The Natural Sciences BSc enables students to combine more than one science subject, reflecting the multidisciplinary nature of high-quality, internationally leading research undertaken at UCL. The programme enables students who wish to maintain a breadth of science subjects to design a unique degree which is suited to their personal interests.

**Key information**

**Programme starts**  
September 2019

**Location**  
London, Bloomsbury

**Degree benefits**

- The unique core stream structure provides you with module options from across the spectrum of science disciplines.
- You may broaden your knowledge further by taking optional modules in non-science subjects such as languages, management studies, computing and statistics.
- While the programme offers a high level of flexibility, the core streams offer you a structured pathway to enable specialisation.
- Members of our teaching staff are experts in their various fields and are active in research, so you will benefit from their cutting-edge knowledge in your lectures and tutorials.

**Degree structure**

In each year of your degree you will take a number of individual modules, normally valued at 15 or 30 credits, adding up to a total of 120 credits for the year. Modules are assessed in the academic year in which they are taken. The balance of compulsory and optional modules varies from programme to programme and year to year. A 30-credit module is considered equivalent to 15 credits in the European Credit Transfer System (ECTS).

The programme is divided into two main subjects or streams, which are chosen in the first year and followed for the duration of the programme. One will become your major stream, while the other will become your minor stream.

All students undertake a mathematics module and three foundation modules in the first year. Equal weighting is applied to the major and minor stream in the first and second years. During the final year of the BSc, the balance of study shifts towards your chosen major stream whilst you still continue with the minor stream.

Certain streams may have prerequisites of particular grades and/or subjects at A level or equivalent; further details can be found on the Natural Sciences website.

**YEAR ONE**

**Core or compulsory module(s)**

- The first term comprises a compulsory mathematics module and foundation modules introducing the streams that are offered. You will select three foundation modules from the following:
  - Chemistry
  - Earth Sciences
  - Life Sciences
  - Mathematics and Statistics
  - Physics and Astronomy
  - Science and Technology Studies

**Core streams**

- In your second term you will choose two core streams from the following areas:
  - Astrophysics
  - Biomedical Science
  - Earth and Environment
  - Genetics, Evolution and Environment
  - Geophysical Sciences
  - History and Philosophy of Science**
  - Inorganic and Materials Chemistry
  - Mathematics and Statistics*
  - Medical Physics
  - Molecular and Cell Biology
  - Organic Chemistry
  - Neuroscience and Psychology
  - Physical Chemistry
  - Physics
  - Policy, Communication and Ethics**
- *May only be pursued as a minor stream after year two
- **May only be pursued as a major stream in the BSc; MSci students may only take it as a minor.

**YEAR TWO**

**Core streams**

- You will take modules in your two core streams. Both streams have equal weighting, amounting to 45 credits of core (mandatory) modules per stream, plus a compulsory Scientific Communication and Computing module. At the end of the second year, you will choose one of the streams as a major stream.

**Optional modules**

- You can select one optional module, worth 15 credits. This can be taken outside the main Natural Sciences subject areas, for example in foreign languages, management, etc.
Data taken from the 'Destinations of Leavers from Higher Education' survey undertaken by HESA looking at the destinations of UK and EU students in the 2013-2015 graduating cohorts six months after graduation.
Entry requirements

A LEVELS
Standard Offer: A’AA. Any two subjects from Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics or Physics.

Contextual Offer: AAB. Grade A in any two subjects from Biology, Chemistry, Geology, Mathematics or Physics.

GCSE
English Language and Mathematics at grade C or 5. For UK-based students, a grade C or 5 or equivalent in a foreign language (other than Ancient Greek, Biblical Hebrew or Latin) is required. UCL provides opportunities to meet the foreign language requirement following enrolment, further details at: www.ucl.ac.uk/ug-requirements

IB DIPLOMA
Standard Offer: 39. A score of 19 points in three higher level subjects including grade 6 in two from Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics, with no score lower than 5.

Contextual Offer: 36. A score of 17 points in three higher level subjects including 6 in two from Biology, Chemistry, Mathematics or Physics, with no score lower than 5.

CONTEXTUAL OFFERS – ACCESS UCL SCHEME
As part of our commitment to increasing participation from underrepresented groups, students may be eligible for a contextual offer as part of the Access UCL scheme. For more information see www.ucl.ac.uk/prospectus

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS
UCL considers a wide range of UK and international qualifications for entry into its undergraduate programmes. Full details are given at: www.ucl.ac.uk/otherquals

UNDERGRADUATE PREPARATORY CERTIFICATES
(Unternational foundation courses)
UCL Undergraduate Preparatory Certificates (UPCs) are intensive one-year foundation courses for international students of high academic potential who are aiming to gain access to undergraduate degree programmes at UCL and other top UK universities.

Typical UPC students will be high achievers in a 12-year school system which does not meet the standard required for direct entry to UCL.

For more information see: www.ucl.ac.uk/upc.

TUITION FEES
The fees indicated are for undergraduate entry in the 2019/20 academic year. The UK/EU fees shown are for the first year of the programme at UCL only. Fees for future years may be subject to an inflationary increase. The Overseas fees shown are the fees that will be charged to 2019/20 entrants for each year of study on the programme, unless otherwise indicated below.

// UK & EU: £9,250 (2019/20)
// Overseas: £26,740 (2019/20)

Full details of UCL’s tuition fees, tuition fee policy and potential increases to fees can be found on the UCL Students website.

Additional costs
If you are concerned by potential additional costs for books, equipment, etc. on this programme, please get in touch with the relevant departmental contact (details given on this page).

FUNDING
Various funding options are available, including student loans, scholarships and bursaries. UK students whose household income falls below a certain level may also be eligible for a non-repayable bursary or for certain scholarships. Please see the Fees and funding pages for more details.

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EU referendum
For up-to-date information relating to specific key questions following the UK’s decision to leave the EU, please refer to: www.ucl.ac.uk/ucl-and-europe

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