UKVI IELTS 4.0 in all skills*

PRE-MASTER'S

For entry to a masters degree

For students with at least 3 years of higher education in a suitable subject

English language entry requirements: minimum UKVI IELTS 4.5 with no less than 4.0 in any skill*

Undergraduate degree year 1

Undergraduate degree year 2

Undergraduate degree year 3

Postgraduate degree 1 year

GRADUATE
with a degree from the University of Brighton

COURSE DETAILS

Use the accompanying **course booklet** to explore the full range of courses, degrees and online internship options.

* UKVI IELTS alternatives: we can accept alternative tests as proof of English language. Learn more at: kaplanpathways.com/uk/ielts

EXPERT TEACHING

Good teachers should inspire you to push yourself and unlock your full potential. That's exactly the approach taken by the expert teaching staff at the international college. They'll guide you through interesting classes and topics, and help you feel ready for university.

Adam Stewart
Digital Pathways Director

Mario
from China

Haytham
from Saudi Arabia

Jaeun
from South Korea



PREPARE FOR YOUR FUTURE

Your course at the college will help you get ready for your future career. You'll gain transferable skills that are valuable to employers and develop a skills portfolio to showcase your achievements. The college also hosts live careers events and offers opportunities to gain professional certifications.

kaplanpathways.com/brighton-employability



98% of students who successfully passed their course received an unconditional offer from the University in 2024.

See the full progression rates:

kaplanpathways.com/brighton-progression

The right environment

At the international college, you will be encouraged to participate and collaborate with your fellow students, and to think critically and creatively. Studying alongside other ambitious people from around the world fosters a great educational environment, and it is a perfect introduction to university-level study in the UK.

A course designed for you

The course contains modules based on your degree subject and career goals, and there is usually some choice in the topics you cover. You can learn at your own pace, with support tailored to your needs.

Virtual internships

Many pathway courses are available with an optional integrated virtual internship. It's a fantastic way to expand your professional network and gain work experience before you even start your degree.

1. The college is based in the Watts Building on Moulsecoomb campus
2. Study alongside students from all over the world

STUDENT SUPPORT

Going to study overseas may seem daunting, but don't worry. We'll help you at every step of your journey, and you'll have access to fantastic support services throughout your time with us. Whatever you need, just ask.



Mei
From Malaysia



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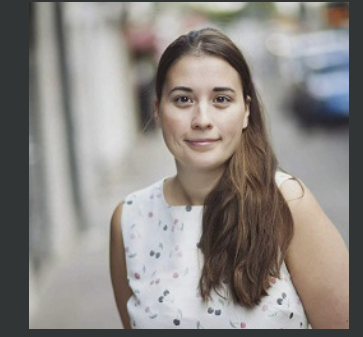
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I look after student welfare at the college. I offer 1:1 meetings to any student who might need it, as well as holding weekly meetings and drop-in sessions.

Most students meet me when they are unwell, so I try to find the best support for them. The university has a GP surgery on campus, so I can help with registration and booking appointments.

My top priority is to make sure that all our students are happy and healthy, so that they can achieve their goals.



Edit
College Services Advisor:
Welfare, U18s and Arrivals



84%

of students surveyed in 2025 agreed they would recommend the college to a friend

See what else our students think:
kaplanpathways.com/brighton-satisfaction

Coming to the UK

Our support starts before you've even left home. We'll give you expert advice on the visa process and send you a pre-arrival pack with handy information about the UK. If you're under 18, we can help you arrange a comprehensive guardianship service from a recognised guardianship company. Before you travel, you can make use of Pathways Preview, which allows you to

access study materials before you begin your pathway course. This can help you feel prepared for your classes. When you arrive in the UK, we can meet you at the airport to welcome you to Brighton! We'll arrange fun activities during Welcome Week, and help you register with a doctor and set up a bank account, so that you're ready for life in Brighton.

Support during your stay

While you're at the international college, we'll make sure you have plenty to do with your fellow students. After all, we want you to make the most of living in Brighton! We'll organise trips, events and activities, giving you the opportunity to truly discover the city and the amazing student lifestyle it offers. There will always be someone at the college for

you to speak to, whether it's about your studies or something more personal; you're never alone. And when the time comes, we'll make sure you're prepared for the transition to your university degree, with access to Pathways Extra. This is an online resource where you can continue to develop your skills and employability, and even gain professional qualifications.

