



UNIVERSITY OF
LIVERPOOL

BA (Hons)

Business Management

UCAS code N100

Entry requirements

A level: AAB

Study mode

Full-time

Duration

3 years

Apply by: **14 January 2026**

Starts on: **28 September 2026**

About this course

BA Business Management is a flexible programme which allows you to experience a wide range of management functions and provides you with a thorough grounding in a range of business subjects.

It is an exciting time to join us, our Business, Management and Marketing programmes are ranked 14th from 118 providers (up 10 places from last year), for Times Good University Guide 2025. We are ranked 18th (up from 29th last year) for our Business and Management programmes, for Guardian University Guide 2025 and we outperformed the sector in 6/7 question themes for NSS 2024.

Introduction

Taught by academic staff with industry experience in a variety of business sectors, from your first year of study you will be introduced to the problems and challenges of the business world and will be equipped with the knowledge to solve them. By the final year of your programme you will have the skills, business awareness and confidence to succeed in the wider business world with the opportunity to specialise in areas such as marketing, football, finance and events management.

From year one, we encourage our students to work as part of a team with peers on their course and give opportunity to work with real businesses, gaining a global perspective through a vibrant international learning community, as you are exposed to business ideas and cultures from the UK and beyond.

What you'll learn

- Fundamentals of marketing
 - Dynamic nature of supply and demand
 - Business statistics
 - Principles of operations management
 - Corporate social responsibility
 - Understanding of how businesses operate internationally
 - Strategic management and business policy
 - Gain a perspective on knowledge and innovation management
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Accreditation

The University of Liverpool Management School holds accreditation from [AACSB](#), [AMBA](#) and [EQUIS](#). This makes it one of an elite group of institutions worldwide to hold the gold standard triple accreditation.

Our Business Management course is accredited by the [Chartered Institute of Management Accountants \(CIMA\)](#), providing enhanced skills and understanding of how businesses are operated and managed, how to create strategies, and how people work together.

Accreditation in detail

CIMA

This programme is accredited by [Chartered Institute of Management Accountants \(CIMA\)](#) which will give you further skills and understanding on how businesses operate, are managed, how to create strategies and how people work together.

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Course content

Discover what you'll learn, what you'll study, and how you'll be taught and assessed.

Year one

Discover who you are as a professional and which areas of business you enjoy. Gain a thorough grounding in key business areas, such as: management, marketing, economics and finance. Learn to confidently interpret and analyse introductory qualitative and quantitative techniques appropriate to a business context and effectively communicate business related research findings.

As well as understanding Business Management concepts and problem-solving techniques, you will develop your employability skills from your first year of study.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>STATISTICAL FOUNDATIONS OF BUSINESS ANALYTICS (ECON154)</u>	15
<u>ECONOMIC PRINCIPLES FOR BUSINESS AND MARKETS (ECON127)</u>	15
<u>FUNDAMENTALS OF MARKETING (MKIB153)</u>	15
<u>INTRODUCTION TO ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE (NON-SPECIALIST) (ACFI107)</u>	15
<u>ORGANISATIONS AND MANAGEMENT (ULMS151)</u>	15
<u>INTRODUCTION TO THE GRADUATE RECRUITMENT PROCESS (ULMS170)</u>	15
<u>PRINCIPLES IN OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT (EBUS102)</u>	15
<u>THE NEW PROFESSIONAL (ULMS115)</u>	15

Programme details and modules listed are illustrative only and subject to change.

Year two

Build upon the foundations created in your first year and explore areas of interest more thoroughly through our three pathways: General, Accounting and Finance and Leadership and People Management.

Demonstrate the link between entrepreneurship, innovation and business creation from start-ups to large multinational organisations. Gain perspective on how and why businesses internationalise their operations.

Students following the Accounting and Finance pathway must take: ACFI205, ACFI203, ULMS206. On this pathway, students take one optional module in semester 1 and one optional module in semester 2.

Students following the Leadership and People Management pathway must take ULMS206 and ULMS216 and one optional module in semester 1. On this pathway, students take MKIB225 and ULMS251 and two optional modules in semester 2.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>BUSINESS IN THE GLOBAL ECONOMY (MKIB225)</u>	15
<u>CORPORATE SUSTAINABILITY (ULMS251)</u>	15
<u>BUSINESS ANALYTICS (EBUS205)</u>	15
<u>MANAGING PEOPLE (ULMS206)</u>	15
Optional modules	Credits
<u>CONTEMPORARY DEVELOPMENTS IN EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS (ULMS216)</u>	15

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<u>EQUALITY, DIVERSITY AND INCLUSION IN ORGANISATIONS (ULMS226)</u>	15
<u>FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT FOR BUSINESS (ACFI205)</u>	15
<u>SUSTAINABLE FORMS OF ENTERPRISE AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (MKIB235)</u>	15
<u>INTERNATIONAL FINANCE (NON-SPECIALIST) (ACFI260)</u>	15
<u>OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT: TOOLS AND TECHNIQUES (EBUS209)</u>	15
<u>SERVICES MARKETING (MKIB255)</u>	15
<u>GOVERNMENT AND BUSINESS (ULMS205)</u>	15
<u>IDENTITY, CULTURE AND WELLBEING IN ORGANISATIONS (ULMS268)</u>	15
<u>INTERNATIONAL MANAGEMENT (MKIB253)</u>	15
<u>MARKET RESEARCH (MKIB256)</u>	15
<u>INNOVATION AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (ULMS259)</u>	15
<u>EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING PROJECT (ULMS209)</u>	15
<u>BUSINESS AND EMPLOYMENT LAW (ULMS202)</u>	15
<u>THEORY OF THE FIRM (ECON254)</u>	15
<u>MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING (ACFI203)</u>	15

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Year three

Consolidate your knowledge and understanding of management through a much greater degree of personal study and research. Depending on your selection of third year modules, you will continue to probe more deeply into your chosen pathway: General, Accounting and Finance or Leadership and People Management.

Please note, ULMS302 is a compulsory module unless students choose ULMS399.

Students on the Accounting and Finance pathway must complete ACFI303 in semester 1 and ACFI320 in semester 2. ULMS302 is a compulsory modules for students on this pathway, unless they are doing the whole year dissertation- ULMS399.

Students on the Leadership and People Management pathway must take ULMS310 in semester 1 and ULMS364 in semester 2. They must also take ULMS302, unless they are doing the dissertation whole year option- ULMS399.

Modules

Compulsory modules	Credits
<u>STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT AND BUSINESS POLICY (ULMS353)</u>	15
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Optional modules	Credits
<u>ADVANCED ENTREPRENEURSHIP (ULMS360)</u>	15
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<u>BEHAVIOURAL FINANCE (ACFI311)</u>	15
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<u>CRITICAL PERSPECTIVES IN HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT (ULMS364)</u>	15
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<u>CORPORATE GOVERNANCE (ACFI320)</u>	15
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Optional modules	Credits
<u>DISSERTATION (ULMS399)</u>	30
<u>THE DIGITAL BUSINESS (EBUS301)</u>	15
<u>EVENTS MANAGEMENT (MKIB367)</u>	15
<u>THE PRICE OF FOOTBALL (ACFI322)</u>	15
<u>GLOBAL STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT (MKIB351)</u>	15
<u>INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC RELATIONS (ECON354)</u>	15
<u>INTERNATIONAL MARKETING (MKIB356)</u>	15
<u>MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING FOR BUSINESS (ACFI307)</u>	15
<u>MARKETING STRATEGY (MKIB363)</u>	15
<u>PROJECT MANAGEMENT (EBUS308)</u>	15
<u>PSYCHOLOGICAL APPROACHES TO DECISION-MAKING (ULMS351)</u>	15
<u>SOCIAL ENTERPRISE (MKIB301)</u>	15
<u>SUSTAINABLE SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT (EBUS306)</u>	15
<u>THE FOOTBALL BUSINESS (ULMS370)</u>	15
<u>CHARITY AND FUNDRAISING MANAGEMENT (ULMS330)</u>	15
<u>CORPORATE COMMUNICATIONS (MKIB372)</u>	15
<u>BECOMING A LEADER (ULMS310)</u>	15

Optional modules	Credits
<u>MANAGING KNOWLEDGE FOR INNOVATION (ULMS352)</u>	15
<u>BUSINESS SIMULATION (ULMS302)</u>	30
<u>STRATEGIC MANAGEMENT ACCOUNTING (ACFI303)</u>	15

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Combined degree

Choosing this subject as a combined degree

A Joint (50%) Business programme as a combined degree provides a balance of business knowledge with your other chosen subject with your modules split 50/50 between the two.

Please note you cannot trade up to Major or Single Honours when applying for Business as a joint subject

Teaching and assessment

How you'll learn

Modules are taught using the latest active learning techniques including business simulations, real-world case studies, social media, interactive participation software, lecture capture and real-time financial and business data using our Bloomberg Trading Floor. The principal forms of teaching are lectures and seminars with lectures normally being supported by material such as hand-outs and presentations.