1. We can meet you at the airport
2. You'll get to try all kinds of fun activities



HEAR FROM OUR STUDENTS

To really find out what studying abroad is like, you should hear from somebody who has already done it! See what our students have to say about their experiences.

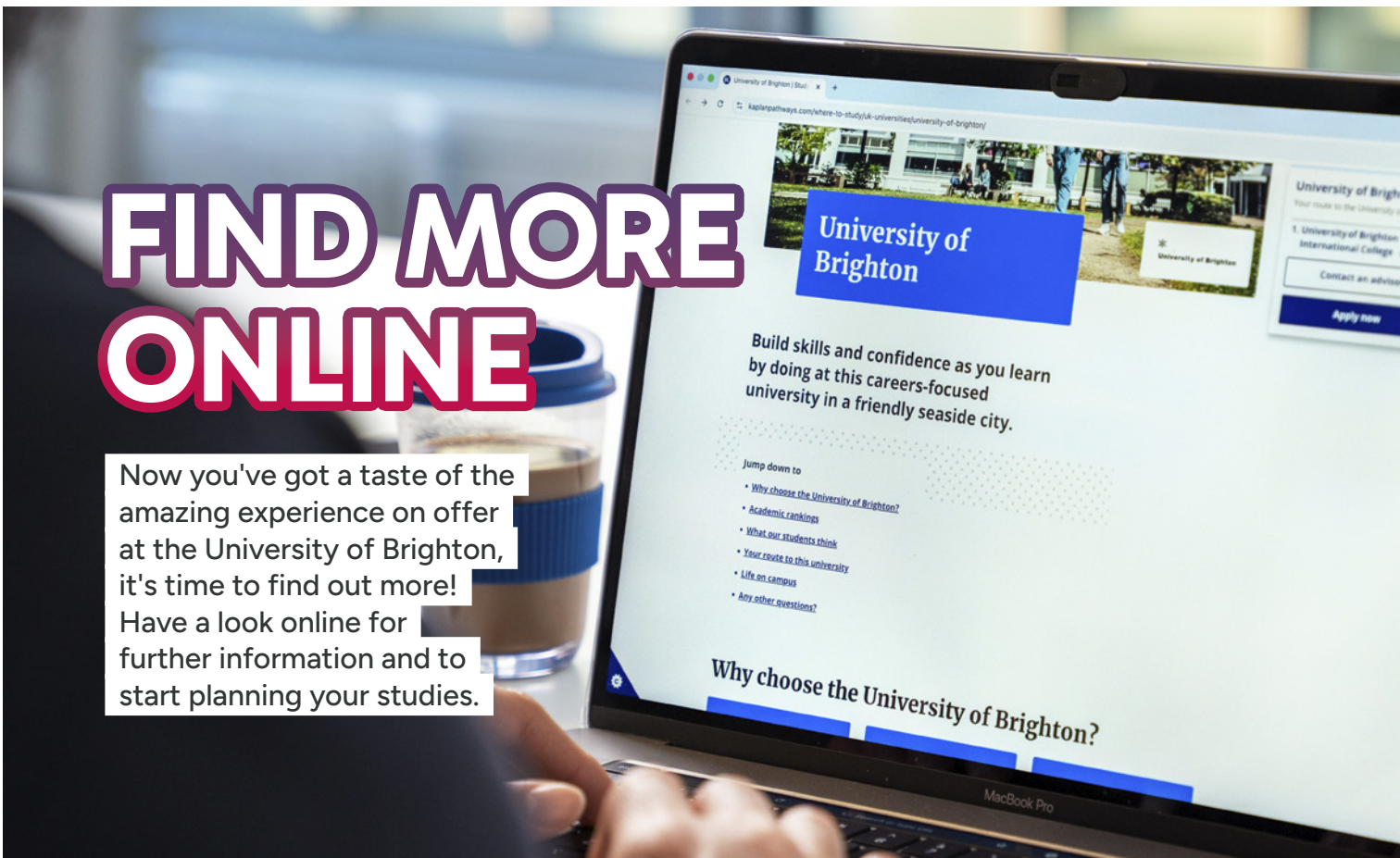
Life as a student

The Kaplan Student Content Creator programme gives participants the chance to share their experiences of student life in another country. You can see what your future might look like through vlogs and other content that they've shared. All of our Student Content Creators have valuable tips and advice to give, having been through all the excitement, fun and challenges that you still have to come. The videos and blogs they've produced provide you with useful tips for living and studying abroad, such as what to pack and the best places to visit once lectures have finished. Maybe you'll end up following in their footsteps!