Seminars give the opportunity for detailed discussion of a topic under the direction of a tutor. You are normally expected to prepare work in advance for seminars and may be expected to present work or give presentations from time to time. On some modules, such as quantitative techniques and IT, seminars may take the form of practical sessions using our PC suites.

All our degrees depend on you spending a good part of the week in private or group study in preparation for lectures and seminars. This involves making extensive use of the excellent library and IT facilities, just one minute's walk away from the Management School.

How you're assessed

You will be assessed through a combination of coursework and examinations. The exact weighting will vary from one module to another. As well as individual assignments and exams, you may also be assessed on group reports and presentations.

Liverpool Hallmarks

We have a distinctive approach to education, the Liverpool Curriculum Framework, which focuses on research-connected teaching, active learning, and authentic assessment to ensure our students graduate as digitally fluent and confident global citizens.

The Liverpool Curriculum framework sets out our distinctive approach to education. Our teaching staff support our students to develop academic knowledge, skills, and understanding alongside our **graduate attributes**:

- Digital fluency
- Confidence
- Global citizenship

Our curriculum is characterised by the three **Liverpool Hallmarks**:

- Research-connected teaching
- Active learning
- Authentic assessment

All this is underpinned by our core value of **inclusivity** and commitment to providing a curriculum that is accessible to all students.

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Careers and employability

Studying Business Management at the Management School will not only help you understand how a business works overall, but will develop your skills of flexibility, problem-solving ability, commercial awareness and communication, all of which are highly valued by employers.

Studying BA Business Management gives our graduates the flexibility to explore a range of careers. Former students have found successful careers in professions such as:

- Research Analyst;
- Marketing Consultant;
- Brand Buying;
- Supply Chain & Logistics Management;
- Senior Audit Associate.

Recent employers include

- PWC;
- Astra Zeneca;
- Bank of America;
- Cadbury's;
- Ernst and Young;
- Kellogg's;
- DWP;
- Amazon.

You will be encouraged to undertake a Year in Industry as part of the four-year sandwich degree programme.

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Fees and funding

Your tuition fee covers almost everything, but you may have additional study costs to consider, such as books, specialist equipment or field trips.

Tuition fees

UK fees (applies to Channel Islands, Isle of Man and Republic of Ireland)

Full-time place, per year – £9,790

Year in industry fee – £1,905

Year abroad fee – £1,385 (applies to year in China)

International fees

Full-time place, per year – £27,000

Year in industry fee – £1,905

Year abroad fee – £13,500 (applies to year in China)

The UK and international full-time fees shown are for the academic year 2026/27 (UK fees are subject to Parliamentary approval). UK year abroad and year in industry fees and international year in industry fees shown are for entry 2025, as 2026/27 fees have yet to be confirmed. Please be advised that tuition fees may increase each year for both UK and international students. For UK students, this will be subject to the government's regulated fee limits.

Tuition fees cover the cost of your teaching and assessment, operating facilities such as libraries, IT equipment, and access to academic and personal support. [Learn more about paying for your studies.](#)

Additional costs

All students have the opportunity to spend a semester studying overseas during their second year, subject to your year one performance. If you elect to study abroad you will need to cover associated travel and living costs. University travel bursaries and subsistence grants are available.

Find out more about the [additional study costs](#) that may apply to this course.

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Entry requirements

The qualifications and exam results you'll need to apply for this course.

A levels

AAB

Applicants with the Extended Project Qualification (EPQ) are eligible for a reduction in grade requirements. For this course, the offer is **ABB** with **A** in the EPQ.

You may automatically qualify for reduced entry requirements through our contextual offers scheme. Based on your personal circumstances, you may automatically qualify for up to a two-grade reduction in the entry requirements needed for this course. When you apply, we consider a range of factors – such as where you live – to assess if you're eligible for a grade reduction. You don't have to make an application for a grade reduction – we'll do all the work.

Find out more about [how we make reduced grade offers](#).

T levels

Management and Administration considered.

Applicants should contact us by [completing the enquiry form on our website](#) to discuss specific requirements in the core components and the occupational specialism.

GCSE

GCSE Mathematics at grade 5/C and GCSE English at grade 4/C required.

Subject requirements

Some Level 3 qualifications are only acceptable alongside 2 A levels, please [contact us](#) for details.

BTEC Level 3 National Extended Diploma

D*D*D in a Business related subject:

- Applied Law
- Applied Psychology

- Business
 - Business, Accounting and Finance
 - Computing
 - Creative Digital Media Production
 - Engineering
 - Enterprise and Entrepreneurship
 - Health and Social Care
 - Hospitality
 - Information Communications Technology
 - Information Technology
 - Media
 - Public Services
 - Strategic Management and Leadership
 - Travel and Tourism
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International Baccalaureate

34 points overall with no score less than 4 or pass the IB Diploma plus 6,6,5 in 3 HL subjects.

Irish Leaving Certificate

H1,H1,H2,H2,H2,H3

Scottish Higher/Advanced Higher

Scottish Advanced Highers at AAB

Welsh Baccalaureate Advanced

B in the Welsh Baccalaureate, plus grades AA at A level.

Access

Pass relevant Access to HE Diploma(Business/Humanities/Social Science) with 45 Level 3 credits with 36 at Distinction and 9 at Merit.

International qualifications

[Select your country or region to view specific entry requirements.](#)

If you hold a bachelor's degree or equivalent, but don't meet our entry requirements, you could be eligible for a Pre-Master's course. This is offered on campus at the [University of Liverpool International College](#), in partnership with Kaplan International Pathways. It's a specialist preparation course for postgraduate study, and when you pass the Pre-Master's at the required level with good attendance, you're guaranteed entry to a University of Liverpool master's degree.

English language requirements

You'll need to demonstrate competence in the use of English language, unless you're from a [majority English speaking country](#).

We accept a variety of [international language tests](#) and [country-specific qualifications](#).

International applicants who do not meet the minimum required standard of English language can complete one of our [Pre-Sessional English courses](#) to achieve the required level.

IELTS

6.5 overall, with no component below 5.5

TOEFL iBT

88 overall, with minimum scores of listening 17, writing 17, reading 17 and speaking 19. TOEFL Home Edition not accepted.

Duolingo English Test

125 overall, with speaking, reading and writing not less than 105, and listening not below 100

Pearson PTE Academic

61 overall, with no component below 59

LanguageCert Academic

70 overall, with no skill below 60

Cambridge IGCSE First Language English 0500

Grade C overall, with a minimum of grade 2 in speaking and listening. Speaking and listening must be separately endorsed on the certificate.

Cambridge IGCSE First Language English 0990

Grade 4 overall, with Merit in speaking and listening

Cambridge IGCSE Second Language English 0510/0511

0510: Grade B overall, with a minimum of grade 2 in speaking. Speaking must be separately endorsed on the certificate. 0511: Grade B overall.

Cambridge IGCSE Second Language English 0993/0991

0993: Grade 6 overall, with a minimum of grade 2 in speaking. Speaking must be separately endorsed on the certificate. 0991: Grade 6 overall.

Cambridge ESOL Level 2/3 Advanced

176 overall, with no paper below 162

International Baccalaureate English A: Literature or Language & Literature

Grade 5 at Standard Level or grade 5 at Higher Level

International Baccalaureate English B

Grade 7 at Standard Level or grade 6 at Higher Level

Pre-sessional English

Do you need to complete a Pre-sessional English course to meet the English language requirements for this course?

The length of Pre-sessional English course you'll need to take depends on your current level of English language ability.

Pre-sessional English in detail

If you don't meet our English language requirements, we can use your most recent IELTS score, or [the equivalent score in selected other English language tests](#), to determine the length of Pre-sessional English course you require.

Use the table below to check the course length you're likely to require for your current English language ability and see whether the course is available on campus or online.

Your most recent IELTS score	Pre-sessional English course length	On campus or online
6.0 overall, with no component below 5.5	6 weeks	On campus
5.5 overall, with no component below 5.5	10 weeks	On campus and online options available
5.5 overall, with no more than one component below 5.5, and no component below 5.0	12 weeks	On campus and online options available
5.5 overall, with no component below 4.5	20 weeks	On campus
5.0 overall, with no component below 4.5	30 weeks	On campus
4.5 overall, with no more than one component below 4.5, and no component below 4.0	40 weeks	On campus

If you've completed an alternative English language test to IELTS, we may be able to use this to assess your English language ability and determine the Pre-sessional English course length you require.

Please see our guide to [Pre-sessional English entry requirements](#) for IELTS 6.5 overall, with no component below 5.5, for further details.

Alternative entry requirements

- If your qualification isn't listed here, or you're taking a combination of qualifications, [contact us](#) for advice
- If you are returning to learning, have had a disrupted education or are switching career pathways, the one-year [Go Higher diploma](#) qualifies you to apply for University of Liverpool arts, humanities and social sciences programmes
- [Applications from mature students](#) are welcome.

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