Find out what it's like to be a student living abroad:
kpln.org/ubic-content-creators

FIND MORE ONLINE

Now you've got a taste of the amazing experience on offer at the University of Brighton, it's time to find out more! Have a look online for further information and to start planning your studies.



The university

About the university:
kaplanpathways.com/university-of-brighton

Degree options at Brighton:
kaplanpathways.com/degree-finder/brighton

The university's website:
brighton.ac.uk

The college

About the college:
kaplanpathways.com/brighton

Student accommodation:
kaplanpathways.com/brighton-accommodation

Employability resources at the college:
kaplanpathways.com/brighton-employability

Tuition fees and living costs:
kaplanpathways.com/brighton-fees

Studying abroad

Student visa:
www.gov.uk/student-visa

Student insurance:
kaplanpathways.com/insurance

College guardians for under-18s:
www.collegeguardians.co.uk

Information for parents and guardians:
kaplanpathways.com/parents-and-guardians

Further questions?

Get in touch:
kaplanpathways.com/brighton-contact

Meet us in your country or region:
kaplanpathways.com/kaplan-in-my-country



I chose to study in the UK for its cultural diversity and welcoming communities, which help international students feel supported. I was also drawn to the British education system — it encourages independent thinking and focuses on developing individual potential.

Brighton appealed to me because of its large, international student community and friendly atmosphere. It's small, safe and easy to feel at home here. The relaxed, inclusive vibe makes it a comfortable place to live and study.

My first days at the International College were both exciting and new. I was nervous about being far from home, but those fears disappeared quickly. When I went to collect my student ID, the staff were kind and patient — even when my English wasn't perfect. They took time to help me understand everything, and that support meant a lot.

Brighton has become more than just a city to me

The International College prepared me well for university. The programme mirrored the British academic system, helping me understand its structure and expectations. Meetings with alumni also gave us insight into university life and what to expect next.

Tutors and staff were always available to guide us, both academically and personally. Brighton has become more than just a city to me — it's where I found independence, confidence, and lifelong friends. I plan to continue pushing my limits and building a meaningful career in Interior Design.

This is my path so far.

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applying to study at the University of Brighton International College is easy! Once you've chosen a course, just follow these steps and we'll help you through the application process.

Karl
from South Korea



FLEXIBLE STUDY

Prefer to study from your home country? If so, Kaplan offers a range of Digital Pathways courses, allowing you to qualify for university study from home!

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SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION FORM

We'll guide you through the entire application process, including what documents you'll need to send with or after your application. Just get in touch, or apply via the link below.

kaplanpathways.com/brighton-apply

2

RECEIVE OFFER AND BOOK ACCOMMODATION

Once your complete application has been reviewed, you'll receive either an unconditional or conditional offer, or we can explore other options with you. We'll send a decision within one working day. You can now book your housing through our accommodation portal, so you'll have a safe place to live.

3

ACCEPT YOUR OFFER

You'll do this by paying your deposit to study and the administration fee, or sending your financial guarantee.

4

OBTAIN YOUR STUDENT VISA

To study a pathway course in the UK, you'll typically need to obtain a student visa. We'll advise you on this important process, and we'll send you the supporting documents you'll need for your visa application.

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BOOK YOUR FLIGHT AND BEGIN YOUR STUDIES

The most important step: arrive in the UK and begin your life-changing experience as an international student!



CHOOSE YOUR PATH

The best way to start your adventure at the University of Brighton is to simply get in touch! Speak to one of our expert advisers, and we'll help you choose your ideal path to a degree.

Contact us

kaplanpathways.com/brighton-contact

Course information

You can use the [course information booklet](#) to find out more about each course available at the University of Brighton International College. This includes tuition fees, entry requirements, start dates and module information, so you'll know how you can progress to your perfect Brighton degree.

Explore the course information booklet online:

kaplanpathways.com/brighton-course-info



Raul
from Azerbaijan

Yu-Han
from Taiwan

Where is Brighton?



Who's on the cover?

Kareem from Egypt (left) and Yadeth from Cambodia (right) followed their path to the University of Brighton.

Find out more

kaplanpathways.com/university-of-brighton

Explore more study options

Kaplan offers international students a wide range of education options in English-speaking countries.

Learn more: kaplanpathways.com

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The University of Brighton International College is registered with the Office for Students. This means our teaching and support has met the required standards. It also means that our students have the right to work part-time during their studies in the UK.

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